

# Accionario

**Directory of organized youth in Puerto Rico**

**2023-2024**

# introduction

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The Directory of organized youth in Puerto Rico: **Accionario**, was created with the purpose of being a bridge that helps create visibility of the work of youth organizing in Puerto Rico. It is part of the efforts of the María Fund PR Youth initiative.

We call it Accionario because the directory is an initial exercise to get to know the ecosystem of organized youth that have the objective of creating, imagining and building actions from diverse realities across Puerto Rico.

The idea is to be able to add new groups each year and that, in addition to creating visibility, this opportunity serves to connect them with each other while recognizing them as support resources in the work they do.

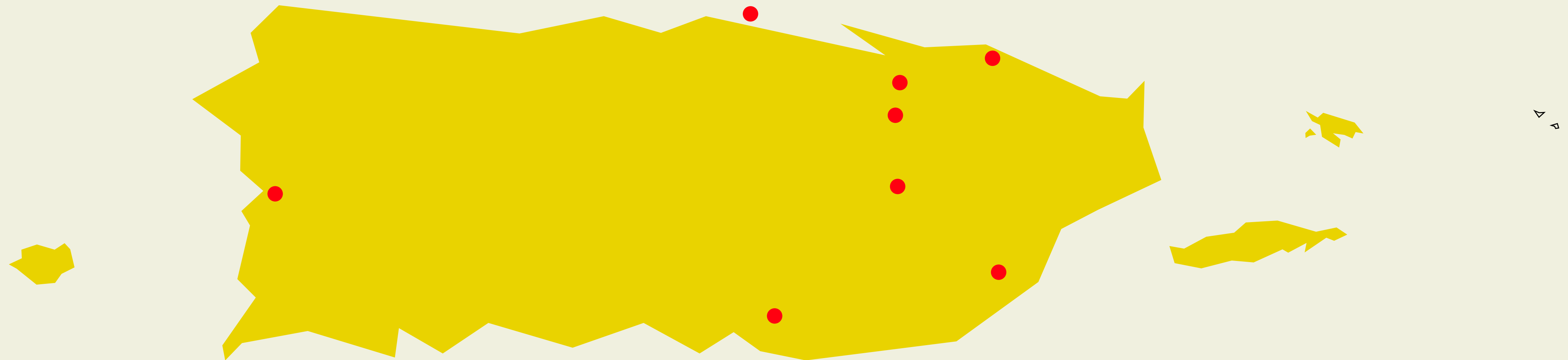




# **registered zones**

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Although we start from these zones, our mission is to continue documenting efforts throughout our archipelago.



If you are part of or know of any group that is working on enacting similar long term changes, we invite you to contact us and be part of this action in our next edition.

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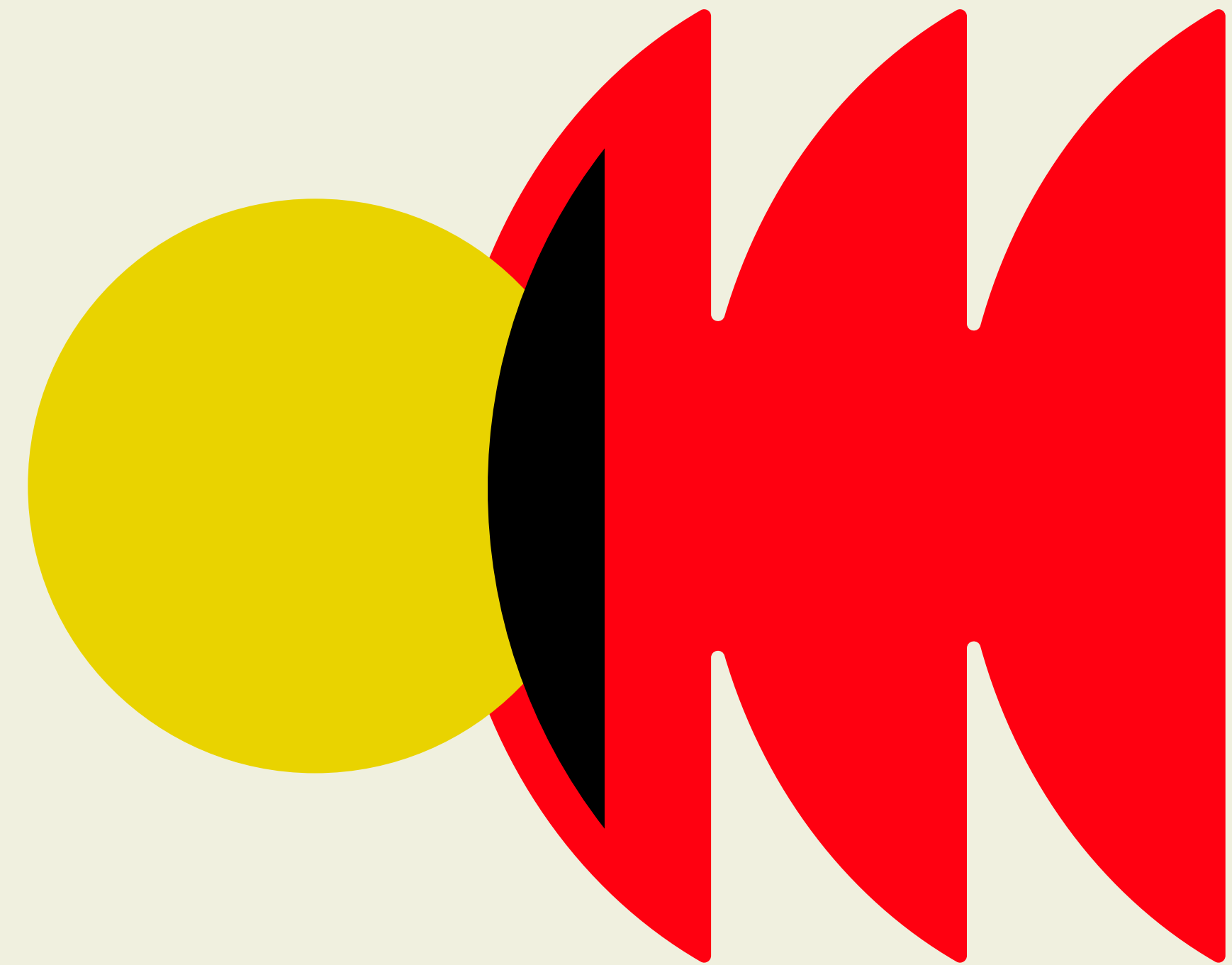
# Afrojuventudes/ Colectivo Ilé

**A**frojuventudes seeks to be and create safe spaces through gatherings that invite healing and conversations that generate empowerment.

We aspire to create gatherings with other youth one Sunday a month to talk about and work on issues such as environmental racism, colorism and intra-family racism in different towns across the country, as well as create campaigns on anti-racism issues.

**W**e dream of connecting in depth with other anti-racist youth groups in the Caribbean and South America to expand our community, create networks and share experiences.

The first destination would be the Dominican Republic, not only because of its proximity, but because of all that unites us. In addition, we envision a community university where we can share community knowledge with people of different ages and that, above all, belongs to us. One of our main goals is to have a place, created by young people, where other young folks in need can gather, pause and grow.



