

ITALY

Launching an emergency fund for sex workers

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Pia Covre and Carla Corso, the historical leaders of the movement for the rights of prostitutes, inform about the situation in which sex workers in Italy currently find themselves with the Covid 19 crisis.



Sex work is not regulated in Italy, so it is very difficult to realistically assess the numbers of those who work.

The repercussions of the coronavirus epidemic have severely hit sex workers. Because of social distancing measures, it is forbidden to have physical contacts. It is the right decision. It is irresponsible to have any interpersonal contact now. It is dangerous, but the consequence is that we are out of work.

Many are plunging into absolute poverty, hunger and despair. Migrant sex workers who are here with a temporary or precarious residence permit, or do not have one at all, are now in extreme difficulty.

Fear predominates among sex workers, if they do not have means to provide food to their children and to the families they support. It may happen that despair pushes some to accept a sexual service even if at this moment it could expose him/her to danger.

We have to convince sex workers not to take extreme decisions like making appointments, which could prove to be, we repeat, dangerous for them and their clients, and for the entire range of persons with whom they both relate.

We believe it is fundamental to help now, immediately, sex workers who are most in need.

There is a widespread solidarity network managed by volunteers all over Italy, who deliver food to the needy. What we must fight for is to make sure that everyone has access to state subsidies through the municipalities.

This is the reason why we addressed Prime Minister Conte with an appeal against the discrimination of sex workers in Italy, because municipalities are not the same, and especially in the north, there is a tendency to discriminate non-residents.

This fundraising campaign aims to help with expenses that are not covered by anyone, such as rents, bills, and medicines.

Where to donate

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