

In October **Brazil**Foundation launched a pioneering fund called the "**Community Innovation Award**" to support informal initiatives ("Outra Paradas" in Portuguese) with up to R\$5,000. **Brazil**Foundation invited 38 partner organizations that are part of our leadership network to act as funders within their areas of expertise and locales, contributing as mentors for the initiatives which they themselves would select.

The reasons to test this new model of "shared philanthropy" model are many: to fund initiatives that exist outside the radar of other foundations and even our own, because they are not formalized; to democratize resource allocation, as Brazilian philanthropic capital is concentrated in the hands of very few entities; to test the idea that grantee organizations can be grantors; to encourage local leadership development and to create an ecosystem that enables the creation of new social technologies.

We received **144 applications**, and now announce support for **75 initiatives**: The first **50** were chosen by a panel composed of the mentor organizations. The **25** "honorable mentions" were chosen by a panel of donors and the **BrazilFoundation** staff. **All 75 will receive a micro-grant of R\$5,000.**

Awards:

Agrofloresta Indígena - Ilhéus, BA | Josenice Souza França, 43 and Hiata Anderson Lima Chaves, 35. Mentor: (THYDÊWÁ)

Implementing agroforestry plots to strengthen the indigenous production system and promote food sovereignty in the village of Tupinambá do Acuípe do Meio. "My dream is that these plots increase and diversify our production so that we can sell our products at a fair price and so everyone can put quality food on their table."

Água para viver - Prado, BA | Cacica Maria da Ajuda dos Santos - Cacica Arian Pataxó, 50; Joélcio Santos da Cruz, 26 and Ilauro, 29. Mentor: (THYDÊWÁ)

Building a well to provide water access to 100 people of an indigenous group. "After the well, we want to consider constructing bathrooms. We want to provide water to irrigate crops, and then we can plant with organic fertilizers and sell the harvests in the village."

Alinha - São Paulo, SP | Monyse 24, and Dariele, 24. Mentor: (Aliança Empreendedora) Creating a platform to support the growing number of sewing workshops and online sales, working with 39 immigrant tailors who would typically be marginalized in the retail supply chain. "We dream of decent work conditions for tailors. We dream of more beautiful clothes in every sense."

Os Arteiros - Rio de Janeiro - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Nathan Borges, 15 and Marcelo Mariano, 16. Mentor: (Casa de Santa Ana)

Youth from Cidade de Deus will bring together arts collectives in theater, rap and poetry for multicultural events. "The Cidade de Deus is a very large favela, so to dream of something for this community is to go beyond culture and art themselves... it means to dream of a situation where there is no poverty or shots being fired...where there is quality education, better health."

Astronomia Aventura - Jaboatão Dos Guararapes, PE | Luiz Francisco Alves de Araujo; Jandson José Silva Santana; Karine Kelly Santos da Silva and Misael Jose das Candeias Neto. Mentor: (Instituição Plano B)

Utilizing the allure of astronomy to improve 200 students' learning of mathematics, physics, history and English.

"Our community can evolve through this project; our children will have new knowledge that they can pass to others."

Batalha JPR - Japeri, RJ | Renato Gonçalves de Aguiar, 25; Marcelo Silva Alves, 25; Marvin de Souza, 24; Reinaldo Bernardo Marques, 28 and Ariani Esteves Lopes Pontes, 28. Mentor: (Grupo Sócio-Cultural Código) Four cultural events involving different forms of cultural expression such as poetry, music, dance, rap battles, graffiti, crafts and juggling. "We dream of helping change our circumstances. Violence and inaction dominate our communities, which should instead be places to share knowledge"

Beco Cultural - Arte e Cultura em Movimento, Apuiarés, CE | Carlos Alberto Carneiro Cruz, 31. Mentor: (ADEL) Cultural activities for 90 children and teenagers including reading groups, theater courses, and tutoring; and the creation of a books database. "My biggest dream is to expand the project and offer guitar and voice classes."

Biblioteca Comunitária Folhas da Vida - Marabá, PA | Alanes Yanca da Silva Soares, 16, and Ana Carolina dos Santos Souza, 14. Mentor: (Instituto Transformance)

Encouraging good reading habits by creating family libraries, organizing reading groups, conducting theater workshops and other cultural activities. "We dream of creating a community school to teach youthor adults who cannot read or write or who still have a lot of difficulty and are out of school."