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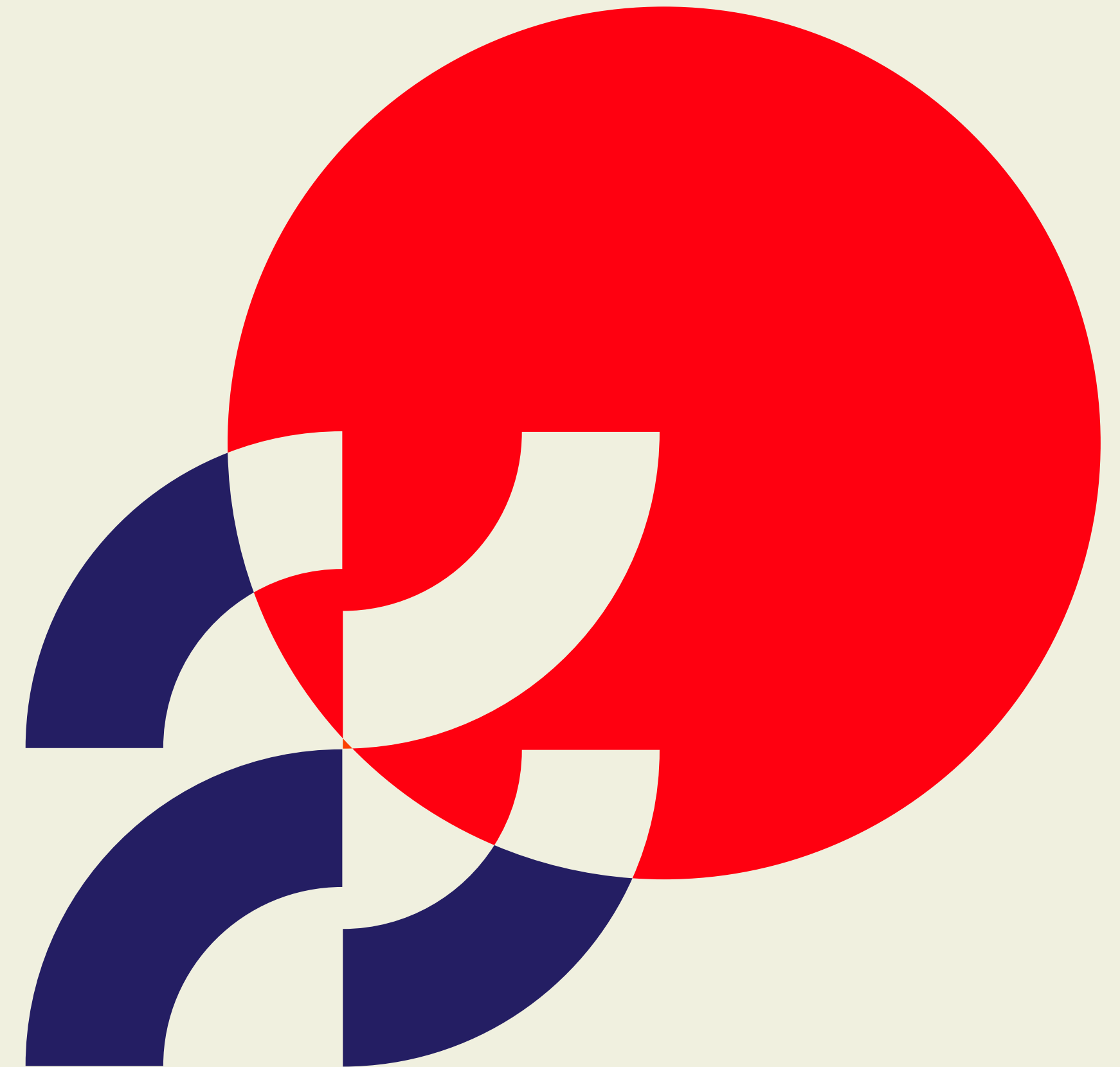
**Location Colectivo ilé: Río Piedras**

# Amigxs del MAR

**W**e are a space that bets on and focuses on forging networks with communities through an educational, transformational, healing and advocacy lens within public policy and the political front.

We address the imperative need for civil action in defense of nature and the right of communities to remain. We support communities in legal, organizational and advocacy processes. Recently, we were able to activate a physical space to continue creating in community. Located at Taft House in Santurce..

**W**e dream of having the infrastructure to be able to create dignified jobs aligned with the work that we do, creating conditions for people to have the space to build and think in a different environmental, social and political capacity. We envision the creation of a guide for civil action and a continuation of our coastal gatherings as a bridge for people to have the space to talk and come together. We also need someone to edit the podcast we produce.



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# Casa Comunitaria de Medios

**W**e are a safe and healing space. We create audiovisual media by and for the community, especially for youth to have the power to tell their own stories. Our intention is to create critical thinking to discern how traditional media manipulates our daily lives. To this end, we have a printed newsletter project and a community gallery, our collective media creation space, a podcast and various projects in action.

**W**e dream that the importance of generating our stories will be recognized. We aspire to create a film cooperative, have a community recording studio, and strengthen and sustain our gallery.. In addition, we seek to give continuity to our training school and have our work resonate in the community as a space for political growth with a collective curriculum.



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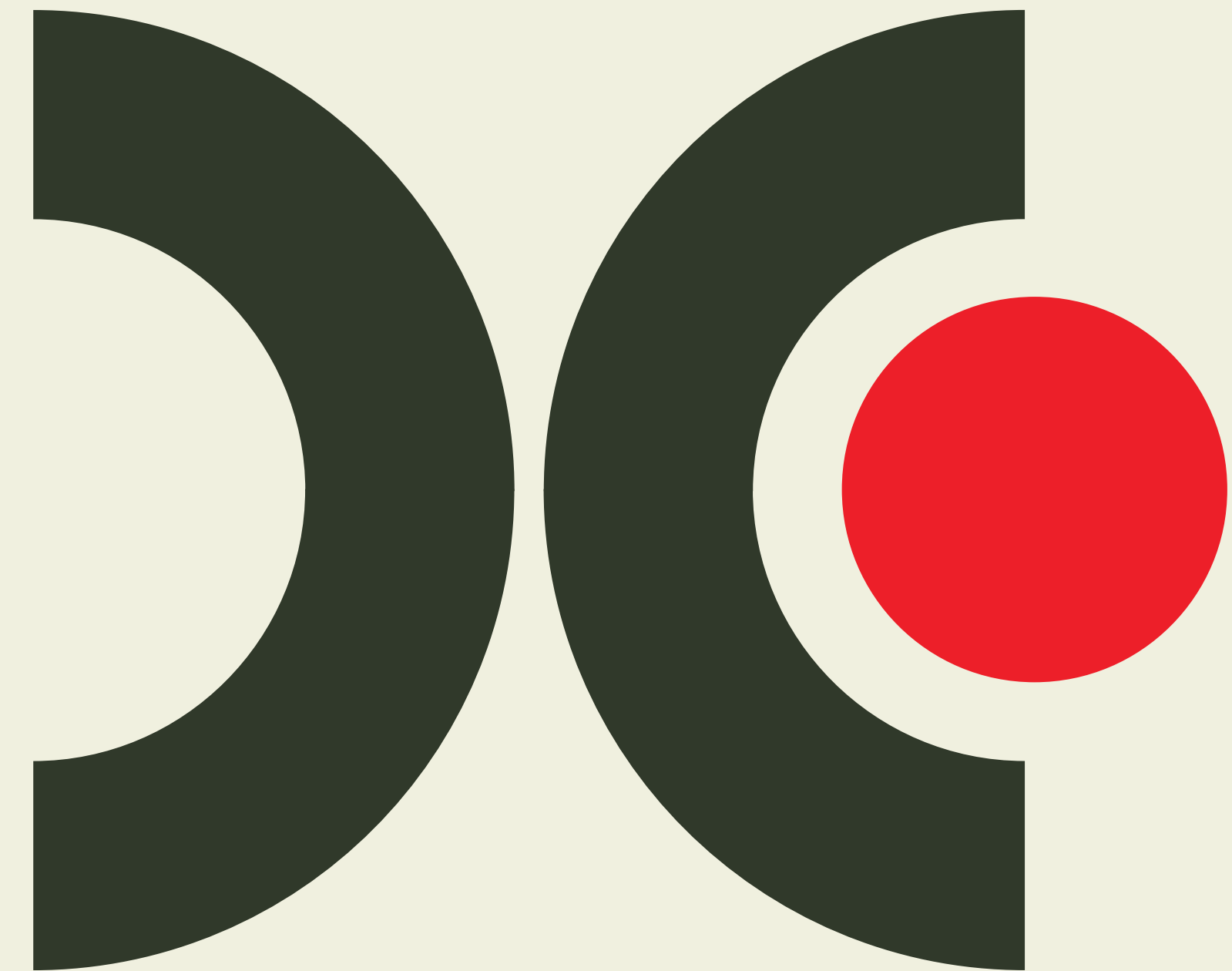
**Headquarters: Salinas**



