

We Are Our Mission

Self-Sufficiency. Empowerment. Neighborhood Revitalization.

These are the tenets that define **La Casa de Don Pedro's** mission and guide its work. This vision is manifested in the stories of the men, women, youth, and families who enter **La Casa's** doors and proceed to explore the depth of our services before exiting, armed with newfound knowledge to tackle life's ongoing challenges.

La Casa de Don Pedro's diverse range of programs promote family well-being, healthy child development, educational achievement, employment opportunities, social justice, affordable housing, financial self-sufficiency, energy conservation, and neighborhood renewal.

At its core, **La Casa de Don Pedro** works directly with the community to address their concerns and help realize their dreams. From the neighborhood streets, to the northern end of Newark and throughout the City, beyond to Essex County and Northern New Jersey, to State and Federal levels, **La Casa** keeps its pulse on issues that matter. This strategy is a powerful force for both individual and community improvement, and is what makes **La Casa** relevant to the lives of its constituents.

Change is the one constant and **La Casa de Don Pedro** continues to evolve in-step with our changing community and environment. As we consider the future, **La Casa's** staff, management, and board strive to serve the entire community within a framework of commitment and professionalism. At **La Casa**, we are our mission and our mission defines who we are.

Community
Neighborhood
Education
Advocacy
Quality of Life
Empowerment
Youth Enrichment
Self-Sufficiency
Revitalization

La Casa de Don Pedro

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PROGRAMS
PROGRAMAS

*fostering self-sufficiency,
empowerment and
neighborhood revitalization
since 1972*

40
YEARS

**LA CASA DE
DON PEDRO**
EMPOWER AND REVITALIZE



YOUTH, FAMILY, AND HEALTH

PARENT-CHILD ACADEMY

Nine month parenting and child development program for parents of children ages 0-3 and their children. Promotes positive parenting skills and behaviors, school readiness, parental involvement, adult education, and civic engagement for a simultaneous impact on both the parent and child.

Programa de nueve meses sobre la paternidad y el desarrollo del niño el cual provee estrategias de intervención temprana para ambos padres de los niños de 0 a 3 años de edad. Promueve el adiestramiento en paternidad positiva y comportamientos, preparación para la escuela, participación de los padres, educación para adultos, y compromiso cívico para un impacto simultaneo de ambos, el padre y el niño.

23 Broadway 973.483.2703

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Full-time pre-kindergarten for children ages 3 and 4. Monday – Friday from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Extended wrap-around services for qualified families are available. Three free daily meals are provided.

Educación pre-escolar ofrecen servicios educativos pre-escolares de tiempo completo a niños de 3 y 4 años. Lunes a viernes de 8:30 am a 3:00 pm. Se ofrecen servicios extendidos para familias calificadas. Se ofrecen comidas gratis.

Center I: 75 Park Avenue 973.485.0850
Center II: 39 Broadway 973.481.4091
Center III: 202 1st First St. 973.350.0530

FAMILY SUCCESS CENTERS

Programs to strengthen families and neighborhoods by developing networks of family services and support.

Servicios a familias para fortalecer y desarrollar vínculos de ayuda en el vecindario.

Center I: 23 Broadway 973.483.2703
Center II: 595 North 6th St. 973.482.9002

AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Homework assistance, recreation, arts and cultural activities, field trips, and hot meals daily for children ages 5-12. Transportation available. 3pm to 7pm.

Programa para después de la escuela ofrece ayuda en las tareas escolares, recreación, actividades de arte y cultura, viajes recreativos y comidas calientes diariamente para niños de 5 a 12 años de edad. Transporte accesible. De las 3pm hasta las 7pm.

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NEWARK YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Leadership development, community service, college orientation, summer employment, and more for high school students.

Proyecto de liderazgo, con servicio comunitario, orientación para la universidad y mucho más para estudiantes de escuela secundaria.

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YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SERVICES

Services for youth addressing adolescent development issues, parent/child conflict, academic and other challenges. Incorporates recreation, education, and counseling services.

Servicio para los jóvenes con énfasis en el desarrollo de la adolescencia, conflictos entre padres y hijo/as u otros retos educativos. Incorpora servicios de recreación, educación y servicios de consejería.

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COMMUNITY MENTORING PROGRAM

Individual, group, and family counseling, academic assistance, computer instruction, and court and school advocacy for youth ages 10-17 involved in juvenile justice system. Offered as a dispositional alternative to adjudicated youngsters. Referrals through court system.

Consejería individual, grupal y familiar; asistencia educativa, instrucción de computadora y apoyo en la corte y escuela para jóvenes involucrados en el sistema juvenil de justicia. Ofrecido para adolescentes como alternativa de la encarcelación. Inscripciones a través de la recomendación de la corte.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCACY

Bilingual Spanish/English advocacy and support for victims of domestic violence in areas such as handling reporting, police interviews, and medical examinations. Translation and general support at court visits or as requested.

Asistencia y apoyo para víctimas de violencia doméstica en las áreas del reporte, la entrevista policial y exámenes médicos. Traducción y apoyo general durante las visitas a la corte o cuando sea requerido.