Casa de Farinha Comunitária - Aldeia Ribeirão, Porto Seguro, BA | Marlene Alves dos Santos, 52, and Joel Alves Braz, 53. Mentor: (THYDÊWÁ)

Constructing a flour mill in Aldeia Ribeirão for 50 people of the Pataxó to increase their family incomes. "The community dreams of having its flour mill so that it can produce flour in its own community rather than paying freight. We also dream of using the excess flour to improve the situations for families in the community."

Caravana da Cidadania - Juazeiro do Norte, CE | Francisco Fernande da Silva, 53. Mentor: (IFC) Mobilizing civil society to combat corruption through oversight of public resources in Juazeiro, a city of 230,000 people. "Our dream is to end corruption in Brazil."

Carrapicho Virtual - Juazeiro, BA | Erica Daiane da Costa Silva, 29; Mineia Clara dos Santos, 39; Ilca Ribeiro dos Santos, 27 and Josemário Gonçalves da Silva, 36. Mentor: (Instituto Cultural Pólen)

Educommunication workshops for 15 youths; launching a network that produces regional media content on the region."We envision using education and youth leadership to create more communication channels and hence empower communities."

Cineclube Arte com Ciência: uma ação de arte e empreendedorismo - Santa Luzia do Itanhy, SE | Elizeu Santos Gonçalves, 20 and Felipe dos Santos Severo, 20. Mentor: (IPTI)

Creating a film culture among 200 adolescents, youths and adults through films that address social problems. "We want to see culture grow in our community so that people can appreciate cinema and so that our local economy grows."

Ciranda das Mulheres - São Paulo, SP | Bianca Pereira dos Santos, 32; Alessandra Leite, 35; Cristiane de Lima, 36 and Mara Esteves Costa, 31. Mentor: (IBEAC)

Strengthening relationships and knowledge exchange among 25 women from the Campo Limpo neighborhood "We envision a community where women, men and children have the same rights and the same freedoms to live as unique human beings."

Coletivo Rabeta Vídeos Produções - Marabá, PA | Rerivaldo Mendes Silva, 20, and Antonio da Silva Soares, 18. Mentor: (Instituto Transformance)

An audiovisual youth collective producing and presenting a documentary on the impacts of the hydroelectric plant on the Tocantins River. "Our dream is to have support and courage to denounce and prevent the exploitation of our communities and their assets in the Amazon, a place that is essential to life on this planet."

Compartilhar Alegrias - Duque de Caxias, RJ | Wallace Santos de Oliveira e Silva, 27; Karoline Tobias de Oliveira, 25, Fábio Baistrochi Cardoso, 29. Mentor: (Teatro do Sopro)

Strengthening community ties through playful language and the Jardim Gramacho clown figure, including playful parades, toy workshops and reading picnics. "We dream of a self-sustainable community whose value is determined through its people's potential, instead of its problems."

Conexão Memória - Nova Iguaçu, RJ | Paulo Henrique dos Reis Junior, 24. Mentor: (Observatório de Favelas do Rio de Janeiro)

Providing photography workshops to 20 adolescents so they can create narratives for the elderly, giving the elderly a voice and preserving local memories. "We want to show the Iguaçuana population that it is possible to engage people through communications by using simple tools and life stories with local relevance."

Cores da Vida - Petrolina, PE | Elton Azevedo Barbosa, 47. Mentor: (Instituto Cultural Pólen)

The program will help inmates assimilate back into society and the workforce, providing them construction painting as a source of income generation. "We want to expand the project and offer it to a wider range of inmates, as well as use their local labor and that of graffiti artists to paint public spaces"

Cozinha da Horta - Pentecoste, CE | Ivania Maria Cavalcante Alencar, 52; Irene Maira de Lima Moura Nascimento, 25; Giliade Melo de Souza, 28. Mentor: (ADEL)

Providing professional training to 15 youths to reduce youth flight to larger cities and to revive an agriculture culture. "Our dream is to achieve water sustainability."

Criança Feliz, Fortaleza, CE | Jose Augusto Lins de Souza, Mentor: (Barraca da Amizade)

Renovating and reopening a community nursery for 120 children. "We want to take children and adolescents out of danger and instead occupy them with activities that will foster their development."

Cultura e Identidade Terena - Miranda, MS | Sonia Acosta. Mentor: (IPEDI)

The project will offer workshops on indigenous culture to help improve the performance of students between the second and the fourth year of primary education at the indigenous school Pilad Rebuá. "We hope that the school can help our students to develop all their skills."

