



## NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Beginning this new fiscal year, we celebrated the election of the new Board of Directors of Banco de Alimentos, with the appointment of Ms. Nicole Rios of Walton Post as incoming President, Mr. Antonio Echevarría of Walmart Puerto Rico, as Treasurer and Mrs. Adriana Pérez Rentas of DLA Piper, as Secretary.

Other Directors include:

- **Alani Lapetina Mafuz**  
V. Suárez
- **Roberto Pando Cintrón**  
MCS
- **Pastor Esdras Santiago**
- **Lcdo. Pedro E. Giner Dapena**
- **Lcdo. Chetzil Penalverty**  
Banco Popular
- **David de Sevilla Quintero**  
Centro de Emprendedores
- **Francisco J. Cabrero Ojeda**  
Professional Market Research
- **Franco Calero Font**  
Consentido Studio
- **Edwin J. Pérez González**  
PR Supplies, Presidente Emeritus



## THANK YOU SO MUCH!

**Mr. Edwin Javier Pérez González**, past President of the Board, will continue to support Banco de Alimentos as President Emeritus after 11 years serving our Organization. The Board of Directors, President Nicole Rios, and Banco de Alimentos President Denise Santos, along with the organization's staff, are truly grateful for the support and direction of Edwin Javier over the past few years. Years of the greatest challenges, facing all kinds of emergencies: hurricanes, earthquakes, floods and the two years of COVID 19, while undergoing an unprecedented transformation that included the acquisition, construction and move to the new facilities in Carolina.



## HAMBRE CERO

### HEADING TO PUERTO RICO ZERO HUNGER

As the main event of Hunger Awareness Day in Puerto Rico, we will be celebrating the award of the winning proposals at the Puerto Rico Zero Hunger Event, this coming Friday, September 23, 2022 at the University of Puerto Rico - Carolina Campus. Dr. Arturo Massol, Executive Director of Casa Pueblo in Adjuntas and Dr. Marcia Rivera Hernández, author, sociologist and economist, will join us as special guests.



### MIDA CONVENTION

During August 25, 26 and 27, Banco de Alimentos of Puerto Rico was present at the MIDA Conference & Food Show, with the aim of continuing to raise awareness about food insecurity in the island. We collected individual donations through ATH Móvil and 1,606 pounds of donated food. All food donations received will be given to food insecure families.





**NEW STRATEGIC PLAN**

Thanks to the summer program “We Serve Fellows” by V2A Consulting, we managed to work on the Strategic Plan of Banco de Alimentos for the next three years. Thank you very much to everyone who made this event possible.



**WE BECAME A “COMMUNITY HUB”**

In disaster preparedness, PREPA made us part of its community resilience emergency and communications program called “Community Hub”, making us the national distribution center for any national emergency.



**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

During the months of July and August, all our employees were trained for the renewal of food handling and forklift certification.

**VISITS TO OUR FACILITIES**



**WALTON POST VISIT**

We received a visit from Vice President of Emerging Markets Enrique J. Cos and Key Account Executive Maria Barnat; of Walton Post; who, along with the new Banco de Alimentos President of the Board of Directors, Ms. Nicole Ríos, toured the Bank’s facilities and discussed new development opportunities.



**COME COLEGIAL**

On August 11, we received a visit from Come Colegial to discuss future projects and show them our facilities. This organization was the first to participate in our Alacena University program.

*“We are a non-profit organization that eradicate hunger within community at the UPR University in Mayaguez and we are very grateful to Banco de Alimentos for all the donations they make to us, as we deliver purchases twice a month to 100 students; and thanks to their help, they can feed and benefit.”*

**Tanairi Figueroa**  
Secretaria de Come Colegial



**FEED  
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**AUGUST 9-11, 2022  
PHILADELPHIA, PA**

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**FOOD SOURCING IN PHILADELPHIA**

Our Donor Relations Manager, Rafael Mejia Garcia, said he was present at the Feed Nourish Connect organized by Feeding America in Philadelphia, PA, August 8-11, 2022. Participated in multiple educational conferences related to the Food Sourcing Service, which seek to establish and maintain relationships within the food industry, including but not limited to producers, processors, local manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, retailers and intermediaries.



**OUR INTERN PROGRAM ENDS**

For 6 months, at Banco de Alimentos, we started an internship program for university students. It provides work experience to new candidates who will soon enter the country's workforce. These young people excelled in Accounting, Communications and Community Relations. At the end of the journey, we gave the opportunity to employ one of them in the area of Accounting.

*"The experience has been great; I am grateful to be part of it. All work personnel are respectful and proactive. They have encouraged me to improve professionally with their advice and the work they have given me."*

**Juan Carlos González**  
 BA in Business Accounting  
 Universidad Ana G Méndez  
 Accounting Assitant



Hospital San Jorge Oncology Unit



Tiburones Community Ponce

**MOCHILÍN DELIVERS SNACKS TO CHILDREN**

Banco de Alimentos, aware of the problems of food insecurity among children in Puerto Rico, visits different entities and programs aimed at feeding and educating this population on a monthly basis.



Hospital HIMA in Caguas, Oncology Unit

**JOIN AND CONTRIBUTE!**

Help us to continue working for the food security of our country. You can make your economic contributions by check, credit card or through:

