

CPJ Annual Report 2023

A photographer take pictures of a wildfire in Brasilia, Brazil in 2018. CPJ is increasingly documenting and offering trauma assistance to journalists reporting on climate and environmental disasters.

Reuters/Ueslei Marcelino



Members of a newly formed political party hold placards to protest the arrest of a local journalist in Dhaka, Bangladesh on March 30, 2023.

Reuters/Mohammad Ponir Hossain

Dear Supporters,

Press freedom is your freedom. That was the message the Committee to Protect Journalists took to the United Nations in May when we participated in a special event to mark World Press Freedom Day. It was the message we repeated as we opened the Nasdaq Stock Market the following day in New York—and it is a message we share every day as we work to protect journalists worldwide.

Keeping journalists' safe helps protect us all. This year we have seen how journalists are all too often the first targeted ahead of broader crackdowns on civil liberties. From Cameroon, where journalist Martinez Zogo was brutally tortured and killed amid a worsening political crisis, to Peru, where more than 70 journalists were harassed and attacked during anti-government protests in December and January, to Guatemala, where the arrest of renowned editor and former CPJ awardee José Rubén Zamora preceded the closure of *elPeriódico*—the independent newspaper he founded and which played a key role exposing corruption in the country.

CPJ fights to protect journalists and journalism wherever it is under attack so we can all access the information we need to live freely and safely. We do so by raising awareness of individual incidents and by identifying common trends—as we did with our report into the killings of journalists by the Israel Defense Forces. Our report examining 20 deaths over 22 years found a pattern in which no one has ever been held accountable, and we are now

working to achieve justice for those killed.

Our work advocating on behalf of journalists has taken us from Quito—where a meeting with the government in April helped secure a pledge to improve press freedom in Ecuador—to the U.S. Capitol, and from Lagos to London. In May, we were delighted when Estonia, with whom CPJ has worked closely as members of the Media Freedom Coalition, announced new special residency permits for journalists following our work lobbying for improved access to emergency visas.

In line with our strategic plan, CPJ significantly boosted its capacity to provide assistance—recognizing that more journalists are at risk than ever before and need a range of practical help to continue to operate safely. Expanding our Emergencies team has had an immediate impact: our Journalist Assistance program, which provides small grants to individual journalists, as well as digital and physical safety advice to journalists and newsrooms, means that CPJ has become more agile and quicker in responding to those who need our help. We've seen a 13.4 percent increase in the amount granted to journalists in the first six months of 2023, compared to the same time period last year.

This is an amazing outcome and CPJ could do none of this without your support. Our work is only possible thanks to the generosity of our funders and we are honored to share with you the achievements you make a reality.

Jodie Ginsberg
President

AWARENESS

Research and reporting from press freedom experts is the backbone of our work. With more than 25 correspondents and representatives reporting from local communities globally, CPJ identifies and reports on hundreds of press freedom violations each year. Last year, CPJ recorded at least 363 journalists behind bars in our 2022 census and documented the killings of at least 67 journalists and media workers—41 of them confirmed to have been killed in connection with their work. Whether under repressive regimes, in conflict zones, or, increasingly, in established democracies, our researchers call attention to harassment, surveillance, and imprisonment of journalists. They identify global trends that make it harder for journalists to do their jobs. Their premier analysis shines a light on what governments and non-state actors might prefer to keep hidden from public view, bringing international attention where it's needed to keep journalists safe. Such analysis shapes our advocacy initiatives, and can clarify the needs of journalists who seek life-saving assistance. From Afghanistan to Morocco to Zimbabwe, our research is a trusted source for the journalists we serve and the partnerships we enjoy.



Press freedom amplified

CPJ's research and data receives extensive news coverage—our work was mentioned in the media over 56,500 times in 2022, including in Al-Jazeera, Forbes, the BBC, The New York Times, The Washington Post, and in local outlets worldwide.

CPJ experts granted more than 415 interviews explaining the pressure on the press during critical moments, prompting responses from those seeking to stifle independent reporting.

From the RightsCon Summit in Costa Rica to the International Journalism Festival in Perugia, Italy, to the chambers of the United Nations (pictured above), CPJ research was cited as the gold standard for reporting on press freedom by government officials and our partners.



