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Northern Poem

I am from the north and from the north I am not

I am the hope I have always lived in communion

They say I am not human

But it is a lie told by this whole nation

My people, beloved brothers and sisters

I ask that you let go of selfishness

Because we are all siblings

Black or white: we are a nation

I do not play guitar, but I play the pandeiro

Because I am Brazilian

I am an entire generation

I am quilombola*

I am not ashamed of my verses

It is through them that I am happy



Mariazinha Martins

Quilombola do Mato Dentro*

* Quilombola: member of a quilombo, a community historically formed by people of African descent, many of whom escaped enslavement. Quilombos and quilombola communities hold recognized legal status and profound cultural and political significance in Brazil.

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The Network



We continue advancing in our purpose of being more than a financial grant-making agent. Our project coordination has drawn ever closer to the initiatives, acting not only as financial support, but also as a partner in operational strengthening.

Keeping the concept of a "living" Network has been a significant achievement — strengthening connections, stimulating exchanges, and revealing new synergies. The initiatives, especially those that have been with us the longest, have expanded their sense of belonging and, as a result, have taken on a more active role, moving beyond supporting cast in various processes.

In this context, the No Coreto — our monthly online gathering — took on a new format in 2025. Rather than simply participating, the initiatives became protagonists of this space: each month, one or more took the lead, setting the agenda and guiding the conversations.

In addition, joint fundraising efforts emerged, with initiatives seeking grants and other opportunities alongside Saúva, reinforcing the idea that resource mobilization can — and should — be collective

The Annual In-Person Gathering also reflected this maturation. We had the active participation of various network collectives in shaping the event — from selecting agroecological and fresh food produced by the initiatives themselves, to meal preparation by the CEM's Mulheres em Ação project and Rede Alegrias' Cozinha Solidária, to the careful management of organic waste for composting. This collaborative process was one of the highlights of the year, as were the workshops led by members of the Network itself.

Internal capacity-building continued with the seminars "From Idea to Funding," consolidating itself as a space for exchanging practices and experiences in resource mobilization. The active participation of members made clear the importance of continuously expanding the development tools offered to partners.

We also celebrated the continuation of our legal partnership with the BMA law firm, through the BMA Inspiração pro bono program, which provided essential support to some initiatives at critical moments of great need.

The understanding grows that each project is part of something larger — a powerful mechanism in which each initiative plays a fundamental role. This collective recognition is, in itself, an important achievement.

The Network is maturing — and, with that, gaining ever more strength, autonomy, and meaning.



Flávia Gribel
Saúva Network Manager



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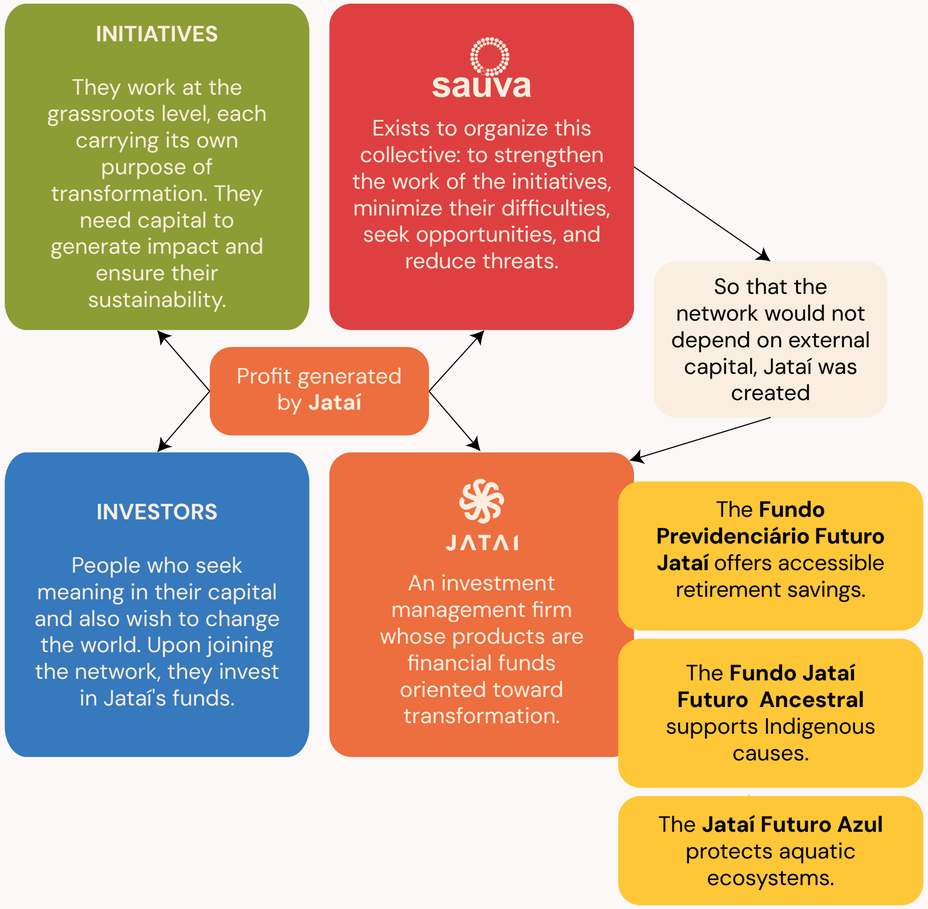
Fostering initiatives that transform territories, communities and lives since 2019.

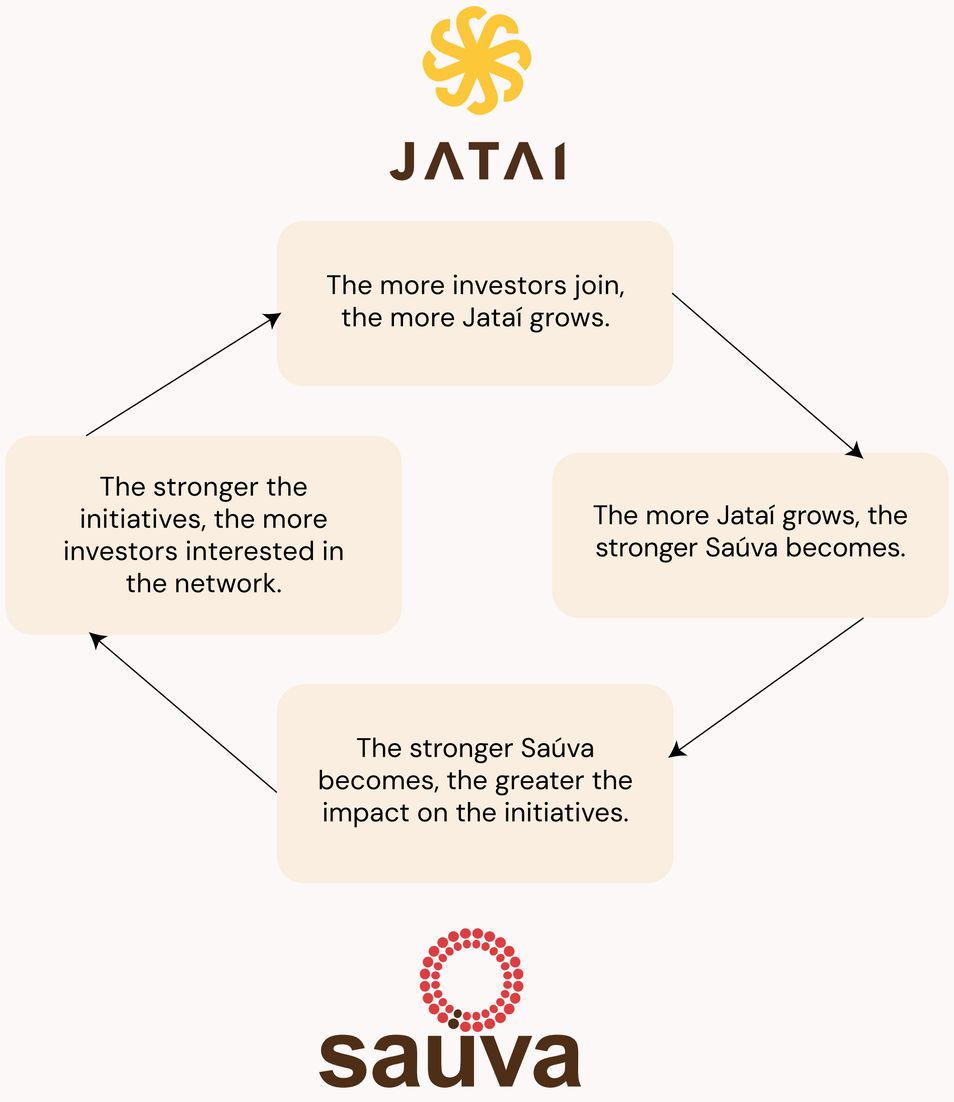
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What is the Saúva Jataí Network?

A network is a living organism made up of parts that, in freedom, choose interdependence: not because they give up themselves, but because they recognize that their purpose is realized with greater force when in relation.

The Saúva Jataí network is made up of four parts that sustain one another:





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What is Saúva?

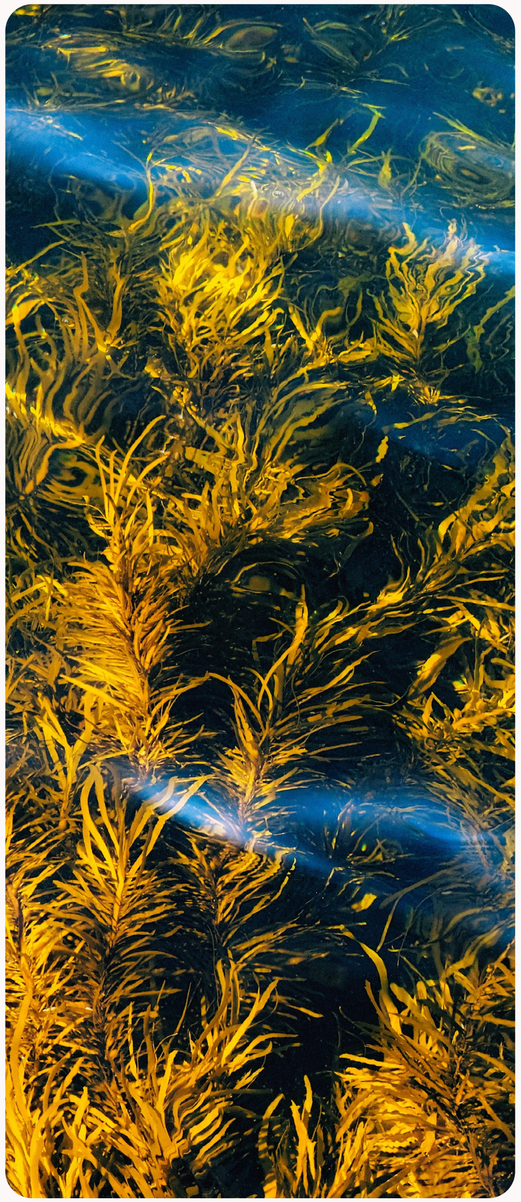
Saúva is a nonprofit association, founded in 2019, headquartered in Rio de Janeiro (RJ), and present in 12 Brazilian states.

