

Project - Bateyes

Working with the Bateyes, North of the city of San Pedro De Macoris, Dominican Republic



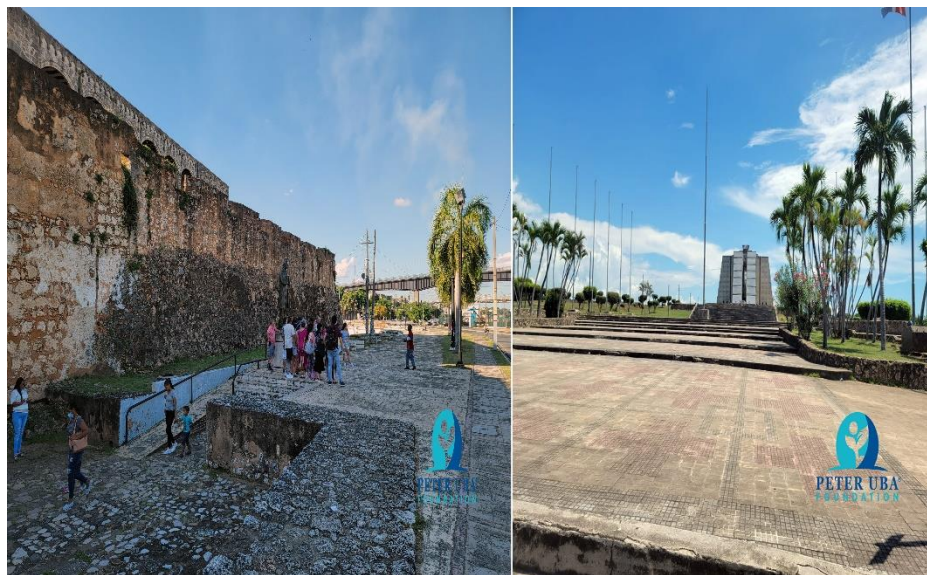
Amidst the vibrant greenery in the countryside and the hypnotic fusion of the blue ocean meeting white sandy beaches that seem to stretch endlessly, the region between Santo Domingo and the western reaches of Punta Cana, extending north of La Romana, stands as an internationally acclaimed vacation destination—one of the most sought-after paradises on Earth.



In this idyllic haven within the southeastern corner of the Dominican Republic, visitors are welcomed by the enticing aroma of fresh fruits and vegetables, the allure of freshly fried fishes, and the symphony of joyous

reverberations that permeate the air, all contributing to an atmosphere of uninhibited happiness.

However, In the core of the Dominican Republic, there are communities called Bateyes which serve as heartbreaking representations of the harsh socio-economic disparity, embodying the harsh realities of poverty and the struggle for survival.



Despite the desirable facade that draws millions of tourists annually, beneath the surface of this tropical oasis, the marginalized communities, known as the Bateyes are home to a tough but disadvantaged population facing

various hardships and difficulties that are often ignored in the glossy brochures and sun-kissed postcards.

It is in these hidden corners, far removed from the glamorous resorts and tourist hotspots, that the true essence of the Dominican Republic's social dynamic is revealed.





The contradiction of the glistening tourist industry and the struggles of the Batey residents creates a description—a tale of two worlds existing side by side. As the waves of tourists’ revel in the paradise presented to them, a different reality unfolds for those who call the Bateyes home.

These communities, characterized by poverty, limited access to education, and basic amenities, are proof of the intricate dynamics that shape the landscapes of even the most fascinating destinations.

The exciting colors of the Caribbean, the dichotomy between the lavishness of the tourist experience and the hardships faced by the Batey communities serve as a reminder that behind every attractive facade, there are untold stories waiting to be heard. In this region where heaven meets harsh conditions, the story of the Dominican Republic unfolds as a polygonal tale—one that comprises both the entrancing attraction of its tourist havens and the resilience of the communities residing in the shadows.

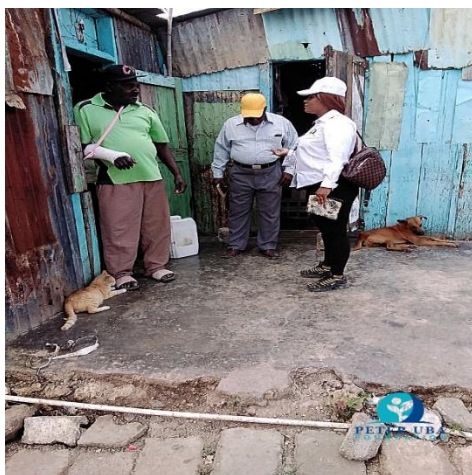


Batey Life and Environment



The Batey communities are intricately tied to the sugarcane industry, they are not merely settlements; rather, they represent the determined spirit of those who have found themselves ensnared in the intricate web of destitution.