A day in the life of CPJ's Africa team

Africa Program Coordinator Angela Quintal, pictured above, begins each day—cellphone in hand—responding to messages from journalists that have filtered in overnight. Among them are requests for help with everything from arrest to assault to emergency exile. Sometimes, she begins her day speaking with families seeking justice for the killings of their loved ones. For journalists in distress and for their families too, knowing CPJ cares deeply about their plight, whatever the hour, can make a world of difference.

“There is no way to do justice to what is happening on the continent without ensuring that you are able to respond when folks need you to respond,” says Quintal.

Quintal and CPJ correspondents and representatives in Abuja, Dakar, Kinshasa, Lusaka, Nairobi, and Lisbon engage with journalists, speak to government officials and lawmakers, and strategize with lawyers and other press freedom advocates. These conversations help to inform the Africa team's meticulous research, case vetting, and reporting, as well as their next steps: advocacy and assistance work.

AWARENESS: SPECIAL REPORTS

CPJ's research allows us to identify and expose trends affecting journalist safety and press freedom—from news stories, statements, features, letters, and columns published daily on our website to special reports we often launch in-country. So far in 2023, we have issued reports on the European Union, Ecuador, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territory. These special reports demonstrate the power of our datasets, our expertise, and our potential to drive change for journalists and journalism at large.

“Deadly Pattern,” our report on the killing of Palestinian journalists by Israel Defense Forces, is part of CPJ's long history of working to end impunity in journalist murders, with prior special reports on Russia (2009), Pakistan (2013) and Mexico (2017). This year's report followed up on the high-profile murder of Palestinian American journalist Shireen Abu Akleh in 2022. After Abu Akleh was shot dead by an Israeli bullet while reporting from the West Bank city of Jenin, CPJ

revisited our decades of data on journalist killings in Israel, Gaza, and the West Bank. The findings revealed a lethal and disturbing pattern. Twenty journalists—including Abu Akleh—have been killed at the hands of the Israel Defense Forces in 22 years—and no one has ever been held accountable.

As one reporter told our staff: “I have a 5-year-old daughter who has been telling me she doesn't want me to go to work so that I won't be killed like Shireen was in Jenin.” No journalists should have to live in such fear of doing their jobs.

A CPJ team traveled to the region to present the report's findings during the first anniversary of Abu Akleh's murder. While there, they met with a wide range of officials, local journalists, and diplomats, urging Israel to open criminal investigations into the murder of Abu Akleh and two other journalists killed by Israeli military fire, and offering recommendations to Israel, the United States, and the international community on ways to protect

journalists and prevent future killings. Among the many Israeli news outlets which covered our findings were Haaretz, Maariv, and The Jerusalem Post. Internationally, the report also received significant coverage in outlets that included The Washington Post, the BBC, NPR, and others. Days after the release of our report, the Israel Defense Forces publicly apologized for her death, with an IDF spokesman telling CNN: “In Israel, we are a democracy, and in democracy, we see high value in journalism and in [the] free press.”

An apology is a start, but CPJ is not stopping there.

As CPJ reporting shows that Palestinian journalists remain at risk, we continue to seek a comprehensive, public update on the status of the FBI's investigation into Abu Akleh's murder and to hold meetings with high-level officials in Washington, D.C. in the hopes of achieving justice for her—and for all reporters killed or injured while bringing us essential coverage.



CPJ attends a memorial service for Shireen Abu Akleh in East Jerusalem.
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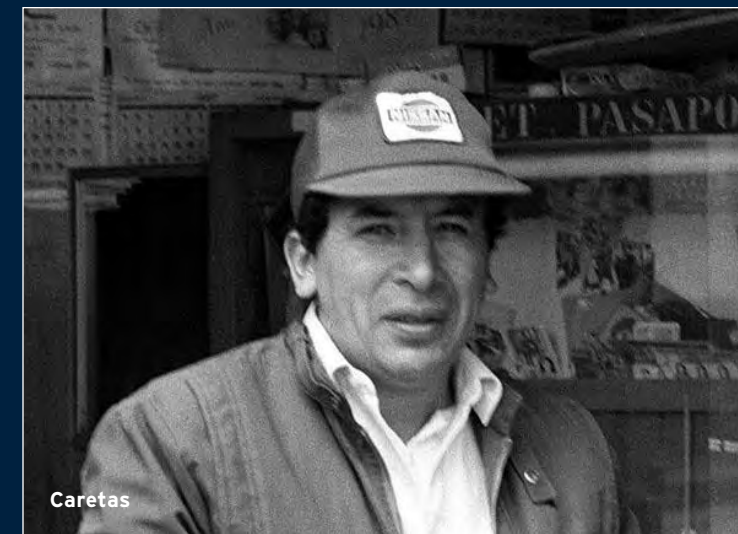
ADVOCACY