Saúva's Objectives

The Saúva association's mission is to collaborate toward the sustainable strengthening of initiatives — also nonprofit — that work to:

- Practice education that is emancipatory and transformative;
- Preserve and regenerate the Environment, contributing to processes of ecological restoration, environmental education, and the promotion of socio-environmental justice;
- Reduce social inequality;
- Exchange knowledge with traditional peoples and cultures of Brazil;
- Co-create new forms of economic relationships;
- Promote art and culture that reinforce the diversity of Brazilian identities;
- Foster agroecology and agroforestry practices in rural and urban areas.





What is Jataí?

Jataí is an investment management firm created by the Network itself to generate capital internally, thereby reducing dependence on external resources.

It offers the financial market investment funds with a defined purpose, such as the Futuro Ancestral Fund, dedicated to Indigenous causes, and the Jataí Futuro Azul, dedicated to protecting aquatic ecosystems.

Its profits are shared among the initiatives, Saúva itself, and investors/supporters. It is the mechanism that allows the network to generate its own capital, rather than depending on external sources.

Investors and Supporters

Investors are people who allocate resources into Jataí's funds and, in doing so, become financial supporters of the network. They have two simultaneous needs: to make their money grow with purpose, and to contribute to the transformation of the world. By investing in Jataí, they accomplish both at once.

Our Three Core Values

The support we provide to socio-environmental impact initiatives is guided by the principle of venture philanthropy, which is premised on moving beyond the model of dependency-based assistance.

Three values form the foundation of this support:

Sustainability
The constant pursuit of ecological, social, and economic sustainability for each of the initiatives.

Autonomy
The autonomy of individuals to build a relationship of agency and shared responsibility.

Circularity
Encouragement of material and immaterial connections and exchanges among the initiatives.

How Does Saúva's Support Work?

Our support to each project goes far beyond financial contributions. We offer 6 forms of accompaniment to each initiative throughout the year:

- Individualized management consultancies;
- Placement of professionals with experience in the supported areas to collaborate with and strengthen the work of the initiatives and the network as a whole;
- Monthly virtual gatherings for all network members to address common challenges, debate ideas, and share experiences and knowledge — we call this gathering the No Coreto;
- Maintenance of the Saúva Jataí portal (www.sauvajatai.com), which presents all the initiatives in the network, publishes weekly articles about the actions carried out by initiatives, and runs monthly columns sharing reflections and experiences;
- A WhatsApp group with representatives from the initiatives to share knowledge, updates, and connection;
- Continuous monitoring of results, enabling the identification and resolution of vulnerabilities at each stage, and the reallocation of resources and efforts.

Agroecology Support

Saúva works alongside agroecology initiatives, offering specialized support to integrate actions and strengthen interactions. Through a group called "Saúvas Agroecológicas," participants deepen their dialogue and synergies, and plan shared agendas.

Several events involving the initiatives in this area contributed to the strengthening of the group, such as the Arte na Terra Immersion at Fazenda São Luiz, and the Plante Rio event at Fundição Progresso — an initiative that has become a national reference.

In addition, Saúva has begun to have representation at agroecology events and agendas both in Brazil and internationally.



Management Support

Saúva offers the initiatives ongoing management consultancies, administrative-financial technical support, and improvements to governance processes.

This management support contributes to the implementation of collaborative budgeting, financial planning, inter-initiative interaction, legal guidance, solutions for self-governance practices, and the streamlining of administrative-financial processes, in addition to monitoring the progress of each project.

Fundraising Support

In 2025, Saúva offered the free course "From Idea to Funding: Resource Mobilization for Social Initiatives" to 40 participants from the Network.

With classes also taught by members of the initiatives themselves, the course provided practical and strategic tools — from project structuring to sponsor prospecting — to strengthen the fundraising capacity of participating organizations.

Communications Support

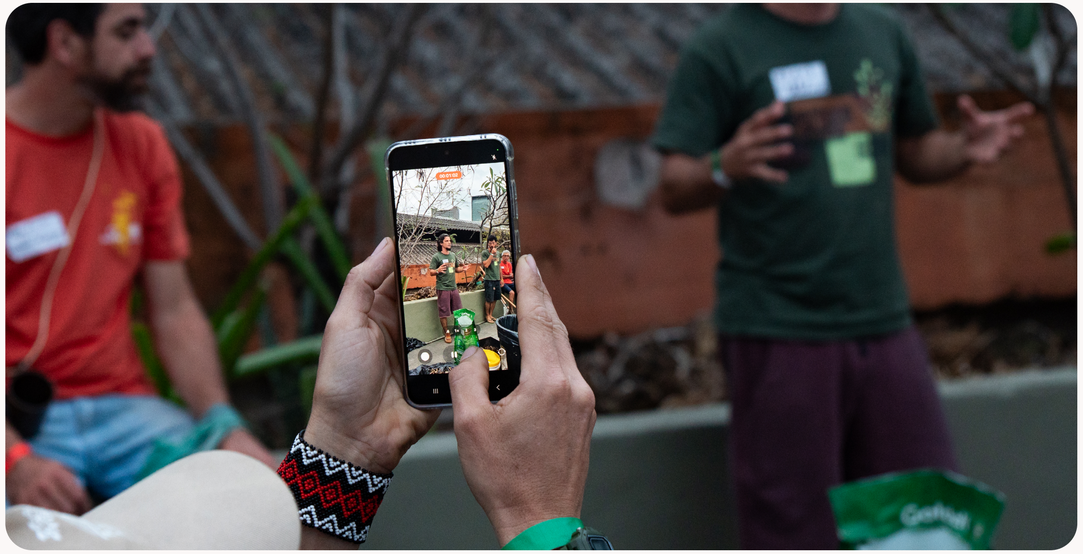
The Saúva Jataí Network's communications team acts as an articulating axis and content producer, strengthening visibility and integration among the initiatives.

It maintains an active portal where it publishes weekly news about the initiatives' actions, as well as authored columns that reveal the thinking of the people who make up the network.

On social media, it produces content that amplifies both Saúva's institutional communications and the activities of each initiative.

The team is also responsible for organizing the network's integration events.

On a periodic basis, it contributes audiovisual productions, event coverage, and support materials for the initiatives, consolidating communications as a strategic tool for collective weaving and network strengthening.



Project Evaluation and Selection

The projects that make up Saúva are evaluated by internal committees formed by the network itself. The composition and dynamics of these committees are reviewed and refined each year. In 2025, there was significant participation from representatives of different projects — including activists — throughout the entire process.

The Working Group formed operates at different stages, from defining the guiding criteria for analysis to managing the flow of the process itself. This method ensures transparency, representativeness, and attentive listening.



Annual In-Person Gathering

On September 5 and 6, 2025, representatives from 28 initiatives that make up the network gathered in Rio de Janeiro (RJ) for the Saúva Jataí Network's annual in-person meeting, held at Fundição Progresso.

The program was built collectively based on suggestions from the network's own members. Activities that were part of the program:

- Self-knowledge exercise and collective mapping of each initiative's areas of action, purposes, and interdependencies;
- Dialogue with Jataí: presentation of the Investment Funds and reflections on the feedback loop between Saúva and Jataí;
- Reflection on the Spiral Cycle Economy and pathways toward collective self-sufficiency within the network;
- Practical workshops: cooking with unconventional food plants (PANCs), production of Aroeira essential oil, and agroforestry management;
- Screening and discussion of the documentary "Nhemongarai," about the Guarani corn ritual;
- Terra Orgânica Composting Activity: the transmutation of organic and emotional waste;
- Oracular reading with the Tarô da Muda (a playful exercise) on the network's collective challenges;
- Collective meals with agroecological ingredients produced by the initiatives themselves;
- Exchange of seeds and seedlings among initiatives, and a communal celebration.





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> “Saúva’s support was fundamental to the continuity and strengthening of our initiative in 2025. Beyond the financial support for essential activities, there was trust in our work and respect for the time needed for the association to mature. Saúva contributed to network-building, expanding partnerships and contacts, and offered grounding, guidance, and encouragement — with flexibility and empathy. Particularly noteworthy was the communications support, which strengthened the public record of our actions.”



Gustavo Lanza
Laboratório Terra Orgânica



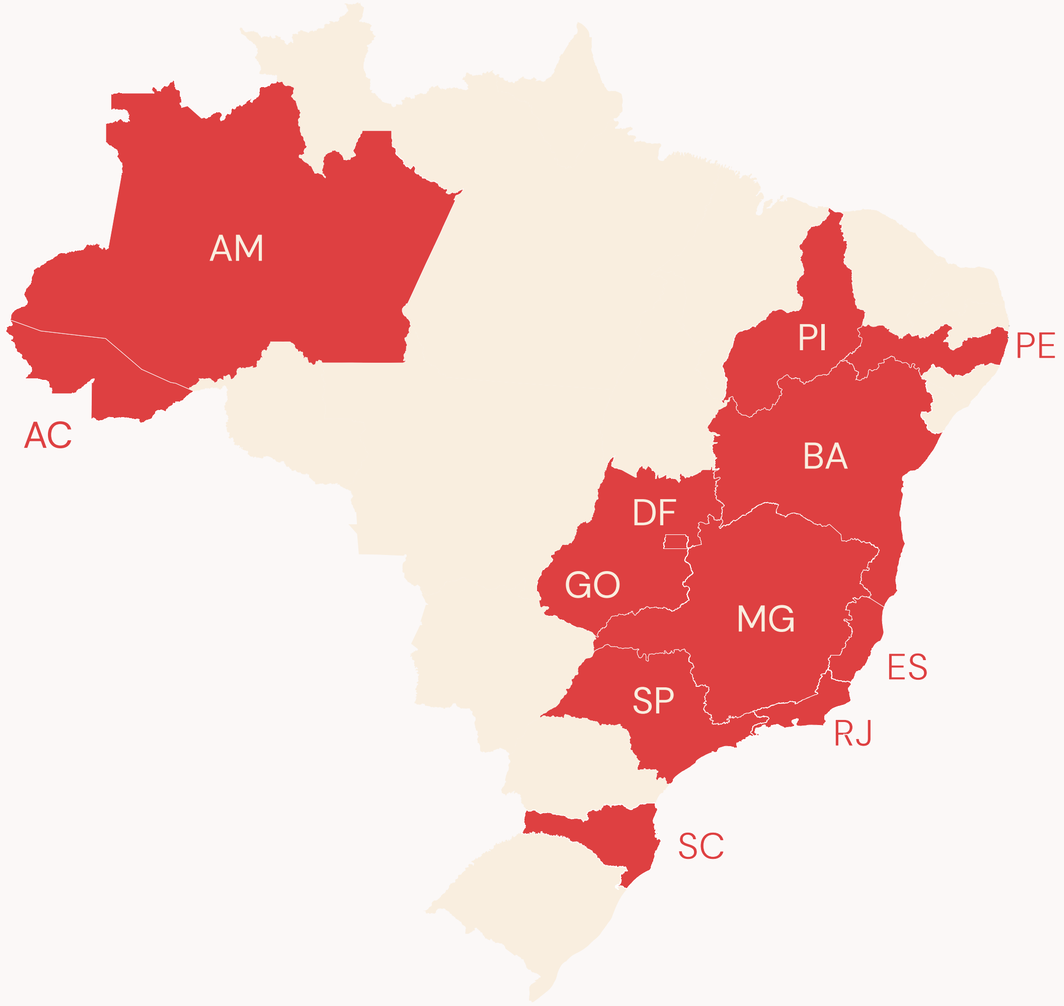


RESULTS *2025*

Numbers, territories, and stories of a network moving forward.

