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MISSION

To strengthen the development of our members by providing knowledge, multi-sector representation and protecting the values and foundations of free enterprise. Foster the sustainable economic development of Puerto Rico’s and a better quality of life.

VISION

To create sustainable socioeconomic conditions that energized Puerto Rico’s competitiveness, promoting innovation and the entrepreneurial spirit.

VALUES

We believe in…
Free Enterprise,
Competitiveness,
Economic Development,
Multi-sector Dialog,
Development of Our Human Resources,
Team work,
Knowledge,
Integrity,
Excellence,
Planning,
Innovation,
Communication and the Need to Adopt Changes.
Welcome to the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce! For over a hundred years, our Institution has been the Voice and Action of the Private Enterprise in Puerto Rico. Our mission has been to strengthen the development of our members by providing knowledge, multi-sector representation and protecting the values and foundations of free enterprise as well as fostering the sustainable economic development of Puerto Rico’s and a better quality of life.

From an early age - thanks to my late father and former president of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Héctor Ledesma Rodríguez, I have had the opportunity to share with great leaders of the business and commerce community in Puerto Rico, who have led and collaborated with our Institution. I have also witnessed the role that the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce has played in the evolution of the economy and society in Puerto Rico. During the last four decades of my life, this centenary institution has been a strong influence in my life, for which I am convinced that the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is the best vehicle to lead all socioeconomic and business development initiatives in Puerto Rico and for our entrepreneurs to get more involved in the global economy.

In our Institution, the members have direct contact with business leaders of all economic sectors, members of our Board of Directors, Council of Affiliated Associations, composed of over 30 private sector organizations, Council of Former Presidents and members of more than 30 Working Committees that represent all the largest economic sectors on the Island. Many of them opinion leaders!
Another distinction that places us as leaders of the business and commerce community in the Island, is the excellent relationship -that through our history- we have developed with leaders from the Puerto Rico Legislative Assembly and the United States Congress, as well as local and federal government leaders, U.S. and International Chambers of Commerce leaders, and others, for which we have being recognized with the prestigious “State Chamber” accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. This thanks to our PRCC staff, which is highly committed and productive.

Without a doubt, in Puerto Rico we are currently living an economic situation of many challenges, which presents us the opportunity for the private sector, through the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce, to be more active than ever in our endeavor of supporting a healthy economic development for our Island. The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce has established, and this year we will be adding and strengthening collaboration agreements with several industry associations and non-profit entities. As part of these alliances, organized under the Council of Affiliated Associations, we will be coordinating most of our activities and work, in representation and on behalf of our members and all private enterprises in Puerto Rico.

We invite you to join all the businessmen, executives and professionals who are part of this centenary institution and the key drivers of our economy. Just like my father, Héctor Ledesma, I will serve you all with passion, dedication and a genuine commitment of well-being for all. I am most certain that with your solidarity and support, we will give a testimony of business unity that will serve as a role model for our business community and society, leading the business sector to look “beyond the 100x35 miles” and contributing to improve the economy of Puerto Rico.

I count with your support!

José E. Ledesma Fuentes
President and Chairman of the Board

Access the Work Plan: https://qr.go.page.link/hVCqy
MEMBER’S BENEFITS

Be an active entrepreneur or professional in the commercial community. Get involved in the following development scenarios offered by the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce:

1. **Access** to the largest and most diverse business network in Puerto Rico.

2. **Volunteer** to work on the Working Committees. They offer you the opportunity to participate on special projects, contributing your knowledge and experience and benefiting from exposure to other entrepreneurs.

3. **Participate** in the activities that the Chamber develops.

4. If you have **specialized knowledge** in a particular business area, participate as a speaker in the Chamber’s seminars, workshops and forums. Gain recognition for your experience and knowledge.

5. **Advertise** your organization or firm in our publications, reaching large and small companies in various commercial sectors.

6. **Sponsor** our activities. This gives you exposure to the business and entrepreneurial community in various sectors, projects you as being competitive, indicating that you and your business are active players in the entrepreneurial community and positioning your business as pro-active and avant-garde.

7. The best way of **making yourself known** is by offering the Chamber your support in lobbying the measures that benefit the private sector as a whole.

