



MERCEDES CINTRÓN, FOUNDER OF PRYR

Why 'The shout that generates possibility'?

We shouted when we learned about the dropout rate in Puerto Rico. We were concerned to see how dropping out of school increases the probability of starting criminal behavior. We were uncomfortable with the focus on remedial rather than preventive processes. This is how Puerto Rico Youth At Risk was born, with Mercedes Cintron's shout, and at the day we are so much people that shout to generates possibilities to the young people. Join us!

*The shout that
generates possibility*

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Who we are

Puerto Rico Youth At Risk is distinguished by the development of prevention programs for young people from environments with high rates of violence, poverty and other risk factors. The projects are aimed at increasing the protective factors in the lives of young people and promoting their full development. This is achieved through a mentoring model, personal and social development workshops; academic support and meaningful community service experiences.

"And when we don't know what to do we ask ourselves, what would love do?"

How you can impact

- Be a mentor.
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- Talk with your family and friends about us.
- Join us in the different fundraising campaigns. You can donate, share it in social media and invite other to be part.



What we do



PEER MENTORING PROJECT

Offers 6th and 7th grade at-risk students a 12-month program with one-on-one peer mentoring, personal and social development workshops, psychosocial services, academic support and coaching, and other individualized services.



ONE-ON-ONE YOUTH MENTORING PROJECT-

Serves 9th and 10th grade at-risk students. Participants are assigned a carefully selected and thoroughly trained adult mentor. Together they complete a 9 to 10-month curriculum. Participants learn life skills (personal and social), gain educational and occupational skills, and set the foundation for individual and social responsibility.



INDIVIDUALIZED SUPPORT PROJECT

Once the participant completes any of the mentoring projects, he or she becomes a member of "Inabo", a continuous accompaniment project, which has trained personnel who provide constant support during the rest of the student's academic trajectory. The services include socio-emotional support, personal and academic coaching, psychosocial services, and an accompaniment network for all participants.



ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND SAFE SPACE CENTERS

Centers provide academic and emotional support, tutoring, academic coaching, extracurricular activities, psychosocial services, and a safe space where students can access resources and trained adults who focus on positive youth development.



LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE PROGRAM

A long term Leadership and Service Program for participants who have successfully completed other PRYR projects. They participate in advanced personal development and leadership training and volunteer service activities within their communities and the organization.

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