National Reach

In 2025, we were present in 51 municipalities across 12 Brazilian states.



Acre: Cruzeiro do Sul

Amazonas: São Gabriel da Cachoeira

Bahia: Salvador

Distrito Federal: Brasília

Espírito Santo: Aracruz, Conceição da Barra, Linhares, Regência, São Mateus

Goiás: Anápolis, Goiânia

Minas Gerais: Belo Horizonte, Betim, Brumadinho, Capim Branco, Conselheiro Lafaiete, Contagem, Florestal, Jaboticatubas, Juatuba, Mateus Leme, Nova Lima, Pará de Minas, Santa Luzia, Santana do Riacho, São João del-Rei, Serro

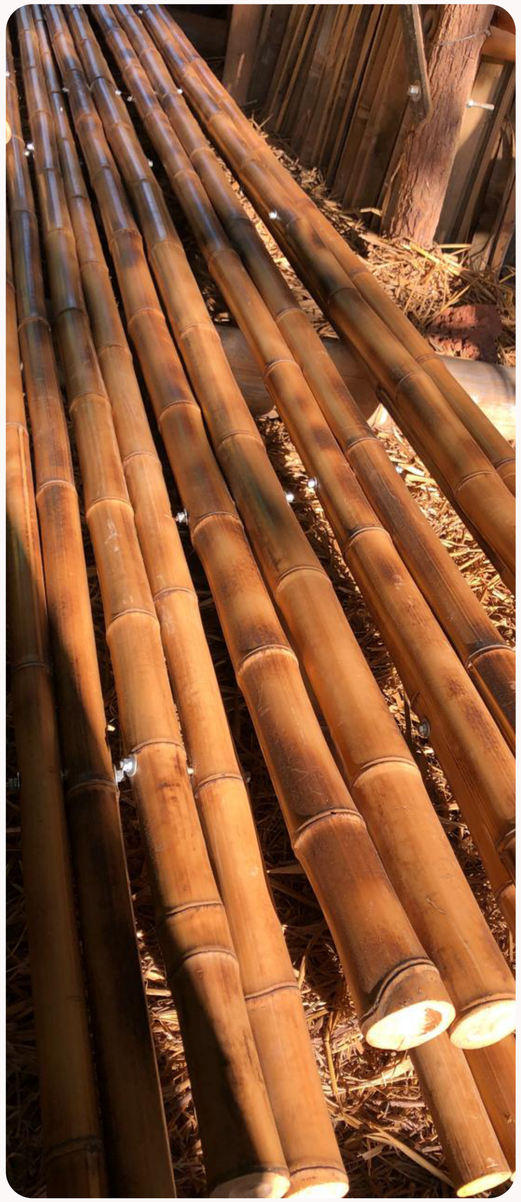
Pernambuco: Recife

Piauí: São João do Piauí

Rio de Janeiro: Angra dos Reis, Cachoeira de Macacu, Guapimirim, Nova Friburgo, Paraty, Petrópolis, Rio Bonito, Rio de Janeiro, Teresópolis

Santa Catarina: Canelinha, Florianópolis

São Paulo: Campinas, Ribeirão Preto, São Joaquim da Barra, São José dos Campos, São Paulo, Serra Azul, Serrana, Ubatuba



Territories and Communities

We were also present in 34 territories of Indigenous peoples, traditional communities, and peripheral urban communities:

Quilombola Communities: Quilombo do Campinho da Independência (Paraty/RJ), Quilombo do Mato Dentro (Conselheiro Lafaiete/MG), Quilombo dos Ausentes (Serro/MG), Quilombo Santa Cruz (Serro/MG), Quilombo Baú (Serro/MG), Quilombo da Serra (Teresópolis/RJ), Quilombo Saco-Cortume (São João do Piauí/PI), Quilombo Urbano Ylê Asé Egi Omim (Santa Teresa, Rio de Janeiro/RJ) and Escola Dandara (Complexo do Alemão, Rio de Janeiro/RJ).

Indigenous Communities: Comunidade Guarani Mbya Itaximirim (Paraty Mirim, Paraty/RJ), Aldeia Guarani de Rio Pequeno (Paraty/RJ), Aldeia Guarani de Paraty-Mirim (Paraty/RJ), Tekoá Tava'í (Canelinha/SC), Casa de Passagem Indígena / Ponto de Cultura Goj Ta Sá (Florianópolis/SC), Terra Indígena dos Botocudos (Regência/ES), Povo Yawanawá (Cruzeiro do Sul/AC), Povo Tukano — Ye'pâ-masa (Alto Rio Negro, São Gabriel da Cachoeira/AM), Povo Yawanawá da Terra Indígena do Rio Gregório (Tarauacá, AC) e Comunidades do Alto Rio Negro: Taracuá, Ipanoré, Serra do Mucura, Pirarara Poço, Pari Cachoeira and São Pedro (São Gabriel da Cachoeira/AM).

Caiçara Communities: Comunidade Caiçara de Paraty Mirim (Paraty/RJ), Comunidade Caiçara Praia do Sono (Paraty/RJ) and Comunidade Caiçara Praia de Tarituba (Paraty/RJ).

Fishing Communities: Comunidade de Pescadores de Paraty (Paraty/RJ) and Vila de Pescadores de Regência (Regência/ES).

Rural Communities: Assentamento Sepé Tiaraju — PDS (Serra Azul/Serrana/SP), Comunidade Rural do Cabral (Paraty/RJ) and Comunidade Rural do Patrimônio (Paraty/RJ).

Peripheral and Urban Communities: Aglomerado da Serra (Belo Horizonte/MG), Pequena África / São Cristóvão (Rio de Janeiro/RJ), Favela da Terra Prometida (Rio de Janeiro/RJ), Vila Cruzeiro (Rio de Janeiro/RJ), Vila Kosmos (Rio de Janeiro/RJ) and Complexo do Alemão (Rio de Janeiro/RJ).





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The 2025 Initiatives

39 initiatives* made up the Saúva network across Brazil in 2025:

- Akom
- Arte na Terra
- Associação Amanu
- Associação Quintais - Escola Waldorf Quintal Mágico
- Centro de Integração na Serra da Misericórdia
- Centro de Tradições Yle Asè Egi Omim
- Comunidade de Aprendizagem Colo da Montanha
- CSAA Confraria da Horta
- Documentário Nhemongarai
- Educar+
- Escola Comunitária Cirandas - Instituto Oju Moran
- Fundição Progresso
- Grupo Pedras
- IATEC - Instituto de Artes e Técnicas em Comunicação
- Instituto Educultural Brincarte (Casa João de Barro)
- Instituto Ouro Verde
- Instituto Socioambiental Arandu
- Instituto Uhtã Bo'ó Wi'í
- Jornada da Mata
- Laboratório Terra Orgânica
- Mato Dentro Mundo Afora
- Muda Outras Economias
- Mutirão Agroflorestal
- PAFE
- Plante Rio
- Beija Flor Projeto de Educação Transformadora
- Rede Alegrias
- Remexe
- Sapos e Afogados - Núcleo de Criação e Pesquisa em Arte e Saúde Mental
- Solo da Cana
- Tal (Techartlab Produções Artísticas e Culturais Ltda.)
- Teia da Terra
- Ujima cozinha viva
- Viridis

+ activists: Alice Worcman, Débora Saraiva, Gabriela Laborda, Hauley Valim e Mónica Calderón.

*list includes initiatives with and without direct financial support.

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Titles, Awards, and Certifications

Together, all these initiatives hold the following public recognition:

- Municipal Public Utility designation: 10
- Ponto de Cultura (Cultural Hub) designation: 7
- Registration with CMDCA (Municipal Council for Children's and Adolescents' Rights): 5
- State Public Utility designation: 3
- Organic Certification (IBD, Ecocert, Rural Producer): 2
- Ponto de Memória (Memory Hub) designation: 1
- Periferia Viva Award: 1
- Intangible Heritage designation: 1
- Registration with ANCINE (National Film Agency): 1



> "Saúva's support was essential to the realization of activities throughout the year, and is currently the project's only source of funding. Beyond the financial contribution, the network's support is deeply meaningful — especially its encouragement of partnership-building. The No Coreto has become a monthly space for learning and exchange, which flows more naturally as the bonds between us strengthen. The courses and consultancies on offer expand our repertoire and strengthen our autonomy."

Luna Pesce
Jornada da Mata



Grant-Making

R$ 5.26M

was the total amount Saúva directed to projects of social, educational, environmental, and cultural impact in 2025.

People Reached

19,000

people were directly impacted by the Saúva network's actions in 2025.

55,000+

people were indirectly impacted (at scale).

Direct and Indirect Employment

1,128

people directly employed by the initiatives supported by Saúva in 2025.

1,775

people worked indirectly in the actions and projects.

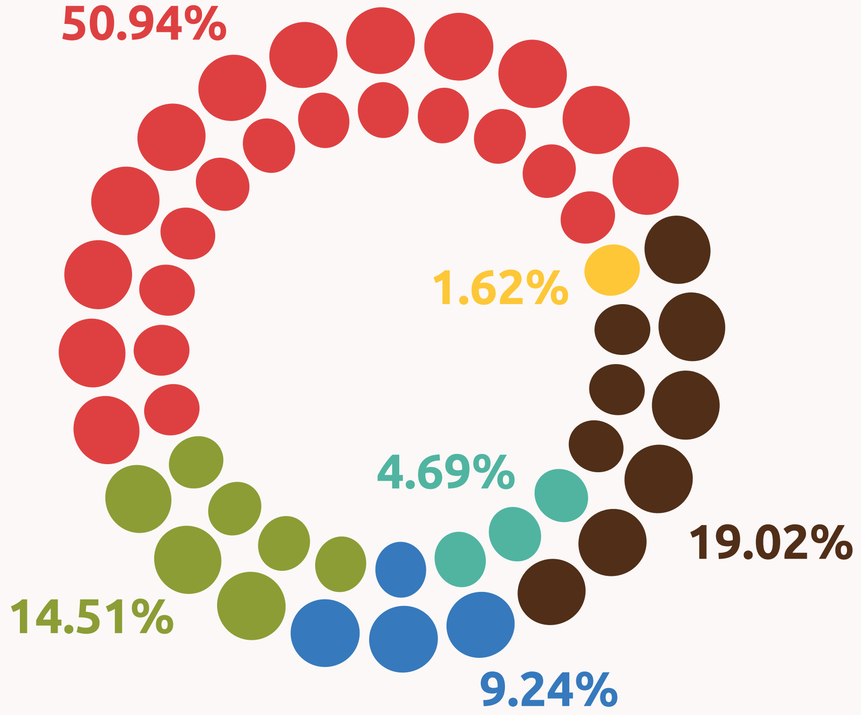
3,003

total jobs supported in 2025.



