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# Infrastructure meets Education: Collaboration with FUCPE



In 2012, FNE International facilitated the first art therapy trip to FUCPE School (Fundación Crecimiento Comunitario - “Foundation for Community Growth”), a community school located in Villa Hermosa, one of the poorest sections in La Romana, Dominican Republic, plagued with some of the highest crime rates and most dangerous neighborhoods in the province. Villa Hermosa has a population of predominantly Haitian-Dominican ancestry enticed to populate the region by the mammoth sugar cane plantations and refineries that exploited the migrant population.