



# CANADIAN NETWORK ON CUBA

*Working in Friendship &  
Solidarity with Cuba  
since 2002*

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# WHO WE ARE



The Canadian Network on Cuba (CNC) was formed in 2002 to bring together Canadians and residents who share an affection for Cuba and Cubans, and strengthen the ties that connect our nations. Many of our member-organizations have been around since the triumph of the Cuban Revolution in 1959. We are currently composed of over 25 organizations, with thousands of members across Canada.

The CNC is the official partner in Canada of the Cuban Institute for Friendship with the Peoples (ICAP), and is the leading Cuba solidarity organization in Canada. Reflecting leadership within the national movement, the CNC acts as a central strategic coordinator for the Cuba solidarity movement, uniting diverse member groups under a common banner.

In addition to our major material aid projects, our organization spearheads national campaigns, including parliamentary petitions calling on the Canadian government to oppose U.S. measures and deepen ties with Cuba; organizes the annual Che Guevara Volunteer Work Brigades; and coordinates nationwide days of action that mobilize local solidarity organizations.

A photograph of the Cuban flag flying on a tall pole in front of a stone monument tower. The scene is set against a clear blue sky. The image is partially obscured by a large blue circular graphic that frames the text below.

## OUR MISSION

The CNC is committed to the strengthening of friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Canada and Cuba. We work with the Cuban Institute for Friendship Amongst the Peoples (ICAP) and other international and national partners in order to promote social, cultural, political and economic relations between Canada and Cuba, on the basis of mutual respect and non-interference. We:

- Initiate, co-ordinate and co-operate in cultural, educational, and political campaigns and projects.
- Counter media and other distortions of Cuban reality by disseminating information about the achievements of the Cuban revolution in areas such as education, public health, culture, democracy and human rights.
- Work to improve Canadian foreign policy on Cuba.

Our overall goal is to achieve an end to the illegal and extraterritorial US blockade and imperial aggression against the Cuban people.


# BREAKING THE BLOCKADE WITH MATERIAL AID

## Our Proven Track Record of Delivering Aid to Cuba

The CNC has the relationships and expertise that best position us to effectively send *direct* aid from Canada to Cuba, in a way that is reliable, efficient, and scalable. We are the sole organization in Canada that has an exclusive import permit with the Cuban Ministry of Economy and Planning for this purpose.

With over 20 years of experience, and dozens of containers of aid sent to Cuba, the CNC has the unique ability to leverage the distributive and logistical capacity of the government of Cuba, to ensure that material aid gets to the Cubans who need it the most. With no overhead costs, every dollar we raise goes towards material aid.





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# CNC MATERIAL AID HIGHLIGHTS

**\$405,000** raised for Hurricane Ida Relief - 2009

**\$144,000** raised for Cuba's medical mission after Haiti earthquake - 2010

**17 Apartments** constructed on the Isle of Youth - 2012

**1,600+** wooden baseball bats manufactured & Sent to Cuba for Tokyo Olympics and Cuba's National Series in partnership with Cubacan - 2020

**\$221,000** raised to support Cuba's Henry Reeves Brigade, Saratoga Hotel Reconstruction after the gas explosion - 2021

**2 million** syringes for Cuba to administer COVID-19 vaccines - 2022

**2,400** white canes sent for the blind in Cuba, part of Reg's Wish campaign - 2023

**30,000** medical sutures sent to Cuba - 2024

**\$35,000** raised for Hurricanes Oscar & Rafael Relief & Jardin de Luz Guantanamo school supplies campaign - 2024

**\$30,000** raised for Hurricane Melissa Relief - 2025

**\$200,000+** raised & counting for energy supplies/aid for Cuba - 2026



# CUBA SOLIDARITY & THE LABOUR MOVEMENT

For decades, Canadian unions and the labour movement in Canada have woven strong bonds of solidarity with the Cuban people and Cuban workers. Thousands of Canadians have marched alongside the Cuban people in Havana for the annual May Day parade for International Workers' Day. Canada's trade unions have stood in solidarity with Cuba and defended its right to national sovereignty and self-determination.

The gravity of the moment demands the prompt articulation of all solidarity forces, including our fraternal trade union spaces, inspired by the revolution's spirit of international cooperation and solidarity among working peoples.

Continuing to build a strong international labour movement with our sisters and brothers in Cuba is the only way to collectively advance internationalism, social justice and workers' rights, and deepen ties with Cuba's workers, students, women's groups, trade unionists and other supporters of the Cuban Revolution.

We invite Canadian trade unions to become member organizations of the Canadian Network on Cuba to broaden and unify the Cuba solidarity movement in Canada!



# DONATE NOW BECOME A MEMBER!

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