Areas of Action and Funds Allocated

- Education and Activists' Support
- Complementary Currencies
- Agroecology
- Art and Culture
- Traditional Peoples
- Other



Year-on-Year Comparison

Indicator	2022	2023	2024	**2025**
Total grant amount	R$ 4.4M	R$ 4.8M	R$ 5.1M	**R$ 5.26M**
Supported Initiatives + activists	21	29	29	**33**
Municipalities reached	28	30	50	**51**
People directly reached	8,123	9,785	20,266	**18,995**
People indirectly reached	-	21,650	28,000	**55,000**
Total jobs supported	1,143	1,213	2,299	**3,003**



> "Saúva's support was once again fundamental in advancing the sales, empowerment, and self-esteem of the agroforestry families and women of the Sepé Tiaraju Settlement, providing: financial resources to structure management processes within the community; capital to invest with greater confidence in sales and value-addition strategies; support for the structuring of a new association; and the physical infrastructure recovery of a community processing facility."

Elen Romo
Mutirão Agroflorestal



SDGs

We encompass 14 of the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).





Social Media Followers

+243,079

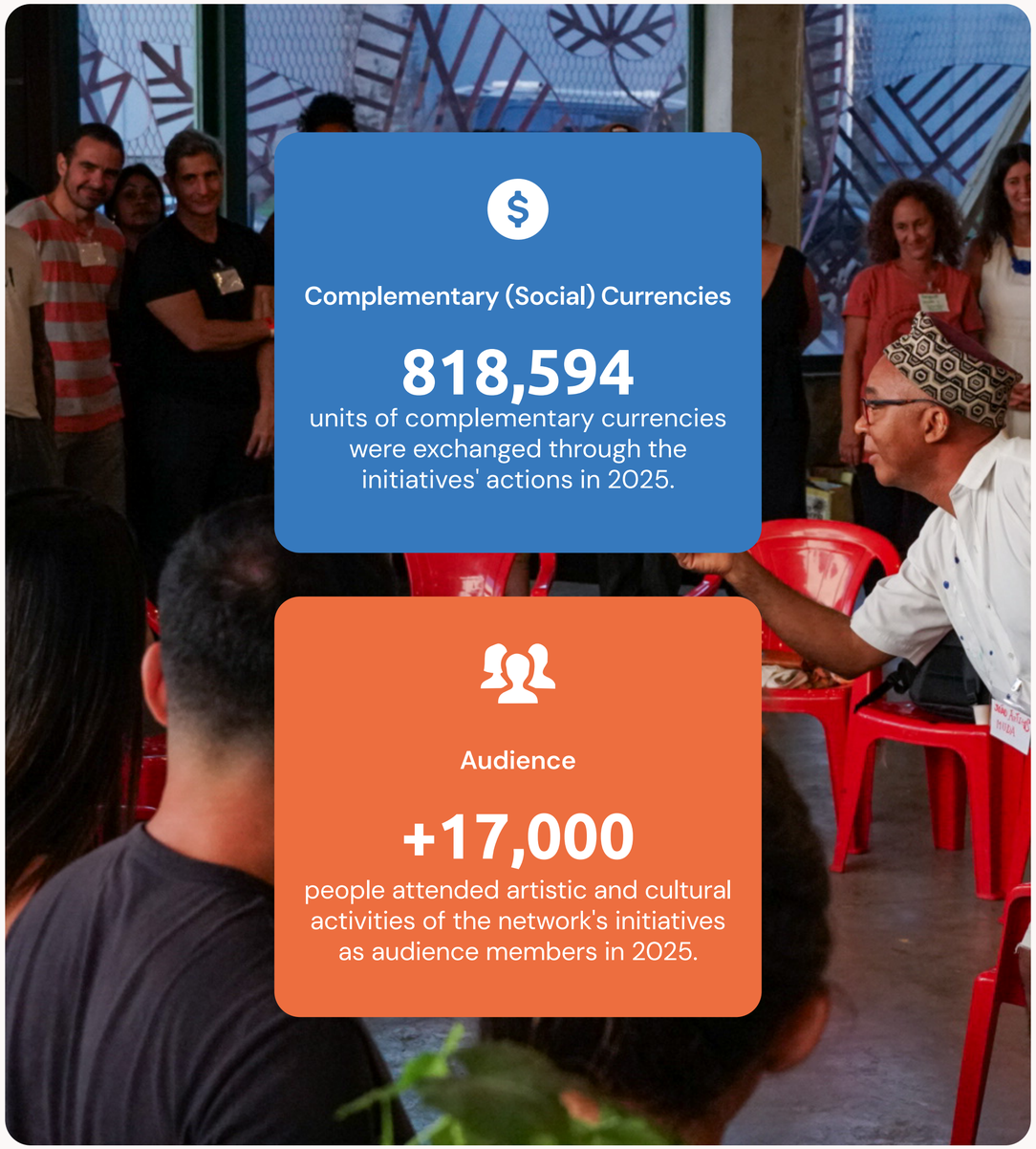
people follow the social media accounts of the network's initiatives *

Students in Educational Programs

7,147

people participated in educational activities carried out by the initiatives in 2025.

* Considering the sum of individual followers across all initiatives.



Complementary (Social) Currencies

818,594

units of complementary currencies were exchanged through the initiatives' actions in 2025.

Audience

+17,000

people attended artistic and cultural activities of the network's initiatives as audience members in 2025.

> "Saúva has been the partner institution of Rede Muda Outras Economias since its founding. The partnership goes beyond financial support — it feeds the network connections that sustain us. Each year, the Saúva network expands and creates communication mechanisms that foster knowledge exchange among the initiatives. In this way, a balance is being drawn from the demands of each initiative, the relationships among them, and the learning that comes from engaging with initiatives that differ from our own."

Helena Stewart
Rede Muda Outras Economias



> “For nine years, I dedicated myself entirely to the social demands and the regeneration of the damage caused by the 2015 collapse of the Fundão dam. Those were years of donating labor and self-funding my own activism. Receiving the Saúva Jataí Activist Grant, at the ten-year milestone, gave me the essential structural support to sustain and consolidate processes that had been gestating for years. Grants like these are fundamental for supporting mobilization and regeneration in the aftermath of major catastrophes.”



Hauley Valim
Jardim Regenera Rio Doce



Agroecologically Managed Land

619

hectares were managed by the initiatives using agroecological techniques in 2025 — the equivalent of approximately 884 football pitches placed side by side.



CENSUS *2025*

The first Diversity and Representativeness Census of the Saúva Jataí Network.

Between February and March 2026, the Saúva Jataí Network conducted its first Diversity and Representativeness Census.

The survey encompassed the **40 initiatives** that currently make up the network, including the Saúva Association itself and Jataí Investimentos in the sample.

The census was designed as an instrument of collective knowledge and learning: to understand the real diversity of the people who build the network, identify opportunities to broaden representation within the initiatives, strengthen more just and inclusive relationships, and inform internal equity policies.

The results also communicate, to partners and supporters, the network's commitment to a more plural and representative society.

The questions were formulated based on IBGE methodologies and UN research manuals on diversity and inclusion.

The form was 100% anonymous: no names or email addresses were collected, ensuring the privacy of all respondents.

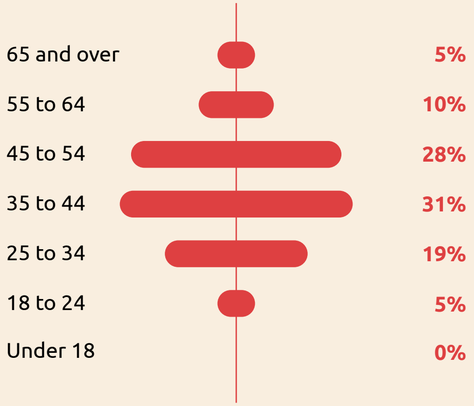
The following dimensions were addressed: location (state and city); age group; educational level; monthly household income; household composition; gender; sexual orientation; race or ethnicity; disability; belonging to traditional peoples and communities; religion or belief; and level of participation within the initiative.

In total, we received **462 responses** — a result we consider significant given the size of the network's community.

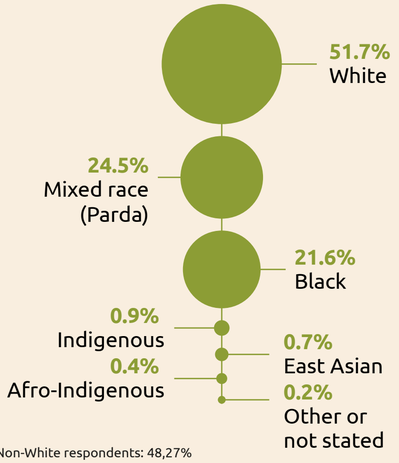
The following pages present some of the most significant findings. Complete results are available on the Saúva Jataí portal.



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(in years)

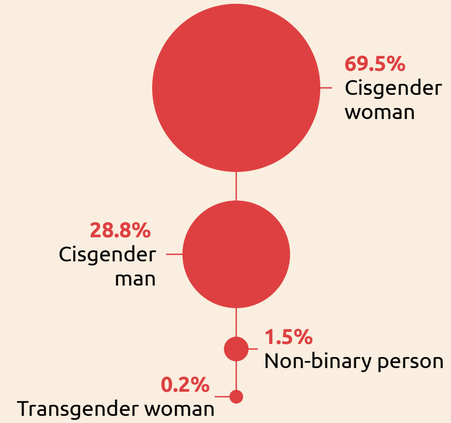


Race or Ethnicity



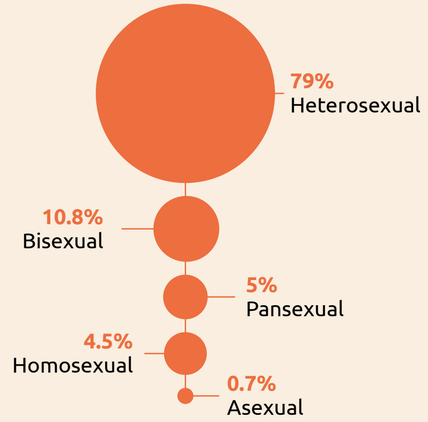
Non-White respondents: 48,27%

Gender



People who are not cisgender men: 71,2%

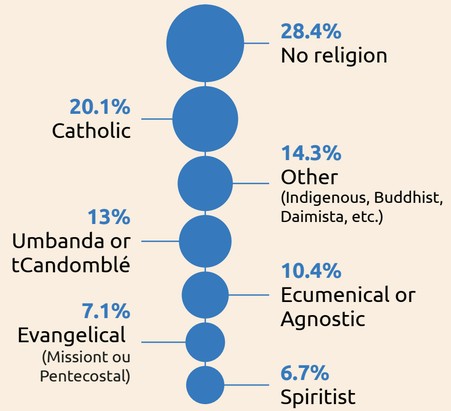
Sexual Orientation



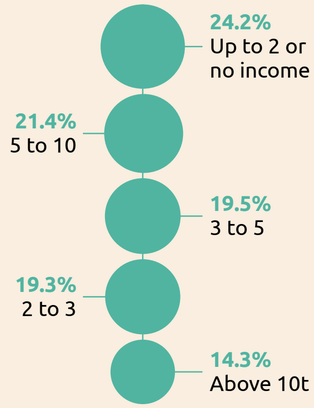
Non-heterosexual respondents: 21%

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Religion or Belief

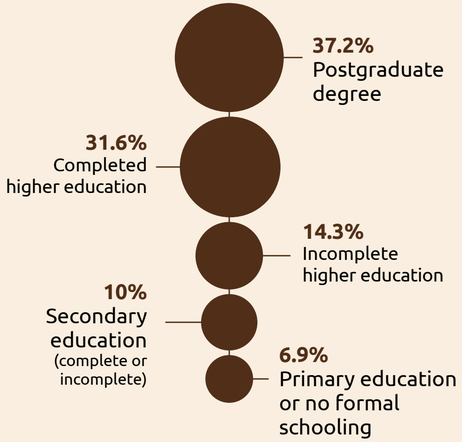


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(in minimum wages)