Curso da Realidade Brasileira - Araçuaí, MG | Vanessa Fonseca Ayres, 29 and Juliano Gonçalves Freire, 34. Mentor: (CAV)

Training 60 community and project leaders to fight for public policies in the Vale do Jequitinhonha region. "We dream that our course can continue every year so that we can train new social leaders to be critical thinkers and contribute to regional and national development."

Empreiteira Escola - recomeçar - Araçoiaba da Serra, SP | Ester Brito. Mentor: (Associação Lua Nova) Training 15 women in masonry and brick manufacturing so that they can build their future homes. "This project will train and give them the opportunity to not only learn a profession, but also exercise and teach it."

Esperança na Coletividade - Cacimbas, PB | Maria da Luz Marques de Farias, 50; Maria dos Anjos dos Santos, 50 and Claliane dos Santos Silva, 26. Mentor: (CEPFS)

Consolidating a rotating fund and promoting inter-family relationships so that they can better manage their own resources, benefiting 20 farmers. "The community dreams of building a large communal kitchen that can comfortably meet public demands and generate income for the families involved."

Fortalecendo cidadania: Menina, Mulher Liderança e Ação - Salvador, BA | Fatima Umbelino, 60. Mentor: (Associação Renascer Mulher)

Empowering 30 youth female leaders in the railroad suburb of Salvador, "We dream that disadvantaged and socially vulnerable women can have access to tools for their personal, social, educational, economic and political development, so that they can become conscious, critical thinkers in their fight to change their realities."

Gastronomia na Favela - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Erica Portilho, 37, and Andrea Soares, 47. Mentor: (Voz das Comunidades)

Cultural and entrepreneurial training for 40 young mothers so that they can create sustainable food businesses in the favela and revive the local histories of their ancestors. "We dream of a community with better safety, sanitation, education, and overall quality of life... things that everyone living in a city should apparently have."

Grupo de Jovens Cooperativas- São Gonçalo do Amarante, CE | Francisco das Chagas Ribeiro Neto, 32; Rayssa Oliveira Duarte, 19; Vitor Esteves Vasconcelos, 25 and Marcos Uchoa, 21. Mentor: (ADEL) Developing business plans, providing management training, and formalizing a cooperative for 25 young rural entrepreneurs in the Vale do Curu region. "We dream of a more active and participatory youth in creating sustainable processes and solutions for our region."

Grupo Mulheres Negras Tia Eva - Campo Grande, MS | Odete da Silva Cardoso, 37; Vania Baptista Duarte, 39 and Dauliane Borges Ferreira, 22. Mentor: (Instituto Luther King)

Encouraging 50 low-income women to return to the classroom and create new opportunities in their lives. "Through these small actions, our women can become stronger and want to return to the classroom for good, so that they can create a better future and dignified life for themselves and their families."

Icó EmCena - Icó, CE | Acacio de Montes, 58, and participants of Grupo Cia. Da Gemma de Teatro. Mentor: (APROARTI)

Promoting appreciation for local heritage and history through theatre, benefiting 2,000 farmers in rural communities who lack access to cultural activities. "We dream of seeing a sustainable transformation of Icó into a touristic and cultural center that lives up to its true potential."

Juntos Somos Mais Fortes - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Carla da Silva Porto, 36. Mentor: (Gastromotiva)

Providing gastronomy workshops that utilize the food produced in urban gardens in the Pavuna neighborhood.

"My dream is to launch the project so that the community can develop in a sustainable and healthy way."

Manual de Pequenos Reparos - Faça você mesma - Porto Alegre, RS | Fabiane Fialho, 47; Fernanda Dworzecki, 42 and Marise Licks, 59. Mentor: (NGO Mulher em Construção)

Training 65 women to perform small home repairs, promoting their self-esteem and independence. "Through colors, furniture and lighting, this project will create harmony, beauty and warmth in the most humble of homes. It will also promote self-esteem and better life quality for women.

Melhor Idade Digital - Tauá, CE | Tiago Alves de Sousa, 21, and Rafael de Sousa Lira, 21 Mentor: (ADETT)

The project will integrate 15 elderly people into the digital world by teaching them basic computer skills, which will in turn allow them to communicate long-distance with relatives and friends who have left because of the drought. "We dream of creating an interactive space that promotes wellness and happiness for the elderly by providing them games, dance, crafts and information technology."

