

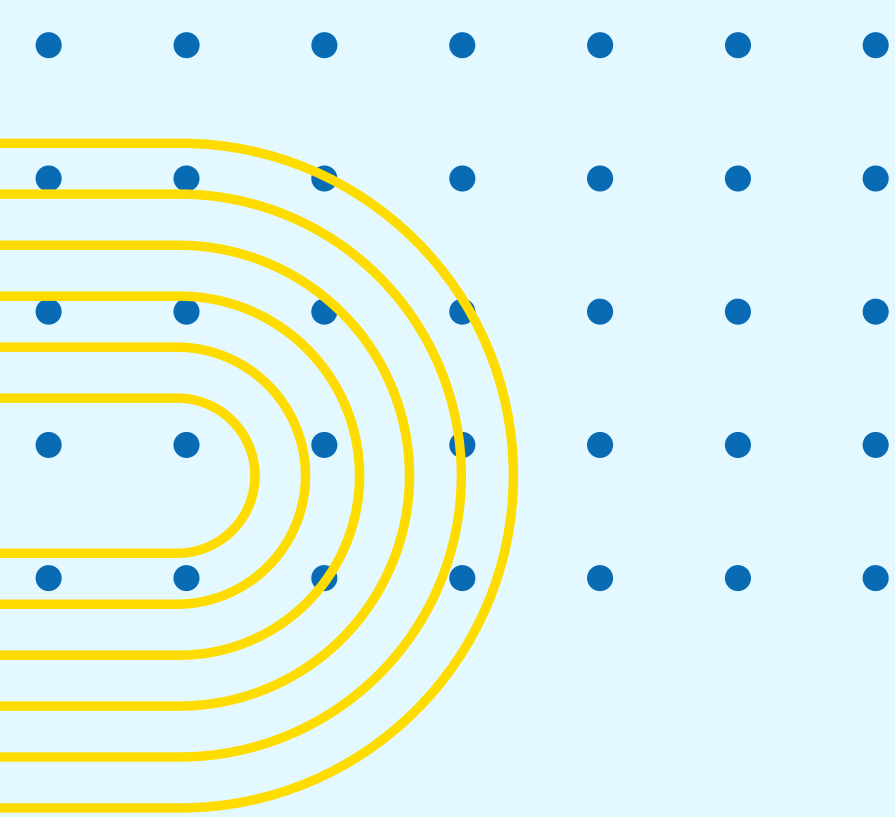
WHO WE ARE

United For Colombia Foundation is a non-profit organization legally constituted in 2003 in Washington D.C., United States and in Bogotá, Colombia in 2004. The mission of the foundation is to finance a comprehensive medical assistance program for victims of landmines/artifacts without explode in Colombia.

United for Colombia supports rehabilitation and social reinsertion programs for maimed civilians *-including children-*, military service members and demobilized guerrilla combatants.

With the support of major international donors **United For Colombia** has developed initiatives focused on:

- Reconstructive surgeries and rehabilitation therapy for severely wounded soldiers at Baylor Medical Center (Dallas, TX) and at Mayo Clinic (Rochester, MN).
- Prosthetic fittings and rehabilitation therapy for amputees *-civilians (children), service members and former guerrilla combatants -* in Colombia.
- Supply of assistive products or technical aids for disabled persons such as wheelchairs, canes, special phones and computers, sports equipment for those visually impaired.
- Education and labor opportunities to our beneficiaries through strategic partnerships with other foundations.
- Sports equipment and track training for disabled athletes *-Armed Force veterans, demobilized combatants, and civilians-* who have taken sports as a career option.
- Development of a medical capacity building initiative for **64 Colombian military healthcare professionals** at Mayo Clinic's Advanced Training Program in Rochester, MN.



IMPACT

Since December 2004, United for Colombia has funded over **882 reconstructive surgeries and prosthetic fittings** for severely wounded and aimed Colombians.

