Little Havana

Only 225 miles from Cuba, Miami has been significantly influenced by major waves of Cuban migration. The largest exodus followed the 1959 Cuban revolution, when thousands of immigrants settled in Hialeah and the ethnic enclave of Little Havana.

1959 Cuban revolution sends hundreds of thousands of exiles to Miami and other U.S. cities

1960 Mariel Boatlift sees approximately 125,000 immigrants flee by boat

1960 Batista revolution drives out thousands, including 16-year-old Des Arnaz