MostrArte - Encurtando Distâncias - Niterói, RJ | Alexandra Seabra, 25, and Jose Carlos Justino Vidal, 32. Mentor: (Orquesta de Cordas da Grota)

Transforming the Grota community into a cultural hub through concerts and art shows, which will also strengthen community ties and provide income generation opportunities for the artists involved. "We dream of one day reviving the arts events that we had before the increase in violence here in Grota. Our community needs something in which everyone can participate."

Mulheres Caatingueiras - Iguaraci, PE | Lidiane Nobre dos Santos, 24; Creuza Vieira Brit, 52; Marinalva dos Santos, 43; Jailma Batista Silvestre, 31; Marinês Oliveira da Silva, 45; Josina Francisca da Silva Santos, 46; Iraci Maria Nobre dos Santos, 59; Maria. Mentor: (Rede de Mulheres Produtoras do Pajeú)

Improving the sustainable production of savanna plant soaps, generating income for 11 women. "Our dream is to have more people in our community, especially youth, who appreciate and care for the caatinga, so that it is never depleted of its resources."

Oficina de Jornalismo Comunitário do Fala Roça - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Michele Silva, 26; Beatriz Calado, 21, and Michel Silva, 22. Mentor: (Voz das Comunidades)

Training 10 youths in community journalism to create income generation opportunities and expand media production in Rocinha. "We do not want to just be a community newspaper that reports on the community. We want to be a vehicle for creating positive discussions and interactions within the community."

Pequenas Hortas e Grandes Resultados - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Julia Mesquita Tavares, 82; Nancy Lomeu da Silva, 82; Layde Nicacio, 75; Maria Madalena da Silva, 61 and Sidneia Ferreira da Silva, 50 Mentor: (Casa de Santa Ana) Training 80 residents in Cidade de Deus to install home gardens, with special focus on nutrition and income generation. "The women in this group dream of peace and security for their children and grandchildren, and to engage their family by growing healthy foods."

Periferia Conectada - São Paulo, SP | Leandro de Goes Proenca Junior, 28. Mentor: (Filhos da Corrente) Training in digital marketing and communication for 5 NGOs and social businesses to increase their capacities and visibility. "Through communications we can show the world that, despite the current circumstances, there are many forces changing the world."

Pré-Marcha do Empoderamento Crespo de Salvador no Nordeste de Amaralina - Salvador, BA | Andrea Souza Santos, 33; Hilmara Bittencourt da Silva, 22; Ivanilde Guedes de Mattos, 52; Lorena Lacerda, 25 and Naira dos Gomes Santos, 28. Mentor: (Quabales)

Promoting black pride through aesthetic activities, debates and discussions in the northeast part of Amaralina. "The objective of this project is for black men and women to recognize the realities of black people, and to be proud of their beauty, history and ancestry."

Prevenção ao Abuso Sexual de Criança e Adolescente no Bairro Leitelândia - Primavera, PA | Elizangela Pinto, 39 Mentor: (MMNEPA)

Creating awareness among children, adolescents, and their families on sexual exploitation and abuse. "We dream of a future where there are more opportunities for them to fulfill their professional and personal potentials and be happy."

Projeto Águas Para o Bem - Vitória, ES | Sebastiao Luiz do Carmo Castro, 36. Mentor: (Associação Ateliê de Ideias) Creating a rainwater collection system to protect and ensure water access and sustainable water practices, impacting 300 people. "My dream is to alleviate the water shortage problem in the community and see the locals, especially those in the community housing complexes, motivated to collect and reuse rainwater"

Projeto Colorindo a Vida - Curitiba, PR | Sandra Dolores de Paula Lima. Mentor: (Associação Fênix) Graffiti workshops for 20 teenagers and youth beneficiaries of Associação Fênix, encouraging solidarity, generosity, tolerance, dignity, and respect for diversity. "We want to provide leadership, guidance, and growth opportunities for adolescents and youth by addressing themes related to inclusion, acceptance, and risk prevention through art and education."