In pursuit of a robust free press, CPJ pushes for heads of state and policy-makers to engage with the issues revealed in our reporting, and advises on diplomatic efforts to expand a free and independent press. We advocate for the release of imprisoned journalists and monitor their well-being when they are detained. We demand justice for journalists killed because of their reporting, working to hold accountable those who brought them harm. We urge governments around the world to build safety mechanisms for journalists to draw on in an hour of need. These efforts have helped win dozens of positive legal reforms, convictions in scores of journalist murders, and the release of hundreds of jailed journalists. Here are a few of the ways we have made the world a safer place for journalists:



Freeing imprisoned journalists

When a journalist is imprisoned, CPJ steps into action: we contact local authorities, families, and press freedom partners, and secure meetings with high-level government officials—mounting pressure from every angle. No journalist should be in jail for doing their job. In 2022, CPJ celebrated the early release of at least 150 imprisoned journalists worldwide. CPJ has also been actively involved in advocating for the release of prisoners like media entrepreneur Jimmy Lai, Guatemalan editor José Rubén Zamora, Wall Street Journal reporter Evan Gershkovich, or French journalist Olivier Dubois (pictured left).



Securing convictions in journalist murders

Murder is the ultimate form of censorship and can chill reporting locally. CPJ fights for accountability and never stops fighting for our lost colleagues. In 2022, CPJ advocacy helped secure convictions in the murders of 12 journalists. Those efforts can take years: the 1988 murder of Peruvian journalist Hugo Bustíos (pictured left)—a case CPJ and partners brought before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in 1997—ended with the conviction of former presidential candidate Daniel Urresti this year, a “measure of closure... 35 years later.”



Ending the criminalization of journalism

Record legal harassment of journalists—even among democracies—occurs when governments use false news laws, complex tax codes, and terrorism charges to discredit, detain, and often torture journalists. This has been devastating for places like Guatemala or Hong Kong, where José Rubén Zamora and Jimmy Lai, respectively, have been jailed, their outlets gutted, simply for reporting the news. In late 2022, CPJ welcomed the acquittal of Nobel laureate Maria Ressa (pictured left) of tax evasion in four of seven cases brought against her by the Philippine government, avoiding a possible 34 years in prison.



Securing mechanisms to keep journalists safe

CPJ met recently with Ecuadorian Attorney General Diana Salazar (pictured left) to seek a commitment to protect the press in Ecuador. In such meetings, we have been pushing for more to be done to provide safe refuge, including emergency visas, for journalists at risk. We are starting to see results: the Media Freedom Coalition, a partnership of more than 50 countries working to promote press freedom, recognized a need to address the problem of journalists fleeing for their safety. And Estonia—with whom CPJ has been working closely on the issue—announced it would take “concrete steps to help journalists at risk by providing emergency visas as well as 35 residency permits a year.”



Images of some of the record number of journalists jailed for their work as of December 1, 2022, hang in CPJ's headquarters in New York.

ADVOCACY: JOURNALISTS RELEASED

CPJ is committed to the release of every journalist imprisoned for their work. One of this year's success stories is that of imprisoned Georgian journalist Nika Gvaramia.

Our advocacy in his case began the moment we learned he was facing retaliation for his critical reporting.

When Gvaramia was sentenced to 3.5 years in prison in 2022, CPJ contacted the Prosecutor's Office and the Ministry of Justice of Georgia and reached out to Gvaramia's wife, Sofia Liluashvili, to learn more about how we could help.