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HIV AND STD PREVENTION

Outreach and educational workshops targeting Hispanic youth, women, and men to eliminate behaviors that may put them at-risk for contracting sexually transmitted diseases and infections.

Prevención de SIDA, VIH y otras enfermedades de transmisión sexual a través de talleres educativos para los jóvenes, mujeres, y hombres hispanos para eliminar los comportamientos que pueden ponerlos en riesgo.

76 Clinton Avenue 973.624.4222

HIV/AIDS INTERVENTION SERVICES

Mental health services, medical case management, medical nutrition therapy, home-delivered meals, and housing services to HIV positive and people living with AIDS.

Servicios de salud mental, manejo de casos médicos, terapia médica nutricional, entrega de comidas en sus casas, servicios de vivienda para personas con resultados positivos de SIDA y con personas enfermas de SIDA.

76 Clinton Avenue 973.624.4222

ADULT DEVELOPMENT

CIVICS CLASSES

Courses for individuals seeking to pass the USCIS Naturalization interview. Classes cover ESL, U.S. History, and government. Classes offered during the day, evening.

Clases de preparación para la entrevista con los Servicios de Inmigración y Naturalización, lo cual incluye clases de inglés como segundo idioma y clases de historia y gobernación de los Estados Unidos. Se ofrecen de día y de noche.

39 Broadway 973.481.4713

ESL/ESL CIVICS CLASSES

Courses in levels 1 through 3 English as a Second Language. Offered during the day, evenings.

Clases de Inglés como segundo idioma, con niveles del 1 al 3, los cuales se ofrecen de día, de noche.

39 Broadway 973.481.4713

WELFARE TO WORK INITIATIVE

Job search, adult basic education, GED, and Low Literacy classes. Must be referred by Workfirst NJ.

Ayuda para buscar trabajo e instrucción básica de educación.

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GED TESTING

GED testing offered in both English and Spanish once a month. By appointment only.

Exámenes en español e inglés para el GED (Certificación General de Equivalencia de Educación.) Se ofrece una vez al mes. Llame para hacer una cita.

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WORKFORCE LEARNING LINK

Computer-based classroom offering variety of academic instruction including Adult Basic Education and GED training. Offered Monday – Friday afternoon and evening. Prospective students are tested and evaluated for eligibility.

Clases para aumentar los niveles de leer, escribir, y matemáticas en preparación para un curso de la preparación para el GED (Certificación General de Equivalencia de Educación.) Para calificar, uno tiene que leer al nivel del cuarto grado en el inglés.

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RE-ENTRY SERVICES

Assistance for adults recently released from incarceration. Services include job search, life skills, and reconnection to family.

Ayuda para los adultos recientemente liberados de la cárcel. Servicios incluyen apoyo en la búsqueda de trabajo, habilidades de la vida, y la integración con los miembros de la familia.

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FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER

Financial counseling, asset building, improved employment and education, and access to supplemental income supports, food, and other financial programs.

Servicios como consejería financiera, bienes inmuebles, mejoramiento de empleo, educación, acceso a ayuda alimenticia e ingreso suplementario.

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IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE

Services on immigration matters. Nominal fees may be required.

Servicios legales para asuntos de inmigración. Honorarios nominales pueden ser requeridos por este servicio.

39 Broadway 973.481.4713

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Home energy payment assistance for eligible Essex County households through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), the Universal Service Fund (USF), and for Essex and Hudson county residents the Temporary Relief for Utility Expenses (TRUE) program. Each program has its own income eligibility requirements and funding cycles.

Ayuda con el pago de las cuentas de energía para familias de bajo ingreso del condado de Essex. A través del Programa de Asistencia de Energía (LIHEAP), (USF) y (TRUE, para los condados de Essex y Hudson). Cada programa tiene su propia tabla de ingresos y sus propios fondos.

317 Roseville Avenue 973.485.0795/0796

600 Central Avenue, East Orange 973.485.0795/0796

WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Assistance for income eligible homeowners, landlords, and tenants with home improvement related energy conservation measures.

Asistencia para dueños de casa que sean elegibles e inquilinos que necesiten mejorar sus apartamentos para conservar energía.

317 Roseville Avenue 973.485.0701

SENIOR CITIZEN'S HEATING & COOLING PROGRAM

Emergency repairs or replacement of heating and cooling units for income eligible Essex County residents over age 60.

Provee ayuda en casos de emergencia, proporciona reparaciones o el reemplazo de la calefacción y aire acondicionado para residentes de mayor edad (60 años o más) del condado de Essex.

317 Roseville Avenue 973.485.0701

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & PLANNING

Engagement with neighborhood stakeholders to address community needs and concerns, such as quality of life issues, education, safety, and leadership development.

Apoyo a residentes a confrontar las necesidades y preocupaciones vecindarias, tales como la calidad de vida, educación, seguridad, y liderazgo comunal.

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GREATER NEWARK NEIGHBORHOODS/ SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Lower Broadway neighborhood plan initiative carried out through partnerships with local institutions, merchants, residents, civic leaders and other stakeholders. Goal to create and implement comprehensive community plan.