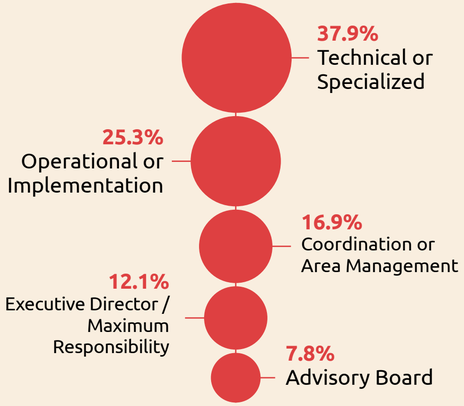


Preferred not to state: 1.3%

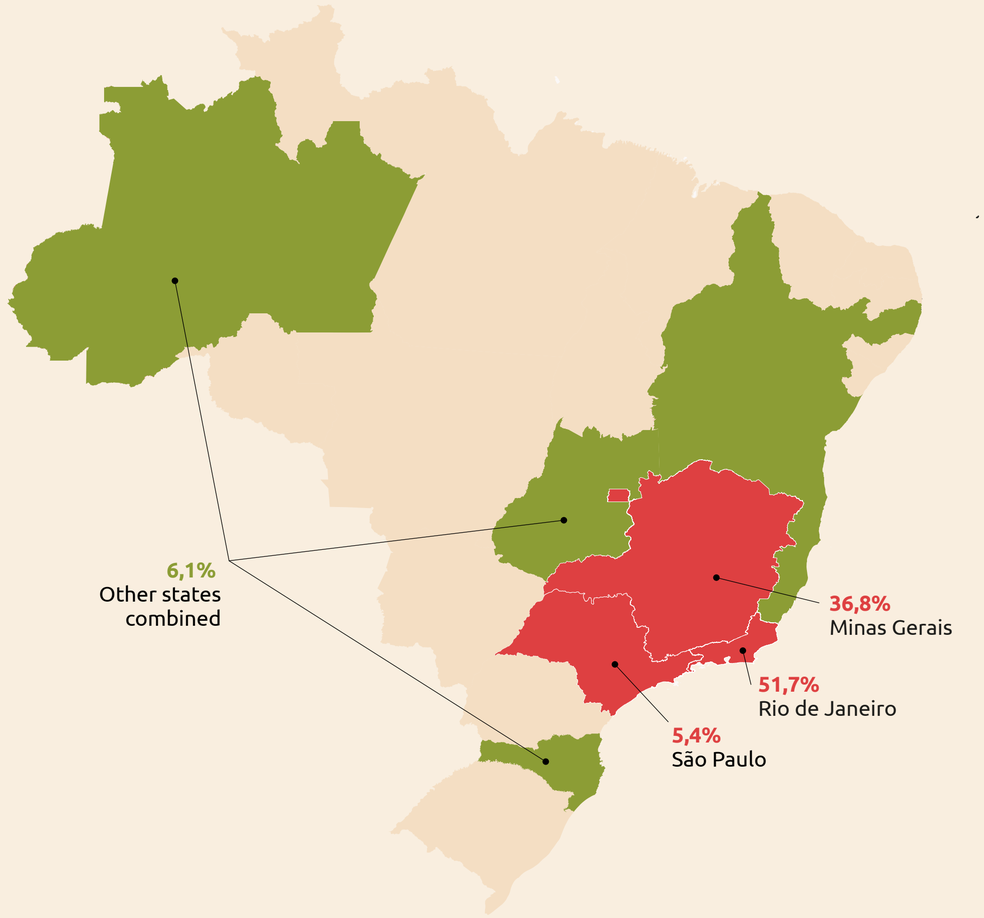
Educational Level



Role within the Initiative



Distribution by State



> “Saúva Jataí’s support in 2025 was essential for maintaining our educational activities and also for ensuring the children had food after activities — with a regular supply of fruit, promoting healthier habits. Participation in the network also made it possible to send baskets of organic food to families. An internal survey showed that many families have limited access to vegetables and fruit, making this support fundamental for their health and dignity.”



Tainá Brito
Educar+





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Learn about the initiatives supported by the Saúva network that generated all of this impact in 2025.

Associação Quintais - Escola Waldorf Quintal Mágico

Paraty (RJ)

Quintal Mágico school was born from the idea of a group of parents who believed in a differentiated, high-quality education accessible to different socioeconomic realities. The school is managed participatively through voluntary thematic commissions made up of people from diverse backgrounds. Together, they share the dream of offering a peace-culture education for their children and the community of Paraty, with the mission of providing “a school for everyone, by everyone.”

Main achievements in 2025:

- Continuity and strengthening of the Inclusion Support Hub (AEE (Specialized Educational Assistance) consultants, educators, and physicians).
- Support for low-income students and students with special needs (tutoring, educational materials, instruments).
- Expansion of artistic and cultural projects at the school (Orquestra Mágica, choir, dance, circus, and theater).
- 25% of new students enrolled in 2025 received full scholarships.









Camponês a camponês | Associação Amanu

Jaboticatubas (MG)

Associação Amanu — Education, Ecology and Solidarity has been working since 2008 alongside the local communities of Jaboticatubas (quilombola* communities, family farmers, and extractivists) with the aim of mobilizing and supporting grassroots actions committed to building a more just and ecological society in the municipality. Activities include courses, workshops, community gatherings, educational activities in public squares, churches, and schools, collective work gatherings, study groups, exchanges, immersive experiences, the dissemination of ecological technologies for water storage, production, and construction, and the sale of harvests and artisanal goods at regional community fairs.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Financial disbursement for the implementation of 10 projects by producers and promoters within the local network, contributing to the improvement of these participants' work on the land.
- Improved organization among the local network's facilitators through courses and productive dialogue.
- Progress in consolidating the technical and methodological support network, involving professionals and specialized institutions in agriculture, such as EMATER (State Technical Assistance and Rural Extension Company).

Canoa da Transformação | Instituto Ʉhtã Bo’ó Wi’í

São Gabriel da Cachoeira (AM)

Organized by Instituto Uhtã Bo’ó Wi’í, the Pamurĩ Yu’kusu — Canoa da Transformação (Transformation Canoe) project set out to be a cultural, spiritual, and political journey to strengthen the dreams of the peoples of the Alto Rio Negro, their traditions, ways of life, and knowledge. Between October 4 and 16, the group departed from São Gabriel da Cachoeira and traveled through Serra do Mucura, Pirarara Poço, Pari Cachoeira, Comunidade São Pedro, and other communities in the region.

The project arose from the need to update the sociocultural, environmental, and economic diagnosis of Indigenous communities — through active listening with the region’s traditional leaders — strengthening alliances among the clans of the Tukano people and others, and collectively building guidelines for public policies and projects that honor traditional ways of life and the region’s socio-bioeconomy.





Centro de Integração na Serra da Misericórdia

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

The Centro de Integração da Serra da Misericórdia (CEM) is a nonprofit association that has been active in the Conjunto de Favelas da Penha since 2011. All of its work is oriented toward strengthening urban agriculture based on the principles and values of agroecology, always linked to anti-racist and feminist struggles. The project advocates for the right to a productive, healthy, and sustainable city, promoting food and nutritional security for the population while also contributing to the fight for climate justice.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Development and systematization of the anti-racist popular educators training program, and approval under PAFE (Program to Support the Training of Educators).
- Decolônia de Férias (Decolonial Vacation Program) of the Popular School, featuring activities in communication, leisure, culture, and the environment, reinforcing learning from throughout the year.
- Access to international funding directed toward the construction of the organization's headquarters and the Popular School.
- Purchase of a property to be used for the kitchen, language classes, and university entrance preparation.
- 50% expansion of planting in the agroforest through collective work gatherings with ASPTA (Advisory and Services for Alternative Agriculture Projects) and the Mutirão Agroflorestal.



> "For the Popular School of Agroecology of Serra da Misericórdia, building bridges with the Saúva Jataí network was fundamental — both in creating new frameworks of reference and in engaging with such a diverse and fruitful network. Accessing resources that go beyond financial support, and above all, that expand our connections among different partners, with actions oriented toward agroecology, education, the creative economy, and buen vivir."

Ana Paula Santos
Centro de Integração na Serra da Misericórdia



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Centro de Tradições Yle Asè Egi Omim

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

The Centro Cultural de Tradições Egi Omim is located in Santa Teresa, central Rio de Janeiro, and operates under the leadership of Wanda Araújo, who has worked since 2008 to consolidate ideas and actions that value and give visibility to traditional peoples of African heritage. The Center develops sociocultural, educational, and memory-based projects, with an emphasis on active reflection and the affirmation of humanities grounded in Afro-Brazilian-indigenous (afropindorâmica) culture and cosmogony, addressing political, environmental, economic, and collaborative dimensions inherent to these cultures.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 36 editions of ongoing workshops, reaching 1,440 people.
- 20 editions of the Centro de Estudos sobre a Terra (Center for Land Studies).
- Structuring and equipping of the Escritório da Mata canteen in 2025 to expand activities.

