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Thank you for reviewing our suggestions for Puerto Rico economic growth and stability.

1. Bureaucracy- Small businesses have a very difficult time dealing with the government agencies. Making it easier to start a small business and pay taxes and get permits is probably the biggest complaint we hear from current business owners.
2. Infrastructure – Water and power are issues here on this side of the island. These are basic functions, and both go out on a regular basis. In the past month, I have had two very vocal complaints about water outages that occurred on a daily basis while these guests were in our town, calling it a third world country.
3. Recycling/Sustainability – Puerto Rico does not have enough landfills or recycling facilities for the amount of waste it produces. The government needs to draw plastic and glass recycling on to the island, this could be an opportunity for growth as recycled plastic and glass can be used for construction materials.
4. Mapping/Addresses – Not as significant of an issue, but one that could help productivity. Proper street names and address would help small business, residents, mail service, bill collections, etc Even a grid system would help.
5. Consolidation of municipal governments – We think this would help reduce fraud , wastefull spending and bogus projects.

Thank you for your consideration and we would be happy to clarify any of our comments or be involved in any way towards making progressive changes for the good of Puerto Rico.