Constructed around the towering sugarcane mills, the Bateyes stand as tangible reminders of the hardships faced by their inhabitants. Poverty, an unwavering vision, looms large and has a significant impact on the daily lives of the people in these communities, and the very concept of a decent quality of life is an elusive dream for those who call the Bateyes home.



Basic amenities that many take for granted are often luxuries here, as the residents face the harsh realities of inadequate housing, limited access to education, and a lack of essential services.



The statistics paint an image of the magnitude of the issue, with an estimated 200,000 people inhabiting 425 Bateyes scattered across the Dominican Republic. These numbers capture the scale of the struggles faced by these communities and emphasize the urgency of addressing the systemic issues that perpetuate their conditions.



Adding to the intricacy of the situation is the demographic makeup of the Bateyes, where the majority of residents are of Haitian descent. These individuals, often migrant workers fleeing the dire circumstances of their homeland, find themselves laboring under challenging conditions in the sugarcane fields. Harvesting a staggering 6,000 pounds of sugarcane a day, their efforts contribute significantly to the Dominican Republic's sugar industry. Yet, the wages earned for such grueling work are miserable, enabling a cycle of poverty that seems relentless.



The Bateyes, are symbolic of a broader issue—a miniature of the larger socio-economic challenges faced not only by marginalized communities in the Dominican Republic but also by migrant populations seeking refuge from adversity. In understanding the plight of the Bateyes, one gains insight into the interconnected web of

social, economic, and political factors that shape the lives of those struggling on the fringes of society. Addressing the issues plaguing the Bateyes need an extensive approach that goes beyond immediate relief, aiming to break the cyclical nature of poverty and create sustainable pathways towards a more equitable future for all.

Sanitation and Disease

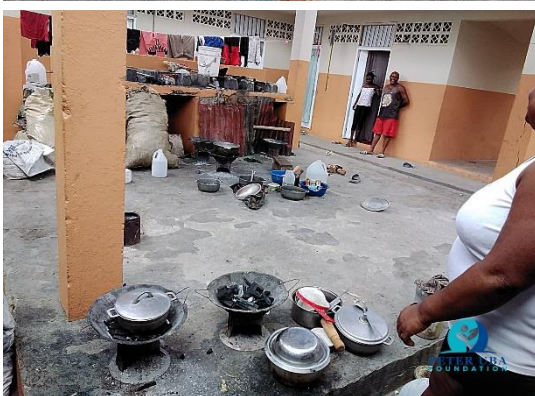
Despite the remarkable strides made in the global battle against malaria, the Bateyes are pockets of vulnerability, fighting the persistent threat of this deadly disease, particularly among children.

In these communities, where progress has been slower to reach, malaria continues to threaten the lives of the residents, turning their health into a critical concern. The prevalence of malaria in the Bateyes is a complex challenge.

Beyond the scourge of malaria, sanitation is an issue within the Bateyes, amplifying the daily hardships faced by the inhabitants. Basic access to clean water, proper waste disposal, and adequate hygiene facilities become luxuries for many in these communities. The absence of healthy sanitation infrastructure not only threatens the health of the residents but also extends the cycle of preventable diseases, further straining an already burdened healthcare system.



