



WHO IS HATUEY?

Hatuey stands for “**Health Advocates in Truth, Unity and Empathy,**” in honor of Taino chief Hatuey — known as one of the first heroes resisting European colonialism.

Today, the U.S. has maintained a total blockade of Cuba for more than 60 years. Although Cuba provides free, high-quality medical care to all its residents, a wide array of U.S. laws and sanctions prevents Cuba from importing much-needed medicine and supplies.

We are health care providers and social justice activists concerned about the harmful effects of the U.S. economic blockade of Cuba.

We started this medical aid project to extend solidarity to the Cuban people with the procurement of vital medicines and medical equipment. **Together, we can break the blockade!**

GET INVOLVED



Donate to Hatuey

DONATE

The Hatuey project makes regular trips to Cuba to donate vital medications and supplies. **100% of donations are used to purchase medicines and supplies to deliver to the Cuban people.** Donate to support our efforts!

HEALTH AND BIOTECH PROFESSIONALS: JOIN US!

Workers in the medical industries have a critically important voice to educate our colleagues about the harmful effects of the blockade. **Our organizers reach out to medical institutions and pharmaceutical companies to secure donations to support the Cuban people.**

Contact us at
info@hatueyproject.org to join!

The Hatuey Project is a project of The People's Forum, a non-profit public charity exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.



The Hatuey Project



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CUBAN KIDS COUNT TOO

Starting July 2025, the Hatuey Project has launched its 2nd year to raise **\$150,000 more** to **provide medicines** for Cuban children with Leukemia & other cancers.



Photo: Isabel, 12, a cancer patient at Juan Manuel Márquez Pediatric Hospital in Havana, Cuba.

Did you know that the 5-year survival rate of childhood leukemia is over 80% with the right medications?

Despite the incredible advances made by the Cuban medical system, the United States blockade prevents doctors from accessing life-saving medications for children. Cuba is blocked from importing raw materials to produce their own medicines in its renowned pharmaceutical industry.

Hatuey has partnered with Cuban medical professionals at Juan Manuel Márquez Pediatric Hospital in Havana, José Luis Miranda Pediatric Hospital in Santa Clara, & the Institute of Hematology and Immunology in Havana.

"In Cuba, there are medications that could be purchased in third countries, but when they have some U.S. component, Cuba is not allowed to buy them.

*"This means that sometimes we do not have the ideal or indicated medications for the specific illness of the child. We use an alternative, which does not give the same result. **It is the children that pay the price for this needless policy.**"*

Dr. José Valdés
Director of Oncology
Juan Manuel Márquez Pediatric Hospital

While we continue to fight to end the US Blockade and to remove Cuba from the State Sponsors of Terrorism List, the people of the United States can stand in solidarity with the Cuban people through material support.

TIMELINE

1959 — A people's revolution in Cuba brings down a US-backed dictator. The US cuts ties with Cuba and in **1962** imposes sanctions, known as the US Blockade.

1991 — The Soviet Union falls. Cuba loses its biggest trading partner and is forced to rapidly diversify its economy.

1994 — Activists now with the Hatuey project defy U.S. sanctions to deliver \$2 million of life-saving insulin to Cuba.

2016 — President Obama removes some sanctions, but keeps blockade in place.

2019-2021 — President Trump signs 243 economic measures against Cuba, blocking oil imports, banning remittances.

Mar. 2020 — The COVID pandemic begins. Cuba shuts down tourism to save lives. US blocks Cuba's purchase of ventilators.

Jan 2021 — Trump adds Cuba to the false, so-called "state sponsor of terrorism" list, deepening great hardship on Cubans.

June 2021 — Cuba develops its own COVID vaccines, saving millions of lives. **Activists worldwide donate millions of syringes and needles to aid Cuba's vaccination.**

July 2022 — The Hatuey Project delivers vitamins and supplies for the 133 maternity homes for pregnant women at high risk.

August 2022 — Hatuey delivers critical medications to survivors of the Matanzas oil tanker fire.

Feb. 2023 to Mar. 2025 — Hatuey ships 39 tons of building materials after Hurricanes Ian in Pinar del Río & Oscar in Guantánamo.

April 2024 - Feb. 2026 — Hatuey Project has delivered \$202,940 of cancer meds for children with cancer to Cuban hospitals.