In March 2023, CPJ spearheaded a letter to Georgian President Salome Zurbashvili urging her to use "executive power to release Nika Gvaramia from jail immediately and without conditions."

"Since the Committee to Protect Journalists began compiling data on imprisoned journalists in 1992," the letter states, "Georgia has never previously had a single journalist recorded behind bars.

Gvaramia's jailing, which puts Georgia in the company of repressive, authoritarian states in post-Soviet Eurasia, is damaging to your country's reputation."

In June, CPJ traveled to Rustavi Prison #12 in Tbilisi with one of Gvaramia's lawyers and his wife. After the denial of a prison visit request to meet with Gvaramia, CPJ held a press conference with local reporters calling for Gvaramia's release outside the prison doors. Less than an hour later, the press conference made headlines on Mtavari Arkhi's ("Main Channel" and the broadcaster run by Gvaramia before his arrest) afternoon bulletin.

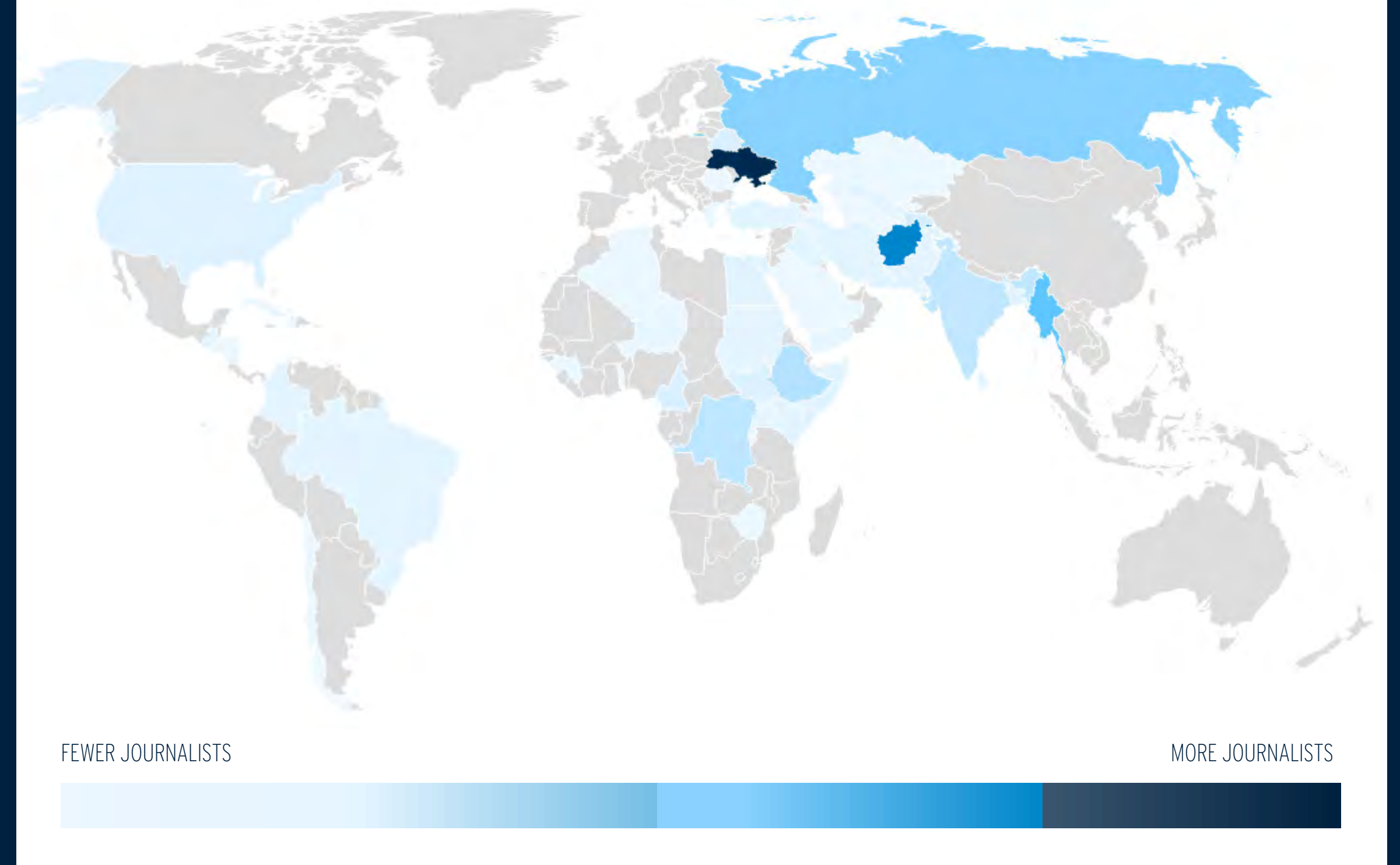
Thirteen days later, he was released by presidential pardon.