Projeto Gratidão - Poet Márcio Ricardo, São Paulo, SP | Márcio Ricardo da Silva, 25. Mentor: (CAPS Grajaú) Using poetry in the classroom to encourage speaking, creativity, writing and personal reflection for each of the students. "I dream of spaces where creativity generates opportunities and change people's lives, recognizing that culture can transform, expands horizons and breaks barriers"

Projeto - Rede Local de Produção Agroecológica de Hostaliças - Pentecoste, CE | Antonio Vanklane Rodrigues de Almeida, 26. Mentor: (Instituto Coração de Estudante)

Organizing a future network of 600 organic farmers that produce vegetables and fruits without pesticides. "We hope that people can be convinced to financially support the initiatives of farmers who believe in the idea of having production networks."

Prosa Digital - Rede de Comunicação Comunitária - Paramoti, CE | Carlos Diego Sousa Ferreira, 26. Mentor: (EPC Paramoti)

Training in audiovisual and digital media for 20 youths. "Our dream is to have a community radio station and video producer that showcase our talents and all that we are learning regarding communications."

Sabão Luz do Alto - Icó, CE | Sammyra Santana, 36; Ana Luiza Ferreira, 39; and 10 other women. Mentor: (APROARTI)

Creating income generation opportunities in suburbs of Icó through collectives that produce homemade soap from discarded cooking oil. "Our dream is to see all waste material treated like luxury and to transform pollutants into cleaning products. Building a factory to make brooms from plastic bottles is a future dream."

Sala de Costura - Tartarugalzinho, AP | Elza Rodrigues de Andrade Fonseca, 52. Mentor: (Associação Florescer) Creating a sewing space where 20 women in vulnerable situations can produce underwear and school uniforms for income generation. "With more resources we can scale our project to the industrial level, creating greater income generation opportunities for those involved and their families."

Sewá Mendhê - Salvador, BA | Josy Azeviche, 35 and Sueli Kntê, 50. Mentor: (Associação Renascer Mulher) Providing medical care and meditation and support groups for 60 black women activists from the Salvador railroad suburb, focusing on self-care and treatment for depression. "While we seek to heal and care others, we can hold arts and fashion workshops with the goal of producing and selling garments. The income generated can then be reverted back to the group."

Venda seu peixe - Porto Alegre, RS | Elisabeth Maduell Nunes, 59. Mentor: (NGO Mulher em Construção) Providing guidance and access to the workforce for 30 women, in order to publicize their capabilities in the area of construction. "My dream is to share my communication skills with women and the community. It is contributing to more and more women so they can overcome shyness and insecurity, gain self-esteem and confidence and increase their chances in finding jobs."

Voluntários a postos - Planaltina, GO | Marcia Silva, 40. Mentor: (IFC)

A task force will carry out minor renovations in health centers, making them more welcoming and clean. "Our dream is to mobilize the general public, institutional partners and entrepreneurs through civic monitoring. Having citizens and patients revitalize their health centers is civic engagement."

Xiri- Xiri Terena - Beija Flor Terena, Aquidauana, MS | Patricia Caetano Morais, 32; Aldete Cordeiro de Morais, 30; Aparecida Gonçalves, 45, and Julia Amorim, 54. Mentor: (AMINA)

Creating income generation opportunities for 30 people by replanting native fruit seedlings, and purchasing equipment to make sweets and garments. "We dream of making our village sustainable so that we can raise our children in our culture - the way that our ancestors have always done."

Yvy gui or mbarete - Osório, RS | Josieli e Silva, 36. Mentor: (Instituto Sementes ao Vento)

The project will educate 40 indigenous children on sustainability practices and implement a system that collects rainwater for school cleaning. "In the indigenous community there are many ways to protect the environment, such as cataloging and planting native trees."

Honorable Mentions:

A Noiva Atrasou – Japeri, RJ | Luiz Felipe de Santana Rosa, 24. Mentor: (Grupo Sócio-Cultural Código) Free percussion classes for 30 children and adolescentes, culminating in a carnaval-style presentation. "I dream of a community with quality education for everyone and a rich, appreciated culture." Luiz Felipe de Santana Rosa, 24.

Arte Naturalista - Santa Luiza do Itanhy, SE | Matheus Glaudston Pereira, 18, João Antônio Monteiro Hungria, 21, Genisson Cardoso da Conceição, 20, Eliel da Anunciação Muniz Irmão, 20, Ubiratan Teixeira Bilino, 18. Mentor: (IPTI)

An entrepreneurial initiative organized by graduates of the IPTI project in Santa Luiza do Itanhy.

