



"JOÃO DE DEUS" ASSOCIATION

2024

Presentation of the association
and main programs

SALVADOR - BAHIA



Transform the lives of the most needy families in the Alagados favela

In numbers...

The Northeast region concentrates 40% of Brazilians living in a state of extreme poverty

In 2020, the homicide rate in Salvador was 20 per 100,000 h.

70% of Salvador's population lives in very poor neighborhoods



In the heart of Brazilian favelas

In the region of the Brazilian Northeast – Popul. : 53 million
Brazil's economic development has not taken much advantage of this part of the country. It is one of the poorest states in the country characterized by poor neighborhoods.

Salvador da Bahia (the "Black Rome") – Pop: 3 million

It is the third largest city in Brazil, better known for the UNESCO-listed Historic Center, than for the disadvantaged neighborhoods (favelas) and their economic difficulties.



Los Alagados, or « stilt houses » - Pop: 50,000 inhabitants

A favela that has been developing since 1930 on the Itapagipe Peninsula. It is a district made up of wooden houses on the water (stilts) and remains very poor.

The neighborhood is infested by drug trafficking, prostitution and violence is still very present in this neighborhood.

A neighbourhood "full of grace"

Three saints of the Catholic Church have already worked for the Alagados:

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- In 1970, Sister Dulce, "the good angel of Bahia", founded the Santo Antônio Hospital and then many social works there.
- In 1979, Mother Teresa stayed there to found her first house of Missionaries of Charity in Brazil.
- In 1980, it was here that John Paul II went to visit the poor of Brazil.



THE PARISH OF “NOSSA SENHORA DOS ALAGADOS” CRADLE OF THE JOÃO DE DEUS ASSOCIATION

1980

To prepare for the coming of Pope John Paul II, construction of the Church of **Our Lady of the Alagados**



1994

Padre Dominique You, french priest, is sent to the Alagados. With the help of Fidesco, an NGO of volunteers, social activities are developed in the parish such as the project “**Sonho de Mãe**”



2005

Creation of the **João De Deus** Association by father Bernard de Villanfray, a French priest from Marseilles, and other parishioners



2007

Opening of the Association's largest program: **Ser Criança Em Alagados**, school reinforcement and human development of 60 children



2009

Creation of the Procapaz Vocational Training Center, with courses in sewing, cooking, beauty, and computer science...



2016

Construction of the **Irmã Dulce Parish Center**, at the end of the line, which since then has housed “**Soup**” and “**Sonho de Mãe**”



2020

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, opening of the bazaar store to receive material donations and finance social works



2022

Ser Criança Em Alagados creates the ECO class, with 30 adolescents (12-15 years old), relying on a vegetable garden as a pedagogical tool



Our Mission :

Transforming the lives of the most needy families in the Alagados favela

Our Principllest

- Participatory and **accountable methods**
- Personalized monitoring of all beneficiaries, through a **global view of human dignity** and **home visits**
- **Family spirit** at the heart of projects of all ages

Our Values

- **HUMAN DIGNITY:** we welcome all people without moral, cultural or religious judgments and adapt to people's reality
- **SUBSIDIARITY:** we encourage the population of the neighbourhood to be autonomous and responsible
- **CHARITY:** we give priority to the people who are poorest



THE ASSOCIATION'S PROGRAMS

From education to vocational training, the association works to meet the needs of the neighborhood

Ser Criança em Alagados



- School reinforcement and human training program
- Beneficiary public: 60 children from 6 to 11 years old and 30 adolescents from 12 to 15 years old
- Staff and volunteers: 18 people

Procapaz



- Vocational and human training centre
- Beneficiary public: 120 people
- Courses: sewing, cooking, computer science, caregiver for the elderly, beauty
- Staff and volunteers: 8 professionals

SOPA de Alagados



- Nutrition program
- Beneficiary public: 300 favela families
- Volunteers: 10

Sonho De Mãe



- Accompaniment of mothers
- Beneficiary public: 40 pregnant women per year
- Volunteers: 10

Bazar Alagados



- Vente de vêtements
- Public : personnes du quartier
- Personnel et bénévoles : 10 personnes