For more information: [https://qr.go.page.link/kwHUY](https://qr.go.page.link/kwHUY)
DISCOUNT PROGRAM

OUR MEMBERS ENJOY excellent benefits that help them SAVE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS PER YEAR

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Take advantage of this exclusive program and receive 60% off from more than 600 office products, 70% off in copy and print, and 5% off in other items. Save time and money with this Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce Discount Program when shopping online or at any Office Depot and OfficeMax store in Puerto Rico, United States, St. Thomas and St. Croix.

https://qr.go.page.link/hPfzo

WellCard Savings

This benefit provides pharmacy discounts [up to 55%], discount in imaging and laboratories [with access to 1,100 diagnostic tests], medical devices [may save up to 10%], vision discount [save on lenses, frames and tests eye]. Discount on vitamins by mail [save up to 50%], diabetes supplies by mail [to 15% off], among others. The discount card is accepted at over 59,000 participating pharmacies and stores.

https://qr.go.page.link/gQg71
As a member of the PRCC, you will have access to the largest network of gas stations in the Island with the biggest facilities for storage and receiving in the Caribbean. For a free consultation call 787-705-5390/5337 or email servicio@pumaenergy.com

https://qrgo.page.link/Ge6aJ

SERVICES AND EVENTS

Virtual Network for Members

Our virtual network of partners aims to achieve integration among the members, provoke conversation and business linkages that result in productive business relationships and durable and thus to contribute to economic growth of Puerto Rico.

In this network, you can:
• find the Membership Directory
• participate in exchange forums,
• participate in the creation of forums and blogs news for the business community.

PUBLICATIONS
• Cámara en Acción (weekly newsletter)
• Membership Directory (available at PRCC’s Virtual Network)
• Annual Report
• Holidays Calendar

• The Business Register (Puerto Rico Entrepreneurial/Industrial Directory)
• Legislative Report

NETWORKING

Members will have access to the most important and varied commercial relationships networks in Puerto Rico.

SURVEYS

Our Institution prepares and promotes periodic surveys on topics of special interest to entrepreneurs.

COUNSELING AND LIMITED ADVICE
(free of charge for members)
• Commerce Promotion
• CET Pymes (Express Permit Center)
• Fire Department
• ARPE (State Rules and Permits Administration)
• Health
SERVICES AND EVENTS

- Marketing
- Public Relations
- Business Plan Preparation
- Legal Affairs related to Human Resources Administration and Local Laws

IMPORT & EXPORT PROMOTION

- Participation in commercial missions to foreign markets.
- Certificates of Origin for shipping by exporters.
- Price lists certification.
- Integration with Chambers of Commerce in the United States, Latin America and other countries.
- Promotion of local and international manufacturing.
- Hosting of international commercial missions.

COMMERCIAL REFERRALS

As a member of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce you become a potential provider or supplier of your products or services when other members call our offices to request lists of merchants associated with our organization. You will have the opportunity to be referred several times a year, given that we receive calls and requests from companies outside of and within Puerto Rico that are interested in obtaining information about our business and professional members.

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our different departments are responsible for developing programs and activities directed towards strengthening the relationship with and between Chamber members. Our primary goal is to offer excellent service to our members and maintain a direct and effective communication flow. We work arduously when it comes to fundamental tasks such as: maintaining good relationships with government agencies, legislative bodies and other associations and institutions in an attempt to establish strategic alliances when needed.

We constantly have the responsibility of structuring personalized benefits and services for Chamber members. Our personnel meet the needs of members with sensitivity, diligence and promptness, because they are the foundation of our economy. Our diverse services go from the most basic, such as the orientation on permits and licenses needed to establish a business, to the most complex, such as promoting the participation and interaction of our members in Commercial Missions. This way, entrepreneurial ties at the local and international levels are strengthened.
WORK COMMITTEES

The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce carries out its daily work consulting problems and situations that directly or indirectly affect the private sector of the economy with the Working Committees. The function of the working committees in this effort is of vital importance, so that not only the Executive Committee but also the Board of Directors and the President can receive counsel and advice from the various business sectors. This allows the organization to submit necessary proposals to the corresponding authorities.

All members of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce and their designated representatives are eligible to form part of the Working Committee of their choice. The President of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce will designate the chairpersons of every Committee, who will occupy their position for one year, and will inform them of matters that will constitute the work agenda and priorities for the fiscal year. Chair persons will concentrate their efforts on these priorities and will recruit volunteer resources in order to facilitate the culmination of their agenda during the fiscal year. If culmination is not possible in that time period, they will submit pertinent recommendations at the end of their terms in order to allow proper continuity of such efforts in subsequent fiscal years.

Check the list of committees and let us know which ones you wish to participate in:

Legislative and Government Affairs
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Tax Affairs
- Human and Labor Resources

Commerce and Industry
- Agriculture
- Retail
- Franchises
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Small and Med-size Enterprises (SMEs)
- Tourism

Service Industry
- Banking, Finances and Investments
- Real Estate
- Cooperatives and Credit Unions
- Insurance

Science and Technology
- Technology
- Telecommunications

Infrastructure
- Environment, Infrastructure and Permits
- International Trade
- Energy and Water
- Transportation and Logistic

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Included herein is a short list of some of the guidelines for the Working Committees:

- Working Committees will act as advisory bodies to the President of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Directors.