# Ciencia pa' Todes

**W**e are a collective that provides a digital and educational space where both scientists and non-scientists can problematize multiple aspects of science. We work from an intersectional lens that includes perspectives of race, gender, sexuality, disability, among others. In addition to problematizing, we strive to create inclusive proposals that are in line with our values as a group. Ciencia pa' Todes (CPT) has carried out most of its work through social media because we began our work during the pandemic. However, some members of the collective have been able to participate in forums and other in person activities on our behalf. One of our goals is to be able to do in person projects.

**I**n the long term, we want everyone interested in science to have interdisciplinary, conscious, intersectional and sensitive knowledge to create inclusive spaces within and outside of academia. We dream of a science that respects dignity at all times and allows spaces where scientists do not have to separate themselves from their identities to fit into the academy. We believe that an anti-racist, queer, feminist and anti-ableist science is possible.



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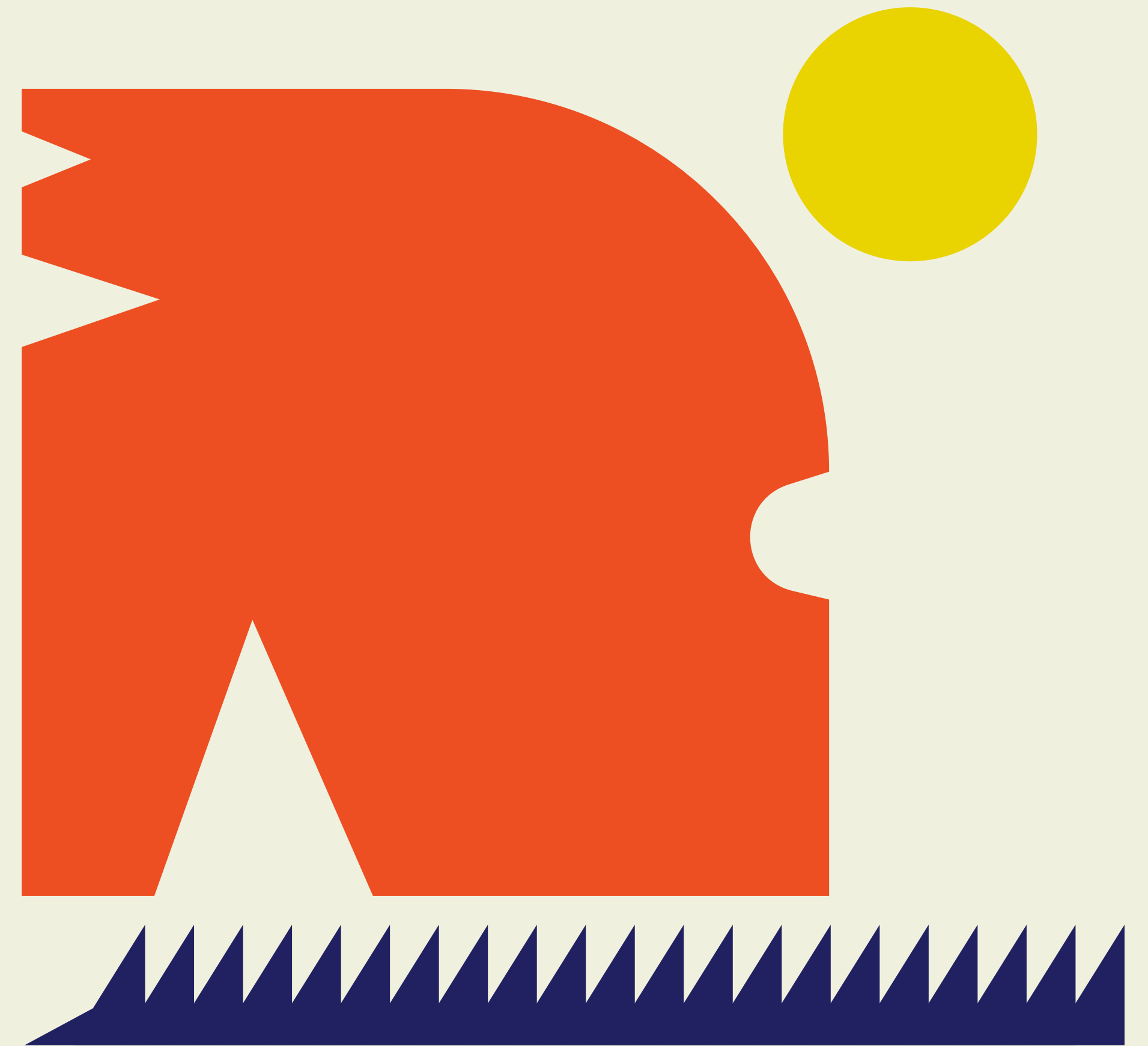
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# Colectivo Moriviví

**O**ur mission is to produce public art and collective art experiences with the intention of rethinking the visions we accept in our culture and to reflect the diverse narratives of Puerto Rican communities in order to contribute to our collective memory. We seek to make art accessible to everyone outside of traditional institutions so that our communities can take advantage of its multiple benefits: cultural, political-historical and therapeutic.

**W**e aspire to become a community art school where artists can receive training to pay it forward and to have a space for translocal exchange. With our work, we seek to resist displacement. As Puerto Ricans, displacement is a real threat. We are working hard to formalize ourselves into a formal legal structure and have property to resist this.



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# El Puente/ Proyecto con Juventudes

**O**ur Climate Education Program trains youth to face the challenges of climate change, encourage their participation in climate justice mobilization activities and build more sustainable communities. We do this through lectures, workshops and coaching on being prepared and adapting projects such as the development of school gardens. Every summer we hold the Artivism for Climate Justice Seminar, a two-week learning space for young people interested in climate change and environmental justice issues and learning activism strategies through art.

**W**e dream of a country that is ours, with living communities, clean air and access to healthy spaces and housing for all, with food and energy sovereignty, jobs with living wages, public and quality education that promotes critical thinking, curiosity and the creative capacity of students and teachers, a health system that promotes life and well-being, and everything else that is necessary for people, in all their ways and expressions, to live in peace and harmony with the entire community of life on Earth.

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# Flor de Loto

**W**e support young people to discover themselves as activists, organizers and community leaders who fight for a just country where their rights are respected, validated and prioritized. As a north star, we have the dream of a dignified, safe and collective life.

**W**e aspire to be a resource and space for queer youth and their families. We dream of access to resources and services for our communities outside the metropolitan area of Puerto Rico. Therefore, we move to build physical collective spaces where projects, people and services can meet in a way that's safe, efficient and in solidarity.