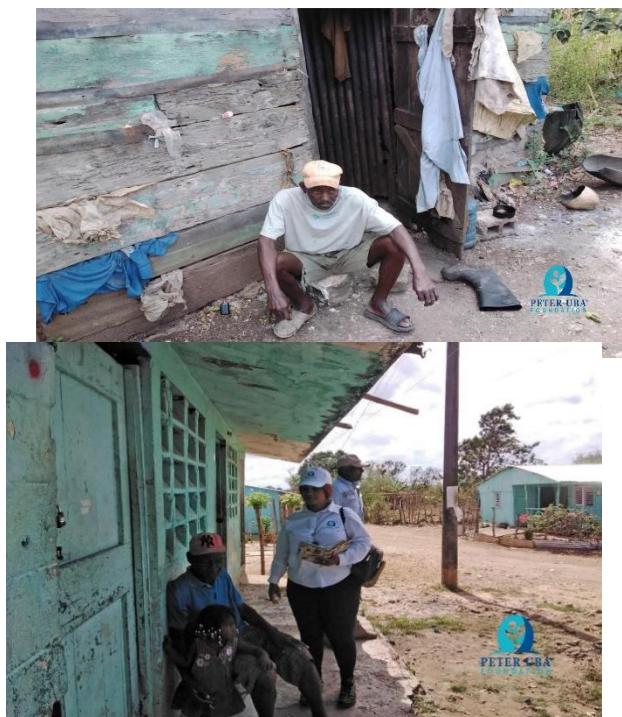
The urgency to address these health crises is heightened by the fact that they are not isolated issues but interconnected threads in the intricate fabric of socio-economic struggles faced by the Bateyes.



Efforts to improve sanitation and combat malaria in the Bateyes are not only essential for safeguarding the health of the community but also for breaking the cycle of poverty and providing the basis for sustainable development. Initiatives that focus on enhancing healthcare infrastructure, promoting awareness about preventive measures, and addressing the root causes of

these health challenges are imperative in transforming the Bateyes into communities where the well-being of every resident, especially the children, is prioritized and protected.

Health



The health component of The Bateyes Project Services is characterized by a robust approach to public health. Through public/private partnerships, The Foundation aims to not only improve medical services and medication stock but also address critical aspects of maternal and infant health. The provision of basic training in nutrition and midwifery within the community speaks to The Foundation's commitment to empowering residents with essential healthcare knowledge. Additionally, the initiatives to enhance transportation to health clinics and deploy mobile medical services emphasize a commitment to accessibility and inclusivity in healthcare provision.

Collaboration and Coordination

The commitment to collaboration is fundamental in The Peter Uba Foundation's Bateyes Project Services. Recognizing the complex struggles faced by the Batey communities, The Foundation places a high importance on coordination among organizations actively working in the Bateyes. By establishing open communication and nurturing partnerships with existing initiatives,

The Foundation seeks to avoid duplication of forces and maximize impact. Identifying ongoing projects and impeccably integrating efforts ensures a comprehensive and united approach to addressing the multi-layered needs of the Bateyes.

The Foundation takes a proactive position in developing partnerships not only within the Bateyes but also at a national level in the Dominican Republic.





By engaging with local companies, NGOs, and government entities, The Peter Uba Foundation creates a network of support that goes beyond immediate assistance, establishing sustainable, long-term solutions. This collaborative spirit magnifies the feasibility of the project, drawing on diverse resources and expertise to tackle the complex challenges faced by the Bateyes.

Food and Hunger

In the realm of food security, The Foundation recognizes the significant role of community engagement. Collaborating with local leaders and organizations, The Foundation's initiative to create community gardens in each Batey goes beyond addressing immediate hunger—it promotes community empowerment and sustainability. Identifying monitors for these gardens and providing training in agricultural sustainability ensures that the impact creates lasting change and promotes self-sufficiency within the communities.



Human Capacity Building

Key to The Foundation's approach is the investment in human capital. By hiring full-time staff in The Foundation's office in San Pedro de Macoris, the Dominican Republic,



The Foundation sets up a local hub for coordination and strategic planning. Simultaneously, the importance of training and increasing the participation

of Batey residents in civic and leadership programs builds a basis for community-driven development. Connecting with local



leaders ensures that initiatives are culturally sensitive and aligned with the aspirations of the Batey residents, promoting a sense of ownership and agency.

Education and Employment

Education and employment are identified as mechanisms for lasting change.

The vocational training programs offered by The Foundation incorporate diverse fields such as midwifery, agriculture, sanitation, early education, and childcare. The innovative approach of providing childcare for women while they work not only addresses a practical need but also creates employment opportunities within the community. Furthermore, microfinance initiatives for small



businesses provide a financial establishment for entrepreneurship, contributing to economic growth at the grassroots level.

Infrastructure

The Foundation understands that sustainable change requires attention to basic infrastructure.



Home improvement projects, including the installation of concrete floors, aim to enhance living conditions and promote overall health and well-being.

The provision of access to clean water, such as boreholes, and the commitment to improving sanitation infrastructure contribute to the fundamental health and dignity of Batey residents.