IN NUMBERS

45 students per semester

2 semesters per year
=> More than **1000 students since 2009**

IN 2023

360 hours of life assistant courses
260 hours of computer science
250 hours cooking time
125 hours sewing

TEAM

1 Local Coordinator
1 Fidesco volunteer
7 teachers

Our Mission: promote the **DIGNITY** of women through professional and human training

CONTEXT

- ▶ Bahia lacks qualified people
- ▶ Most residents dropped out of school at a very young age
- ▶ Need to find work to improve or even maintain living conditions

Principles

- ▶ Local and qualification training
- ▶ Human support
- ▶ Integration of neighborhood residents in the project

VOCATIONAL TRAINING: grow in dignity and confidence and find work more easily



HUMAN FORMATION: specific encounters to get to know each other better and grow in humanity.

IN NUMBERS

SINCE ITS
INCEPTION

- > 1200 children welcomed
- >250,000 meals distributed

OUR MISSION

To offer the **children** of the Alagados neighborhood an opportunity to live a **true life of a child**, through educational, human and spiritual accompaniment.





SCHOOL REINFORCEMENT

From Tuesday to Friday
From March to December
By grade level group

In the morning (45 children)
From 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
In the morning (45 children)
From 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

We offer each child :
1 Uniform
1 book (grammar, literature, mathematics)

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Activities
Citizenship, culture, sports, arts
4 departures in the year
Ordinary Time
Rules of life
Geography History



ACCOMPANIMENT OF FAMILIES

Visits to families
Assessment of the **child's family situation**, needs and progress
Social aid



ENSURE GOOD NUTRITION

Offering all young people **2 balanced meals** per day



OUR MISSION

Motivate children and adolescents to express their **gifts and talents** in building their **future**

OUR VALUES

Educate *Accompany*

Stimulate, understand and love



Classroom

Sustainability

- Prayer
- Family values



Practice room

- Plant Harvest
- Caring for the environment



Personal development

- Sports and team games
- Talking, playing, growing together in confidence and self-esteem



Ensure good nutrition

Offer all young people **2 balanced meals** a day



Our Mission:

welcoming pregnant girls and young mothers from the neighborhood.

Context

Many teenagers in the neighborhood do not accept their pregnancy because they are afraid:

- ▶ From being **excluded** from their families
- ▶ To be **judged** by others
- ▶ To have to **stop studying** or a job
- ▶ From being **alone** to raising your child
- ▶ To have one more mouth to support

Objectives

- ▶ **Welcoming** these new girls with **respect**
- ▶ Have a **different look** at their pregnancy
- ▶ **Restore** their **confidence**
- ▶ Help them **accept the life** they are carrying
- ▶ Learn them **to love** this unborn child

Resources

Girls Meetups Every Wednesday Afternoon:

- ▶ **A time of sewing:** mothers make their baby's layette
 - To have dedicated time for themselves and their baby
 - To realize that they are capable of doing beautiful things for the unborn child
- ▶ **A lecture:**
 - Various topics (affective life, intrauterine life, baby care...)
 - Talking, listening, Q&A time
- ▶ **A healthy snack**

Visits to mothers:

- ▶ To know the **living conditions** of each woman welcomed
- ▶ **Help** them organize life at home



IN NUMBERS

200 liters of soup distributed each time

300 families come regularly

28,800 liters of soup distributed since 2014



OUR MISSION : “For I was **hungry** and you gave me **food**, I was **thirsty** and you gave me something to **drink**, I was a **stranger** and you **welcomed** me,”
Mat. 25, 35



IN NUMBERS

200 families come regularly

More than 1 ton of donations per month (clothing, footwear, games, etc.)

OUR MISSION: “Support all other social projects of the Association with sales”



The KEY figures

1.600

liters of soup served since the creation of the Association

180

home visits per year, to ensure personalized accompaniment of families

9.000 \$

per month, is the amount needed for the Association to transform the life of a needy family

24

Volunteers who donate love, time and skills free of charge

100

Alunos se formam em treinamento profissional a cada ano

10

Committed employees joining forces to transform the lives of beneficiaries

3.024

Balanced meals By the Reinforcement Children by month

200

Daily hugs recebidos of programme beneficiaries



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