Cambio D – Porto Alegre, RS | Viviane Bergmann, 32; Marta Solange de Ávila, 49; Paula Machado Melo, 32; Karina Fossa, 31; Marília de Oliveira, 53. Mentor: (Mulher em Construção) Income generation for 48 women through furniture-making with recycled materials

Comunidade Limpa - Pentecoste, CE | José Adilson Lima de Souza, 19; Valberto Menezes Marques, 20 and Francisco Erivando Sousa Silva, 20. Mentor: (Instituto Coração de Estudante)
Strengthening an environmentally-friendly culture of waste removal in a low-income area by creating collection center, impacting 160 people. "We dream of a place where families are aware that the waste they produce, if not

É Tempo de Brincar nas Praças - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Nilda Silva de Andrade, 25 and Pedro Henrique Santos Medeiros, 18. Mentor: (Voz das Comunidades)

properly separated and collected, can cause serious problems for themselves and for their neighbors."

Providing cultural experiences and greater civic engagement by encouraging artistic events in Complexo do Alemão's public spaces. "Our dream is to disseminate more art throughout Complexo do Alemão. We want to bring art and culture to the places where people do not want to go or cannot access."

Ética na recreação - Jaboatão Dos Guararapes, PE | Prof. Anderson Paulo da Silva; Jaqueline Rodrigues Alves da Silva and Emyle dos Santos Araújo. Mentor: (Instituição Plano B)

Teaching ethics to 200 children between 6 to 12 from primary schools through cartoons, games and recreational activities that build problem-solving skills. "Just as the PFT changed many of our lives, we dream of changing the lives of those around us."

Favela Sociodigital - Rio de Janeiro, RJ | Mirian de Andrade, 40. Mentor: (Casa de Santa Ana) Creating awareness among 200 children and adolescents on the dangers of digital technologies, with special attention to subjects such as overexposure and cyberbullying. "I dream of a community with greater digital engagement, where youth and children are not so vulnerable to the dangers and deceits of the virtual world, and where they can take advantage of the resources and healthy opportunities that the Internet offers."

Filhos do Gueto - São Paulo, SP | Jaime da Conceição Junior, 33; Gabriel R. Madeira, 28; Cristiane Zago Zacari, 31. Mentor: (Gastromotiva)

The initiative will offer a culinary assistant course to help insert youth from the Itaquera region into the workforce. "Our dream is to give opportunities to those who are on the margins of society, and offer them an option besides drugs, theft and trafficking."

Gema da Alegria no Lar - Rio De Janeiro, RJ | Renato Garcia Borges de Oliveira, 27. Mentor: (Teatro do Sopro) Training around 45 people in techniques for professional clowning, which will be utilized in visits to patients at nursing homes and hospitals for mentally disabled children. "The clown is the shortest distance between two people, and we aim to decrease these distances."

Jornada Mundo da Leitura - Santa Maria, PA | Francisca Lima da Silva Nascimento, 64 and Josilene Assis Costa, 37. Mentor: (MMNEPA)

Using strategies at the João Gabriel da Silva school to develop greater interest in reading, researching among 1,700 students, as well as improving their written and oral language skills. "We dream of having a simple reading room with lots of current books that is both comfortable and encourages students to seek new knowledge."

Legisação - Florianópolis, SC | Israel Rocha Borba, 19. Mentor: (IFC)

Encouraging 50 university students to become involved in the civic monitoring of parliamentary activities, including participating in debates on proposed legislations, and influencing lawmakers to create proposals with greater sensibility. "The objective of this initiative is to make the university community part of the legislative process."

Letras Solidárias - Pentecoste, CE | Bruno Ribeiro de Jesus, 26; Heitor Brito dos Santos, 21; Sâneva Queiroz dos Santos, 20; Barbara Caroline Rodrigues da Silva, 21; Pedro Ferreira Silva Filho, 26; Aliny da Silva Portela, 27; Alverbênia Maria Alves de Lima, 26; Catarina das Graças Almeida Matos, 27. Mentor: (Instituto Coração de Estudante)

Improving literacy for the 1,200 students in the network of the EPCs (Popular Cooperative Schools) of PRECE and in high school through writing, proofreading and reading activities "Our dream is to mobilize a large network of people to help public schools in Brazil establish a reading and writing culture among its students, reducing inequalities in education in Brazil."

Liga do Bem - Campo Grande, MS | Adelmo Carlin Schucks Junior, 42 and Isadora Gonçalves Coimbra Souto de Araujo, 24. Mentor: (Instituto Luther King)

Training volunteers to make motivational and self-esteem-boosting visits to 120 people in hospitals, nursing homes and shelters in low-income communities. "Our dream is to stimulate an interest in our society to do good. This will help set an example that there is a hero in each of us, and that we can change many things in the world from small, yet sincere, actions towards our neighbors."