The Peter Uba Foundation Batey Outreach Program



The Peter Uba Foundation Office Located in San Pedro de Macoris



The strategic location of The Foundation's office in San Pedro de Macoris indicates a commitment to operational efficiency and direct engagement. The Foundation's choice of the Bateyes as its starting point reflects a deliberate effort to address the urgent needs of communities that often go overlooked. Consistent field assessments with booths on the

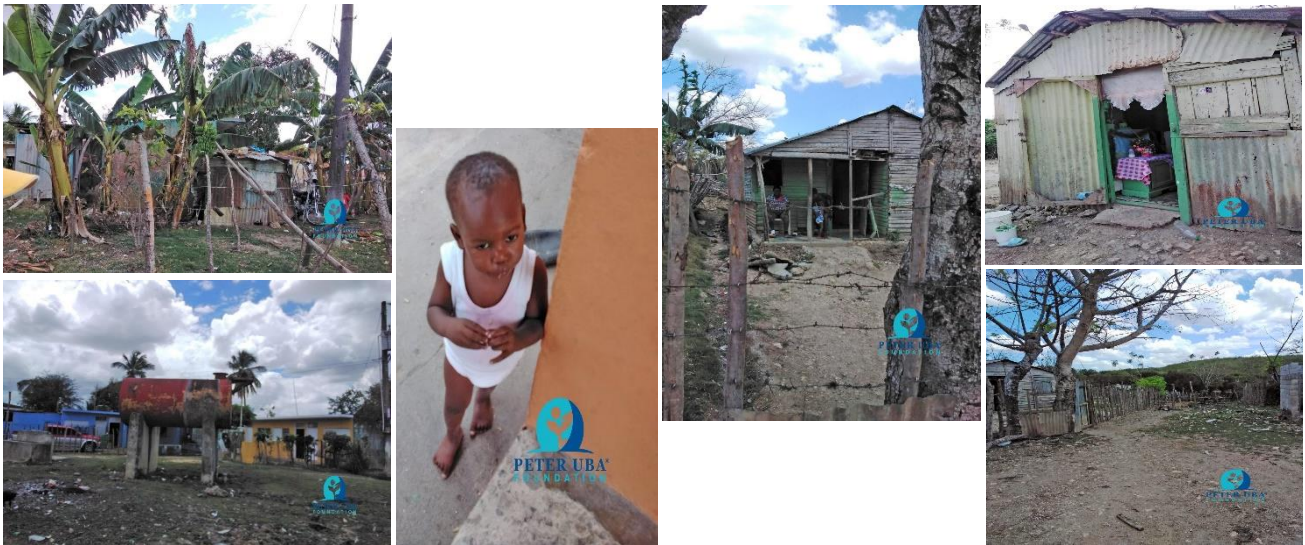
ground demonstrate The Foundation's commitment to staying connected with the realities of the Bateyes, ensuring that interventions are responsive and adaptive to the evolving needs of the communities.

The Peter Uba Foundation's Bateyes Project Services embody a comprehensive and collaborative approach, addressing not only immediate needs but also laying the groundwork for sustainable, community-driven development.

Through strategic partnerships, community engagement, and a commitment to empowerment, The Foundation aims to establish a positive change in the lives of those we serve and work with, within the Batey communities.



Empowerment Through Compassion: Donate to Transform Six Batey Communities



Mr. Adolfo Ramirez, is the custodian and overseer of multiple Bateyes, working hand-in-hand with The Peter Uba Foundation to make a lasting impact. Together, we have identified six Batey communities in dire need.

Our vision is clear – to uplift and empower communities, starting with these six Bateyes. Mr. Adolfo Ramirez, in collaboration with The Peter Uba Foundation, has strategically chosen these communities where help is needed the most. By addressing their challenges, we aim to create a ripple effect of positive transformation.

The Six Batey Communities:

Batey Monte Coca

Established in 1881 under the authoritative reign of Trujillo, Batey Monte Coca has stood the test of time, holding a unique significance in history.

Today, it faces numerous challenges, and The Peter Uba Foundation, guided by our volunteer and coordinator Mr Wander Gomez, aims to uplift this community.





Mr Wander Gomez - Volunteer and Coordinator

Challenges Faced by Batey Monte Coca:

- Underprivileged Elementary School: The elementary school lacks essential resources, hindering the education of young minds.
- Deteriorated Playground: A run-down basketball court serves as the community's playground, limiting the opportunities for children to bond and play.
- Library in Need: The community library is in extreme need of books, depriving residents of valuable knowledge and resources.