Colo da Montanha

Teresópolis (RJ)

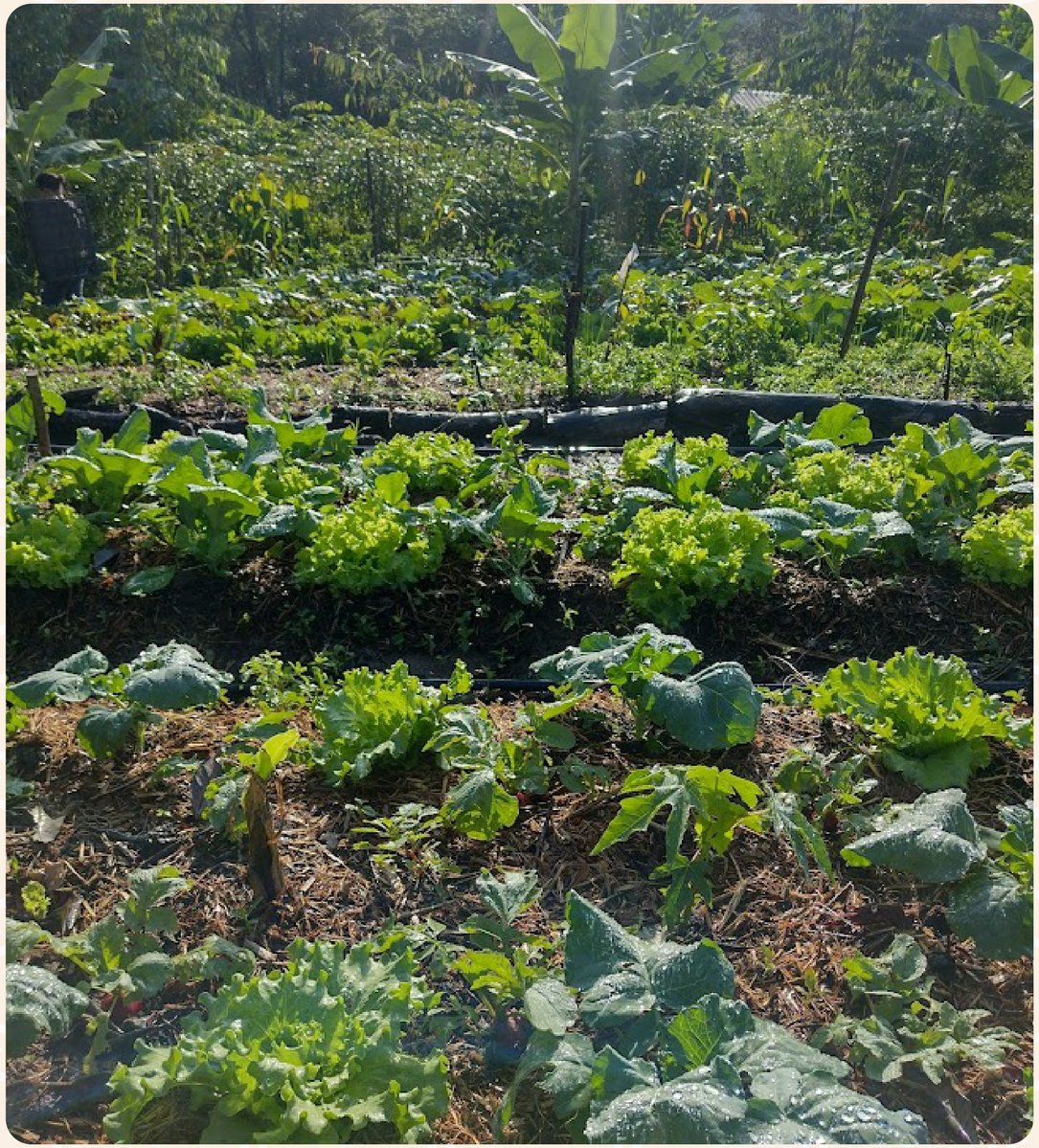
Colo da Montanha is a nonprofit association woven together by families committed to building and structuring a learning community in Teresópolis, RJ. Since 2015, Colo has been a space for coexistence and development dedicated to supporting and empowering families in raising their children, reviving the memory of community-based child-rearing.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Recognition of Colo Cultural as a promoting agent of Childhood and Nature Cultures and as an Incubator of Social and Cultural Projects for Cycle 4.
- Strengthening of the school's educational methodologies and systematization of their learning outcomes evidence.
- Adoption of the farm-school concept by the community and its surroundings, with greater engagement and participation in agroecological practices in daily community life.







CSAA Confraria da Horta

Florestal (MG)

Confraria da Horta, now based in the Florestal region, grew from the land work of Daniel and Carol, who joined with families from the greater Belo Horizonte metropolitan area (MG) to found a CASA (Community that Sustains Art and Agriculture): “Comunidade que sustenta a arte e a agricultura.” Since 2016, they have delivered agroecological food baskets — an average of 2,600 per year. They also promote cultural, artistic, and educational activities through quarterly gatherings among co-farmers, as well as collective work gatherings and workshops.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 2,600 agroecological baskets delivered.
- 3,000 seedlings planted.
- Infrastructure improvements to the warehouse where baskets are assembled.
- Start of construction of the chicken coop, expanding possibilities for new income streams.
- Renewal of the partnership with municipal schools to receive student groups in 2026.

Documentário Nhemongarai

Paraty (RJ)

Created in collaboration with the Guarani Mbya people, directed by Kasia Mich and Débora Saraiva, the documentary “Nhemongarai: a força da semente” (Nhemongarai: the strength of the seed) set out to document the greatest celebration of the Guarani Mbya people: the Nhemongarai, a sacred ritual that celebrates the connection with the land and with ancestry, performing the baptism of corn and of children.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Launch and screening of the Nhemongarai Documentary (15’).
- Support and encouragement for the reconstruction of the prayer house at the Yaka Poran Rio Bonito village.
- Mobilization effort to bring villages back to participate in the Nhemongarai ritual at the Araponga village.
- Screenings and events at villages and communities, generating dialogue, cultural recovery, and community strengthening.

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Escola Comunitária Cirandas

Paraty (RJ)

Cirandas is a Primary and Lower Secondary school, from 1st through 9th grade, serving students from 8am to 3pm. The community school operates on a non-graded model, organized in cycles through thematic projects and research that guide the educational work. Its aim is to develop individuals capable of understanding and expressing feelings and emotions; empathetic beings ready to consider the common good as a premise of a just society; and happy individuals who love life, thereby seeking social transformation.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Creation of the Educational Board of Directors, expanding shared responsibility, transparency, and the active participation of the team.
- Expansion of engagement beyond the school's territory, notably through the partnership with Escola Municipal do Cabral (Escola Municipal José Melo), participation in educational fairs, networks and forums, and the Cirandas de Portas Abertas Program.
- Strengthening of the educational project with student agency, through the development of territory-based research projects, field trips, cultural fairs and events, and the strengthening of the Students' Circle.

Educar+

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Educar+ carries out educational and cultural activities in after-school hours, directly serving around 100 children and adolescents. The methodology is built around four interconnected themes: self-knowledge, citizenship, the environment, and futurism. Educational support is delivered through individual, gamified learning pathways grounded in the pillars of self-directed education and interaction within a collaborative learning community.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Certification by the Municipal Council of Social Assistance and the Municipal Council for Children and Adolescents.
- Publication of 6 original books written by children and adolescents portraying favela culture.
- 1st and 4th place won by Educar+ children at a national hackathon in São Paulo.
- 1st place won by an Educar+ child at a hackathon in Colombia.







Grupo Pedras

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Founded in 2001, Grupo Pedras emerged from a desire to research traditional techniques of acting. Today, its members are also directors, writers, lighting designers, costume designers, and researchers. Pedras is an ever-restless craftsman of original dramaturgies grounded in the actor-creator, cultivating the relationship with the audience through playful use of scenic space and research rooted in techniques such as mask work, buffoonery, and immersion in Brazilian popular expressions.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Tour of ‘Rosa e a Semente’ through municipal schools, cultural venues, and Parque Glória Maria.
- Season of ‘Céu de Agora’ at Parque Glória Maria.
- Expanded social media engagement by Grupo Pedras, paving the way for the ‘Pedras nas Redes’ project in 2026.

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Instituto Educultural Brincarte

Paraty (RJ)

Instituto Brincarte is an early childhood school and Ponto de Cultura (Cultural Hub) that integrates art, culture, and sustainability into a transformative educational approach. Inspired by frameworks such as Montessori and anthroposophy, and aligned with the BNCC (Base Nacional Comum Curricular / National Common Curriculum Framework), it offers nursery, preschool, and after-school programs, combining playfulness, nature, and emotional education with the integral development of children.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Deepened application of the school's methodology in its core pillars: integration with nature, art and culture, play, and belonging.
- Expansion of activities in São José dos Campos in pursuit of new fundraising approaches and diversification of programming.
- In-depth financial feasibility study for the continuity of the school project, carried out with the involvement of the school community.





Instituto Ouro Verde

Nova Lima (MG)

Instituto Ouro Verde is an early childhood and primary school that develops an educational approach guided by Waldorf Pedagogy, combined with the principles of a Green School structured around three areas of action: Agroecology, Food Education, and Waste Management. It is a nonprofit educational and cultural institution. Collaboration and community participation in decision-making are core principles of the Instituto Ouro Verde's governance. All members — teachers, parents, staff, and other collaborators — are considered co-responsible for the planning and execution of institutional objectives.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 20% of revenue allocated to socioeconomic scholarships;
- 52 scholarship students;
- 100% of students enrolled in the food education program;
- 100% of organic waste from the canteen composted;
- 100% of compostable waste taken to the garden managed by the students themselves;
- 8 tons/year of waste composted;
- 2,500 kg/year of organic compost produced;
- 50 people participated in drafting the master plan for the next 12 years;
- Integration of food processing activities (preserves, breads) into the school curriculum;
- Official launch of the Ouro Verde complementary currency;
- Launch of agroecological basket distribution through the social registration system;
- Strengthening of strategic partnerships (Cozinha Ujima, CSA, AMANU) for

the circulation of Ouro Verde currency credits and inputs;

- 20% of families participating in the program adopted composting in their own homes;
- Definition of the guiding principles and guidelines of the master plan for the next 12 years, with the participation of 50 community members;
- Implementation of self-governance guidelines within the Food Education Commission;
- Facilitation of a dialogue circle with founders and drafting of a manifesto for the next 12 years.



> "Saúva's support was fundamental to the consolidation of Instituto Arandu as an integrated territorial initiative. Through this support, it was possible to strengthen agroecological practices, expand cultural actions, and consolidate the solidarity economy in the territory, generating real impacts on bodies, on relationships, and on the waterways that run through our work."

Mariana Paulino Dourado
Instituto Socioambiental Arandu



Instituto Socioambiental Arandu

Anápolis (GO)

Through agroecological practices, its mission is to create a movement against the traditional agro-industrial model. It aims to develop and strengthen food sales channels that prioritize local food value, promote regional development, environmental preservation, and the strengthening of relationships between production and consumption.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 2,000 trees planted in agroecological collective work gatherings.
- 100 children participating in socio-environmental activities.
- Largest-ever edition of the Roda dos Saberes (Wheel of Knowledge), integrating agroecology, culture, and solidarity economy.
- Expansion of the circulation of the MUDA complementary currency, strengthening local networks.





Jornada da Mata

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

A course aimed at building a broad understanding of agroecological practices that can support better collective choices, bringing together practical tools and philosophical discussions. Its pillars are: Organic Planting; Conscious Eating; Crafts; Alternative Economies; Communication; Spirituality; and Self-Care.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Offering of the Urban Agriculture Course.
- Offering of the Organic Planting Course.
- Offering of the Saberes da Terra (Land Knowledge) Study Cycle.
- Offering of the Jornadinha da Mata in an open, free-of-charge format.
- Strengthening of self-governance toward team maturity and greater project autonomy.
- Growth in the engagement of young people as mobilizers and “germinators.”

