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# ACF ANNUAL REPORT

#### **ABOUT US**

The Ayesha Chundrigar Foundation (ACF) is a non-profit organization that was established in 2013 and registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860. ACF, widely known as ACF Animal Rescue, pioneers the first-of-its-kind animal rescue and sanctuary in Pakistan, situated in Karachi. Our sanctuary serves as a haven for injured and abused stray animals, including dogs and cats, as well as a safe refuge for wild creatures such as kites and monkeys, and working animals like donkeys, horses, goats, sheep, and cows.

ACF Animal Rescue is not solely a rescue organization; it also employs education as a powerful tool to raise awareness and foster a transformation in mindsets at the grassroots level. Our aim is to cultivate empathy and compassion for all living beings within society.

## **OUR HISTORY**

Established in 2013, ACF emerged with a vision to empower abused, injured, and neglected animals, providing them with a voice in our society. This dream has evolved over time and materialized into a sanctuary that offers refuge to animals rescued by the dedicated ACF rescue service from various locations across Karachi.

Within our sanctuary, these animals find shelter, receive essential medical treatment, and are provided with nourishment and emotional rehabilitation. ACF strongly advocates for kindness towards animals and actively develops outreach programs that strive to foster a harmonious coexistence between animals and humans.

#### **OUR WORK**

- Animal Sanctuary
- Equine Medical ReliefCamps
- **02** Rescue Service
- **05** Ration Distribution
- Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Release/Relocate (TNVR) Programme:

Of Awareness and Education Workshops

#### **Animal Sanctuary**

ACF provides a loving home for over 500 animals at any given time, supported by our dedicated team of in-house vets, animal care managers, a rescue team, and a robust support system. This ensures the smooth and effective functioning of our operations.

To promote healing and ensure the well-being of our animals, we prioritize providing them with the finest quality food. Dogs and cats are fed twice a day, accompanied by treats throughout the day. Our diet plan includes mashed canned food for newly rescued animals who may have difficulty chewing due to severe trauma and stress. Puppies and kittens receive a specially tailored diet consisting of milk replacement formula and mashed food, addressing their specific nutritional requirements. Furthermore, animals with specific internal issues have personalized dietary schedules.

Donkeys are provided with nourishment approximately five times a day, including additional nutritional feed to enhance their energy and strength. Kites and monkeys also have their own designated diets, receiving meals five times a day.

We ensure that each and every animal under our care is well-fed, allowing them to sleep with a full belly, while maintaining the highest standards of care.





#### **Rescue Service**

ACF operates a fleet of rescue service ambulances and maintains an active rescue helpline and presence on social media platforms, allowing concerned citizens to report injured animals in need of assistance. Through these channels, we are able to rescue an average of 10-25 animals every day, providing them with the necessary care and attention they require.

#### Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Release/Relocate (TNVR) Programme

ACF receives numerous requests from various parts of Karachi to carry out vaccination campaigns (against rabies) and spay/neuter programs for street dogs. These initiatives play a crucial role in enhancing the safety of both animals and humans. By controlling the dog population through humane methods, ACF contributes to a global effort practiced worldwide.

To accomplish this, ACF organizes drives throughout different neighborhoods in Karachi, focusing on vaccinating and spaying/neutering stray dogs. Concurrently, we aim to educate the public on fostering a harmonious coexistence with animals within our society.

These efforts often evolve into community-driven endeavors, where reporters and the public display great enthusiasm. This results in an increase in requests, with reporters and the public actively assisting us in locating more dogs as we venture out into the streets. As the public gathers around us, we seize the opportunity to educate them about our work. Our dedicated marketing team shares educational materials, engages in one-on-one interactions, and creates captivating documentary-style content that garners praise on social media platforms.



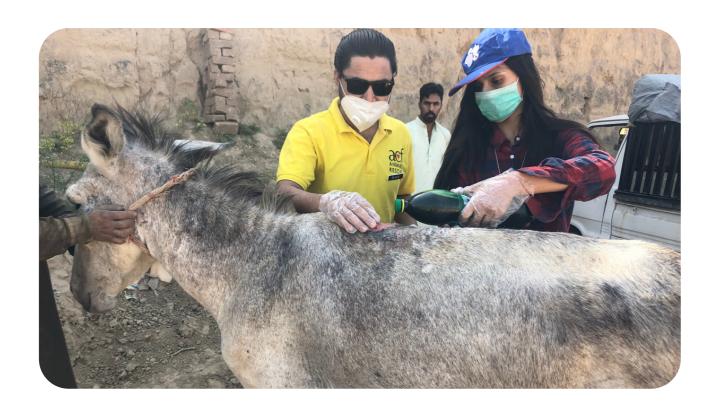




#### Equine Medical Relief Camps

ACF organizes donkey camps, where our team visits different areas of the city known for their donkey and equine populations. During these camps, we provide essential medical treatment, food, and water to the donkeys while also educating their owners on donkey behavior and handling. The working animals and their owners constitute one of the largest and most neglected communities in the country, and ACF stands as one of the few organizations dedicated to their betterment.