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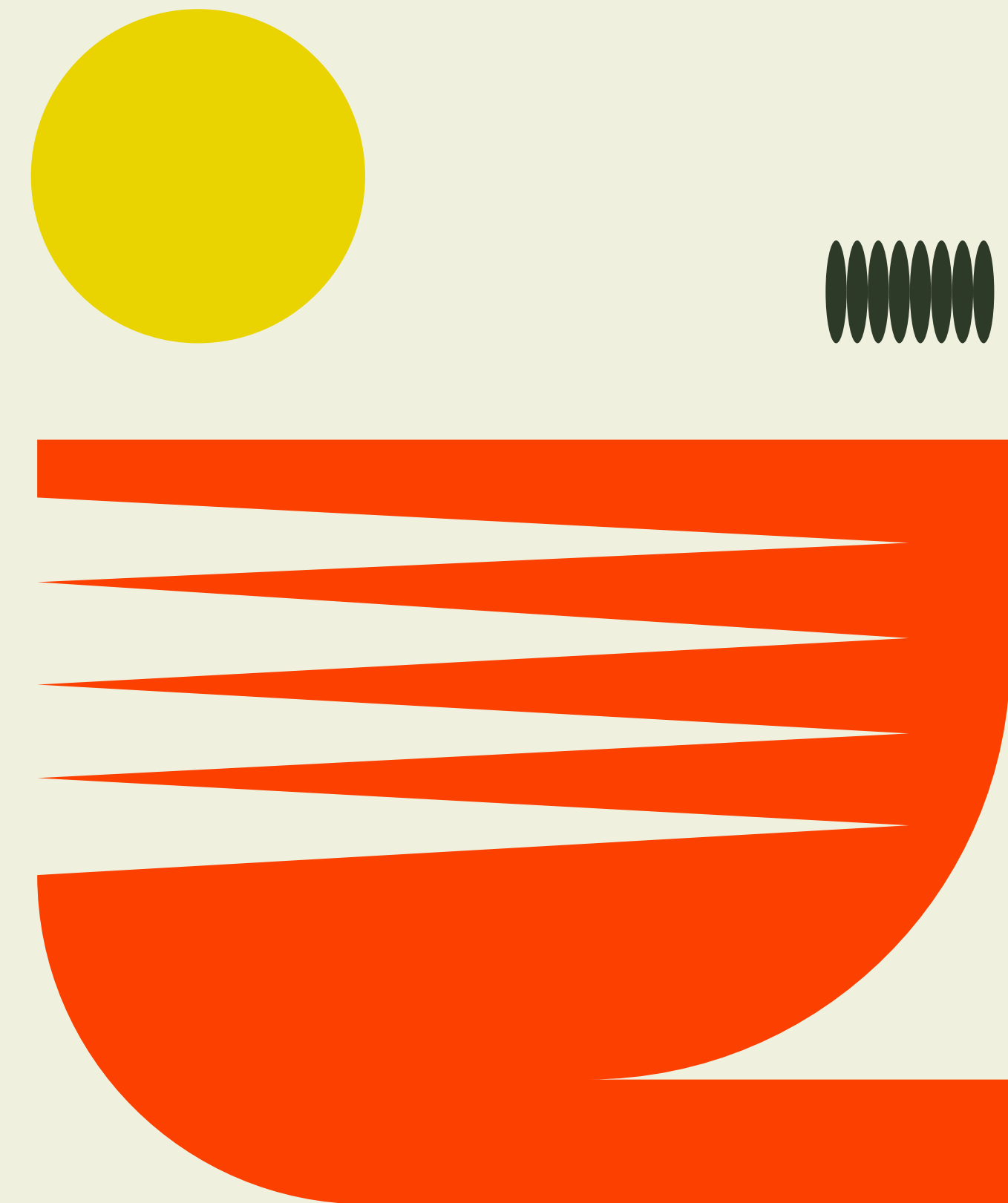
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# Huertx Semilla

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**W**e dream of land, food, health, education, freedom and a dignified life for all. We seek to be a safe community educational garden that honors our identities and diversities. We aspire to sustain the garden with alternative economic practices to build bridges with more people and generate collaborations. In addition, we want to create a community composting system.



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# Juventud Riopedrense en Acción Comunitaria (JURAC)

**W**e are a collective made up of young people from the communities surrounding the urban center of Río Piedras. We foster critical thinking and community leadership through popular education workshops and recreational activities. The youth choose the topics to be discussed that include: community organizing, displacement, gentrification, politics, sexism, inclusive language, human trafficking, emotional responsibility, masculinities, afrodescendence, art and film, silkscreen printing, among others. We also visit other towns, movies, museums, go on bike rides and encourage contact with nature. We want to develop a strategic plan for the group and fundraising plans for its activities, snacks and projects.

**A**s facilitators, coaches and coordinators of the process, we dream of new leaders who take on a role, voice and vote in the work of the Community Board– in addition to having spaces for youth in Río Piedras. They dream of continuing to strengthen their critical thinking, youth leadership skills and organizing capacity. They also aspire to have consistency in their processes and for more youth to join and take space in the community and in decision making.



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# LaBoriVogue

**T**he Boricua Vogue Lab uses ballroom, vogue and runway as a tool for liberation and social justice. Our three main activities are ballrooms, workshop cycles and public practices. We aspire to be able to buy a physical space that will allow us to have: rooms for workshops, spaces for creative and collective creation, and some office space to carry out the administrative work of the organization.

**W**e dream of a fair and inclusive ballroom scene, with spaces to gather, leisure and joyful spaces for the LGBTQIAP+ community, and especially for trans and non-binary people. We dream of the liberation of our archipelago and of our own bodies, with better opportunities for us and for our people.



