

**BUILDING COMMUNITIES**

# Library and Income Generation, Brazil

*Providing a local library and helping people to earn a living*

**In their own words**

*‘This Project is important and about more than just generating an income. It is providing an opportunity to learn a profession and interact with others.’*  
 Ruth de Barros,  
 USPG Mission Companion  
 in the Diocese of the Amazon



**Brazil** factfile

**Capital:** Brasília  
**Languages:** Portuguese (official), Spanish (border areas and schools), German, Italian, Japanese, English and a large number of minor Amerindian languages  
**Religion:** Christianity, indigenous beliefs  
**Export:** Coffee, soya beans, wheat, rice, corn, sugar cane, cocoa, beef  
**Further reading:**  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brazil>

**USPG in Brazil**

USPG has been supporting projects in Brazil since 1988, making its first grant to the Diocese of Pelotas. Since then, we have maintained close relations and currently support 26 Projects in the country



## About this Project...

▶ **Target: £670 / €890 | Project 379**

The district of Pratinha is an impoverished area with a population of about 18,000 and is located near the international airport of Belém. Many adults here are illiterate, not having had the opportunity to attend school, and young people rarely complete their schooling. USPG, together with the Anglican Church, is providing a local library to enable everyone in the district to have access to educational books that wouldn't normally be available to them. The library is also a much-welcomed space; many students

live with their families in small, wooden houses with little light, and struggle to study as a result, so the bright and spacious library is greatly appreciated. The main focus of the Diocese of the Amazon is to encourage people's development in a practical way. Through various courses, such as cookery classes and jewellery-making workshops, people are gaining independence through learning new skills and putting these into practice to generate an income for their families.

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