



## **JOURNALISTS SAVE JOURNALISTS: IT'S IN YOUR HANDS!**

***More than saving lives and spaces, we now need unity to help rebuild the stories and memories of our category of journalists***

The floods in Rio Grande do Sul also affected journalists, whose homes were completely destroyed or flooded, vehicles and work equipment damaged and memories and stories of a lifetime lost. **Our Union of Professional Journalists of Rio Grande do Sul (SindJoRS)** is active, with the solidarity financial collection campaign **"SOS – JORNALISTA SALVA JORNALISTA"** to help people who have approached the organisation with the intention of trying to start reorganising their lives and homes with a minimum of dignity and support.

**We took office in 2022/2025 using the slogan "Greetings to those who have Courage!"**, with the commitment to fight for more rights for our category. And that's what we're doing. Looking for short- and long-term solutions for our journalist colleagues throughout the state of Rio Grande do Sul. Demands have arisen from professionals in different municipalities in Rio Grande do Sul, so this climate tragedy has also given rise to the need for humanitarian aid among journalists, both nationally and internationally, given the context of environmental devastation.

In a context where the salary floor for journalists in Rio Grande do Sul only allows them to buy a simple fridge, and with the well-known difficulties of journalistic work, including weakened employment relationships and labour rights that are not always guaranteed, starting over becomes even more challenging. We received dramatic reports from those who, after the floods, woke up not only without their material possessions but also, and especially, with the absence of their emotional memories, hard-won over the course of a lifetime, which were washed away. We therefore realise that a concrete gesture, in the form of an amount to cover emergency expenses, can minimally express our unity as encouragement for those who will have to start again.

In addition to your personal contribution, we ask that you take the **"SOS – JORNALISTA SALVA JORNALISTA"** campaign to other colleagues in the profession, so that we can support our colleagues in getting back on their feet in the aftermath of the floods. We will need to provide constant counselling so that these people receive the necessary and important care after any post-traumatic event, such as the one we are experiencing, with the support of professionals in the fields of psychiatry and psychology. And, obviously, in order to put these actions into practice and continue with all this effort to help our peers, we need financial support.

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### **JOURNALIST SAVES JOURNALIST CAMPAIGN**

**As a matter of urgency, SindJoRS, with the support of Fenaj,** has set up an account to raise funds and distribute them to affected colleagues. We have already helped 12 colleagues in difficulty to minimise their initial needs, but we are aware that this is not enough. In order for our colleagues to be able to restructure with a minimum of support, we need to do much more. With the low salaries that our category receives, unfortunately, only with unity will we be able to change this sad reality. We have also received contact from journalism students, colleagues from other areas of communication and people whose families' lives have been damaged by this calamitous situation. But unfortunately, we had to adopt the criterion of using the amounts collected only for our category of **JOURNALISTS** and, as a result, we had to deny some requests, since the amount collected is still not enough for those who have lost their material possessions and will have to start with the little they still have. That's why your participation remains important. So that we can get our colleagues back on their feet and give them the minimum support they need to start over.

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**Federal Savings Bank**

**Branch:** 0428

**Account:** 150176-5 – **Operation:** 003

**Union of Professional Journalists of Rio Grande do Sul (SindJoRS)**

**CNPJ:** 92.955.202/0001-05

#### **For donations from outside Brazil:**

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**BR2600360305004280001501765C1**

**SWIFT** (Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication) code to identify the bank for remittances from abroad:

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