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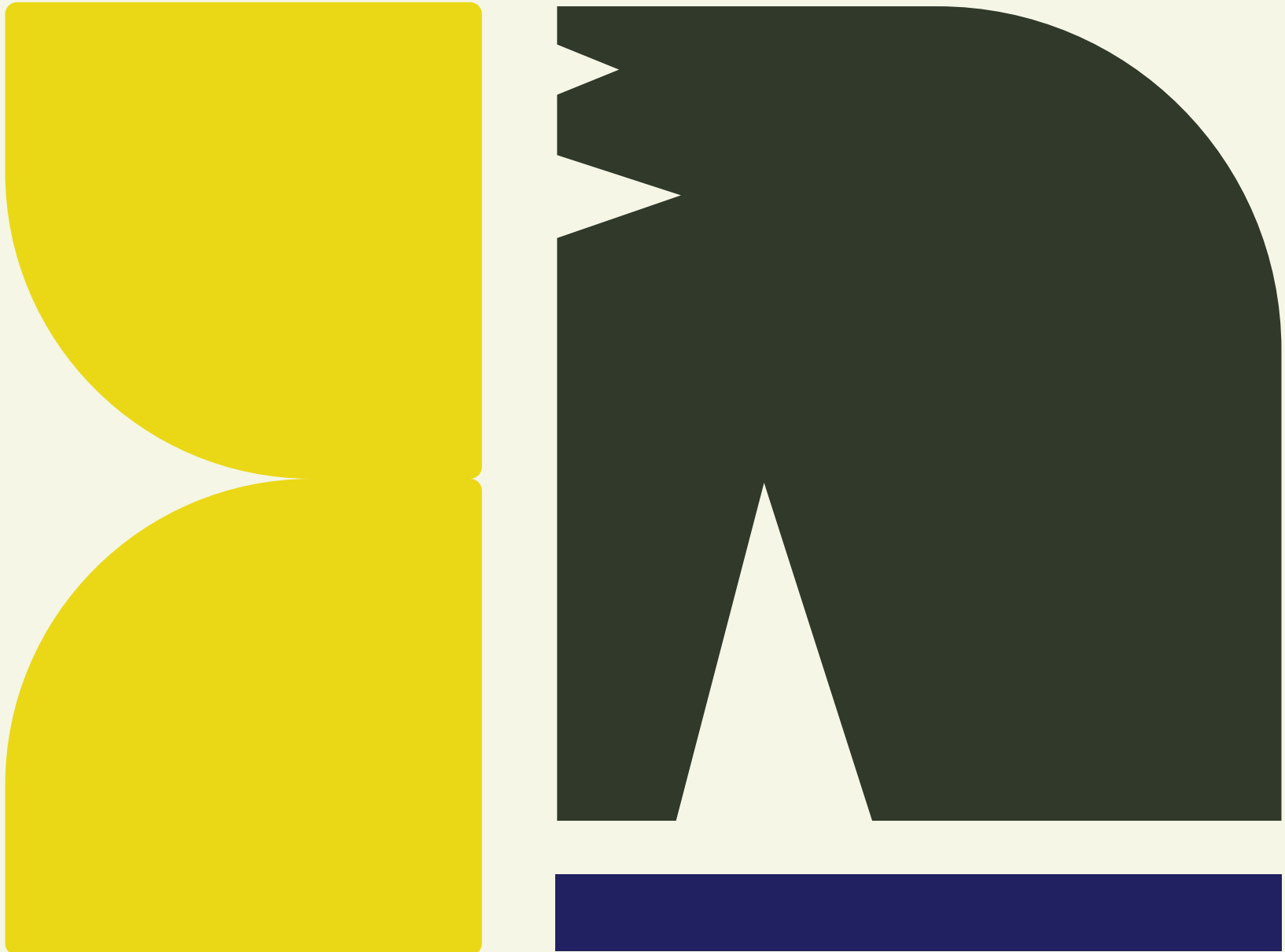
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# La escuela de Liderazgo Político y Comunitario

**T**he School develops, empowers and puts Black, Afro Boricua and Afro Descendant anti-racist youth leaders in political and community spaces in Puerto Rico. We seek to strengthen our work to eventually become an NGO with an in person space.

**W**e dream of being a space of oversight within the public and community discussion in Puerto Rico, as well as establishing a space of political resistance where people can meet and to co-design tools that make their dreams of a dignified present viable.



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# LIJAC

**W**e create gathering spaces for youth who are creating leaders for the communities of Caño Martín Peña. We build collective knowledge to think critically and analyze different political issues that affect their communities and the country. We work on various topics based on their experiences as young residents of impoverished and marginalized communities. One of our objectives is to get young people involved and actively participate in community organizing processes.

**T**hey are all moved and dream of enjoying the right to have decent housing and a sewage system that prevents flooding in their communities. They also dream of environmental and social justice, which will only be achieved with the dredging of the Martín Peña channel.



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# La Sombrilla Cuir

**W**e are an intersectional grassroots community group that is dedicated to providing education to different sectors of the population through podcasts, infographics, workshops, panels, and all types of media.

**O**ur group sees a future where trans lives are included and are at the forefront of many of the political struggles in Puerto Rico. We seek to empower our trans groups to be leaders that can empower themselves towards a more inclusive, trans, non-binary and queer future. We also aspire to be self-sustaining and free ourselves from oppressive jobs, precarious wages and move from survival to living full lives.



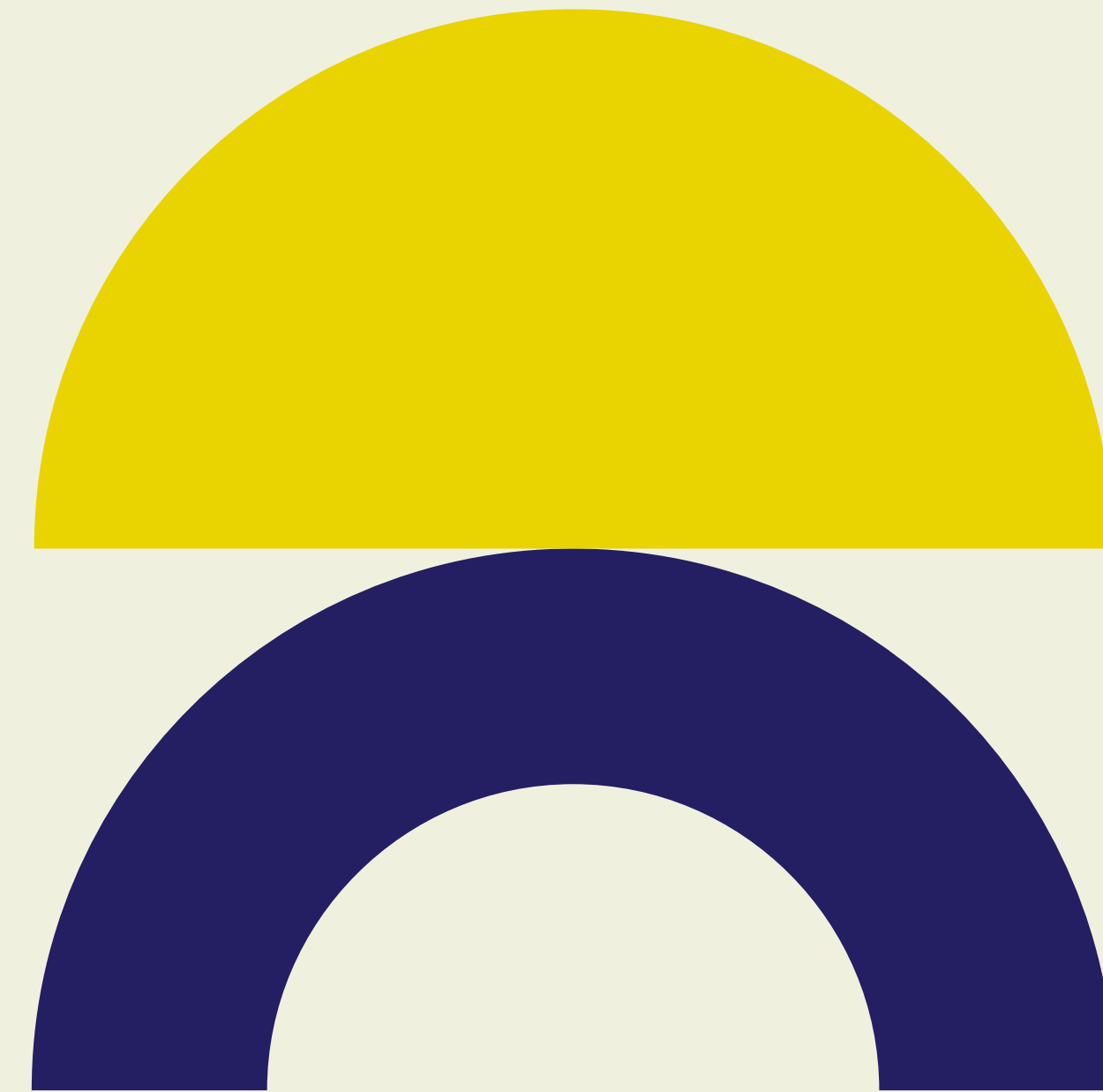
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# Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción

**W**e are a 501c3 non-profit organization that works to give way to a new generation of leaders committed to social justice. At MPA we activate, mobilize and put young people committed to diverse social causes in initiatives within the third sector. We give them the tools to make them aware, sensitive and effective in identifying solutions to systemic challenges facing their generation. We have two main programs: PARACa (social action internships) and #EnAcción (social and systemic project incubators). We also collaborate with social projects such as the Yabucoa Community Political Leadership School, Sol es Vida (Villas del Sol Community), CODEM, among other projects.