- Depleted Clinic: The local clinic faces empty medicine shelves, jeopardizing the health and well-being of the residents.
- Limited Worship Space: The small place of worship, known as their local church, requires support for spiritual nurturing and community building.
- The few benches scattered around the community witness moments of rest and reflection, inviting contemplation amidst the daily bustle.



- With only five houses and a few pavilions, Batey Monte Coca is a resilient community bound together by shared struggles. In this close-knit community, residents rely on each other for survival.

Your Contribution Matters

Your generous donations can make a significant impact on the lives of Batey Monte Coca residents.

By supporting The Peter Uba Foundation, **you contribute to:**

- **Empower Education:** Equip the elementary school with the right tools and resources needed for a thriving learning environment, to ensure a brighter future for the community's children.
- **Revitalise Play and Unity:** Help revive the playground, ensuring that every child has a space to play, promoting a sense of unity, and building lasting bonds and joy among the children.
- **Ignite Knowledge:** Provide the library with a wealth of books. By supplying much-needed books to the local library, you empower the community with knowledge and opportunities, contributing to the development of the community.
- **Restore Health and Well-being:** Support the clinic in replenishing its medicine shelves, securing access to essential medicines for the people, and promoting the overall health of Batey Monte Coca.
- **Spiritual Growth:** Aid in the enhancement of the worship space, support the place of worship, promote spiritual growth and community unity, and create a conducive environment for spiritual connections and community building.

How You Can Help

Your donation, no matter the size, will create a ripple effect of positive change in Batey Monte Coca. Your donation is a lifeline for Batey Monte Coca. It goes beyond addressing challenges; it is a key to unlocking a brighter future. Join hands with The Peter Uba Foundation and Mr. Wander Gomez in making a lasting impact on Batey Monte Coca community.





Make a Difference Today: Donate Now!

Together, we can transform the pages of Batey Monte Coca's history, rewriting a narrative of hope, empowerment, and community upliftment. Thank you for your support.



Batey El Chucho



Batey El Chucho, with roots tracing back to 1880 in the era governed by Trujillo, has evolved into a living proof of historical significance in the Dominican Republic.



Mrs. Ana Celeste – Volunteer and Coordinator

At the forefront of the drive forward into a new era of communal growth and well-being, is Mrs. Ana Celeste, whose commitment to volunteering and coordinating the efforts of The Peter Uba Foundation in Batey El Chucho, serves as a guiding light, illuminating the path to a brighter and more prosperous future for the people of Batey El Chucho. Through her tireless efforts, she embodies the spirit of service, inspiring residents to unite for communal advancement.

Challenges Faced by Batey El Chucho:

- **Inadequate Infrastructure:** The community grapples with a scarcity of pavilions, deterring communal activities and gatherings.
- **Housing:** About five little houses cluster together, highlighting the urgent need for improved living conditions.
- **Overgrown Spaces:** Everywhere is overrun with poor sanitation practices, diminishing the quality of life and access to essential resources.



Your Contribution, Batey El Chucho Transformation

Your donation holds the power to transform the hardships faced by Batey El Chucho into a story of triumph. With your support, we will:

- Expand Community Spaces: Build pavilions to advance community engagement, providing a space for growth, learning, and celebration.
- Restore Housing: Improve living conditions by developing sustainable housing solutions, ensuring residents have a safe and dignified place to call home.
- Transform the Landscape: Clear overgrown areas, creating a cleaner, safer environment for residents and restoring access to essential resources.

Join Us in Igniting Hope

Mrs. Ana Celeste and The Peter Uba Foundation invite you to be a part of this transformative journey. Your donation, no matter the size, will illuminate the path to a brighter future for Batey El Chucho.



Spark Transformation Today: Donate Now!



Your impactful giving for Batey El Chucho's health and well-being will create a future where Batey El Chucho thrives. Your donations inspire transformation, which illuminates Batey El Chucho's future, unveiling history, and igniting hope.



Batey Construcccion

Batey Construcccion, a contemporary chapter in the Dominican Republic's history, was founded in 2005, adding a dynamic layer to the cultural scenery under the visionary leadership of Leonel Fernández.



