

Service of Coexistence and Strengthening of Bonds (SCFV)

Thematic areas	Provision of shelter, family and community life, development of autonomy.
Summary	<p>The SCFV is a complementary service to the social work carried out with families through the Service of Protection and Integral Support to the Family (PAIF) and the Service of Protection and Specialized Support to Families and Individuals (PAEFI). It is carried out with groups of up to 30 people, gathered according to their life cycle and guided by a mentor or social educator. The service provides opportunities for listening, appreciating and acknowledging of the other, undertaking collective production, exercising free choice, making decisions about their own lives and group activities, establishing dialogue as a means to solve conflicts and working out differences, recognizing limits and possibilities of everyday experiences, and making collective choices and decisions, among other aspects. Groups can meet on a daily, weekly or fortnightly basis.</p>
General Objective	To complement the social work carried out with families to prevent social risk situations and strengthen family and community life.
Specific Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » To provide access to information about rights and civic participation, stimulating users' leadership development. » To offer access to artistic, cultural, sports and recreational experiences and events, aimed at developing new forms of sociability. » To foster intergenerational activities, promoting the exchange of life experiences, strengthening respect, solidarity, as well as family and community bonds. » To ensure family and community life spaces and the development of affective and sociable relationships.
First year of the program	2009
Responsible Institution	Ministry of Social Development (MDS)
Other Related Institutions	State, municipal and Federal District governments. Private entities registered in municipal or Federal District social assistance councils.

Management and Implementation

SCFV can be offered by Reference Centers for Social Assistance (CRAS) and by state and non-state community centers (social assistance entities duly registered in social assistance councils or in the Federal District Social Assistance Council). Community centers that offer SCFV should necessarily be associated with CRAS, so that services offered there can be linked to social work carried out with families under PAIF and PAEFI.

For SCFV monitoring and management purposes, the MDS has created the Coexistence Service Information System (SISC). This system should be updated with information about SCFV users, groups formed and the places where services are offered. In addition, municipal managers must confirm the participation of SCFV users by updating the SISC every trimester.

Target Audience

Children, adolescents, young people, adults and elderly citizens in situation of social and relational vulnerability. The main audience of the SCFV are:

- » People in isolation.
- » Child laborers.
- » Victims of violence and abandonment.
- » School deserters or students with more than two years of school delay.
- » People living in shelters.
- » People serving an open socioeducational sentence.
- » People who have finished serving socioeducational measures.
- » Victims of sexual abuse and/or exploitation.
- » Children protected by the Statute for Children and Adolescents (ECA).
- » Children and adolescents living in the street.
- » Disabled persons with special vulnerabilities.

Criteria for defining the target audience

Users referred to CRAS based on territorial criteria who are socially or relationally vulnerable and who are interested in using the service.

Coverage

Currently, 4,971 municipalities receive federal co-financing for the SCFV.

Financing

Federal budget funds linked to the MDS.

Additional Information

<https://mds.gov.br/assistencia-social-suas/servicos-e-programas/servicos-de-convivencia-e-fortalecimento-de-vinculos>