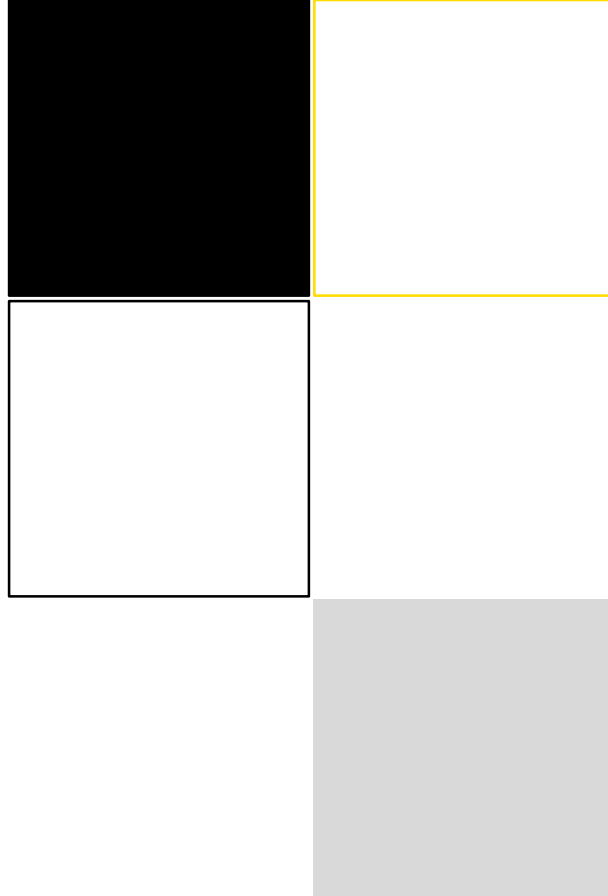




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**LEGO BRAILLE BRICKS | Play, Learn and Include**

## **OUR PROJECT**

The LEGO Braille Bricks Program is a globally innovative initiative by the Dorina Nowill Foundation for the Blind in partnership with the LEGO Foundation and with the support of the Promotion Center for School and Social Digital Inclusion (CPIDES) at Universidade Estadual Paulista Júlio de Mesquita Filho (UNESP).

Its main objective is to promote the learning of children with visual impairments aged 4 to 10 years, as well as to enable the teaching of this system by teachers in the common room in an inclusive manner.

LEGO Braille Bricks was made with the objective of developing a pedagogical resource that seeks to arouse the interest of the teacher, the student and their families, in carrying out activities for the practice of literacy of children with and without visual impairment together, so that they can be used countless possibilities that stimulate creativity and curiosity, thus being able to play in various ways.

The Kit consists of a set of LEGO bricks, a board and an instruction manual. It contains letters, numbers and basic arithmetic signs. It is resistant, long lasting, colorful and easy to clean. But, above all, it is a playful educational resource.



Dorina de Gouveia Nowill  
Emerita President Founder  
(in memory)

## OBJECTIVES



Collaborate to build a full inclusive education

Sensitize and educate educators, families and government officials about the importance of using the Braille System in the literacy of blind children.



Conceive and develop the inclusion of people with visual impairments, through the pedagogical resource

Provide an online platform to monitor the activities carried out and contribute to the development of a Pedagogical Intervention Plan that allows inclusion in an effective and playful way



Transform the Braille System into a more accessible tool for visually impaired children in schools and, consequently, qualify students' literacy

Enable children to learn to read, write, interpret, understand and develop independently with the same degree of equality;

