FUNDAÇÃO DORINA NOWILL PARA CEGOS

ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Message from the Chair of the Board of Trustees and the Chief Executive Officer

In 2025, Fundação Dorina Nowill para Cegos experienced one of the most significant years in its recent history. Throughout the year, our teams worked with dedication and collaboration to ensure not only the continuity of our activities, but also the expansion of our impact, even among major structural changes.

The year was marked by the progress of our renovation project and the consolidation of Unit II, expanding our capacity to serve more people and preparing the Foundation for a new phase of growth. This milestone comes at a symbolic moment as we prepare to celebrate Fundação Dorina's 80th anniversary in 2026.

Despite the operational challenges brought about by these changes, we achieved remarkable results. We recorded the highest number of clients served in our history, expanded our outreach initiatives, and strengthened access to essential rehabilitation, education, and inclusion services for visually impaired people.

We also continued to invest in expanding strategic partnerships, particularly with public-sector organizations and national and international institutions, reinforcing Fundação Dorina Nowill para Cegos as a leading reference in accessibility and inclusion. Our participation in global forums and admission to international networks further strengthened this position and extended the reach of our work.

More than a year of achievements, 2025 was a period of strengthening our institutional foundations. Every milestone reflects our commitment to high-quality services, the Foundation's long-term sustainability, and the future of the people we serve.

We look ahead with confidence that the coming years will bring even greater opportunities to expand our impact and transform lives through inclusion.

Eduardo de Oliveira
Chair of the Board of Trustees

Alexandre Munck
Chief Executive Officer



Photo: Dorina Nowill

About Fundação Dorina Nowill para Cegos

Promoting autonomy and independence for visually impaired people, while raising awareness about the importance of inclusion and accessibility, is what drives Fundação Dorina Nowill para Cegos.

The Foundation was established through the initiative of Dorina Nowill, an educator who lost her sight at a young age and transformed her personal experience into a lifelong commitment to expanding access to reading in Brazil. In 1946, she founded what was then known as the Foundation for the Book for the Blind in Brazil, launching the country's first Braille book production program—an activity that remains one of the cornerstones of the Foundation's work today.

Over the decades, the Foundation has broadened its scope, developing solutions across the editorial, printing, audiovisual, and digital fields, while also establishing specialized habilitation, rehabilitation, and family support services.

Recognized in Brazil and internationally for the quality of its work, Fundação Dorina continues to expand its programs, partnerships, and technological innovations, remaining true to the commitment that inspired its founding: ensuring access, autonomy, and full participation for people with visual impairments in every sphere of society.

Purpose, Values, and Vision

Our PURPOSE

To promote inclusion and accessibility for visually impaired people, working together to transform lives and society.

Our VALUES

- Ethics are non-negotiable.
- Transparency in everything we do and how we do it.
- Respect is at the heart of all our relationships.
- Diversity is a fact; inclusion is our choice.
- Perseverance in everything we do—we never give up.
- Commitment to our purpose.
- Innovation to build the future while honoring our legacy.

Our VISION

To be recognized worldwide as a leading organization in inclusive empowerment, expanding, innovating, and multiplying high-impact initiatives for present and future generations.

Visual Impairment Around the World

In Brazil, data from the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) indicate that approximately 6.5 million people have a visual impairment, including around 528,000 people who are blind and more than 6 million people with low vision. These figures underscore the need for public policies, specialized services, and initiatives that promote accessibility, rehabilitation, and greater autonomy for people with visual impairments.

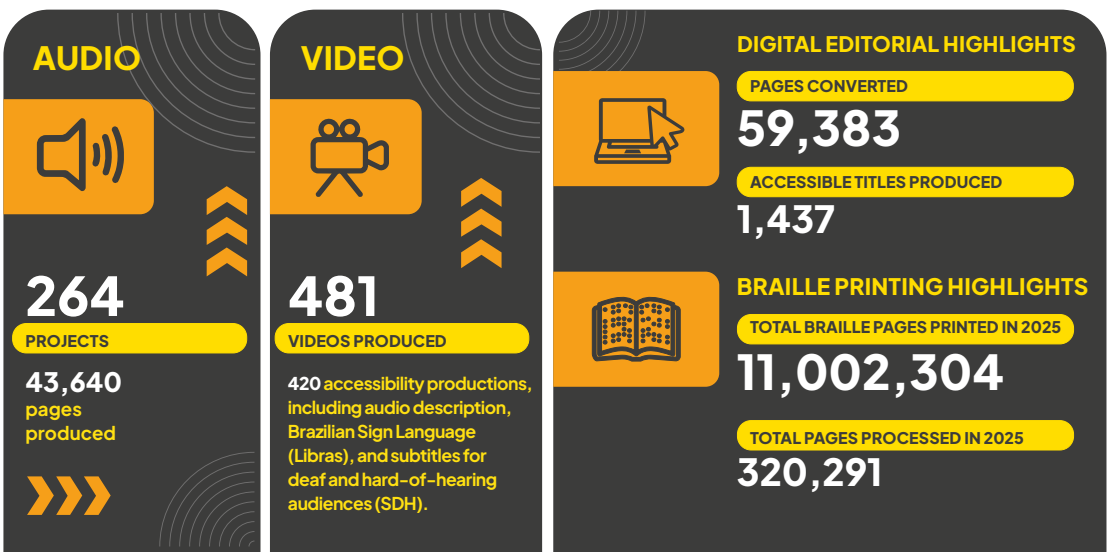
According to the World Health Organization (WHO), between 60% and 80% of blindness cases could be prevented through early diagnosis and appropriate treatment.