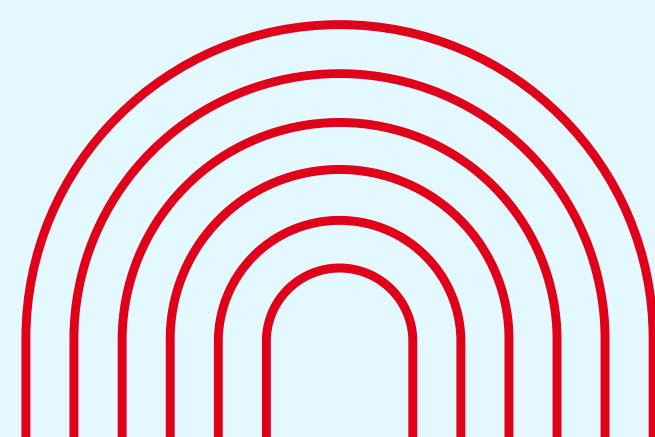
Children with limb amputation receive not only prosthetic assistance but also school kits which includes supplies, uniforms, and sturdy tennis shoes/sneakers so they can walk to school.

United for Colombia has sponsored 120 athletes with disabilities to 23 marathon races in Colombia and abroad. Thirty of these athletes have taken sports as their profession. UFC sponsors high-endurance prosthesis and bicycles for our amputees. Two of our beneficiaries have joined the Colombian Paralympic team. One of them Edwin Matiz won a bronze medal on the 4,000 meters track cycling race at 2016 Rio Olympic Games. Also, he participated in Tokyo 2021 Paralympics in category C5.

Thanks to our generous donors, 69 Colombian military professional physicians and clinicians -38 women and 31 men-attended 122 advanced medical courses, in 19 medical fields, at Mayo Clinic School of Medical Development in Rochester, MN

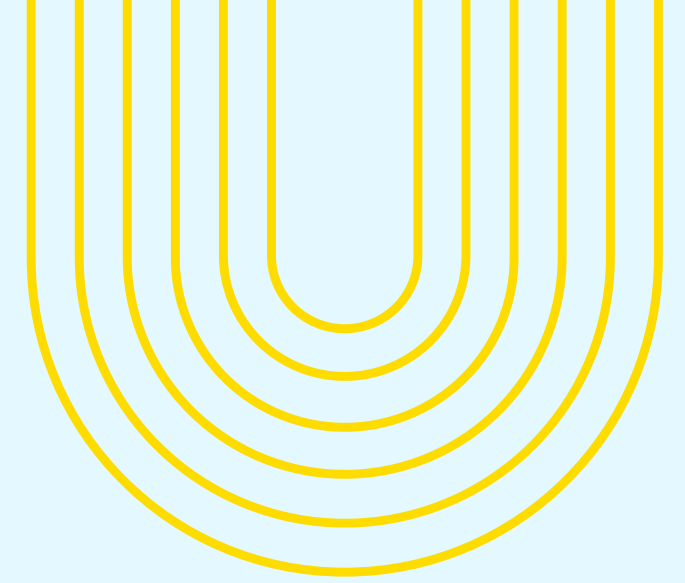
Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine, Microvascular Surgery, Cardiology, Wound Management, Gastroenterology, Infectious Diseases, Emergency Medicine, Mayo Clinic Model of Care, Neurosurgery, Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine, Hospital Medicine for Nurses, Hospital Medicine: managing complex patients, Rehabilitation Medicine, Pain Management & Palliative Care, Odontology, Clinic Sports Medicine and Pediatrics.

Development of a startup incubator in Medellin to manufacture socket liners, a protective cover or prosthetic sleeve made of flexible cushioning material to protect the stump. The Organization of American States has provided the seed money for this project.



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MAKING PROSTHETIC PARTS ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL

