

**New Executive Director**

**Natalia Oviedo Meza, new Executive Director of the Alvaralice Foundation**



The first week of April, the **Alvaralice Foundation** welcomed Natalia Oviedo as its Executive Director. Natalia assumed the challenge of strengthening the foundation's current programs and projects which aim to contribute to a more inclusive and peaceful Colombian society. [See more](#)

**Civic Award For a Better City**

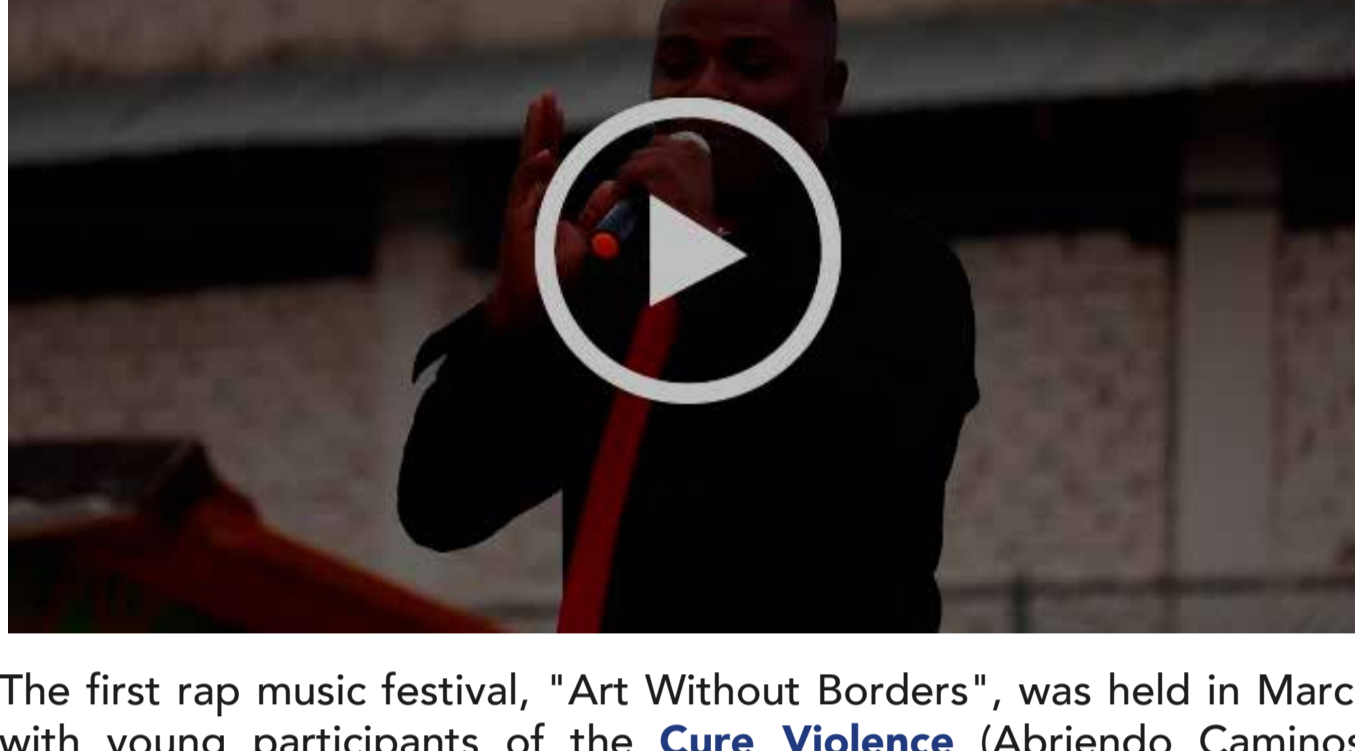
**Two new foundations join the 10th chapter of the Civic Award For a Better City**



The **Club Campestre Foundation of Cali** and the **Center for Education and Research for Urban and Rural Community Development (CEDECUR)** joined the **civic award For a Better City**, in order to accompany and support the activities and objectives of the program. [See more](#)

**Cure Violence - Abriendo Caminos**

**"Art Without Borders", the First Rap Festival organized by the Cure Violence project**



The first rap music festival, "Art Without Borders", was held in March with young participants of the **Cure Violence** (Abriendo Caminos) program of the **Alvaralice Foundation**. The festival allowed the interaction of young people through musical activities with the objective of promoting peaceful coexistence and helping reduce the rate of violence in their neighborhood. [See more](#)

**Rumbo Joven**

**"Everyone can be reborn a thousand and one times" Natalia Ponce de León visits the Rumbo Joven Employability Program**



With the support of the United States Agency for International Development (**USAID**) and the international economic development organization **ACDI/VOCA** Natalia Ponce de León, ambassador of reconciliation, visited the employability program **Rumbo Joven** to promote her campaign: "**La Vida Renace**" (Life Reborn). During two hours, Natalia shared her personal experiences with participants of the program, and invited them to become agents of change, not to be afraid, not to be silent and to help transform lives. [See more](#)

**Students from the Rumbo Joven Program visited the University of San Buenaventura**



On Monday, March 18th, more than 100 students from the **Rumbo Joven** employability program visited the **University of San Buenaventura** with the objective of understanding the work experience at this institution. [See more](#)

**Life Stories: Learn about how Alvaralice Foundation is making an impact**

**Karen Daniela, shares her example of perseverance**



Karen Daniela is a graduate from the **Rumbo Joven** employability program. She is currently working at an architect's firm in Cali.

**Ingrid Vallecilla, a life transformed by Somos Pacífico**



In 2013 Ingrid Vallecilla joined the **Technocenter Somos Pacífico's Computer Clubhouse** program which has benefited since its inception more than 900 children and youths from the Potrero Grande neighborhood and its surroundings through the use of technology and by enabling them to develop advanced computer skills, inspiring them to pursue higher education. Ingrid showed from the start a talent for drawing and design and focused on learning the skills and tools to create graphic designs. [See more](#)