



## **MARCH | NUTRITION MONTH**

Education is one of our most important objectives to mitigate food insecurity on the Island. With this objective in mind, during the Nutrition Month we developed a series of activities to encourage people on how to achieve a better lifestyle with good nutritional habits.



### **STUDENTS BRING THEIR CROPS**

Students from the school project "We educate, plant and eat healthy" brought their crops to plant them in the Caja Verde garden of Banco de Alimentos de Puerto Rico. This school project was created by the Educamos con Amor Foundation, winner of the Zero Hunger 2022 contest.



### **IMMERSIVE NUTRITION EXPERIENCE**

During Nutrition Month, we joined the Head Start IBQ program and other health professionals to bring boys and girls, an immersive experience where they tasted and learned about the rich flavors of Puerto Rico. We visited the San Juan, Vieques and Santa Isabel facilities.



### **TALK TO AGENCIES**

We welcomed our member organizations for a day of nutrition and fitness to celebrate Nutrition Month. Thanks to Roxana Tosca and Suzanne Jiménez, Esq. of the Puerto Rico Association of Nutritionists for being our valuable resources.



### **MOCHILA ALEGRE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY IN VIEQUES**

Thanks to Fe Que Transforma Inc. and the Puerto Rico Public Health Trust for bringing the joy of good nutrition to the M. María Simons School, a participant in the Mochila Alegre program.



### **FIRST DELIVERY OF THE GREEN BOX**

We continue to break food barriers with our first community distribution of fresh fruits and vegetables from the La Caja Verde program in the Ingenio neighborhood in Toa Baja.



# NEWS



## INAUGURATION OF ZERO HUNGER PROJECT'S NEW WAREHOUSE AND FOOD TRUCK IN VIEQUES

On Friday, April 28, 2023, Fe Que Transforma church inaugurated the new Food Truck and Warehouse to continue the fight against food insecurity in Vieques. A recognition was also made to the past president of Banco de Alimentos de Puerto Rico, Denise Santos, who started the Zero Hunger Contest in 2021, an initiative that allowed the organization to continue expanding its services and programs.



## HURRICANE SEASON PREPARATIONS

The Food Bank of Puerto Rico, participated in a meeting at the FEMA Distribution Center to discuss what the supply distribution efforts would be in the event of a new emergency. The Commissioner of the Bureau for Emergency Management and the director of the American Red Cross Chapter of Puerto Rico, among others, participated.



## SNAP IN PUERTO RICO

On April 27, the Hispanic Federation and the Puerto Rico Food Security Coalition, held a press conference in Washington, D.C., presenting a statement signed by more than 200 local and national organizations, including Banco de Alimentos de Puerto Rico and Feeding America, to request Congress to include Puerto Rico in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

# FEEDING AMERICA VISITS

United under the same vision, the members of Feeding America continue to share new tools and ideas so that no one goes without food. Our gratitude to each of you for your visit and contribution to the Food Bank of Puerto Rico.



### MELVIN ACOSTA

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle Vice President of Operations and Logistics

A Puerto Rican in the diaspora with the common mission of alleviating hunger.



### AMY KOSAR Y ALONNA ADESOPE

Senior Manager and Food Supply Manager

In dialogue with all our workers, to help us develop a growth plan.



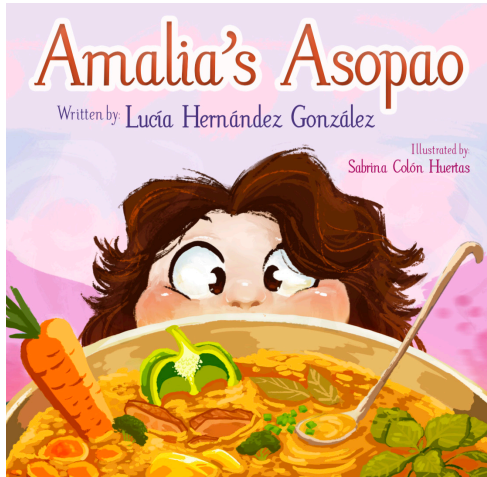
### JOEL GONZÁLEZ, MYA PRICE & DEEPA PRASAD

Food Security Equity Impact Fund

They visited the beneficiaries Para La Naturaleza and TAIS, collaborators of our organization.



# COLLABORATIVE CAMPAIGNST



## BOOK TO BENEFIT FOOD INSECURITY IN PUERTO RICO

Amalia's Asopao is the first book for 16-year-old Lucía Hernández, who will be donating most of the proceeds to the Food Bank of Puerto Rico, to support the Mochila Alegre Program. This children's book is now available and can be obtained in digital or printed format through the Amazon.com platform (<https://a.co/d/iZKHrTY>).

### Macy's Puerto Rico

Thanks to Macy's Puerto Rico for being the first to provide us with a physical sales space on Saturday, March 18 at their Plaza Las Américas location. It was a complete success!

### Bazaar Spring Time

On Sunday, April 30, the Spring Time Bazaar was held to benefit the Food Bank of Puerto Rico. We are very grateful to Welcome Bazaar for making us part of such a successful event.



## LENT TO YOUR TASTE WITH PR SUPPLIES

We joined PR Supplies in a campaign to win a trip to Spain and, in turn, support Banco de Alimentos de Puerto Rico. With the purchase of 3 or more of the participating products, contestants could win a trip for two to the Camino de Santiago in Spain, or one of 6 pairing kits, by uploading the purchase receipt to morokitchen.com. The campaign ended on April 15, 2023.



## FIGHT HUNGER WITH WALMART

Walmart PR and local suppliers joined in for another year to support Banco de Alimentos de Puerto Rico, with the purchase of a variety of participating products, to help fight food insecurity on the Island. Purchases were made at Walmart stores and Sam's from Puerto Rico. The effort is part of Hands that Feed. The campaign ended on May 8, 2023.





# VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for donating your time and hands to us during the months of March and April.



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