**W**e make our life project our country's project and we are looking for more young people to do the same. The young people of MPA dream of supporting the empowerment of youth, strengthening their sensitivity and social awareness, so that the leadership of the country belongs to young people and those who live it every day, allowing us to address the root problems.



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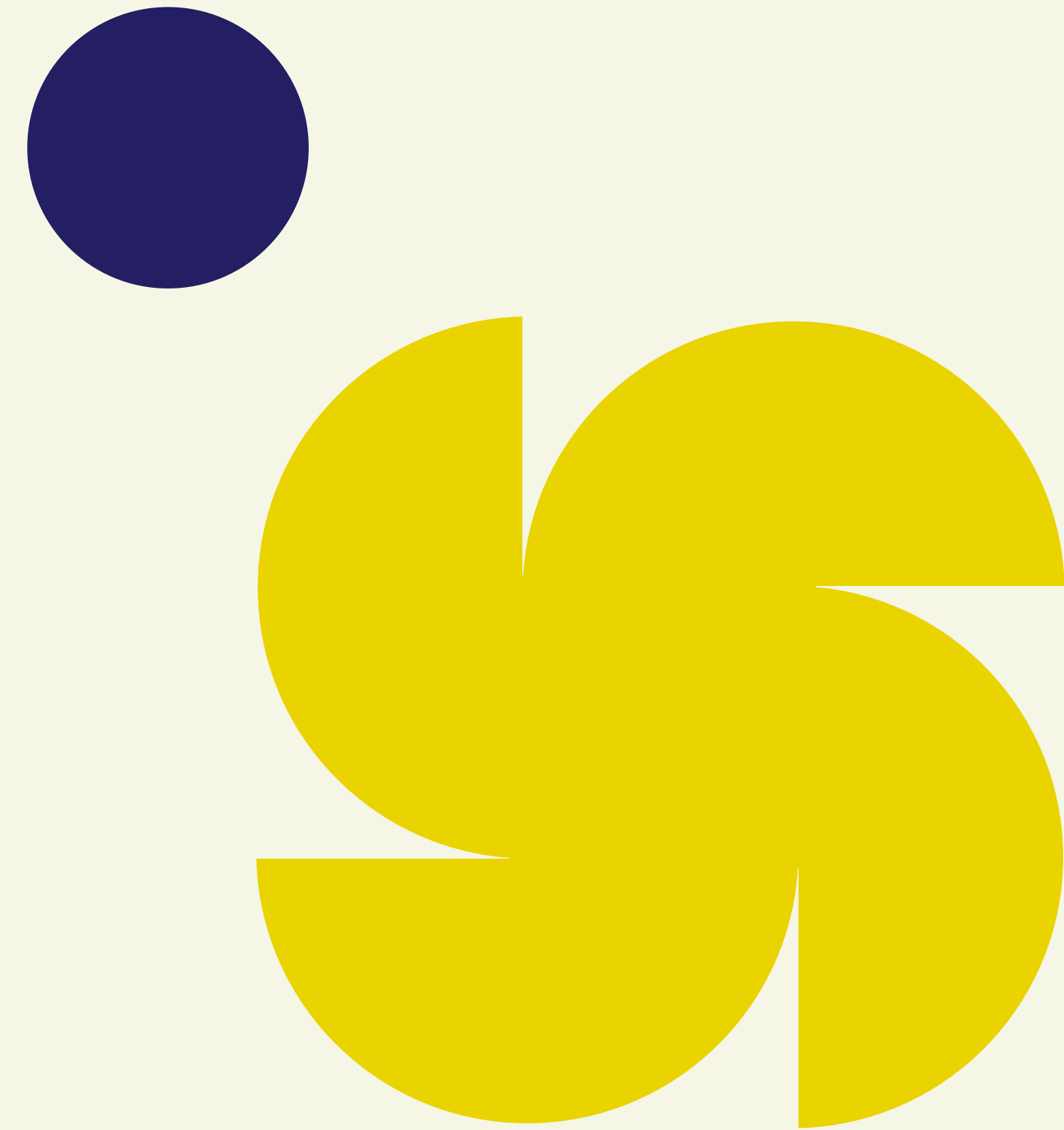
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**Headquarters: San Juan**

# Piñones Aprende y Emprende P.A.Y.E.

**C**urrently, we offer tutoring, activities and services to children, youth and families in Piñones, Loíza and Carolina. We have four main projects: educational program, focused on tutoring and workshops for children and youth; community education program, focused on workshops on the needs of youth and their families; summer program, a three-week camp for children; and the community program, which offers services, job and health fairs, activities and parties for the community.

**W**e dream of expanding P.A.Y.E. as a model of services and tutoring that can be replicated in other municipalities, and that at some point P.A.Y.E. will be a school of and for the community of Piñones.



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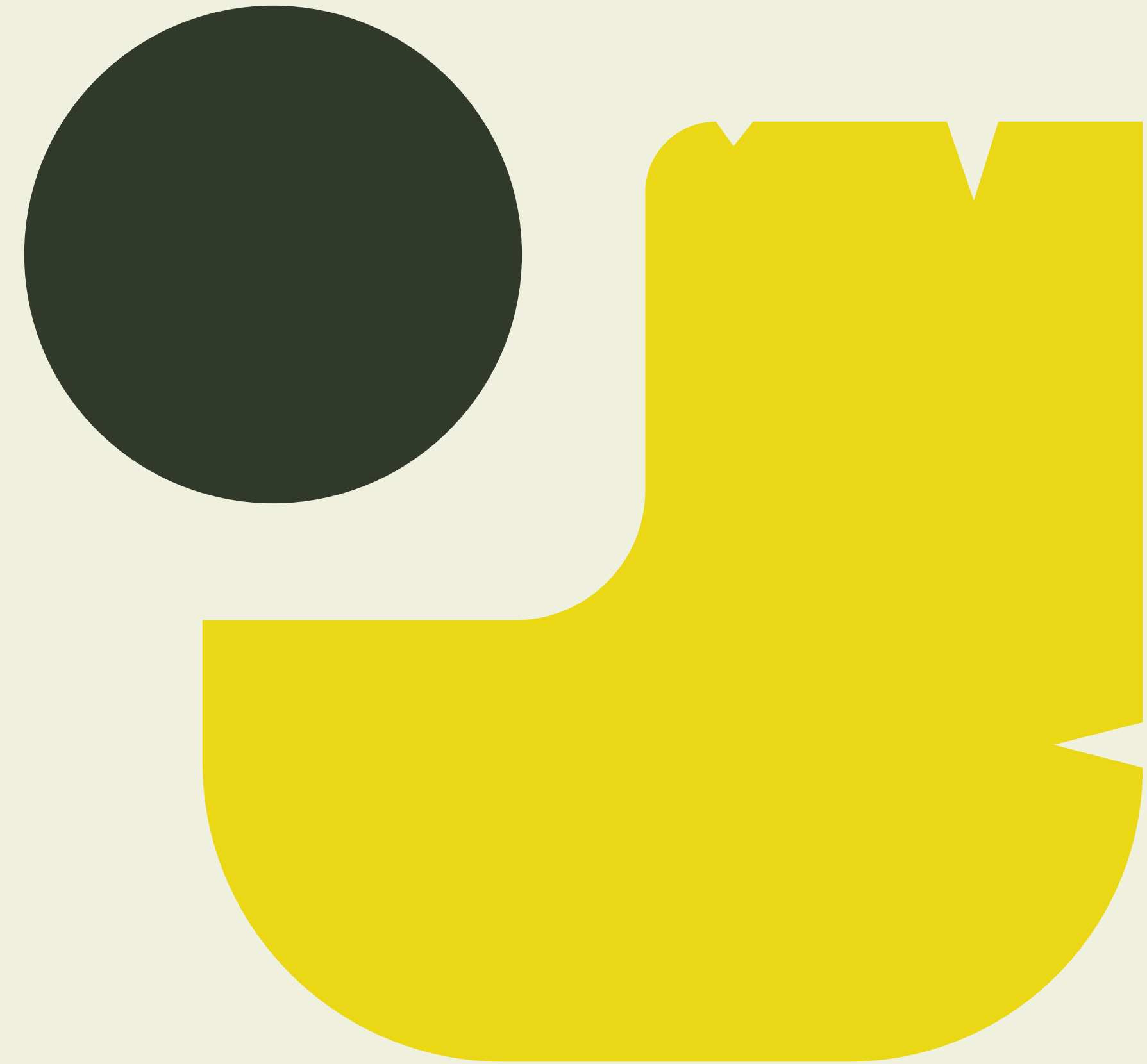
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# Pólvora Colectiva Cuir

