

V ENCARE 2018

CUIDAR PROJECT FEEDBACK EVENT / WIEGO



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“ Care is more than an act; it is an attitude. Hence, it becomes more than just a fleeting moment of attention. It represents an attitude of engagement, of concern, of responsibility and of emotional involvement with the other.”

~ Leonardo Boff



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June, July and August were months of preparation and participatory planning between WIEGO and Redesol for the V Encare so that it would reflect the network's annual efforts, knowledge building and achievements. Various meetings were also held with the group of art-educators Parangolé, composed of artists and popular educators.



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August 25th, 2018 :

Waste pickers and partners arriving at the event is a moment for catching up and of great joy!



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Freshly prepared
breakfast awaited
the participants.



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Waste pickers received materials for the event and a pair of new protective gloves.



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Several Redesol cooperatives and networks from the state of Minas Gerais were present at the V Encare. It was also a moment for Redesol to discuss its Project Novo Ciclo, which involves partners such as Danone Ecosysteme, Avina Foundation, IRR and the local NGO Insea.



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WIEGO teamed up
with VINA
Engenharia, who
produced recycled
clipboards made of
recycled computer
boards from
Coopemar
cooperative and
wallets made of
reused banners.



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Cooks from a
solidarity
economy
enterprise
prepared the
meals for the
entire event.



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Waste pickers
getting ready for
the interreligious
moment that
opened the
event.



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Ivaneide Souza,
president of Redesol
and Comarp,
welcomes the
participants and
emphasizes how
important it is to take
advantage of this
moment to deeply
reflect on the health of
Redesol's waste
pickers.



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Parangolé
Group calls on
everyone to
participate with
great
enthusiasm
during the
event.



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A hundred and ten participants say they are ready for a day of learning, reflections and group activities.



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Sonia Dias, coordinator of the Cuidar Project highlights the history of the project's participatory design and objectives of the health risk mapping in five cooperatives.



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Juliana
Gonçalves, a
Cuidar Project
researcher,
recalls the visits
made to the
cooperatives
during distinct
phases of the
health risk
mapping.



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Parangolé Group
presents key
findings on body
pains and
illnesses with live
body maps.



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Waste picker is invited to validate findings and discusses where men waste pickers feel most pain.



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Fabiana Goulart, a Cuidar Project researcher, presents more findings from the project. She focuses on the increased use of some protective equipment at cooperatives.



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Based on Cuidar Project findings, Parangolé presents a skit on the strategies waste pickers use to avoid accidents and risks while they sort through materials.



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Waste pickers
enjoy the skit,
used as a way to
encourage more
critical
reflections on
daily issues that
affect waste
pickers' health in
cooperatives.



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Fabiana Ovídio, president of Associrecicle, reflects on the Project: "The Cuidar Project was really good for us at the association. Because those that know me, know that I always carry around tupperware with food, that I'm always going to the kitchen to make something. So then I asked the group: why don't we improve our eating habits? And each member started to think that if one person is improving his/her habits, h/she should too. So I asked if we shouldn't do it together. When I get to the association, now they all ask: what are we having for lunch?"



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Marli Beraldo, president of Acamares cooperative, stresses the difficulties of being a waste picker and leader: "We need to be aware of the fact our work is about generating income and social inclusion. We have insomnia [...] with each delay in our payment, [...] with each waste picker that leaves the association, we get ruined."



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Anderson Viana,
president of
Unicicla,
discusses how
data from the
Cuidar Project
helped strengthen
the cooperative's
demands in
negotiations with
the municipality.



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Waste pickers receive the summary of key findings from the Cuidar Project. In small groups, they reflect on how to improve discussions on health within their cooperatives.



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Waste pickers from Redesol and other networks present their ideas for improving the health of waste pickers.



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Vilma Estevam, from the Cataunidos network, shares her impressions: "There is no difference between waste pickers in Redesol and those from Cataunidos. The problems and challenges are the same."



Photo: L. Mintz

In addition to the summary of key findings from the Cuidar Project, all cooperatives received a poster with suggestions for how to create a healthier work environment.



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Waste pickers list all the learnings from the day: knowledge, use of protective equipment, ergonomics, taking care of one's health, solidarity, more unity, need for social protection, more transparency, amongst others.



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Cuidar Project team ends this phase of the project, recognizing the need to carefully reflect on the demands brought forth during the day.



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***"Nobody frees anybody else,
nobody is freed alone.
People free themselves
together."
~ Paulo Freire***



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The best dream is the one envisioned together!
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