



Take Action: Educate

Many people are unaware of the injustice Puerto Ricans are facing right now under territorial status. It is our job as advocates to inform and educate others to raise awareness about the need to obtain full democracy and equality for Puerto Rico through statehood. Here are some ways you can help educate those around you.

Talking

Introduce your friends, family and contacts to the topic of Puerto Rico statehood and why you support it. Be sure to keep the conversation informational and refrain from arguing.

Here are some talking points to get you started:

The Problem

- Territory status denies the more than 3 million U.S. citizens of Puerto Rico representation in Congress and equal treatment under federal laws.
- The inequality caused by Puerto Rico's current territory status is the root cause of much of the island's economic problems.
- Territorial discrimination has led hundreds of thousands to move to the states in search of better opportunities and quality of life.

The Solution:

- So it's not surprising that voters in Puerto Rico have consistently rejected staying under the current territory status and favored statehood among the non-territory options.
- Last November statehood won for the third time in a row, with 52.52% supporting immediate admission into the Union.
- Statehood would help unleash Puerto Rico's full economic potential.
- A majority of Americans support statehood for Puerto Rico.
- Statehood is the only alternative to territory status with majority support and with a clear path to sustainable economic growth and prosperity.
- Keeping our fellow citizens in a dysfunctional and undemocratic territory status against their will hurts American democracy.
- All Americans should care about our fellow citizens in Puerto Rico and contact their members of Congress to ask that they support the will of the majority of voters for full equality and democracy through statehood.



Sharing Facts



Sharing facts and verifiable information is a powerful way to help raise awareness about the Puerto Rico statehood cause. Share articles and news stories that contain facts and information about Puerto Rico statehood.

Here are some useful sources:

<https://www.pr51st.com/blog/>

<https://www.puertoricoreport.com/>

Posting

Posting and re-posting educational statehood content on your social media platforms is a good way to casually inform people about the cause.

Here are some accounts that frequently post pro statehood content:

- Twitter @PuertoRico51st
- Twitter @EstadistaFrente
- Twitter @HR1522 & @SenateBill780
- Twitter @PRStatehoodNet

Speaking & Writing

Seek out any opportunities to speak about the issue at a school, university, community group, alumni association or any other public venue.

If you would prefer to communicate in writing you can write a letter to the editor or an opinion editorial (OPED) in your local newspaper.

