

Packing List

Puerto Rico

Carefully read the clothing policy and pack accordingly.

- Reusable water bottle (extremely important!)- YouthWorks does provide drinking water.
- Sun block, lip balm, hat (to protect you from the sun), sunglasses
- Long pants - not tight (some ministries may require participants to wear pants)
- One to two long-sleeved shirts
- Short-sleeved shirts (no sleeveless shirts, tank tops or tight-fitting shirts)
- Appropriate length shorts (shorts must be knee length or as close as possible. Capri pants are preferred)
- Tennis shoes (must be closed-foot)
- Nice clothes for a worship service (appropriate gender examples in packing notes)
- Underwear and socks
- Bath towel, wash cloth, swimsuit (one-piece) for showering and at the beach. (We ask that you bring swimsuits for showering because this site may not offer private showers.)
 - ***No two-piece swimsuits***
- Shower shoes and beach shoes
- Small shower bag or small backpack
- Soap, shampoo, deodorant, other toiletries (extra contact lenses, backup pair of glasses)
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Foam camping pad or bedroll
 - ***Because of space limitations, do not bring twin-sized air mattresses! Please bring foam pads or something similar to a thermarest.***
- Bible and pen
- Spending money for snacks
- Insect repellent (not every person needs to bring- coordinate with others in your group)
- Flashlight
- Battery powered alarm clock (not every person needs to bring- coordinate with others in your group)
- Hand-held battery-powered personal fan (optional)
- Reusable lunch bags/boxes for lunches (YouthWorks does provide brown paper lunch bags, but bringing your own can save on waste)

Notes on Packing

Because space is limited in the sleeping rooms, everything but the sleeping bag and camping pad must fit in one duffel bag or suitcase. Puerto Rico is very hot and humid, and in the summer temperatures will generally stay in the nineties.

We will be attending a Puerto Rican church service while you are on site. It is important to dress appropriately to their culture. YouthWorks staff will ask participants to change if they are not dressed appropriately. Suitable clothing for church includes:

- For women – ankle-length skirt and a loose-fitting shirt with short or long sleeves or a long dress with sleeves.
- For men – pants, no shorts, preferably khakis with a short sleeve button-down shirt or polo shirt.
- Sandals are appropriate for everyone to wear to church.

DO NOT BRING (YouthWorks is not responsible for any lost or stolen items):

- Blow dryers, curling or straightening irons because the shower time is short and because the housing site may not have the power to run all of these small electronics at one time.
- iPods, electronic games, portable CD players, other valuables, or too much cash. These items can distract you from others during the week and may be susceptible to theft.