Owners are enlightened about the long-term benefits of treating their animals with care, as donkeys serve as the primary source of income for many daily wage earners. This education is conducted through social mobilization, capacity-building initiatives, and community awareness programs. The ACF donkey camps have gained tremendous popularity, enabling us to educate the public both in-person and through social media platforms about animals in a unique and impactful manner.





#### **Ration Distribution**

During the holy month of Ramzan, we engage in distributing essential rations to donkey owners and the residents of their communities, whom we come across during our donkey camps.

In many instances, we also extend our ration donations to families who have experienced challenging times, particularly those whose primary earners are striving to regain stability with the aid of a new donkey cart and harness.

Due to financial constraints, a significant portion of their income is allocated towards renting an injured donkey and an already broken cart. They struggle to repay these debts while striving to make ends meet. By alleviating their burden through our support, we enable them to attain self-sustainability and work towards a better future.







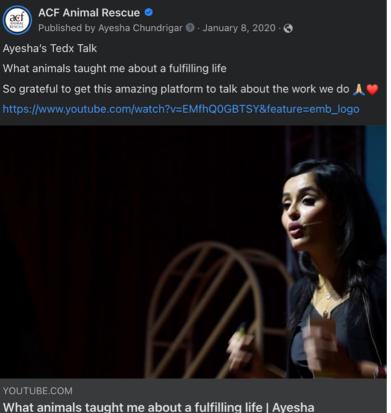
# Awareness and Education Workshops

ACF employs engaging, interactive, and creative methods to connect with individuals and educate them about our work. Through a blend of psychodynamics and motivational tools, we conduct workshops that encourage audience participation, foster the sharing of experiences, and utilize compelling videos, content, and ideas that deeply resonate.

Participants in our workshops consistently leave feeling rejuvenated and uplifted, as our aim is not only to educate them about animals but also to inspire personal growth and self-discovery.

Our shelter receives frequent visitors, and we maintain an active volunteer program that extends to our outreach initiatives. We regularly visit schools, and students reciprocate the visits with great frequency, enabling us to extend our educational efforts to young minds.

Crucially, we actively share stories on social media platforms every single day, which consistently garners substantial engagement and interest. By telling these stories, we strive to raise awareness and create a lasting impact on the way animals are perceived and treated in our society.



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#### THE ACF VISION:

Our vision is to inspire through our work. Our very holistic way of working helps animals & humans which is essential to truly make s difference in our country where we are working against the cultural conditioning of violence & hatred towards animals.

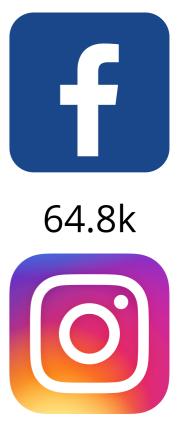
The level of abuse towards animals we have witnessed in our country is far beyond anything we have seen anywhere in the world and this abuse is not a one off. It's every single day.

We share animal rescue stories & educate people via social media & our aim is to garner as much public support as possible so legislation changes are possible.

A big win for us: We are in the process of drafting a brief regarding dog population management & a draft for potential laws on this topic, as ordered by the Supreme Court of Pakistan.

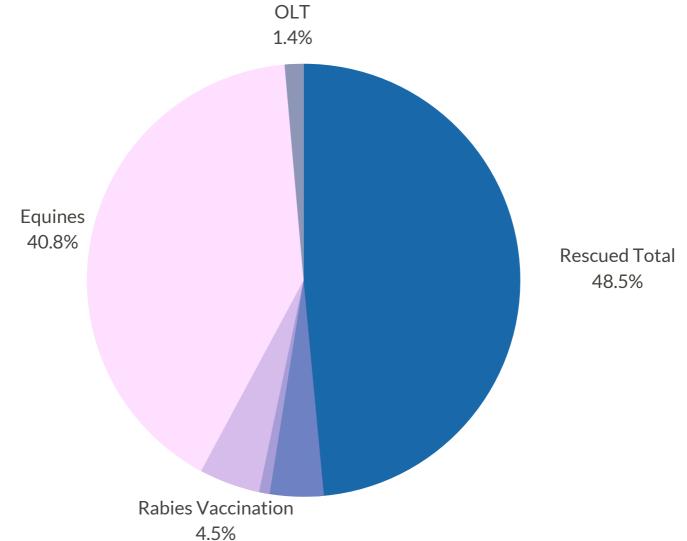
We started with nothing 10 years ago and slowly but surely, are making strides that will have a long-lasting impact on animal welfare in Pakistan.