## LEGO BRAILLE BRICKS

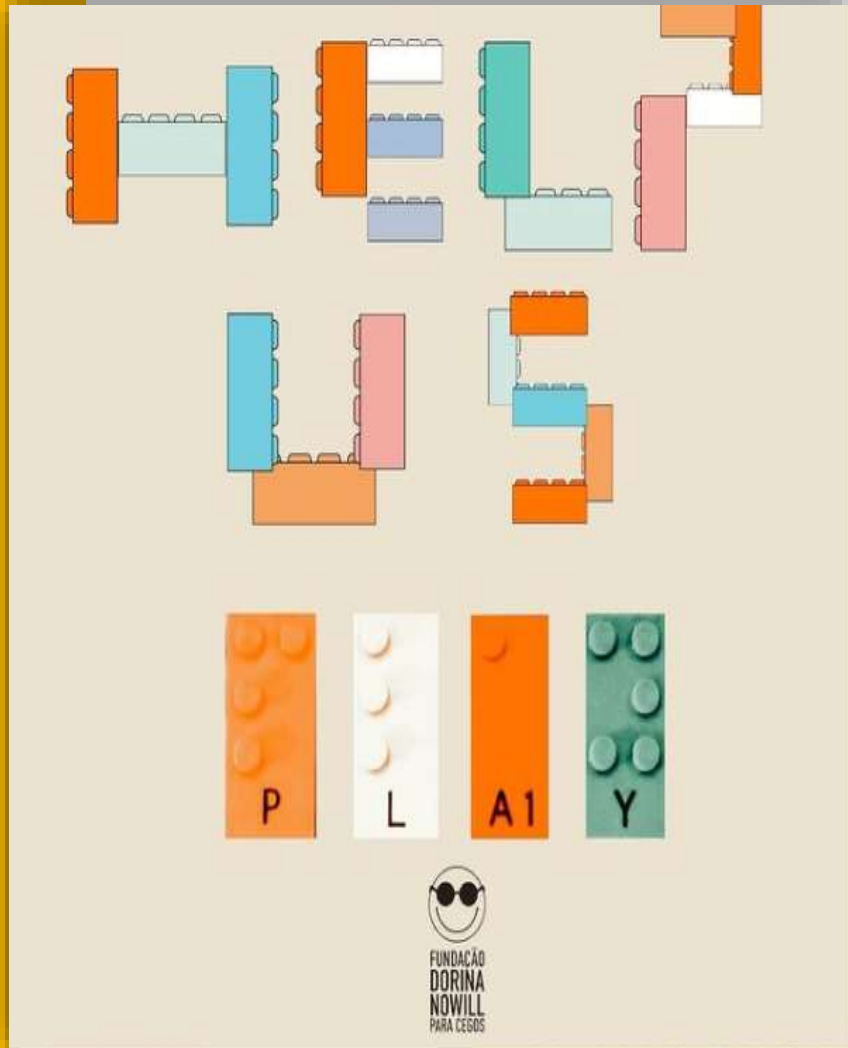
It is not easy to integrate a disabled child into the classroom, especially when we are talking about the first step of earlier education: literacy!



Blind people need to learn in a whole different way, and for that they have a unique alphabetical system call Braille, that uses the touch of the hands to read



