

Enterprise Punta Gorda

Established in 2007, EPG is the new Economic Development organization for the City of Punta Gorda. Our aim is to attract new business to our area by presenting developers and entrepreneurs with detailed information to show the viability of doing business in our area. EPG will undertake outreach to new customers who have been identified as having a business highlighted by recent feasibility studies as currently lacking in our area. Visit our website on www.enterprisepuntagorda.org or call on 941 575 9099 for further information.

Main Street Punta Gorda

Main Street Punta Gorda received its designation from Florida Main Street on September 4, 2007, as a program initiative of Enterprise Punta Gorda. Main Street programs focus on revitalization of traditional commercial districts.

The mission is to promote, encourage, facilitate and enhance growth, vitality and prosperity in downtown Punta Gorda while preserving its historic character to benefit the entire community. The Main Street Punta Gorda program area is comprised of approximately 60 blocks bounded on the north by Charlotte Harbor, the south by Charlotte Avenue, the west by Harvey Street, and the east by Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Charlotte Harbor Visitor's Bureau

The Visitor's Bureau's mission is to broaden the local tourism industry and to increase awareness of Charlotte County as a vacation destination; and to increase the economic impact of tourism for the mutual benefit of the industry and the community.

The Visitor's Bureau is responsible for coordinating a countywide program of tourism promotion and development for Charlotte County's travel & tourism industry and implementing its national and international marketing, advertising and public relations programs.

Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce

The Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce, serving our community for 82 years, is organized to advance the prosperity and general welfare of our business members and the community they serve. Our goals are to be the influential voice of the business community, to play a primary role in further improving the business climate in Charlotte County and to provide business leadership for programs that will enhance the quality of life in our community.

With 1400 members, the Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce has two offices to serve our members, residents and visitors. First, in Punta Gorda, we are located in the historic Freeman House at 311 W. Retta Esplanade (639-2222), and the other at 2702 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte (627-2222). Visit us at www.charlottecountycommerce.org.

The Charlotte County Chamber is a 4-star accredited member of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and was awarded the 2005 Medium-sized Chamber of the Year by the Florida Association of Chamber Professionals.

Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce

The Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce is your business resource in our City. As a membership driven association, we are the unified voice of business in our community. We offer a wide variety of services to you, that can facilitate your consideration of doing business in our area. See www.puntagorda-chamber.com for further details. We will assist in the gathering of pertinent information that will allow you to make the right choice of business location and to guide you through the necessary process of permitting, required during the inception period. We are also an advocacy group to lobby on behalf of our business community at both State and Federal levels.

TEAM Punta Gorda

As originators of the citizens' Master Plan following Hurricane Charley in 2004, the focus of Team's Community and Economic (C&E) Task Force is to assist developers understand the architectural styles that the citizens have identified in the rebuilding of Punta Gorda. The C&E Task Force's motivation is to incorporate an architectural style and design that enhances the city's unique culture and history. Through this process TEAM's goal is to accentuate the uniqueness in our community through the planning and development process as well as build a positive business climate for economic growth. The task force will also help facilitate a timely regulatory review process and assume an advocacy role positive business climate for economic growth. The task force will also help facilitate a timely regulatory review process and assume an advocacy role to resolve conflicting developer issues between the city, county and/or state. To learn more about TEAM go to: www.teampuntagorda.com.

Charlotte County Economic Development Office

DEPARTMENT PURPOSE, GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Encourage the recruitment, expansion and retention of diversified high impact industry

- Create high skill – high wage jobs
- Diversify the economy and tax base
- Improve the economic competitiveness of Charlotte County
- Continue the implementation of the Charlotte Harbor and Murdock Village Redevelopment Areas