That is CPJ's advocacy in action—and your support at work. Nika's case is but one example of many where every effort is made to ensure journalists are free to do their job. CPJ continues to call for the release of imprisoned journalists around the world and has documented the early release of more than 1,000 since 2008.

ASSISTANCE

How CPJ assists journalists depends on where they are and the type of challenge they face at any given moment. As far back as CPJ's founding in 1981, a letter of support from our first honorary chairman, Walter Cronkite, helped secure the early release of three British journalists arrested in Argentina while covering the Falklands War. Letters of support remain a powerful resource for journalists, including those who need to flee their home for the safety of another country. In recent years, however, we've had to expand our methods of support as CPJ confronts a wave of new challenges to journalists: crises in Myanmar, Afghanistan and Ukraine, record numbers of journalists imprisoned, increasingly sophisticated surveillance tools, online harassment, threats to journalists covering protests and elections, rising authoritarianism, and transnational repression. Today, CPJ provides safety resources in multiple languages to address specific situational risks. We offer grants that cover basic needs. For example, CPJ can provide funding for soap, food, or water for a journalist in prison. We help with temporary living expenses for journalists forced to flee their home countries. For medical or psychosocial needs following an incident—and much more—CPJ is there to assist.

Assisting 548 journalists from 50 countries in 2022



Financial and non-financial assistance

In 2022, CPJ provided financial and non-financial assistance to 548 journalists from 50 countries, as seen above. Scores more received specialized assistance by CPJ's programs teams.

Supporting journalists in exile globally

Exile support has grown by 227% since 2020—as major crises from the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan to Russia's war in Ukraine—have forced journalists into exile to stay safe.

ASSISTANCE:

CPJ'S ASSISTANCE AT A GLANCE



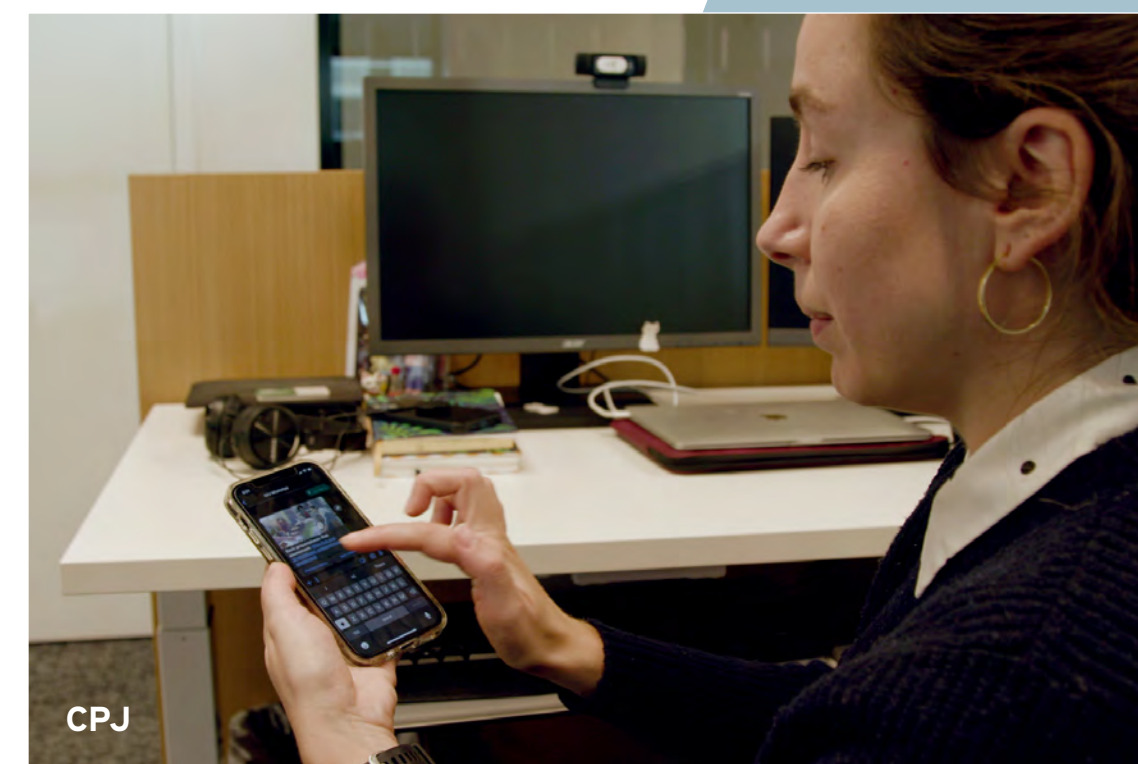
Supporting journalists in exile— Nicaragua and beyond

