


Hyatt House San Juan opens in Convention Center zone

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Hyatt House San Juan officially opened its doors Wednesday, becoming Puerto Rico's first extended stay hotel and is the brand's first Hyatt House hotel outside of the continental United States, company and government officials said.

The hotel, which specializes in extended stays, was developed with an investment of \$30 million, created 159 jobs during construction, and employ 35 people for its day-to-day operations.

During a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the property located in San Juan's Convention Center District, representatives from Hyatt Hotels Corporation, and local developer PRISA Group and McConnell Valdés Consulting, as well as Gov. Alejandro García-Padilla shared details of the hotel's impact on the local economy.

This the third Hyatt property to open in Puerto Rico in the last 12 months, and represents the re-entry of the brand that had been absent from the local market for nine years.

"This has been a remarkable year in Puerto Rico with Hyatt, following the opening of Hyatt Place San Juan/Bayamon and Hyatt Place Manatí in December and March. The three properties represent [more than] \$115 million in development costs for us," said Federico Stubbe, Jr., president of PRISA Group, the hotels' developer and owner.



Gov. García-Padilla offers his remarks during the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the newest Hyatt property to open in Puerto Rico.

“Hyatt House San Juan is yet another example of our continued focus on developing and investing in Puerto Rico to attract business, convention and leisure travelers alike,” he said. “We are delighted with this new extended stay offering for travelers visiting San Juan, as the hotel and our associates will make them feel like residents while visiting our beautiful island.”

The 126-room Hyatt House San Juan offers the conveniences of hotel living with the comforts of home, with studio and one-bedroom suites, featuring panoramic views of the Atlantic Ocean and San Juan Bay. The hotel’s suites also feature full kitchens, living space with HDTVs and bedrooms with a plush bed.

“Our relationship with PRISA Group has been fruitful with two Hyatt Place openings already in Puerto Rico, and we are thrilled by the opening our first Hyatt House hotel outside of the continental United States in Puerto Rico and the first Hyatt House built entirely according to the brand’s new prototype design,” said Chris Walker, vice president of brands, Hyatt Place and Hyatt House.

“The opening of Hyatt House San Juan is also significant in that it begins the brand’s global expansion with future openings expected in Mexico, Panama, China, India, and Saudi Arabia,” he said.

Meanwhile, García-Padilla said, “The hotel we are inaugurating today is just the beginning of a new development in this area so vital to tourism and economic development.”