Matutas Fashion - Afogados da Ingazeira, PE | Elaine Rodrigues de Sousa , 47; Eleide Rodrigues de Sousa, 46; Edlaneide Rodrigues de Souza, 34; Elane Gisele de Sousa, 29; Luciete Ramos de Sousa, 50; Maria Acidália Barbosa, 60. Mentor: (Rede de Mulheres Produtoras do Pajeú)

Using recycled materials to help the Matuta fashion brand grow - working its branding, business plan, presentation, and production. "We dream of more job opportunities for women, because we know that their oppression is related to their economic dependence on men, and the fact that women are often in situations of violence because they have no work or income to live or raise their children."

Mergulho Consciente – Petrolina, PE | Caio Guedes Xavier Junior, 28. Mentor: (Instituto Pólen)
First-aid training and advocacy to prevent accidents causing spinal-cord injuries. The initiative is led by a young lawyer who became quadraplegic

Núcleo de Jovens Políticos - São Paulo, SP | Isaac Souza Faria, 22, and Felipe Costa e Silva, 22. Mentor: (IBEAC) Empowering youth to help carry out effective public policies and promote access to culture in M'Boi Mirim. "We dream of an impartial, affordable, and democratized media in low-income communities. We dream of a sustainable community."

Projeto de Jiu Jitsu Lutando Como Davi - Vitória, ES | Flavio Oliveira da Silva, 36. Mentor: (Associação Ateliê de Ideias)

Using jiu-jitsu as a tool to increase the self-esteems of 42 children, adolescents and youth from the Jaburu community and prevent them from engaging in risky behaviors. "I dream of expanding the project so that we can meet the growing demand for its services from children and adolescents."

Projeto de Reflorestamento - Veredinha, MG | Vitor Oliveira Santos. Mentor: (CAV)

Reviving natural springs that have suffered environmental damage, and creating awareness on environmental preservation. "We hope to have a greater water supply for the enjoyment of as many people as possible, and to leave a thriving legacy for future generations."

Projeto Mãos à Obra - Belo Horizonte, MG | Stephanie Robbe, 28. Mentor: (CAV)

Providing professional training in the culinary arts for 18 youths. "I want to be able to help improve the environment by encouraging good practices and sustainable consumption - rethinking the way we eat, purchase and discard food."

Py Ladies Tauá - Tauá, CE | Mariana Hevila Oliveira de Sousa, 17; Ana Paula Lorenço, 33. Mentor: (ADETT) Leadership training and programming workshops in Python for 10 women in the semiarid region of Ceará. "Our dream is to create an NGO that encourages women to enter the labor market and be entrepreneurial by offering them courses in financial management, life skills, and programming for app development."

Realize - Santana, AP | Miquelly Pastana Tito Sanches, 24. Mentor: (Associação Florescer) Educational workshops, including tutoring and recreational activities, for 20 children in the Paraíso neighborhood. "I want an environment that stimulates learning and social development growth fun and healthy activities."

Rosalina + Vida - Fortaleza, CE | Paulo Henrique de Lima Estevam. Mentor: (Associação Barraca da Amizade) Sports activities, including soccer tournaments between other communities, for 80 children and adolescents. "The objective of this initiative is to create opportunities for youth through sports, helping them overcome their struggles through fun and meaningful activities."

Sorriso Viva - Santana e Circunvizinha, AP | Diane Braga Farias, 33; Kelly Laurena de Sá Pinheiro, 19; Jefferson da Silva do Nascimento, 19; Rubens da Costa Moreira, 22. Mentor: (Associação Florescer)

Promoting awareness on dental health and cavity prevention for 400 children. "Our dream is to form a network of professionals who can provide everything from the most simple to the most complex of dental procedures for members of the community."

Teatro de Barros – São Paulo, SP | Valdirene dos Santos Rocha, 36. Mentor: (IBEAC)

Providing 24 adolescents and youths from Parelheiros access to creative outlets in writing, reading, and theatrical performance, using the public spaces in central and low-income neighborhoods of São Paulo

Viveiros Escolares – Osório/Maquiné, RS | Josielie Silva, 36. Mentor: (Instituto Sementes ao Vento)