

Guayaguayare  
Community  
Centre



Helena Charles  
Home for the  
Aged



Arouca  
Youth Training  
Centre



The Couva  
Children's Home  
and Crisis Nursery  
(formerly Philips  
Children's Home  
and Nursery School)



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New PSL  
Centre,  
Couva



## NGC's Facilities Development Programme

# Enhancing community living one neighbourhood at a time

*NGC's Facilities Development Programme is a major component of our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). This programme involves the upgrade or expansion of social amenities in communities throughout Trinidad and Tobago. In 2010, NGC is carrying over eight projects, six of which we feature here.*

### Guayaguayare Community Centre

In recognition of the "Good Neighbour" courtesies, the community of Guayaguayare extends to NGC, particularly during periods of construction, such as, the NEO 36-inch-diameter line, now nearing completion, NGC was delighted to refurbish the Guayaguayare Community Centre. The works included, the creation of a multipurpose hall, stage, change rooms, and bathrooms. Administrative offices, a library, training kitchen, computer room, and homework centre were also constructed. Outdoors, visitors can enjoy an upgraded basketball court, bleachers, cafeteria, a senior citizen's 'liming' spot, and space for a children's play park. There are also new parking facilities.

### Helena Charles Home for the Aged, La Brea

Deeply concerned for the welfare of the elderly in the area, NGC agreed to construct a Home for the Aged to replace the existing one, which was in a sad state of disrepair. The new Home will be wheelchair-accessible and will include accommodation for residents, a nursing station, doctor's office, and overnight nurse. Residents can enjoy a recreation and exercise area. The Home will be fire-protected, with all emergency equipment provided.

### The Couva Children's Home and Crisis Nursery (formerly Philips Children's Home and Nursery School)

Upon reaching the age of maturity, young residents of many children's homes find themselves in limbo. Too old for the homes, and not yet financially secure, many slip through the cracks. NGC is expanding the Couva Children's Home and Crisis Nursery in Couva to include a transition home for former residents between the ages of 18 and 25. The expansion will include an administrative section, computer room, reading-room and reception area for the main building.

### Youth Training Centre, Arouca

NGC continues to make good on its promise to support youth development, and at-risk youth, such as those housed at the Youth Training Centre, who are especially in need of encouragement and direction. NGC has provided a healthy avenue for their youthful energies by upgrading their indoor gym. The works included a refurbished roof, floor, and toilets. The electrical wiring was redone, seating and ventilation improved, and office space provided. A fresh coat of paint helped make the gym a brighter, more comfortable place to work out and relax.

### Couva Joylanders Panyard

In support of the sweet sounds of its neighbourhood steel band, NGC is helping the Couva Joylanders complete its Pan Theatre. There will be a paved and fenced amphitheatre for concerts, office space, a sound room for fine-tuning pans and arranging musical scores as well as classrooms and office space. A fitting honour for T&T's national instrument!

### The PSL Centre, Couva

The Centre, which houses the Police Youth Club, local Scouting troupe, and the Lions Club, was uninhabitable for several years. The old structure was demolished, and in its place, NGC is erecting a new building. It will feature a multi-purpose hall, offices and meeting rooms for the above groups, as well as office space for Families in Action and the Heroes Foundation.

