

THE BRUGAL FOUNDATION

- 3 **George Arzeno Brugal, giving the opening speech for the 17th annual Brugal Cree en su Gente Awards, at Casa San Pablo in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.**
- 4 **Father Antonio Ramón Lluberes Navarro, director of Fe y Alegría Foundation, and Franklin Báez Brugal initiating the construction of the George Arzeno Brugal School in the community of San Marcos, Puerto Plata.**



Just like Edrington, Brugal shares a commitment towards corporate social responsibility. This is manifested through the work of the Brugal Foundation, funded by annual contributions from the profits made by the Brugal company and some members of the Brugal family. The Foundation makes grants to charitable and educational projects within the Dominican Republic.

The Foundation, a non-profit organisation, is active in the promotion of educational, cultural and social development on the island and undertakes a wide range of initiatives, projects and programmes designed to promote the participation, commitment and well-being of the Dominican people.

The work of the Foundation is a lasting legacy to the philanthropic nature of the Brugal family and their long and proud association with the Dominican Republic. From its establishment in 1888, Brugal has championed social responsibility and this is manifested today through the Brugal Cree en su Gente (Brugal Believes in its People) award and the Brugal Fund for Education and Research.

Brugal Believes in its People recognises, supports and celebrates the achievements of local institutions, organisations and individuals. It aims to improve the social development and the well-being of Dominicans, with a particular emphasis on benefiting families and communities.

Since its inception, the Brugal Foundation has focused its efforts on supporting the many hard working Dominicans whose work can make a real difference to the more isolated parts of the island and where its financial backing can also make a positive change. A recent example of this has been funding for the new George Arzeno Brugal School, working alongside the Fe y Alegría Foundation, in San Marcos. The school has been named in memory of Brugal's president, who died earlier this year, and it will educate future generations in the same town where Brugal & Co. was born.

"Our contribution for this worthwhile cause should be interpreted as an act of gratitude to this community, as well as a commitment to the development and the dignity of the Dominican people," said Franklin Baez Brugal.