Laboratório Terra Orgânica

Florianópolis (SC)

Founded in 2021, Compostagem Terra Orgânica was born from a local initiative in the Campeche neighborhood of Florianópolis, where a group of neighbors decided to take responsibility for managing their own organic waste through composting. Upon recognizing its potential, they chose to create a replicable and scalable model for a decentralized community composting system. From this emerged the Selo Terra Orgânica (Terra Orgânica Certification), whose aim is to expand the volume of waste processed across Brazil.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 41,742 liters of waste composted at the Laboratório Terra Orgânica hub.
- 167,137 liters of total waste recorded on the Terra Orgânica Platform.
- 282 new registrations on the Terra Orgânica Platform.
- Winner of the Periferia Viva Award from the Ministry of Cities, in the Technical Advisory category.
- Expansion and strengthening of Learning Communities, especially among Saúva initiatives through Composting Courses and Exchanges.
- Strengthening of the Rede Terra Orgânica in Florianópolis through access to the municipality's Annual Budget Law.







Mato Dentro Mundo Afora

Conselheiro Lafaiete / Quilombo Mato Dentro (MG)

In the rural area of the municipality of Conselheiro Lafaiete (MG) lies the Quilombo Mato Dentro — a quilombola community formed in the 19th century by enslaved people who fled from the exploitative farms of the region. The Mato Dentro Mundo Afora project seeks to open a path for the community to overcome the exploitative paradigms that persist to this day. At its core, the project aims to build a collective foundation — one of practical economic operation and shared meaning — for the development of a sustainable productive model rooted in agroecology, artisanship, and traditional cooking.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Launch of the community garden on land granted to the quilombo.
- Community-led events: an evening gathering to recover the stories of their ancestors; a quadrilha (traditional dance) and celebration on Black Consciousness Day.
- Reclaiming of spaces at Fazenda Paraopeba, including the quilombo's exhibition room — a space that was once the site of their ancestors' enslavement.
- The growing visibility of the Quilombo since the project began, through partnerships with other organizations, led to the publication of 2 poetry books by 3 women from the community.

Muda Outras Economias

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Muda is a collaboration network structured as a support network that seeks to encourage cultural, educational, and socio-environmental actions often overlooked by the traditional financial system. The strategy used to subvert this exclusionary way of thinking about the economy was the creation of a complementary currency, the MUDA, which allows the community to reclaim autonomy, reveal, and circulate the abundance that exists within it. The complementary currency is anchored in the Cambiatus digital platform, which operates on blockchain technology.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 548,461 mudas in circulation in 2025.
- Hosting of Celebra Muda, a gathering of Muda's partners, featuring dialogue circles, performances, activities, and celebration. We're not about peace — we're about celebration!
- Artistic collective work gathering at Jardim das Delícias – Lumiar, and participation of the Muda stall at the Festa do Inhame (Yam Festival).
- Regência was recognized as a National Surf Reserve, with the support and participation of Muda.
- Participation in international events:
- Seminar: Sea Matters Movements in Art and Politics, at the Østfold Internasjonale Teater, in Fredrikstad, Norway.
- Participation in Devconnect – Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Presentation of the Muda case at the Tico Blockchain seminar, and meeting with Cambiatus in Costa Rica.







Mutirão Agroflorestal - Projeto Armazém Agroflorestal

São Joaquim da Barra (SP)

Mutirão Agroflorestal, founded in 1996 following contact with farmer-experimenter Ernst Götsch, is an NGO dedicated to contributing to the construction of sustainable societies through a network that integrates people around learning, lived experience, experimentation, and the promotion of agroforestry production. Agroforestry systems, beyond technique, reflect a worldview in which human beings are part of the web of life in a biocentric conception. The Mutirão operates across five hubs in Brazil: São Paulo (headquartered at Fazenda São Luiz), Mantiqueira (MG), the Federal District, Pará, and Rio de Janeiro — working in agroforestry production, education, mobilization, and consultancy.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Empowerment of families — especially women — toward more integrated and professionalized management of sales processes.
- Development of new sales channels for the agroforestry families of the Sepe Tiaraju Settlement.
- Expansion of processing and value-addition of agroecological and agroforestry products.
- 5,839 items sold through the Projeto Armazém and at 8 seasonal fairs.

PAFE - Programa de Apoio à Formação de Educadoras e Educadores

Paraty (RJ)

PAFE (Program to Support the Training of Educators) was established in Paraty (RJ) in 2013. From 2022, the program expanded to territories of other projects also supported by Saúva: Jaboticatubas/MG, Belo Horizonte/MG, Brumadinho (Piedade de Paraopeba)/MG, Divinópolis (Santo Antônio dos Campos)/MG, Teresópolis/RJ, and Rio de Janeiro (Serra da Misericórdia and Complexo do Chapadão)/RJ. The program supports scientific, practical, and collective training for those working in formal, non-formal, or informal education. In exchange for support, each participant is required to carry out a social and educational action in public schools or social projects, and to join monthly Mesas de Trocas (Exchange Tables). Over the years, PAFE has supported more than 200 training processes, both individual and collective.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Support for 35 training processes and 33 social and educational actions carried out.
- Expanded participation of other Saúva-supported projects in the Mesas de Trocas.
- A simplified new Social and Educational Action Report model enabled significantly better data compilation while standardizing the presentation of actions.
- More than 70% of PAFE's training processes in 2025 were delivered or represented by women.









Plante Rio

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Plante Rio is the expression of the environmental work developed at Fundição Progresso (RJ). This culmination takes the form of an annual event, generally held at the start of spring, with the aim of fostering encounters and mobilizing society around socio-environmental issues. From this cultural center emerges an environmental culture that brings together activists, artists, and the wider public. The Plante Rio program includes seminars, dialogue circles, collective urban agriculture planting gatherings, agroforestry management, a solidarity economy fair, workshops, agroecological food, artistic performances, exhibitions, thematic scenography, visual installations, a socio-environmental showcase, and children's programming.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 7th edition of Plante Rio held at Fundição Progresso (RJ), titled Entre Rios DiVersos, on September 12 and 13, 2025.
- 2-day event.
- +1,000 attendees.
- 6 workshops | 6 dialogue circles.
- +20 speakers and +47 exhibitors.
- Specialized consultancy to strengthen group cohesion and the event itself.
- Pre-event hosting of the "Encontro Cop30 e as Lutas Socioambientais" (COP30 Encounter and Socio-Environmental Struggles).
- As part of the Plante Rio 7 program: hosting of the "1st Climate Environmental Education Gathering" and the "CECSA – Archipelago Center for Socio-Environmental Education and Cooperation" gathering, a public policy of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change.
- Expanded dialogue with resident artists at Fundição Progresso, and further development of the Fundição Verde Program.

Projeto de Educação Transformadora Beija Flor

Paraty (RJ)

Founded in 2013, the association is a social initiative whose purpose is to promote and implement collective actions that, in innovative and creative ways, generate opportunities for adults and children in the exercise of active and empowered citizenship. It implements differentiated and transformative educational practices aimed at the integral development of children from early childhood, with an emphasis on the arts and environmental preservation, through the use of complementary currencies.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Direct work within municipal, rural, and traditional schools in Paraty.
- The number of participants in activities was multiplied approximately ninefold.
- Introduction of organic waste composting and other environmental practices, with the resulting compost used in the schools themselves.
- Planting of 200 seedlings along the Rio Carapitanga with the aim of restoring its ecosystem.







Projetos Produtivos Solidários

Paraty (RJ)

The Projetos Produtivos Solidários are part of Rede Alegrias, a solidarity economy network that since 2018 has worked in Paraty toward building a transformative, innovative, just, and solidarity economy through the experimentation, promotion, and dissemination of alternative economic relationships — supporting, encouraging, and developing actions in favor of social system regeneration. The solidarity productive projects give meaning to Rede Alegrias by providing the assets necessary to achieve its objectives. The Cozinha Solidária Agroecológica (Agroecological Solidarity Kitchen), the Feirinha Alegrias, and Casa Alegrias (a collaborative space) are all network initiatives aimed at strengthening the circulation of the Alegrias complementary currency, increasing registrations in the community bank and catalog, promoting work and income, and positively impacting local communities.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Partnership with the Municipal Agriculture Secretariat to improve the infrastructure of the local producers' market.
- The Municipal Culture Secretariat granted use of the kitchen at the Associação de Moradores da Ilha das Cobras for meal preparation.
- Expanded participation in city fairs, including Fazenda Bananal, Feirinha de Paraty, Coordenadoria da Mulher, and Coletivo Somar.
- Increase in the number of members registered in the project.

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Rede Alegrias

Paraty (RJ)

Alegrias is a diverse network, a force for good united by artists, educators, producers, and entrepreneurs, proposing the trading of goods and services through the complementary currency ‘alegrias’. Anyone can participate — buying or selling — as long as they respect the collective’s premises. Products and services on offer include food, classes, therapies, specialized labor, beauty and personal hygiene items, clothing, and more.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 80,000 Alegrias complementary currency units circulated in 2025.
- Completion of the necessary procedures to obtain OSCIP (Organização da Sociedade Civil de Interesse Público / Civil Society Organization of Public Interest) status for Rede Alegrias in the municipality.
- Public Utility Certificate and CADSOL (Cadastro Nacional de Entidades de Assistência Social / National Registry of Social Assistance Entities) certification for Rede Alegrias.
- Strengthening of the working team alongside the Federal Rural University and publication of academic articles.





Remexe

Belo Horizonte (MG)

Remexe is a sustainable fashion cooperative that emerged in July 2017 from a “fashion challenge” proposed to residents of the vilas of the Aglomerado da Serra, in Belo Horizonte. Inspired by the community’s diverse artistic and cultural expressions and the dynamic rhythm of favela life, the brand uses the upcycling methodology, through which its designers and seamstresses — all community residents — produce new garments from the reuse and reinterpretation of second-hand pieces and textile waste. Saúva’s support specifically enables the production and distribution of reusable sanitary pads for people who menstruate.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Launch of two original sustainable fashion collections using textile upcycling: JEANS DA QUEBRADA and BRINCO DE OURO.
- 1,320 reusable ecological pads distributed through community initiatives, promoting menstrual dignity and collective care.
- Strengthening of the financial autonomy of women participating in the workshops.

> “Saúva’s support was fundamental to the continuity and strengthening of Atelê Remexe in 2025. With this backing, we were able to maintain our training activities, launch original collections, sustain social actions, and navigate a year of many challenges with greater security and autonomy. The partnership with Saúva reaffirms the importance of investing in peripheral, cultural, and sustainable initiatives.”

Quellemara Lomasso
Remexe







Sapos e Afogados

Belo Horizonte (MG)

Sapos e Afogados Núcleo de Criação e Pesquisa em Arte e Saúde Mental is a clinical-artistic collective anchored in all the principles of the anti-asylum movement (luta antimanicomial), born from the work and encounter of actress and anti-asylum activist Juliana Saúde Barreto with people experiencing mental distress. For 25 years, the Sapos e Afogados group has sustained its activities promoting the sociocultural reintegration of people with mental distress, in dialogue with the city and its cultural scene.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Premiere of the children's show Biruta in September 2025.
- Participation in 3 artistic festivals, including one international.
- Training and accompaniment of Mental Health actors over 40 rehearsals across 4 months.

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Solo da Cana - Tramas Canavieiras

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Solo da Cana is the fruit of nausea distilled into enchantment, in an attempt to remake the relationships that bring us into contact. From within a mono-agro-pop culture, what might a sugarcane have to tell us? This question was the seed for the first original text by actress and dancer Izabel de Barros Stewart, directed by João Saldanha.

