How can Communitarian Restorative Justice lead to Structural Changes in Brazil?

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Just Justice - Unequal income

Brazil is the 10º most unequal country considering income

Leia mais: https://oglobo.globo.com/economia/brasil-o-10-pais-mais-desigual-do-mundo-21094828#ixzz5HgTgGxPK
Just Justice – Homicide rates

2016: World Ranking of homicide rates - Brasil 13º (27,8 / 100.000)
Faces of violence

Visible

Invisible
Faces of violence

Visible
• interpersonal

Invisible
• Psychological
• Institutional
• Structural
• Cultural
Levels of violence

- Cultural
- Structural
- Institutional
- Interpersonal
- Intrapersonal
PROCESS
Communitarian Restorative Justice Forum

• 2 ½ day 100 people, 10 states
• Sharing about social, educational and political engagement, focusing on
  Community relations: indigenous, afro-brazilian, rural, urban;
  Gender relations;
  Racial and institutional violence;
  Socioeconomic inequalities.
METHODOLOGY
Communitarian Restorative Justice Forum

• Theoretical inputs, circle conversation, plenary
• Exposition of practices, circle conversation, plenary,
• Celebrations, cultural moments, spirituality
Learnings / concepts of the Communitarian Restorative Justice Forum

1. Knowledge and deepening of the scope of (the) Communitarian Restorative Justice and how it generates and catalyzes energy to involve people from communities in processes of change, in cooperative practices, appropriate to the current political and social situation in Brazil.
Learnings / concepts of the Communitarian Restorative Justice Forum

2. Approach to “Justice” that takes into account structural issues: class, race, gender, inequalities, differences and identities that awakens and increases the desire for greater engagement of the participants in the daily application of the principles of RJ in their daily life and in professional practice.
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3. The methodology enabled dialogue as an exercise in understanding and respecting the other, interacting, exchanging and building empathic relationships in simplicity.
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4. Contact with the force of music, poetry and celebration; cultural moments as a consecration of diversity in the mix of traditions and beliefs celebrated in the circle (spirituality)
Principles of Communitarian Restorative Justice - Brazil, 2018

• Dialogue
• Participation
• Empowerment
• Care and self-care
• Social and individual co-responsibility
• Attendance of real needs
• Repair / consideration of harm
• Building fair relationships
• Respect for diversity of identities
• Affirmation of equal rights
Suggestions for continuing the Forum for Communitarian Communication

Communication

- Networks; local, regional, national
- Sharing contents
- Videoconferences
- Virtual platform with mapping practices

Articulation:

- National and local Communitarian Restorative Justice Forums

Formation / contents

- Concepts of community and Restorative Justice
- Common ground to outline our or policy goals and public policy
- Connect with our history, our roots, considering all races – starting the change in myself.
Next steps
Thank you
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