Mr. Jean Pie - Volunteer and Coordinator

Mr. Jean Pie - selfless volunteer and coordinator, devoted to advancing the health and well-being of the community. His steadfast dedication serves as

the driving force behind the coordination and success of Batey Construcccion's various efforts. His commitment permeates into the very essence of community life. Through his efforts, Batey Construcccion is an enduring spirit of collective efforts in the ever-evolving narrative of the Dominican Republic.



Challenges Faced by Batey Construcccion:

- Limited Community Spaces: Batey Construcccion faces a shortage of pavilions, hindering community activities and growth.
- Inadequate Housing Conditions: Only three houses are available, pointing out the need for improved living conditions.



- Food Vending Store: The community's tiny food vending store needs support to better cater to residents' needs.



Donate for Batey Construcccion Well-being

Your donation is the foundation for positive change in Batey Construcccion. With your support, we will:

- Expand Community Spaces: Build additional pavilions, providing a conducive environment for community activities and gatherings.
- Improve Housing Conditions: Develop sustainable housing solutions, ensuring residents have safe and dignified places to call home.
- Enhance the Food Vending Store: Provide support to the tiny food vending store, making it a more accessible resource for the community.



Join Us in Building Tomorrow Together



Batey Construcccion and The Peter Uba Foundation, invite you to be a part of this journey.

Your donation, regardless of size, will contribute to a brighter and more prosperous future for the people of Batey Construcccion.



Build a Legacy Today: Donate Now!

Thank you for being a mechanism for progressive change. Together, let us build a legacy of progress and prosperity in Batey Construcción.



Batey Punta Fuera



Situated along the coastal outlines, Batey Punta Fuera has stamped its place in the records of Dominican history, its roots tracing back to the significant year of 1898 under the authority of Trujillo.



Mr. Jean Pie - Volunteer and Coordinator



Today, we invite you to be part of a transformative journey led by Mr. Jean Pie, a dedicated volunteer and coordinator for The Peter Uba Foundation, Mr. Jean Pie expresses the spirit of voluntary service at Batey Punta Fuera.

Challenges Faced by Batey Punta Fuera



- **Unsanitary Dwelling Conditions:** Batey Punta Fuera's living conditions are overshadowed by an overgrown forest, lacking the amenities needed for sustenance.
- **A Ravine poses challenges for residents,** hindering mobility and access to essential resources.
- **Clustered Houses:** Four houses clustered together highlight the need for improved living conditions and community infrastructure.

Your Contribution, The Lifeline for Batey Punta Fuera

Your donation is the lifeline for positive change in Batey Punta Fuera. With your support, we will:

- Restore Living Environment: Transform the overgrown forest into a liveable environment, providing better living conditions for residents.
- Address Ravine Challenges: Develop solutions to overcome ravine obstacles, ensuring safer mobility and improved access to resources.
- Enhance Community Infrastructure: Improve the clustered housing situation, creating a more sustainable and community-oriented living environment.

Join Us in Nurturing Hope

Your donation, regardless of size, will contribute to a brighter and more prosperous future for the community.



Nurture Hope Today: Donate Now!

Improve living conditions with your donation, together, let us sponsor hope and restore the future of Batey Punta Fuera.

Batey El Batecito



Founded in strength in the year 1961, led by Trujillo, changing with resilience, Batey El Batecito has evolved into a sturdy symbol, standing as a demonstration of the enduring spirit of its inhabitants.



Mrs. Bienvenida de la Rosa - Volunteer and Coordinator

The driving force behind initiatives of The Foundation aimed at community development is Mrs. Bienvenida de la Rosa, an exemplary leader who selflessly lends her volunteer and coordinating efforts to The Peter Uba Foundation. Her commitment is presented through the various programs and projects that uplift the residents of Batey El Batecito, creating pathways for personal and collective growth.

Challenges Faced by Batey El Batecito

- Non-existent School Facility: The community struggles with a diminished school, limiting educational opportunities for its inhabitants.
- Limited Pavilion: The pavilion is insufficient for the community, deterring social cohesion.





- **Twenty Houses:** Field assessments reveal deteriorating living conditions, with twenty houses in need of urgent intervention.



Your Donations

Your donation is the medium for impactful change in Batey El Batecito. With your support, we will:

- **Build Educational Facilities:** Improve the school infrastructure, providing better educational opportunities for the people of the community.
- **Enhance Community Spaces:** Build a larger pavilion, promoting community engagement.
- **Revive Housing Conditions:** Implement interventions to improve living conditions and restore hope to the inhabitants of Batey El Botecito.