> "How many hectares of hunger are invested in each body of mine?
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> Where does so much plantation, sugar blues come from?
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> So many fences on your horizon?
>
> Difference doesn't isolate us, you see?
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> TMJ*!
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> What happens to me
>
> Will also happen to you!
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> We can't escape!"
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> Page 43 | Solo da Cana (book) | 2025 Edition

Main achievements in 2025:

- Larger audiences and greater visibility in the Brasília and Recife seasons.
- Expansion of contact network with MST (Landless Workers' Movement) leadership.
- Mediation to bring Jataí closer to the agroecological movement in Recife.

*"TMJ" is a Brazilian Portuguese slang expression, short for "tamo junto" (we're in this together), conveying solidarity and mutual support.





TAL | Tech Art Lab

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

TAL | Tech Art Lab is a cultural production company and platform that creates, produces, and presents contemporary, artistic, and transdisciplinary projects — physical and digital — in Brazil and abroad. TAL works with established and emerging artists, curators, and producers whose works and projects appear at events and institutions such as the Venice Biennale, Coleção Berardo, Itaú Cultural, MAAT, Haus der Elektronischen Künste, Pylon Hub Lab, MAM RJ, Museo Reina Sofía, and the Getty Museum. TAL's portfolio comprises more than 30 solo and group exhibitions, festivals, residencies, laboratories, and cultural exchanges.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 60 days of interdisciplinary training with artists, an agronomist, and a biologist, including visits and dialogues in collaboration with the Environmental Modeling Center (Núcleo de Modelagem Ambiental) of UFRJ (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro), MAST, and others.
- 227,000 views of content generated on social media.

Teia da Terra

Serro (MG)

Teia da Terra is an initiative of Projeto Bem Criar that, since 2022, has been building a solidarity network between rural and urban areas in the municipality of Serro/MG, combining the fight against hunger, the strengthening of family farming, and the recognition of quilombola* communities. Through the direct purchase of agroecological food produced in the communities of Santa Cruz, Baú, and Ausente, the program generates income for dozens of farming families while ensuring that families supported by CRAS (Centro de Referência de Assistência Social / Social Assistance Reference Center) regularly receive bags of fresh, pesticide-free vegetables, fruits, and greens.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 2,000 baskets sourced from quilombola* communities and distributed by CRAS to registered families.
- 3rd Teia da Terra Gathering held in São Gonçalo do Rio das Pedras, with the participation of artist Izabel Stewart and a performance of Solo da Cana.
- Launch of direct sales of non-perishable products made by Teia da Terra farmers, in partnership with UJIMA.
- Cumulative total of R$ 276,000 directed toward the purchase of vegetables and products from quilombola* communities since the program's inception (2022).





Ujima Cozinha Viva

Nova Lima (MG)

Ujima is a partner of Instituto Ouro Verde INOV in the educational practice of the Green School. Responsible for the school canteen, the living kitchen aims to offer healthy, vitalizing, agroecological, and sustainable food for the entire school community. The initiative also seeks to serve residents of Nova Lima and Belo Horizonte through advance orders, with delicious healthy meals.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 100% student participation.
- 40,000 healthy meals served.
- 55,000 healthy snacks served.
- 4 workshops with students.
- 9 tons of organic waste sent for composting.
- Exchanges in Ouro Verde complementary currency.

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Activist Grant Recipients

Since 2022, Saúva has run the Activist Grant Program: a financial support line that contributes to sustaining the transformative work of social leaders connected to the network.

In 2025, five activists were supported:



Alice Worcman

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Biodiversity activist who has worked for many years in the research, recovery, and propagation of edible biodiversity and endangered species. For many years her work was based in Rio de Janeiro, focused on urban agriculture and edible landscaping, promoting courses and disseminating this knowledge.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Immersive rural experience in the Cerrado of São Paulo state, in Botucatu (SP), exploring new climatic and floristic dynamics. Planting of a Cerrado restoration area in partnership with local actors, based on agroforestry principles and high biodiversity.
- Expansion of matrix plant production in Rio de Janeiro, in the urban Atlantic Forest.
- Production and distribution of seeds and seedlings of various species, especially unconventional food plants (PANCs).
- Experience in Italy accompanying Dominique Barter: investigation of the connections between human relationships and the natural dynamics of the planet.
- Participation in events and seed exchanges, expanding the matrix collection.

Débora Saraiva

Paraty (RJ)

Entrepreneur, social organizer, educator, and musician: she teaches music at



Escola Comunitária Cirandas, where she also works in planning and management. She leads a percussion workshop focused on the learning of Afro-Brazilian rhythms and works to strengthen solidarity networks among women in Paraty.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Launch and screening of the Nhemongarai Documentary (15').
- Support and encouragement for the reconstruction of the prayer house at the Yaka Poran Rio Bonito village.
- Mobilization effort to bring villages back to participate in the Nhemongarai ritual at the Araponga village.
- Enrollment in a Sociology degree program, including completion of thesis.
- Coordination of the Mutuan Women's Group, including training sessions, presentations, and community support.
- Consolidation of Escola Cirandas as a Ponto de Cultura (Cultural Hub) .

Gabriela Laborda

Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Founder of CHAT21: an information and support portal for families of people with T21 (Down syndrome). The project has already welcomed, connected, and informed more than 3,000 families. It develops courses, digital content, and virtual and in-person gatherings. CHAT21 also developed a pioneering digital support system through a free online service available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to receive families upon receiving a T21 diagnosis.



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Main achievements in 2025:

- Launch of a PEI (Plano de Ensino Individual / Individualized Education Plan) model.
- Special Live session with Dr. Daniel Wainstook on the rights of children with disabilities.
- Virtual gathering with Juliana Barreto to discuss the mental health of family members of children with T21.
- 212,000 views of CHAT21 content on social media.
- 60 families welcomed and guided.





Hauley Valim

Regência, Linhares (ES)

Sociologist, alchemist, and surfer affected by the dam collapse that released mining tailings into the Rio Doce. He maintains the Jardim Regenera in Regência — a socio-biodiverse school-space that brings together regeneration prototypes to address the challenges imposed by major socio-environmental tragedies.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 3 awards received: Ponto de Cultura (Cultural Hub) Award, Ponto de Memória (Memory Hub) Award, and the Cultures of Resistance Award.
- Legal and fiscal consolidation of the Associação Indígena dos Botocudos de Areal – AIBA (Indigenous Association of the Botocudo People of Areal).

- Approval of the Health Care Plan for Affected Communities as a municipal public policy.
- Official designation of the Regência National Surf Reserve and development of the reserve's management and governance plan.
- Secured municipal and state political commitment to the construction of a Training, Physical Rehabilitation, and Health Center as a form of reparation for surfers affected by the disaster.



Mônica Calderon

Paraty (RJ)

Political scientist with a focus on International Relations, with a master's degree in sociology and a background in education: she is president of the Iniciativa Social Rural Jardim do Beija-flor and coordinator of Rede Alegrias in Paraty. Founder of the Alegrias complementary currency, current manager of the Network and the Community Bank.

Main achievements in 2025:

- Running of the Projeto de Educação Transformadora Beija-flor and Rede Alegrias.
- Organization of an ultramarathon in Paraty to raise food supplies and encourage swimming in the municipality.
- Support in the implementation of complementary currencies in other municipalities.



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Partner Initiatives



Arte na Terra

The Arte na Terra Project, based at Fazenda São Luiz (São Joaquim da Barra, SP) since 2001, offers educational experiences to diverse audiences, especially school groups. From the farm's educational space, meaningful and transformative encounters are facilitated in people's relationship with the environment and the planet. Agroecological and agroforestry practices, trails, group activities, art, work with seeds, bees, and medicinal plants are among the activities offered for children and adolescents, supporting schools by providing hands-on learning — with hands in the soil — drawing young people fully into the search for solutions to today's socio-environmental crises.

Main achievements in 2025:

- 28 groups received, totaling 1,256 participants in educational activities.
- Arte na Terra June Festival held with approximately 250 people, consolidating the cultural importance of the project in the region.



Akom

Akom is a technology and art studio that develops applications, games, animations, and augmented reality and virtual reality experiences. 'A Kind Of Magic' is their inspiration for creating memorable experiences that go far beyond technology.

www.akomstudio.com



Viridis

Viridis is a brand of vegan ethnobotanical cosmetics with high concentrations of natural active ingredients from Brazilian biodiversity. The company grew from research conducted by Vera Fróes and unites ancestral, popular, and scientific knowledge with cutting-edge technology.

Viridis products include: oils, body and facial moisturizing lotions, and regenerative lotion for legs and feet. All products are mineral-free, contain no chemical preservatives, colorants, or artificial fragrances. 100% natural and plant-based.

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Fundição Progresso

Fundição Progresso reaches more than **1 million people** annually through its in-person and online activities.

“In 1982, a vanguard group in Rio’s cultural scene decided to fight against the demolition of a disused stove and safe factory in Lapa — a building of great historic value. The resistance succeeded, the old foundry was preserved, and over the following decades it became the largest independent cultural center in Rio de Janeiro.”

Fundição Progresso is one of Brazil’s foremost performance stages. Some of the biggest names in Brazilian music across all genres have performed there — Gal Costa, Caetano Veloso, Maria Rita, Maria Bethânia, Ney Matogrosso, Baiana System, Natiruts, Criolo, and Nando Reis — alongside international acts including Arcade Fire, Franz Ferdinand, Manu Chao, and Motörhead.

With a varied and accessible program, the space offers a broad range of courses and workshops, from crafts to virtual reality.

With a longstanding commitment to environmental issues, it has recently consolidated the Fundição Verde program, an arm that promotes environmental action within the cultural center.

Fundição Progresso generates more than **8,000 work opportunities** per year and has more than **300,000 followers** on its social media channels.

For more information:

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The year 2025 was profoundly important in strengthening the integration between the practices that make up this network, this collective. Over the course of the year, we deepened our understanding that these actions are interrelated. I believe the word that best captures this moment is INTEGRATION.

The work of 2025 demonstrates the power of this network as a unified whole, with natural movements of connection. Many new actions emerged, new initiatives and institutions joined the network, and the process of belonging and mutual welcome has begun to take shape from many directions. This increasingly mycelial, multifaceted form is the most important gain I see as this year comes to a close.

Financially, the institution has begun to attract new promoters. We have gained access to public funding, and at the same time, Jataí's contribution to Saúva's grant-making continues to grow — sustaining the healthy interdependence between our two sister organizations.

Saúva and Jataí were born connected, integrated. What we have learned, over nearly eight years, is to recognize this condition with ever greater clarity — and to orient our actions from that understanding. The great challenge for 2026 is to advance in the recognition that we are each a part, and together we are the whole; to deepen the understanding that Saúva and Jataí are one and the same institution, even if they hold their individual identities in legal and corporate terms.

Encouraging the freedom of each initiative — understanding that this reverberates as collective freedom throughout the network — is what allows us to move forward, so that Saúva and Jataí may become, more and more, a single institution: part of a circular, inclusive, self-sufficient system committed to the transformation of lives.



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