



Join us in celebrating the vibrant heritage and rich traditions of Puerto Rican and Caribbean culture. The 2026 Pensacola Latin Salsa Festival is more than an event—it's a movement dedicated to honoring and sharing the rich traditions, music, and cuisine of the Caribbean.

Our Mission & Vision

Mission:

To enrich the community of the Emerald Coast by celebrating, preserving, and promoting Puerto Rican and Caribbean culture through vibrant events like the annual Latin Salsa Music Festival. We are dedicated to fostering community unity, providing cultural, education, and raising vital funds for local initiatives that empower youth and provide mental health services, thereby strengthening our community's foundation.

Vision:

To build an Emerald Coast community where the vibrant spirit of Puerto Rican and Caribbean culture is a foundation for empowering young people. By leveraging this culture, we will equip them with the resources, resilience, and sense of belonging needed for optimal mental well-being.

Festival Purpose & Community Impact
Now entering its 17th year, the Pensacola Latin Salsa Festival has
evolved from a small community gathering into one of the Gulf
Coast's most anticipated cultural events. The festival draws
thousands of attendees annually, inviting them to celebrate the
richness of Puerto Rican and Hispanic Caribbean cultures.

This year's festival, Havana's Nights, is a living celebration of culture. We're honoring the ancestral sounds, stories, and resilience that have shaped us all. Through live music, dance, delicious food, and community, this festival is a powerful platform for positive change.

This year, we have made a strategic decision to partner with and raise funds for Storytelling Solutions of America, a nonprofit committed to empowering youth through creativity, healing, and culturally-relevant mental health services. In a time when Hispanic communities—especially our youth—are facing unprecedented emotional, social, and political challenges, we are committed to being a hub for healing, advocacy, and representation.

Securing corporate and community sponsorships that align with our mission is our top priority. By starting our outreach early, we are building something even more meaningful, ensuring the long-term sustainability of this festival. Together, we can make this festival not just a day of celebration, but a lasting movement that pours back into the community we serve.