- Working Committees will have the right to use the physical facilities of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce free of charge in order to carry out their official meetings provided they are requested ahead of time.

- Scheduling of the Working Committees will be carried out through the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce.

- Membership in the Working Committees is renewed annually.

Institutional Development
- University Chapters
- Young Entrepreneurs (must be 39 years or younger)
- Professional and Businesswomen’s Network

Social Development
- Quality of Life and Social Responsibility
- Medicinal Cannabis
- Sports
- Diversity
- Education
- Health
- Opportunity Zones

Join our Work Committees: https://qrgo.page.link/WGrLx
Effective **October 1st, 2018 until September 30, 2019**, you can be part of the health plan that provides a wide range of comprehensive care. This product applies for members of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce only.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Be a member of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce.
2. Minimum of participation of **2-50 employees** or **10 or more employees**.
3. Mandatory documents:
   i. Evidence of Form 941/941-PR
   ii. Unemployment insurance statement or
   iii. Form 499 R-18 with a list of employees

**INCLUDES:**

- Hospital Services
- Ambulatory and Surgical Services
- Diagnostic Tests
- Maternity
- Pharmacy Coverage
- Dental Coverage

**ACCESS THE BENEFITS SUMMARY**

https://qruto.page.link/voZnH

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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- Internet Liability
- Employment Practices Liability
- Entertainment Risk Liability
- Bonds of all types
- Travel Accident/ADD
- Disability and Catastrophic Illnesses, among others
- Long Term Care, annuities, life

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206 Calle Tetuán, Piso 9, Viejo San Juan, PR 00901
Lobbying

The participation of the Chamber of Commerce of Puerto Rico in matters affecting the private sector is an essential part of its mission. We strive to maintain an active presence before the Legislative Assembly and other governmental and private entities to defend the interests of this sector and support beneficial changes and legislation that allows for sustainable economic development in Puerto Rico.

We do this strictly following the principles of free enterprise and sustainable economic development detailed in our Statute and Assembly Resolutions. The evaluation of each measure is carried out by determining its impact on the economy and on trade, keeping out political-partisan motivations or considerations. All with the intention of strengthening the development of our constituents, providing knowledge, multisectoral representation and protecting the values of the private sector.

We have achieved important alliances that allow us to maintain a presence in Washington D.C. on very important topics such as health funds (Medicaid, Medicare), nutritional assistance funds and others. These alliances with non-profit entities have allowed us to expand our field of action and have our message reach a wider audience. The Chamber also keeps its members aware of important legal developments through its weekly publications, emails, articles or information activities.
LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Scope of Legislative Action

- Negotiate and support legislation favorable to the private sector.
- Stop legislation or unfavorable determinations that affect economic development and businesses.
- Prepare and present testimony before legislative committees.
- Appear at legislative and government agency public hearings in order to set forth the Chamber’s position.
- Support and lobby in favor of the private sector at the municipal level, the courts or any competent forum.
- Report on legislation in progress.
- Report new laws that impact the business sector.
- Meet with government leaders to discuss and find development alternatives for the private sector and the economy.

Informe Legislativo

A new digital parliamentary publication: “Informe Legislativo” (Legislative Report) is available to our members. This publication is edited by our Director of Legal and Legislative Services, Wanda Pérez, Esq.

This report presents a updated summary of the projects in which the PRCC is working on and those that its following through the legislative process. At the end of each session, a more detailed report will be published specifying each new law approved that can positively or negatively affect our members. Links to the presented projects are included so the reader could make his own analysis.

Access the projects

https://qr.go.page.link/yiWbJ
THE PUERTO RICO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS ACCREDITED AS A STATE CHAMBER BY THE U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Accreditation Program is the only program of its kind that defines and promotes excellence in the planning of entities such as ours, as well as recognizing the outstanding contributions of chambers of commerce, which results in positive changes for their communities. The purpose of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce is to promote continued excellence in the chambers of commerce sector, fostering a business-friendly environment throughout America. We are proud to be the first Chamber of Commerce to obtain the prestigious “State Chamber” accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce outside of the U.S. territory. For a chamber of commerce, this accreditation represents a prestigious honor that distinguishes it with the highest standards of quality, experience and a high degree of leadership with which a chamber of commerce must operate to remain accredited.

For more information:
https://qrgo.page.link/zCQpc

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SPONSORSHIP OF ACTIVITIES

The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce offers you the opportunity to promote your company’s image by becoming a sponsor of our activities. Our sponsorship proposals are reasonable and flexible.