Access to Information

Fundação Dorina Nowill para Cegos expands access to knowledge by producing accessible content in a variety of formats, ensuring that visually impaired people can study, access information, and actively participate in society.

Throughout 2025, the Foundation maintained a high volume of production across its audio, video, digital, and Braille publishing operations, further strengthening its position as a national leader in the adaptation and distribution of accessible content.



Dorinateca
Fundação Dorina's Digital Library

3,244 registered platform users

2,427 book downloads

2,020 registered platform readers

5,735 accessible titles available in the collection

Inclusive Reading Network

The Inclusive Reading Network works with organizations in the fields of education, literacy, and culture across Brazil, promoting the distribution of accessible books and promoting dialogue on the implementation of accessibility practices in a wide range of settings.

100 activities promoting accessible and inclusive reading

2,678 participants (in-person and online)

1,612 institutions received donations of accessible books

LEGO® Braille Bricks

Launched in 2020, the LEGO® Braille Bricks program is an initiative developed by Fundação Dorina Nowill para Cegos in partnership with the LEGO Foundation, Denmark, to support the inclusive literacy process.

5,149 participating educators

1,261 participating schools

85 municipalities involved

49,000+ students reached

Access to Autonomy



Photo: Takkyu Volley session

The Habilitation and Rehabilitation area is Fundação Dorina's primary point of entry for visually impaired people, supporting the development of autonomy and inclusion while also working closely with their families. In 2025, the Foundation provided 55,444 services, with a significant increase in services for children, driven by early diagnosis and outreach initiatives. Throughout the year, the area expanded its activities, strengthened its team, consolidated practices such as music therapy and Takkyu Volley, established the Low Vision Clinic at Unit II, and broadened partnerships with other organizations.

2,215 clients

2,585 family members

55,444 services provided

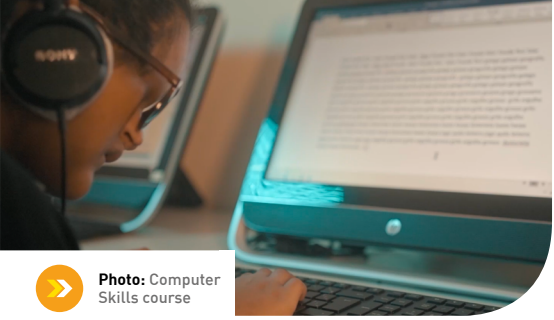


Photo: Computer Skills course

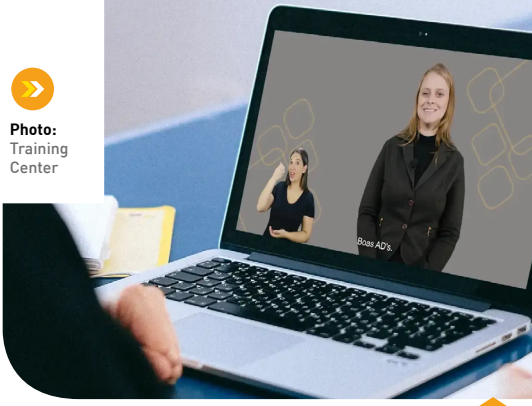


Photo: Training Center

Access to Education

Courses

In 2025, Fundação Dorina expanded its training initiatives by introducing new courses and strengthening the personal and professional development of visually impaired people. Throughout the year, 490 students participated in courses across a wide range of subjects, including arts, customer service, choir, entrepreneurship, computer skills, English, digital marketing, massage therapy, meditation, Braille music notation, music therapy, theater, and administrative skills, as well as dedicated classes for adolescents.

These courses help foster autonomy by expanding opportunities for social inclusion and equipping participants with skills for everyday life and the workplace.

Training Center

In 2025, the Training Center expanded both its course offerings and its reach. The Introduction to Audio Description course was redesigned and offered in three classes, alongside two classes of the In-Person Audiobook Narration course.

A total of 920 students participated in the Training Center courses, representing a 59% increase compared with 2024. Of these, 118 students with visual impairments attended the courses free of charge, expanding access to professional training in accessibility.

Scan the QR code to explore our courses.

Access to Employment

In 2025, the Employability area remained focused on career guidance and preparing visually impaired people for the workforce. Throughout the year, 374 individuals received support through one-on-one guidance and training activities designed to develop professional skills and facilitate employment.

Awareness-raising initiatives also expanded, with lectures, workshops, and events reaching 3,351 participants, strengthening engagement with employers and promoting inclusion in the labor market.

