

# PROGRAMME PROGRESS REPORT

**MARCH 2018** 

## "NO ORGANISATION HAS EVER HAD THE IMPACT THAT UMRIO HAS HAD IN MORRO DO CASTRO"

- Gabriel Paiva, 14 years old, Light Blue

## **SUMMARY**

The month of March was marked by the launch of our preparatory course for University Entrance Exams, the launch of our adult classes within the UmRio English programme and the start of our 6-day week in Morro do Castro.

## **DEVELOPMENTS**

#### **ENROLMENT:**

**193** children, young people and adults have enrolled themselves in one or more of UmRio's activities in the first month between the launch of enrolment and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **Key information:**

Note: This information was registered on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 and is subject to revision in UmRio's next progress report.

## Age-range of current participants:

Baby Blues (05-11 years): **58** (30%) Light Blues (12-14 years): **53** (27%) Sky Blues (15-17 years): **36** (20%) Dark Blue (18+ years): **46** (23%)

Sex: 57% female, 43% male.

Ethnicity: 75% of participants identify themselves as Afro-Brazilian

City of residence: 68% are from São Gonçalo.

#### Programmes:

Rugby: 79

English Classes: **143**Educational Support: **61** 

Preparatory Course (Secondary School): 35

Preparatory Course (University): 50

Employability Course: 32

Project Blue (Oxbridge Exchange): 9

Dentistry Programme: 125

## **Unexpected results from our February Report:**

In our last report (reference: February 2018), we highlighted two significant unexpected findings: (1) over 30 year old participants and (2) the popularity of our UmRio English programme.

These two trends have continued in March.

We have noticed that these two results are intrinsically correlated. Over 30 year olds in our programme are enrolled in our Preparatory course for University Entrance exam (73%) and/or our UmRio English programme (64%).

In March, we took the following measures in response to these findings:

1) **Preparatory Course for University Entrance Exams**: we have taken out the age-limit for our preparatory course for University Entrance Exams.

It is our belief as an organisation that everybody, regardless of age, should have the opportunity to study at a tertiary level, should they wish.

2) **UmRio English**: we have launched an Adult Programme for 18+ year olds, which includes our 30+ year old participants.

This measure was taken by the management of the UmRio English programme to provide our 18+ year old participants with a course that sufficiently meets their needs and capabilities.

#### **VOLUNTEER / STAFF RECRUITMENT**

With the heightened demand for our UmRio English programme, we have recruited a further volunteer English teachers.

We have also recruited volunteer teachers for the following areas of our preparatory course for University entrance exams:

Mathematics: 1 Chemistry: 1 Physics: 1 Portuguese: 1 Spanish: 1

Below is a breakdown of UmRio's current organizational structure, which consists of **51** volunteers:

Administrative: 6

Rugby: 4

Education & Development: 29

Team Breakdown:

UMRio English: 7

Educational Support & Employability: 3

Preparatory Course for University Entrance Exams: 19

Healthcare: 12

#### PROGRAMME ACTIVITY:

**Preparatory Course for University Entrance Exams**: The programme will run every Saturday at João Brazil School from 7am to 5pm and was launched on the 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

The launch included a talk on Feminicide, which was dedicated to the late city councillor, Marielle Franco, who was brutally executed on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

**Educational Support & Preparatory Course for Secondary School Entrance Exams**: Results from our enrolment found that 53% of participants claim to have trouble learning mathematics, while 35% find Portuguese to be their toughest subject.

Following consultation with our local partner, João Brazil School, our educational support and preparatory course for secondary school entrance exams will work alongside their own programme.

João Brazil school will run a course, that will be taught in a traditional classroom format, which will work as both an educational support class and a preparatory course for secondary school entrance exams.

UmRio will run a parallel programme on Thursdays that will apply a project-based learning approach focusing particularly on Mathematics and Portuguese. The UmRio Reforco Escolar programme will provide additional educational support which will complement the school's programme, focusing on the themes of employability and entrepreneurship. Where relevant, we will invite guest speakers to run workshops and give talks on current affairs and careers.

## **MOVING FORWARDS**

#### **ENROLMENT**:

Due to the huge demand to enrol in our programmes, we have closed enrolment for two classes to maximize impact, based on class size.

Rugby: enrolment open

**UMRio English:** 

Baby Blues: enrolment open

UmRio Blues (11-17 years): enrolment closed

Adult Blues (18+): enrolment open

Educational Support: enrolment open

(Restricted to children and young people between 5-25 years)

Employability: enrolment open

(**Note**: will be running within the educational support programme)

Preparatory Course for University Entrance Exams: enrolment closing (07/07/18)

Healthcare: enrolment open

Importantly, while enrolment has closed in the courses noted above, we have opened a waiting list for both programmes.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES IN APRIL:**

17<sup>th</sup> March: Programmes Launched:

Preparatory Course (University Entrance exams)

6<sup>th</sup> April- 28<sup>th</sup> April: Programmes to be launched, Events and Enrolment

Employability Course (within Avança UmRio)
Health and Wellbeing event – Run the World
Application for exemption of enrolment fee – University Entrance Exam
Dentistry treatment in Morro do Castro

Development Rugby Tournament in Itaipuaçu

April will also be marked by the launch of **Project Blue**, a programme that will take two young people (18+) to the United Kingdom for a unique, cultural, academic and sporting exchange experience at Oxford and Cambridge University.

## **FINANCIALS**

UmRio has set up a partnership with **Multiplic Contabilidade**, a Brazilian-based accountancy firm that will be professionally auditing our accounts.

Financial Statements and monthly audited accounts can be made available upon request.