## IN THIS MOMENT

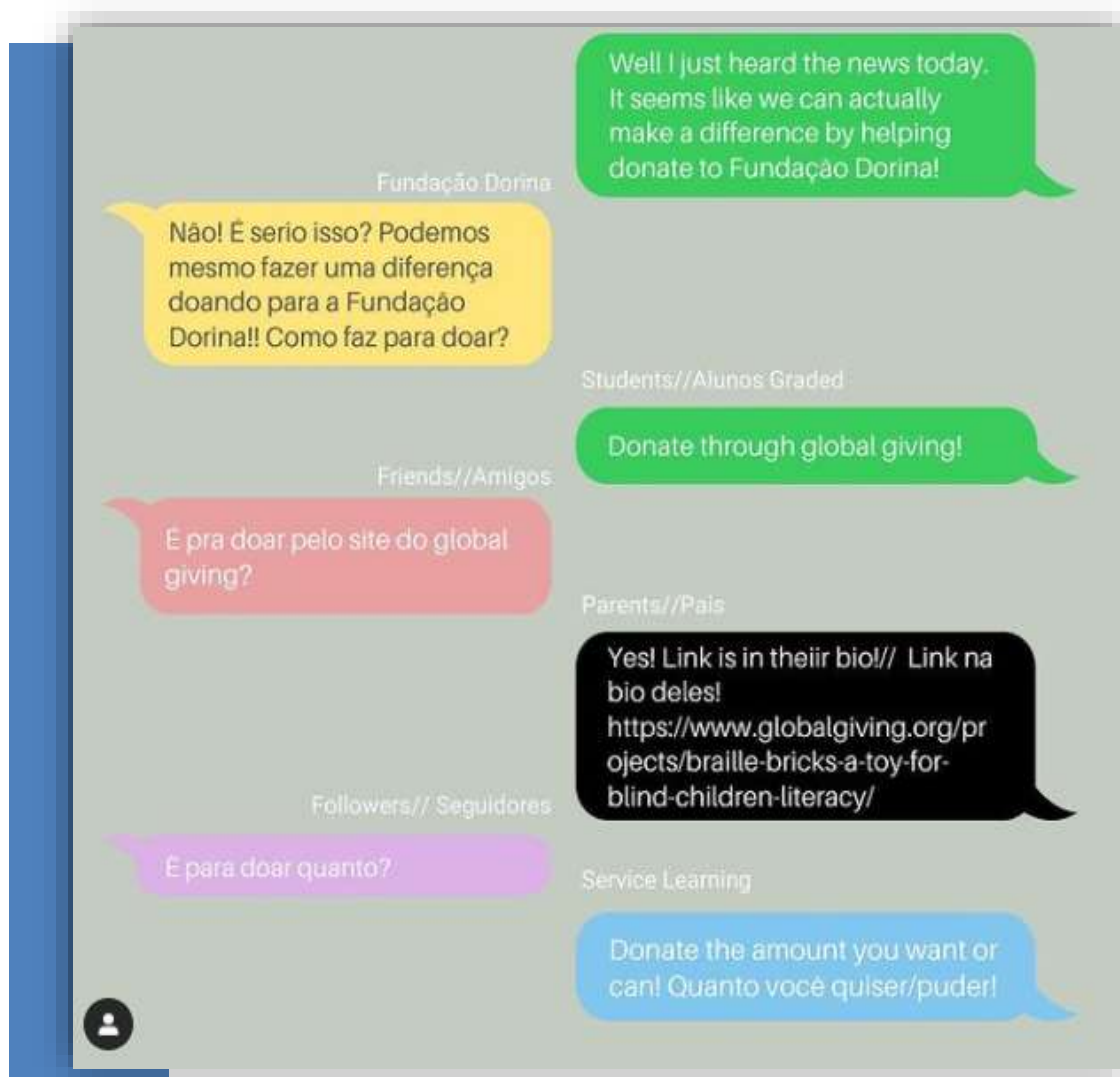


2020 is behind us, but we continue the challenge of difficult and sad days here in Brazil, but this did not discourage us. Thanks to the donations we received from you in 2020, we were able to afford some operational expenses (storage, distribution, fees, etc.) with the arrival of the first 5,000 kits received from the LEGO Foundation. We are grateful for your donation!

So far we have managed to send some kits to Salvador-Bahia and have started training teachers through lives and online courses. We are very happy to have started this project, as it will contribute to the learning and social life of blind children in society, especially when they return to schools this year. That is why we count on your help to speed up this distribution and training process.

The good news is that many people believe that practicing charity is good for you. Since February, we have had special support for the dissemination of this project by a group of 7th grade students from the Graded, the American School of São Paulo, who wanted to make a positive impact in the world. They created their Instagram, Fundraiser Service Learning and reached out to the Dorina Foundation to help us fund our Braille Bricks project!

## IN THIS MOMENT



Fonte: <https://www.instagram.com/fundraiserservicelearning/>

See below the beautiful testimony of the leaders of this initiative:

“I am a student from Graded, The American School of São Paulo. For years, I have helped the Dorina Foundation with my grandmother and father. With that, Lara and I decided to bring this project to our Service Learning class! Now, all of us are incredibly passionate about this project. It has been an honor to be able to help this awesome foundation. Being able to see the happiness in the kids we help brings me so much joy! For people with visual impairment, physicalities don't matter; your height, weight, how you look, none of that makes a difference! I find that so incredible, these children, they teach me everyday while I am able to continue to support them, daily! ”

*Gabi and Lara*

*Student leaders of Fundraiser Service Learning*

## IN THIS MOMENT



Incredible, isn't it? Children helping children! This is fantastic!

Do like Gabi and Lara, support our project and be responsible for maintaining the smile of inclusion in Brazil

Share our campaign with your friends and family:

<https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/braille-bricks-a-toy-for-blind-children-literacy/>.

We need you on this inclusive journey! 😊

Warms hugs,

Elisangela Sousa  
Fundraising Coordinator  
March,2021



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