




# programa Corra pro Abraço

Other possible paths  
through care in  
freedom and in risk  
and damage  
reduction



- Drug Use millenar  Prohibition 20th century
- Criminalization of certain **social groups**  
**UNODC Report**
- 2024:
  - 292 million people used drugs in 2022
  - 64 million people suffer from substance use disorders
  - 1 in 11 received treatment
  - 7 million were in trouble with the police



- **Brasil:** criminalisation in the context of the standardisation of republican society and social control over unwanted populations
- **Current legislation:** repression, criminalisation, misinformation and stigmatisation
- **Atlas on Violence (2022):** 92% of violent deaths involved black people

# What is risk and harm reduction?

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Care  
strategy/public  
health

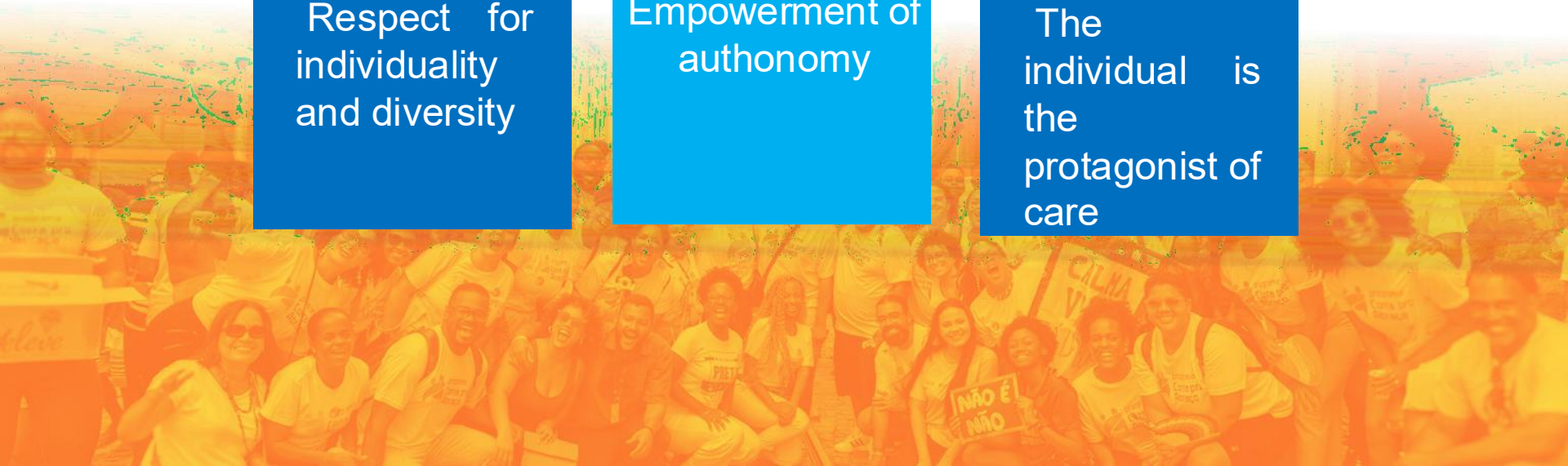
Decrease  
physical and  
social risks  
and harm

Based on  
scientific  
Manifesto

Respect for  
individuality  
and diversity

Empowerment of  
autonomy

The  
individual is  
the  
protagonist of  
care



## 2013: Programme Corra pro Abraço (Run for the Hug)

- Low requirements
- Promoting citizenship
- Guaranteeing rights
- Breaking stigmas
- Popular Education





# Beneficiaries:

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- People who live on the street or who have lived on the street and who use or abuse alcohol and other drugs, people in conflict with the law, people living in areas criminalised by the war on drugs, young people from the suburbs.
- **93,82% identify as black**
- **68,2% males**
- **15,44% adults between 36 and 40 years old**



# Strategies:

- Action and Training in Risk and Harm Reduction
- Art Education and Educommunication Workshops
- **Networking (Health, Care, Justice, Education, Culture)**
- **Building links and restructuring life projects**

**+200,000  
services  
to 50,000  
people  
benefited**



# Action:

- Reference centre
- Venue/Physical space
- Squares/streets
- Use scenarios
- Street Support Unit
- Hearing and Custody Court





## Cities:

Salvador  
Feira de Santana  
Vitória da  
Conquista  
Barreiras  
Juazeiro  
Lauro de Freitas  
Porto Seguro  
Jequié  
Camaçari



>> alternative to repression, violence,  
misinformation and stigmatisation

## **Financial resources:**

**R\$ 65 million**

**US\$11.000.000,00**

(State government + Federal government)

**>>> Demand is greater than reach**

Resources and assets  
confiscated from drug  
trafficking



Funding for education,  
prevention and support actions

**Historical reparations and social justice**

**Secretaría de Asistencia Social y Desarrollo (State  
Secretariat of Social Assistance and Development) –  
SEADES**

**Superintendencia de Políticas de Drogas y Apoyo a  
Grupos Vulnerables (Superintendence of Drug  
Policies and Support to Vulnerable Groups –  
SUPRAD) - SUPRAD**

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