Join Us in Empowering Batey El Batecito



Mrs. Bienvenida de la Rosa and The Peter Uba Foundation invite you to be a part of this drive. Your donation, regardless of size, will contribute to a restored future for the community.

Empower Batey El Batecito Today: Donate Now!



**Together, let us empower
the spirit of Batey El
Batecito and restore the hope for
the future back to the community of Batey El Botecito.**

Batey La Jagua

Emerging into existence in the year 1939, a time characterized by the authoritative command of Trujillo,



Batey La Jagua has solidified its standing as a historical core within the Dominican Republic.

Batey La Jagua, with its historical roots, matted with the nation's narrative, faces challenges.

Challenges Faced by Batey La Jagua

- Deprived Elementary School: The community struggles with an almost non-existent elementary school, restricting educational opportunities for its children.
- Five Pavilions: A lack of pavilions impedes impactful communal unity and bonding.
- Urgent Restoration of Houses: The housing situation needs improvement, with five little houses requiring urgent attention adversely affecting the health and well-being of the inhabitants.
- Grocery Store: The local grocery store is in a state that affects the community's access to essential goods, requiring restoration to better cater to the community's needs.



Collective Efforts for a Thriving Batey La Jagua

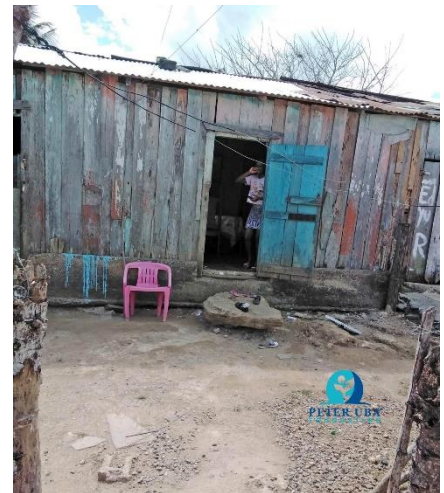
Through the dedicated efforts of The Peter Uba Foundation volunteers and coordinators, we aim to create a thriving community. Your donation plays a crucial role in witnessing the power of communal efforts and the concentrated administration of resources.



Your Approach

Your donation is the method to transform lives in Batey La Jagua. With your support, we will:

- Revive the Elementary School: Improve the school infrastructure, providing better educational opportunities for the community's children.
- Build Community Spaces: Construct additional pavilions, promoting communal unity and engagement.
- Restore Housing Conditions: Implement interventions to improve and enhance living conditions and create a more sustainable community.
- Restore the Grocery Store: Renovate the grocery store, ensuring residents have access to essential goods.



Join Us in Uplifting Batey La Jagua Community

Your donation, no matter how big or small, will directly contribute to improving the lives of the people in Batey La Jagua.



Revive Batey La Jagua Today: Donate Now!

Let us work together to revive the past and strengthen the future of Batey La Jagua.



The Peter Uba Foundation Is Here to Stay

Our office positioned in San Pedro de Macoris signifies our unwavering dedication to operational efficiency and direct engagement with the Batey communities, in other to ensure direct impactful initiatives, and guaranteeing that your donations directly contribute to where it is needed the most, nurturing trust and accountability.



Our dedicated coordinators: Daisy Valleneva, Doctor Sanchez and Doctor Gino, and Miriam are the pillars of our on-ground support. They are always ready to address your questions, provide clarifications, and offer insights into the impactful work we are doing. With their boots on the ground, they ensure that your generosity translates into evident results.

Your Impact

Your donation goes beyond charity – it is an investment in transforming lives. With your support, we will:

- **Address Urgent Needs:** Tackle immediate challenges in these communities, providing relief and creating an establishment for long-term growth.
- **Sustainable Change:** Contribute to sustainable initiatives that will uplift not only the current generation but also future ones.
- **Community Empowerment:** Help build a sense of self-reliance and community pride, promoting positive and lasting impact.

How You Can Help

Your generosity fuels our mission. By donating today, you become key to this transformative journey. Every contribution, big or small, counts.

Join Us in Making a Difference: Donate Now!



By going to our donation page at www.peterubafoundation.org

Your support changes the theme for these communities. Together, let us pave the way for a brighter future for the Batey communities our team are working with in the Dominican Republic.