In February 2023, Nicaragua forcibly deported more than 200 political prisoners. When CPJ learned their flight was en route to Washington, DC, we confirmed that seven journalists and media workers were on board and mobilized to meet them at the airport. Their arrival marked what veteran sports journalist Miguel Ángel Mendoza Urbina (pictured left with CPJ Central America Correspondent Dánae Vílchez) said was “bittersweet because I feel that we achieved our liberation, but the country was kidnapped.” The past few years have seen a significant uptick in “bittersweet” cases of journalists who, like Mendoza, were forced into exile. In the first six months of 2023, CPJ has provided assistance 71 times to exiled journalists (compared to 206 times in 2022), with support going to journalists fleeing places like Afghanistan, Iran, Nicaragua, and Russia.



Medical kits for journalists covering Ukraine

Within months of Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine, journalists covering the war were in desperate need of safety equipment and supplies, including first aid kits. In response, CPJ partnered with a local Ukrainian outlet, Zaborona Media, and the 24.02 Fund to provide journalists with at least 100 individual first aid kits on the frontlines of the war. We know from feedback from the journalists that these have been used successfully in a number of life-threatening situations. Additionally, CPJ partnered with British medical manufacturer MedTrade to distribute life-saving medical products to journalists—including at least 100 packages of hemostatic gauze and burn kits. The specialized gauze uses an extract from shrimp and crabs to stop bleeding in less than a minute. Such support is key to ensuring journalists on the frontlines of the war stay safe.



CPJ's WhatsApp chatbot automates safety resources

CPJ created a WhatsApp chatbot (demonstrated above by CPJ Emergencies Director Lucy Westcott) for journalists to access up-to-date safety information directly from their phones. This pilot project features a range of pertinent safety resources to help journalists plan ahead and mitigate risks to their digital, physical, and psychological safety and wellbeing. Given the particular dangers facing reporters on the frontlines of the war in Ukraine, the bot is currently available in English and partially in Ukrainian. Journalists anywhere can access the chatbot by texting “Hello” to a specific number on WhatsApp. The service then allows them to select the type of safety information they want, or to get in touch directly if they need more information. The WhatsApp Chatbot has been shared with hundreds of journalists and scores have already used it to access safety guidance.

INTERNATIONAL PRESS FREEDOM AWARDS

CPJ is proud to honor these journalists with our 2023 International Press Freedom Awards. They have faced imprisonment, attacks, and exile to bring the news to their communities. In highlighting their resolve and calling attention to their cases, we underscore why press freedom matters for all of us.



Ferdinand Ayité
Togo

Ayité leads L'Alternative, one of Togo's top investigative outlets, known for its fearless coverage of alleged corruption. Ayité faces persistent legal harassment. In March 2023, Ayité and his outlet's editor-in-chief fled the country shortly before a Togolese court sentenced them to three years in prison on charges of insulting authorities and spreading false news. In 2021, Ayité was jailed for almost a month after a broadcast discussing two government ministers' alleged corruption. Ayité collaborated on the Panama Papers investigation in 2016. His phone number was also listed among those allegedly selected for potential spyware surveillance.