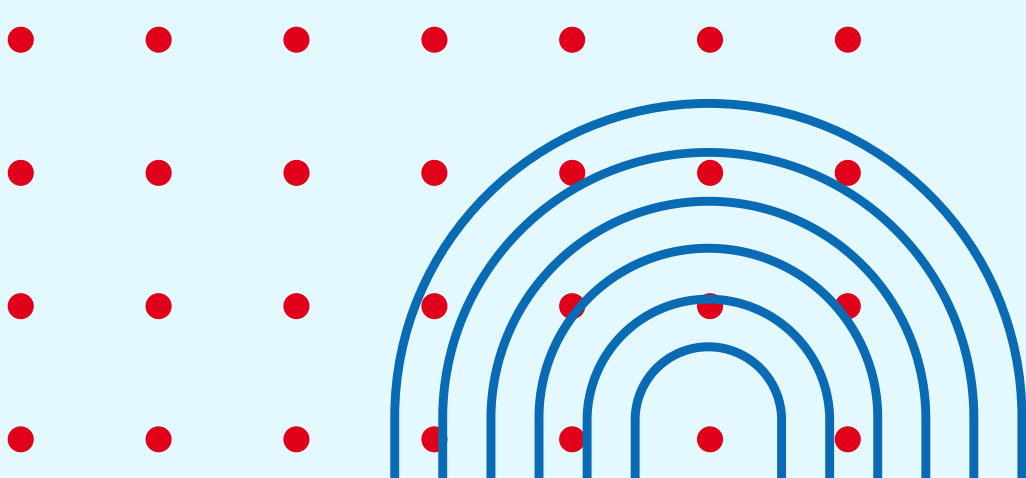
UFC, in alliance with the Organization of American States, **MásCapacidad** and **Prótesis Avanzadas**, has developed, in Colombia, a silicone liner for prosthesis use. Producing this silicone liner in Colombia will allow amputee people adequate access to this important component that will improve the everyday use of their prosthesis. Prosthetic liners exist to improve amputee safety and comfort by adding a cushioning layer between the residual limb and the prosthetic socket. Liners are the foundation of a comfortable and effective prosthetic.

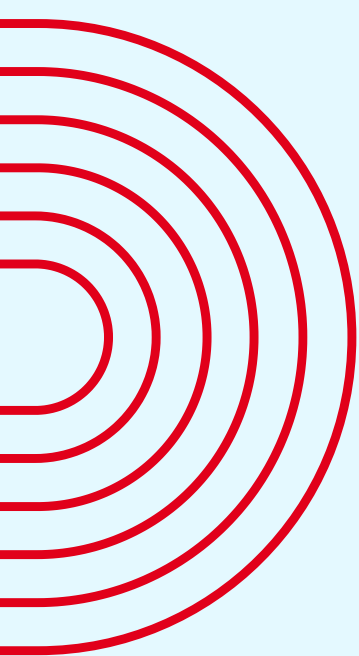
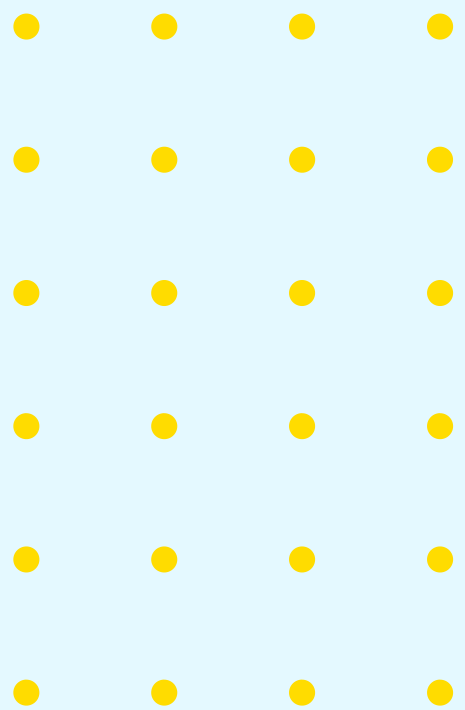
Liners are not produced in Colombia, therefore this prosthetic component must be imported from the United States, Europe or Asia, making its local cost high and delays timely access. Our goal is to develop different prosthetic parts with the use of 3D printing and make these parts accessible for all in Colombia.

Through the use of **3D technology**, we began manufacturing, in Medellín, a liner prototype with **MásCapacidad**, a startup incubator that designs and creates custom-made aesthetic and functional prostheses, with a high level realism, for people who have suffered an amputation.

To date, we have manufactured 8 prototype liners to fit in 6 patients with different physical and demographic characteristics: weight and height, level of amputation, gender and ethnic diversity, geographic location, and sociocultural environment. The objective is to evaluate the behavior of the silicone liner, the durability of the fabric, and the reaction of the stump skin in permanent contact with the silicone.

Our next step is to develop liners prototypes in 3 different sizes to be used in about 60 patients across the country.





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