E-MARKETING/E-COMMERCE

Your promotional ad through our e-Marketing services is received by all our PRCC Members, reaching 3,000+ e-mail addresses of companies and professionals from all economic sectors. Our membership is one of the most powerful groups in the Island in terms of purchasing power and decision-making.

Use this effective digital media with a minimum investment. New members have the benefit of sending a promotional ad free of charge during their first year as member of our Institution.

Requirements:

- Membership must be up to date, since this is an exclusive service for members.
- A letter to the Sales and Marketing Director of the Chamber indicating your desire to send promotional material regarding your product or service.
- Provide a sample of the promotion.
Designated personnel will call you if your promotion has been approved for transmittal. You will also be informed about the required format and resolution for sending the promotion.

Basic fee for this service is $325.00 per dispatch.

This benefit is not transferable to another member or external business (non-member).

The promotion must be related to products or services offered by the member as registered in the membership form.

Webpage

Our website is a very informative and promotional tool, it is your best business ally. For more information please call Sandra González, Marketing and Sales Director, 787-721-6060, Ext. 2225, sgonzalez@camarapr.net

For more information: https://qrgo.page.link/vSiQG
Participation in events and activities of the Chamber provide professional and development opportunities for “networking”. To help your business grow, the PRCC organizes over 50 training activities annually for immediate implementation and offers over 40 free activities to strengthen the competitiveness of your business.

Institutional Activities
(providing exposure to our members)
- Initiation of New Members
- Business After 6
- Members Luncheons
- Meet the Board of Directors Candidates Luncheon
- B2B Networking Meetings

Educational Curriculum
Workshops and conferences covering current topics in the following areas:
- Health
- Economic Perspectives
- Administration
- Energy
- Labor Law
- Technology

Educational Seminars by our Work Committees
FREE for our Members
These seminars provide our members services that increase the quality of their membership. Year after year we strive to find alternatives that offer added value to the membership.

The Seminars concentrate on issues related to the business environment and effective management.

Brand Events
- PROMESA Conference
- Puerto Rico Conference
- Puerto Rico Health & Insurance Conference
- Puerto Rico Telecom Conference
- Government and Private Sector Economic Forum
- Economic Perspectives Forum
Annual Convention
Event where members and potential candidates for leadership position within the chamber meet in order to network and participate in an array of social and educational events.

• Members Assembly
• Business Center
• Exhibitions of products and services
• Guest speakers
• Awards to selected members for their outstanding business and social performance

Please share your photos in your Twitter Account with #CamaraEnAccion
Founded in 1913, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is a private organization which represents all business sectors. The Chamber groups professionals and entrepreneurs who promote the development of all economic sectors in Puerto Rico, based on private initiative and free enterprise.

As part of its objectives, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is pledged to defend the free enterprise system based on the premise that the Government must be a stimulating agent in promoting business. In carrying out its regulatory function the Government must become a facilitator, so that the private sector can efficiently carry out its functions of producing and distributing goods and services. This will promote the generation of jobs and achieve the quality of life that our community requires in order to advance the progress of everyone in Puerto Rico.

In addition to its membership of more than 1,000 members, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce groups 40 allied entrepreneurial and professional associations of all sectors in Puerto Rico. They make up what is known as the Council of Affiliated Associations. Thus, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is an institution that represents the Island’s business sector.

The Chamber of Commerce’s work is carried out by the Board of Directors, which is made up of professional entrepreneurs and representatives of the Affiliated Associations, who encompass all fields of economic activity. The members of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce respond to the general standards and plans drawn up by the General Assembly of Members, the Board of Directors and the President of the Institution.
Membership Application, Payment Method Form, Federal Communications Commission and Work Committees

Access the memberships forms

https://qr.go.page.link/f1ggU

Please remember to:

• Fill out all applications in legible handwriting and send them to the PRCC by E-mail: oteroj@camarapr.net or personally with the correct annual fee.
• Our Authorized Personnel will determine the amount of your annual fee.
• A maximum of 5 representatives from your company will have the right to vote, but one vote per company.
• Every membership application will be evaluated by our Members Committee and will be submitted for approval by the Board of Directors which meets monthly. You will be notified by mail once your membership has been approved.
• Your membership with the Working Committees will be renewed every year.
• The Working Committee’s Form is optional and voluntary.

Our Team

President and Executive Director’s Office
• President
• Executive Director

Technical and Legislative Services Department
• Legal and Legislative Affairs Director

Accounting Department
• Finance and Accounting Director
• Accounting Coordinator

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• Sales and Marketing Director
• Sales Representative
• Members Services Officer
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• Assistant

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