Shahina K.K.
India

Shahina is an Indian journalist who has shed a light on gender issues and human rights. Currently a senior editor for Outlook magazine, she was one of the country's first journalists to be charged under a draconian anti-terror law. She has continued her reporting on a case where local government officials sought to criminalize her reporting on a questionable police investigation. As of June 2023, Shahina is out on bail pending trial. If convicted, she faces a maximum of three years in prison and a fine. A Muslim by birth, Shahina has also been subjected to extensive harassment to silence her reporting on religious minorities.



Nika Gvaramia
Georgia

Gvaramia is the founder and director of independent broadcaster, Mtavari Arkhi (Main Channel). As a TV presenter, Gvaramia was known for his sharp criticism of the ruling Georgian Dream party, often covering allegations of Georgian authorities' pro-Russian bias. He served more than a year of a 3.5-year sentence for alleged abuse of office before receiving a presidential pardon in June 2023. Gvaramia denied the charges, which were widely denounced as politically motivated. He is the only journalist in Georgia to receive a prison sentence in retaliation for their work since CPJ started keeping record of jailed journalists in 1992.



María Teresa Montaña
Mexico

Montaña is a prominent investigative reporter and founder and editor of The Observer, a fact-checking website. Her journalism features investigations of corruption, transparency, gender violence, and accountability in a region where independent reporting is rare. This work has led to frequent threats, surveillance, and harassment from state and local authorities as well as criminal groups. In 2021, she was briefly abducted by three men who held her at gunpoint. She left Mexico for a short period following her abduction, but has since returned and resumed working despite the dangerous environment for reporters across the country.

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The Committee to Protect Journalists is grateful for the individuals, foundations, and corporations whose generosity makes our work possible. We also extend our gratitude to the many contributors who supported CPJ with gifts under \$1,000, not listed here due to space limitations. This list includes donors who made gifts from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.



Make Press Freedom Your Legacy

In 2015, CPJ formed the “Sanders Society” to honor the legacy of Marlene Sanders, one of TV’s first female journalists.

We hope you will consider following Sanders’ example and include a charitable bequest to CPJ in your will. With your help, we can continue the fight to defend journalists around the world and ensure CPJ’s future.

Contact CPJ at development@cpj.org to learn more about how your legacy has a lasting impact!

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*** Loss in value of investments due to market conditions in 2022

	2022	2021
OPERATING REVENUES		
Contributions	\$3,437	\$3,284
Foundations and private grants	7,123	6,091
Events	1,371	1,464
Investment return used for operations	681	427
Other income	388	672
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	13,000	11,938
OPERATING EXPENSES		
PROGRAM SERVICES		
Programs and editorial	5,112	4,641
Emergency response and journalist assistance	2,905	1,932
Advocacy and communications	1,476	1,244
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	9,493	7,817
SUPPORTING SERVICES:		
Management and general	2,045	1,736
Fundraising	1,334	1,375
TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES	3,379	3,111
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	12,872	10,928
Surplus (deficit) of operating revenues over operating expenses	128	1,010
Surplus (deficit) related to <i>Funds Without Donor Restrictions</i> *	(466)	5,282
Surplus (deficit) related to <i>Purpose and Time Restricted Funds</i> **	(1,855)	(6,211)
Endowment and other non-operating activities ***	(1,323)	2,952
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(3,516)	3,033
Net assets, beginning of year	35,757	32,724
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$32,241	\$35,757

	2022	2021
ASSETS		
Current assets	8,743	\$10,524
Investments	15,975	17,394
Property and equipment, net	13,024	13,477
TOTAL ASSETS	37,742	41,395
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	623	616
Mortgages, notes payable, other	4,878	5,022
Total liabilities	5,501	5,638
Net Assets		
Without donor restrictions	15,465	15,803
With donor restrictions:		
Restricted for specific purpose and time	968	2,823
Donor restricted endowment	15,808	17,131
Total net assets	32,241	35,757
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$37,742	\$41,395

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A photographer holds a placard with the hashtag #They Will Not Silence Us, during a sit-in by journalists outside court in Guatemala City.

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