The Foundation also worked closely with 201 companies, expanding strategic partnerships and helping create more accessible and inclusive workplaces.

374
clients receiving career guidance

3,351
people reached through awareness initiatives

201
partner companies

FIGURE 1

Funding Sources – 2025

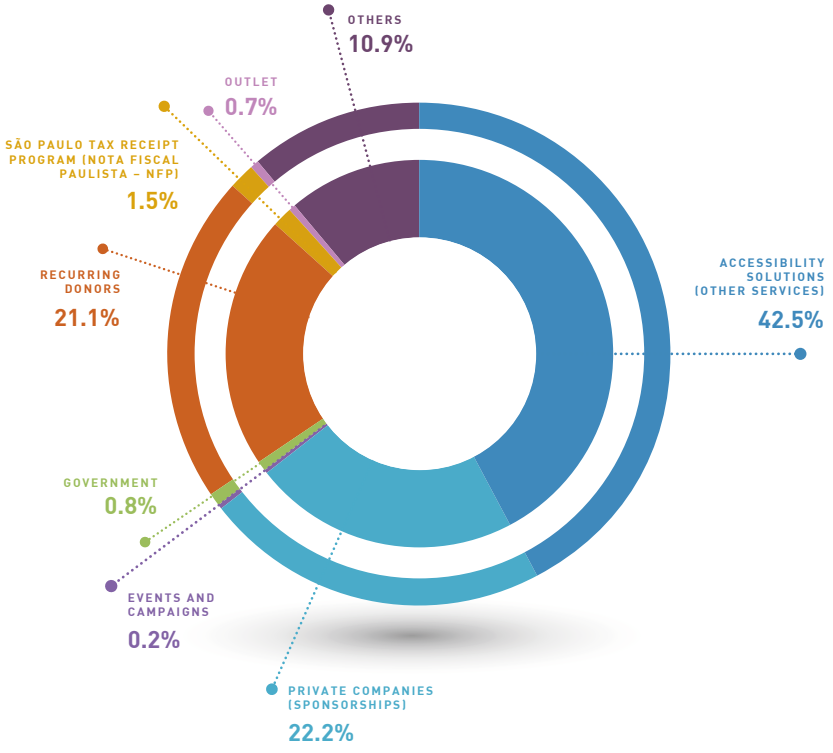
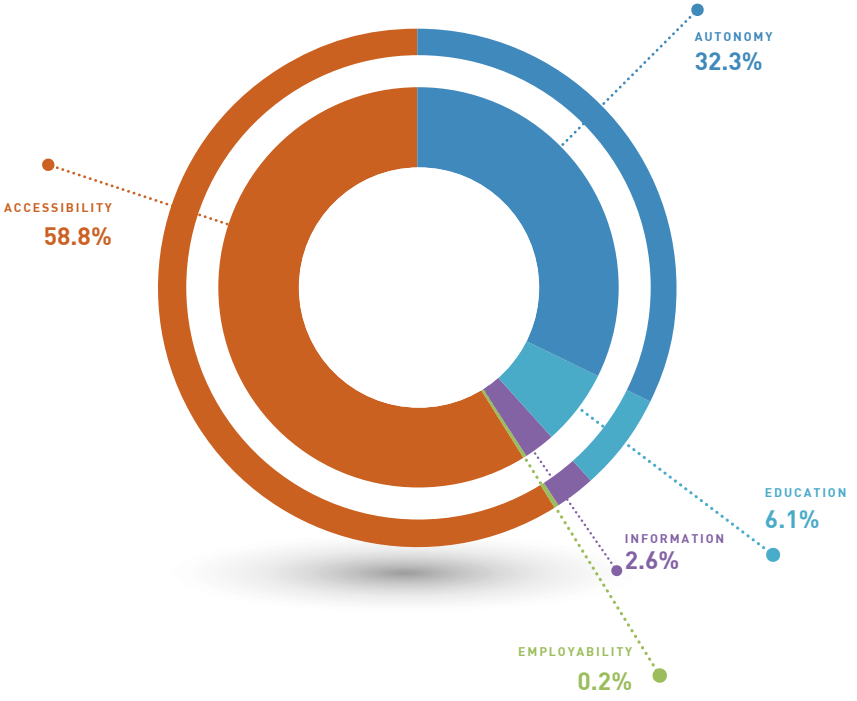


FIGURE 2

Allocation of Resources – 2025



Vision Partners

Meet the companies that helped make Fundação Dorina's achievements and progress possible through sponsorships, donations, and support for projects carried out throughout the year.

DIAMOND

- Instituto João Guilherme e Giovanna Ometto

GOLD

- AstraZeneca
- Oracle

BRONZE

- Banco Daycoval
- Loga
- Fundação Prada
- Instituto Rodobens
- Tenda Atacado

COPPER

- Atlas Schindler
- BIC
- BIC Corporate Foundation – We Give to Create
- CART
- FF Seguros – A FAIRFAX Company
- Instituto Helena Florisbal
- Instituto de Responsabilidade Social Societe Generale
- Alupar
- taesa
- Trench Rossi Watanabe

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