



**Dear Residents of Dangriga:**

The time has come again for us to exercise our right to vote for those we believe will improve the quality of our lives. This is no easy task when we understand that the decision we make on March 4, 2015 can determine the quality of life for Generations to come.

Over the years we have endured enough disrespect, hardships and outright neglect of our municipality. We have seen how millions of dollars have been furnished on a silver platter to Belize City in particular but only pittance to our municipality. We say enough is enough! We deserve better and we must demand better!

It is no secret that our geographical location makes us the number one tourist destination in Belize yet our people are not able to benefit economically.

We are not satisfied that the cement streets are without drains, without proper shoulders and sidewalk for pedestrians. Yes, we are grateful for the few jobs offered through the street projects but we will not be fully happy until we can find lasting solutions to our joblessness. We don't want to stand in line to beg! We are a people with pride and dignity and we deserve a dignified quality of life. We want to work!

We have the power in our hands to rid ourselves of marginalization and be masters of our own destiny. Let us replace hopelessness with new hope and faith in the PUP 7 team. Our spiritual, social and economic wellbeing must be top priority as we move forward with a people's first concept. The task of nation building is certainly a never ending job and that is why I urge you to dig deep within your social consciousness, with every fiber in your being to make the right decision on March 4, 2015.

With God's grace and your support we will be victorious. Vote PUP 7 for we are committed to deliver!!

Sincerely,  
Gregory Ovado  
Mayoral Candidate

# OUR TEAM

4th March 2015



**GREGORY OVADO** for Mayor

**for Councillors**



**HILBERTO BERNARDEZ**



**GILROY HOWARD FLORES**



**GWENDOLYN GARCIA**



**HOWARD MELENDREZ**



**GRACE SIMPSON**



**LIBERATO TEUL**

# VOTE PUP

## Specific Projects

The tourism package is crucial if we are to make Dangriga the tourism mecca of the south.

1. Completion of the South Side Market
2. Re- build Town pier
3. Havana Creek enhancement
4. Drainage outlet in the Rivas Estate Area leading to Graagra lagoon
5. Side walk ,lighting and tree planting
6. Refurbishing Why not Island and Alejo Beni Park
7. Beach front enhancement
8. Build a house of culture



The People's United Party

## Manifesto Summary

2015 - 2018



# COMMITTED TO DELIVER

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### Infrastructural Development:

In a district that is abundantly rich in aggregates, it is unclear why it is that we continue to suffer with the worse streets. Our infrastructure must be representative of us. Therefore:

#### Your PUP town council is committed to:

- Refurbish the Benguche Community Center.
- Pave and resurface main streets.
- Improve and maintain all parks and playgrounds.
- Secure ownership of equipment of the town council to clean and maintain roads and water ways (Backhoe, Grader, excavator, tractor, compactor).
- Upgrade and refurbish all our sporting facilities.
- Create Beach Volleyball and Football Facilities in the Foreshore Area.
- Continue the drainage project in priority areas of Dangriga
- Develop new parks and playgrounds in the Rivas Estate and the wagierale Area.
- Clean, beautify and maintain our beach front in a pristine condition.
- Lobby Central Government to extend the town Boundary to include Commerce Bight Port and Scotchman Town and link Town with Sarawee Village Boundary.

## Working In Partnership

Your PUP town council will increase public confidence and trust by working side by side to develop Dangriga.

#### Your PUP Town Council is committed to:

- Develop and maintain a strong working relationship with Area Representative, the Southern Cacus and other ministers to bring more development to Dangriga.
- Build good working relationships with all NGO's and local organizations serving the community.
- Re- establish Sister City Relationships within and outside the region.
- Establish "Dangriga Day celebration" annually in February to highlight the history of Dangriga and celebrate the accomplishment of our People.
- Establish a mentorship program with successful local entrepreneurs.
- Assist struggling families to reach and develop existing house lots in Rivas Estate and Wageirale area.

## Education, Women & Youth

A sound educational background is still the key to success. In this time and age it is almost impossible to survive without a strong educational background.

#### Your PUP Town Council is committed to:

- Ensure that a portion of the Town's Revenue is allocated for Educational Scholarships be it academic or technical.
- Work closely with the sports council and other sporting organizations to establish sound developmental programs in all major sports.
- Give support to the established community Child Friendly Spaces in order to ensure that our students are poised for academic excellence.
- Lobby the Ministry of Sports to ensure that a sporting complex be built.
- Encourage and support certified All day and Night care centers in the community especially geared to support mothers wishing to go back to school .
- Work closely with the ITVET to facilitate meaningful and relevant skills training for our out of school youths
- Lobby the local trades men and women to establish a sound apprenticeship program to keep our youths gainfully engaged on a day to day basis.
- Support single and struggling mothers attending evening division.

## JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

Joblessness, hardships, crime and violence have a direct correlation to the lack of economic opportunities.

#### Your PUP Town Council is committed to:

- Develop Dangriga into a Cultural Tourism Destination by building a house of culture encourage visual and Performing Arts, National and international cultural exchange.
- Work closely with single mothers in particular to develop strong entrepreneurial skills to be able to support their families.
- Lobby the money lending institutions for loans on concessionary rates to develop small and medium size businesses.
- Work hand in hand with the National Institute of Culture and History (NICH) to embrace and promote all cultures in Dangriga.
- Lobby NICH and other institutions within the region to assist in the training of our people to enhance their skills in



music, art, drama, and poetry to be able to organize special public entertainment to showcase our talents to our locals and visitors.

- Ensure the employment of Dangrigana on all infrastructural projects without political bias.
- Provide short term rotational employment to manual laborers and others.

## Health and Safety

Being healthy is not just the mere absence of disease but it is also our spiritual, social, emotional and economic wellbeing. It is of paramount importance that we maintain the health of our people for only then will be able to attain our just objectives. Crime and violence can cripple the moral fabric of any society. In that light, we remain guarded and vigilant to support law enforcement and neighborhood watch groups. Consequently:

#### Your PUP Town Council is committed to:

- Consider the possibility of a health post/clinic in the Wageirale area for residents on the North side of town.
- Strengthen and Support established neighborhood watch groups in the various zones with equipment to be able to function effectively.
- Continue to build a strong working relationship with the law enforcement and other security firms.
- Ensure that all stagnant water bodies are cleaned and treated to prevent rodents and mosquito infestation in neighborhoods as well as have regular clean up campaigns in all zones.
- Encourage and facilitate absentee property owners to clean and maintain their property within the town limits
- Net work with the police to erect police booths in New Site, Lakeland and Benguche.
- Provide outlets for socialization, recreation and entertainment by re- establishing our own local Agriculture and trade show.
- Work closely with Help Age to support all their initiative in working with our shut ins, senior citizens and those that are differently able.