

# DOMESTIC WORKERS AT THE FRONT-LINES



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May 28, 2020

**We need your support!  
The IDWF created a \$2 million Solidarity Fund to support domestic workers who are among the hardest hit by this pandemic.**

We appeal to allies, partners and friends to join us in these critical times by donating and spreading this message in your communities.

Click [here](#) to read the whole appeal.



In Solidarity and best wishes,

Myrtle Witbooi  
President

Elizabeth Tang  
General Secretary

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

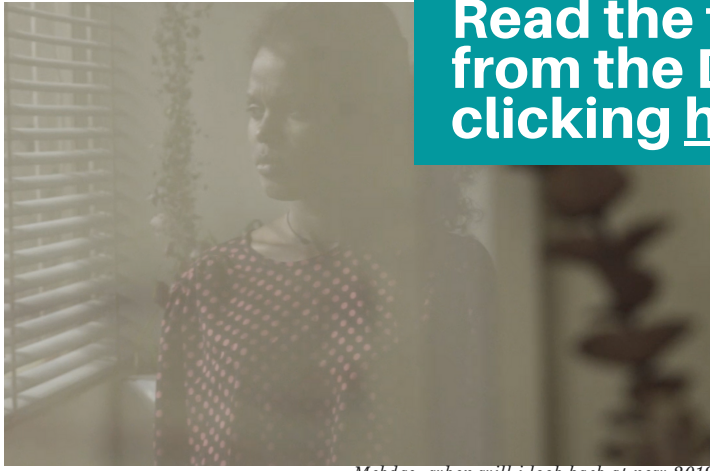
FENATRAD, our affiliate in Brazil works on advocacy as well as provision of direct humanitarian support. It has been giving advice and legal orientation by phone to domestic workers and delivering relief packages that contain food staples, medicines and protective gear.

In collaboration with other groups, they launched a national campaign and petition to stop local states from making domestic work compulsory during the lock down period. Read more by clicking [here](#).

They have already succeeded in making a state to back down!

Luiza Batista, the president, published a guide for feminist employers, together with the academic Liana Cirna. Click [here](#) to check it out.

They have plenty of information on their website- check it out by clicking [here](#).

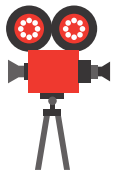


Read the testimony of our affiliate from the Dominican Republic by clicking [here](#).

*“We cannot let our affiliates get sick with COVID-19 because most likely they will not receive medical treatment!”*

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Enga Lengga, a group of Ethiopian domestic workers supported by IDWF in Lebanon, is providing much needed assistance to fellow domestic workers during these harsh times!

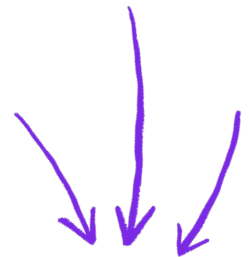


Click [here](#) to watch the video that AJ+ created.



Our General Secretary joined Jonathan Tasini, on the Working Life podcast, on May 20 to discuss the situation of domestic workers under COVID-19.

Click [here](#) to listen to the whole podcast. The section on the situation of domestic workers is at 30.13 mins.



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