Iniciativa de plan comprehensiva del vecindario de Bajo Broadway, integrado con los miembros de la comunidad, incluyendo organizaciones comunitarias, negocios, residentes, y líderes locales. Meta es crear e implementar un plan comunitario comprensivo.

317 Roseville Avenue 973.485.0701

COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION

Business assistance, merchant organizing, and infrastructure improvements for the Lower Broadway Commercial Corridor.

Ayuda con la organización de negocios, y mejoras de la infraestructura en el área comercial de Bajo Broadway.

317 Roseville Avenue 973.485.0701

AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

Creation and sale of new affordable housing and the rehabilitation of foreclosed properties through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program, as well as development of commercial and community facilities.

Desarrollo de viviendas a precios cómodos, atendiendo la estabilidad de la vecindad con reintegración de las viviendas embargadas, y el desarrollo de las propiedades comerciales y comunitarias.

317 Roseville Avenue 973.485.0701

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION COUNSELING

Foreclosure prevention counseling and mediation services to residents of Northern New Jersey.

Servicios del asesoramiento y mediación en caso de embargo del hogar.

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FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER EDUCATION COUNSELING

First time homebuyer education seminars and counseling to families interested in becoming homeowners.

Talleres y servicios del asesoramiento para los nuevos compradores de vivienda.

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EMERGENCY HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND COUNSELING

Rental assistance, counseling, emergency budgeting, and advocacy for families facing a housing crisis.

Apoyo a las familias en peligro de estar desalojadas, incluyendo asistencia para pagar la renta.

76 Clinton Avenue 973.624.4222

TRAFFIC SAFETY INITIATIVE/ CAMINOS SEGUROS

Investigation of traffic and pedestrian safety conditions and practices. Educational campaigns and physical improvements.

Mejoramiento de las condiciones y actividades relacionadas con la seguridad de tránsito y de los peatones para introducir campañas educativas y de mejoramiento físico.

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For forty years **La Casa de Don Pedro** has dedicated itself to fostering self sufficiency, empowerment, and promoting neighborhood revitalization. This three-part mission serves as the driving force behind the organization, guiding the work it does on a daily basis. It is also the thread that binds the comprehensive programs in **La Casa's** five divisions and three affiliate entities as they work together to assist over 60,000 residents annually.

La Casa de Don Pedro's history can be traced back to 1972 when a group of ten concerned Puerto Rican families assembled to discuss the state of their community and the prospects for their children's future. Identifying the scarcity of childcare as a critical need, these early pioneers founded New Jersey's first bilingual, bicultural daycare center.

Since then, the **La Casa de Don Pedro** family has grown substantially, but the fundamental goal of the original ten founders remains vital: identifying the community's needs and working collectively to meet them. As Newark's needs have changed dramatically over time, **La Casa** has continued to evolve in order to meet these new demands. Today, **La Casa** is a community-based social-service and development corporation that serves children, adolescents, adults, the family, and the community at-large through its numerous community centers.



Community Centers/ Centros Comunitarios

75 Park Avenue

Administrative Offices
973.482.8312
Early Childhood Center I
973.485.0850

23 Broadway

Youth, Family & Health Services
Family Success Center I
973.483.2703

39 Broadway

Personal Development
973.481.4713
Early Childhood Center II
973.481.4091

317 Roseville Avenue

Community Improvement
Community & Economic Development
973.485.0701

202 First Street

Early Childhood Center III
973.350.0530

76 Clinton Avenue

Business Office
Youth, Family & Health Services
973.624.4222

595 North 6th Street

Family Success Center II
973.482.9002

600 Central Avenue, East Orange

East Orange Home Energy Center Satellite Office
973.485.0795/96



Durante cuarenta años **La Casa de Don Pedro** se ha dedicado a promover autosuficiencia, fomentando empoderamiento y revitalización de las comunidades. Esta misión sirve como la fuerza detrás de la organización, dirigiendo el trabajo que se hace día tras día. Es también el hilo que enlaza los programas en las cinco divisiones y las tres entidades afiliadas, trabajando conjuntamente para ayudar a más de 60,000 residentes anualmente.

La historia de **La Casa** se puede remontar al año 1972 cuando un grupo de familias puertorriqueñas se reunieron para discutir el estado de su comunidad y las perspectivas para el futuro de sus hijos. Identificando la escasez de programas de guardería de niños como el obstáculo fundamental del área, estos pioneros instituyeron la primera guardería bilingüe en el estado de New Jersey.

Desde entonces, **La Casa de Don Pedro** ha crecido substancialmente, pero el objetivo fundamental de los fundadores se mantiene esencial: identificar las necesidades de la comunidad y trabajar conjuntamente para satisfacerlas. Las necesidades de Newark han cambiado dramáticamente con el tiempo, **La Casa** ha continuado desarrollándose para satisfacer estas nuevas demandas. Hoy en día **La Casa** es una corporación de desarrollo y servicios basada en la comunidad proveyendo programas desde muchos centros.