**W**e create and facilitate spaces and produce digital audiovisual content by and for transmariconxs transfaggots.

**W**e dream of a politically organized trans and non-binary community, with dignified and well-paid work opportunities, with a physical work space that we can share with allied organizations, with reaching our ideal budget to be able to function at 100% and be able to add other trans and non-binary people to our work team.



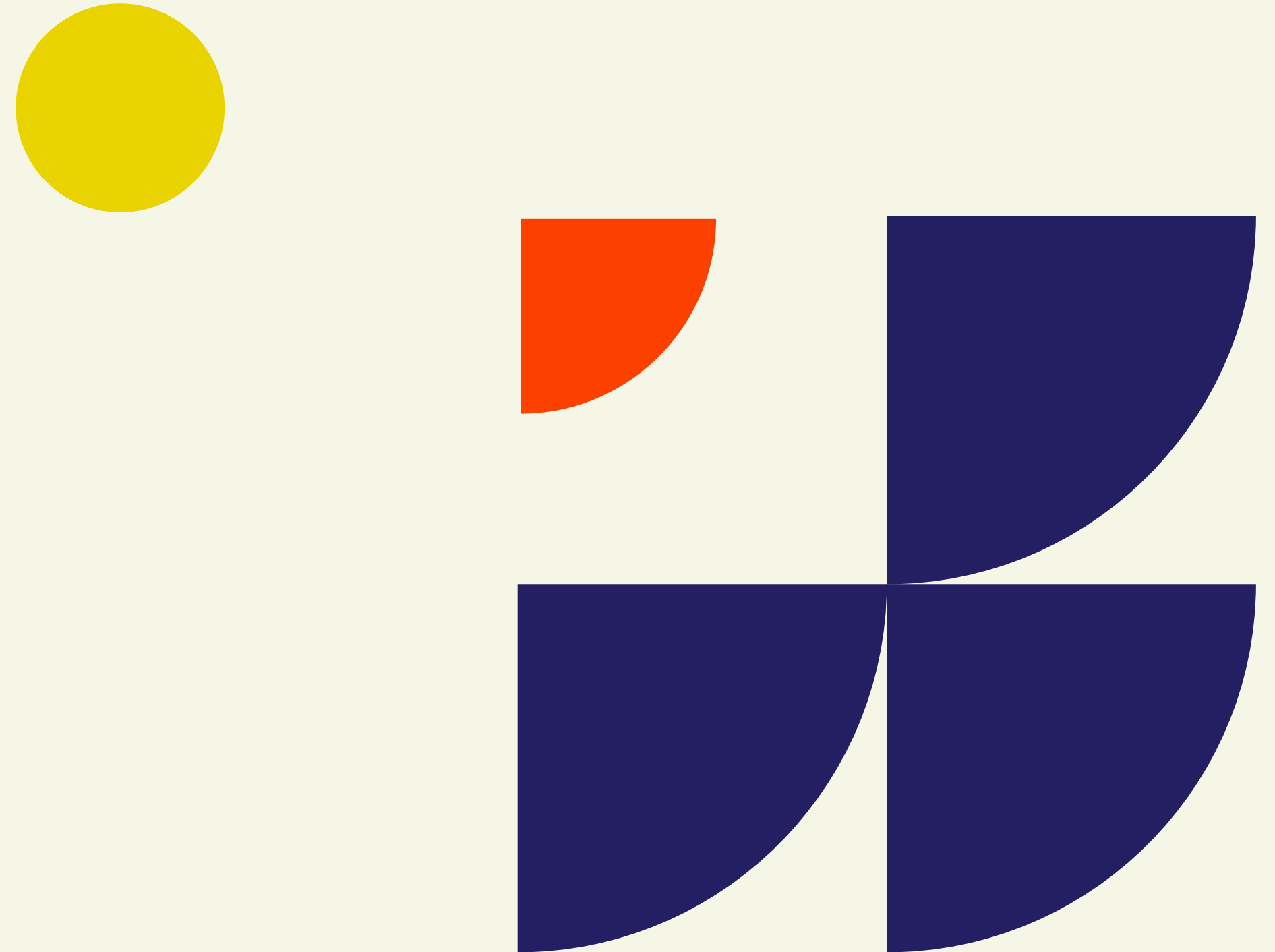
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# Red Trans Masc+

**T**he Transmasc Network of Puerto Rico is an initiative that proposes to develop connections between trans and non-binary people whose gender expression and/or gender identity falls within the masculine spectrum. To achieve this, we aim to promote peer support, collective care, the exchange of resources, as well as to generate meeting spaces for the exchange of experiences and knowledge.

**W**e dream of a network of mutual aid and knowledge exchange that promotes the quality of life and visibility of our community. Also that within this colony we can know how to support each other, generating new perspectives on masculinities.



