



TI KAY, INC.

Mission

Ti Kay, Inc. is a U.S.-based medical non-profit organization supporting work within the Haitian public health system to treat, and hence, prevent the spread of tuberculosis (TB) and HIV. Ti Kay means “Little House” in Haitian Kreyol. TB was traditionally the “malady of the little house,” where those with the disease were quarantined. In Haiti, it has become the disease of those with the littlest of houses, or no house at all. Ti Kay supports those most vulnerable, particularly those who are critically ill or who need help adhering to their medications, because of socioeconomic or other factors. The work aims to contribute to the growing vitality and sustainability of Haiti.

Overview

Ti Kay supports effective healthcare for vulnerable patients with Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV in Haiti.

In January 2010, an inpatient TB program was founded in a tent at the main hospital in Port Au Prince with 1 Haitian nurse, 1 US doctor, and 3 patients. The clinic, supported by Ti Kay, went on to treat 1000’s of patients over 4 years.

Care has focused on the sickest and most vulnerable. The clinic was a referral center for intensive care hospitalization of TB patients, not otherwise available. HIV and TB services were closely paired, as needed. Outpatient follow-up focuses on med adherence. All care is provided for free; most patients live on less than \$2 a day. 85% completed treatment in a timely manner last year. This is crucial; effective treatment is disease prevention.

The original clinic was closed in 2014 for post-earthquake reconstruction. We are continuing to support outpatient care and are working towards expanding outpatient outreach and opening a new inpatient clinic.