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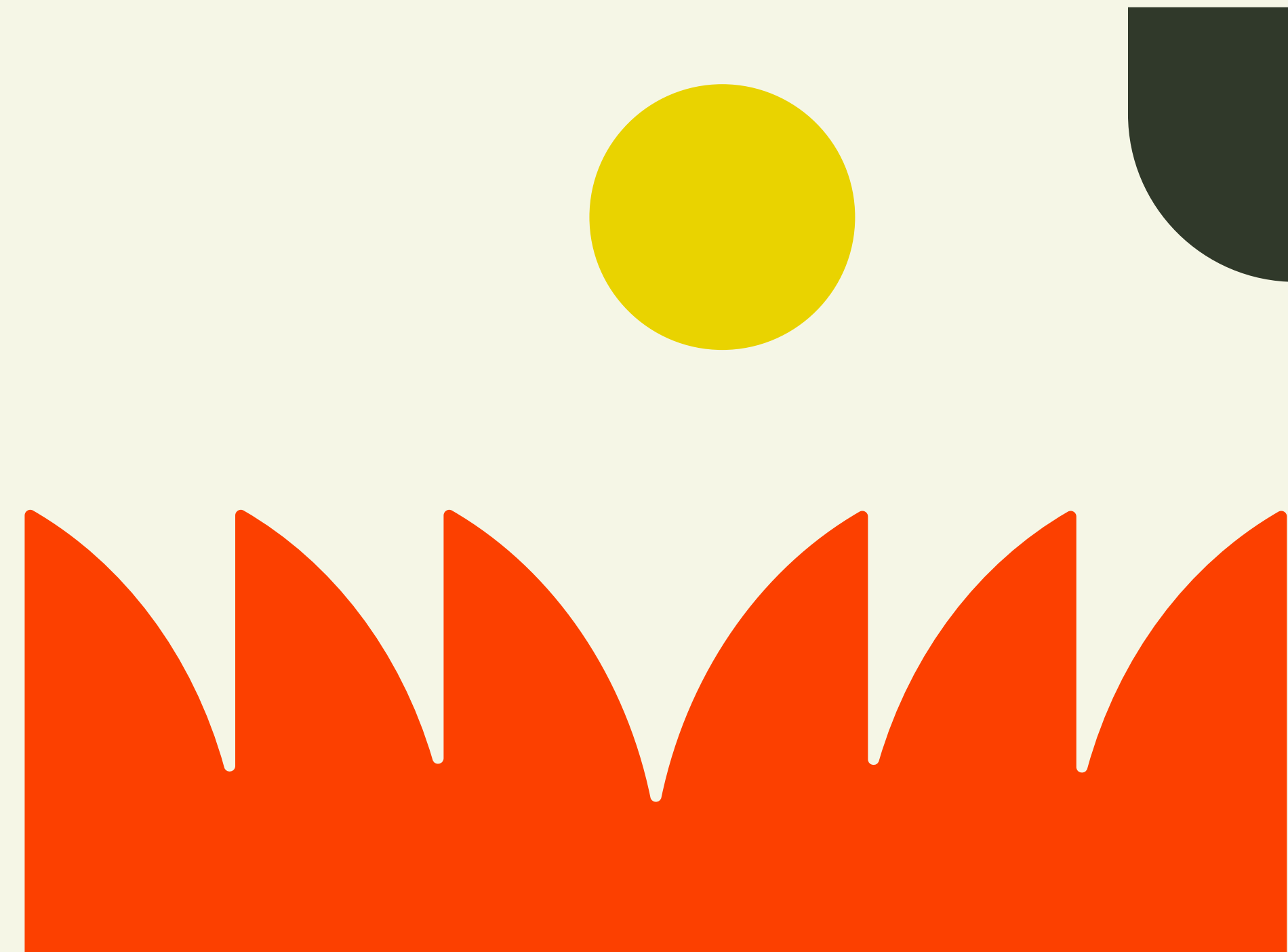
**Reach: San Juan**

# Solidaridad Humanitaria

## \*proyecto con jóvenes

**W**e are a project created by Manuel A. Pérez that seeks to meet the particular needs of young residents of public housing. We seek to promote their right to be heard in the political arena. We aim to see them claiming and demanding their rights, not only from having knowledge of public policies, but being an active voice with the power to make changes. We sustain collaborations with other organizations to spread knowledge and create networks among groups that are affected by similar situations.

**W**e dream that adulthood will be a tool for young people to learn to fight for PR from an anti-racist practice and with respect and inclusion of diversities, particularly towards queer people. We also dream of equal rights, access to quality education for children and youth in the public system of Puerto Rico. We intend to start a garden within public housing projects alongside elder women leaders who understand that public housing projects are food deserts and look to create spaces to grow their own food in order to achieve food sovereignty.



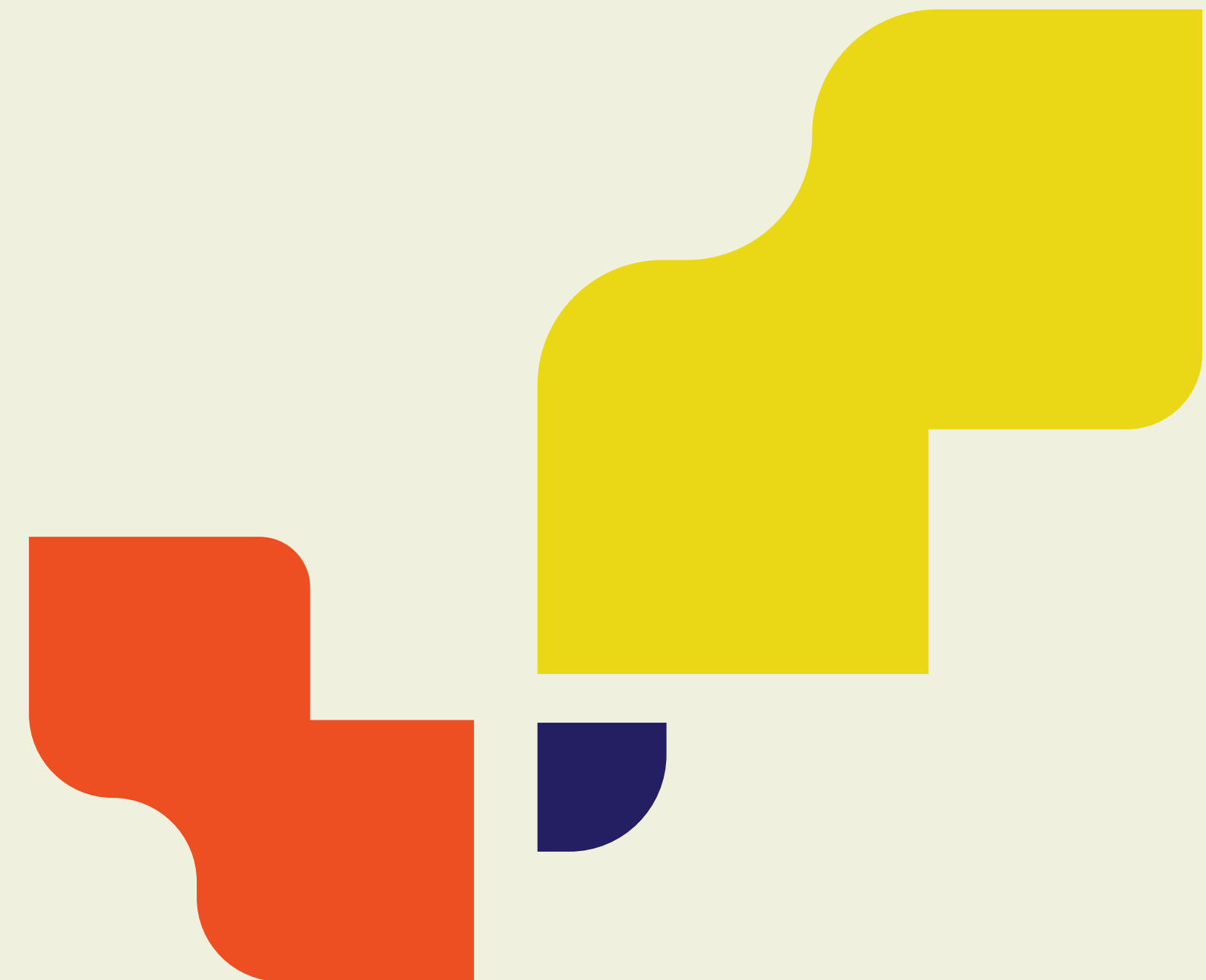
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# Sin Límites PR

**W**e are a nonprofit organization committed to alleviating poverty in communities that are impacted by natural disasters and historically disadvantaged. We are an organization founded and led by young Puerto Ricans dedicated to working with our communities and investing in their futures— raising awareness about the challenges they face and taking action to address their specific needs.

**W**e are young people leading social development in Puerto Rico. Our purpose is to build a better tomorrow for future generations through social development initiatives and community self-management for the benefit of marginalized communities. Our initiatives foster participation, leadership and local capacity with an approach that promotes the integral development of children, youth and adults as agents of change in their communities and our society.



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