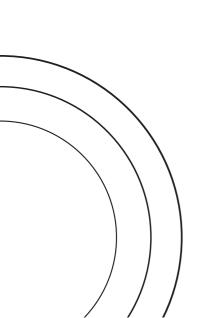




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## We Have Reached Over 14,000 Animals







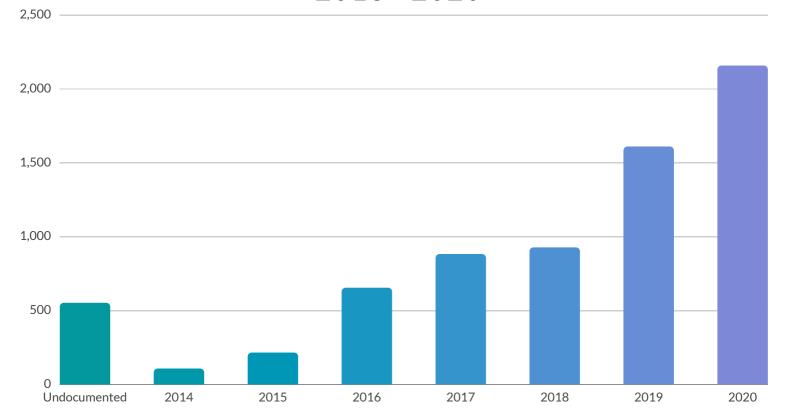
ACF ANIMAL RESCUE

## **STATS**



# **RESCUE**

2013 - 2020



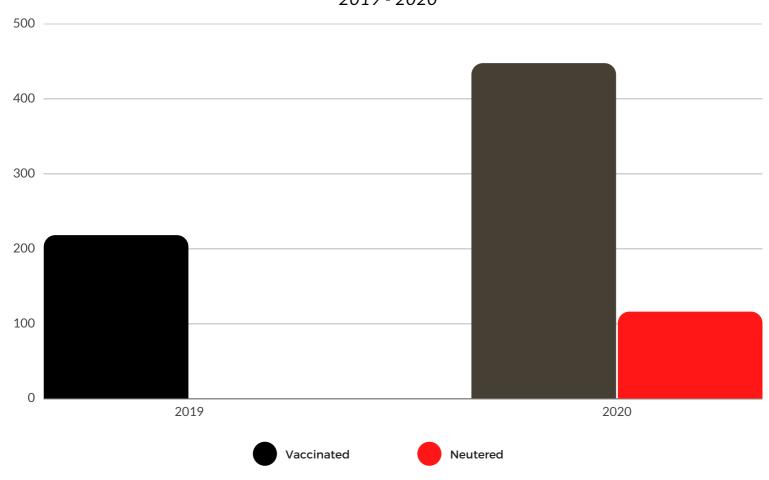
#### **STATS**

These are only dogs vaccinated and neutered in different areas of Karachi. All dogs rescued by ACF team are also vaccinated and neutered; those numbers are separate to this.



#### TRAP-NEUTER-VACCINATE-RELEASE/RELOCATE (TNVR) PROGRAMME

2019 - 2020

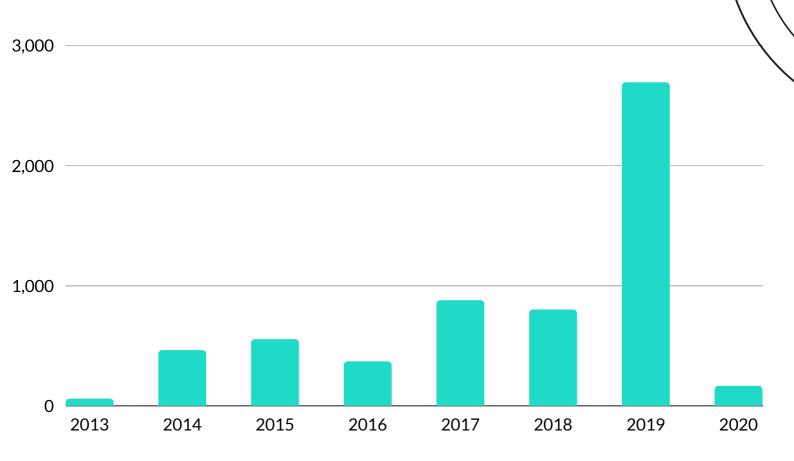


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#### **EQUINES HELPED/TREATED:**

2013 - 2020



In 2020, we focused on operating solely within the Province of Sindh. However, prior to 2020, our campaign extended its reach to include Punjab as well.

#### AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

ACF has been recognised for our work nationwide and globally. We won the WWF Green Innovation Challenge across Pakistan in 2018 for our first of its kind ghost net dog leashes.

We also won a competition "Tell Her Story" held at the Facebook Headquarters in San Francisco organised by Facebook and UCBerkeley in January 2020 for the most inspiring story of a South Asian woman trying to bring about change. In 2020, the cricket league, Pakistan Super League also recognised us as one of their heroes in their Humaray Heroes Campaign.

In 2021, we were one of 12 who received a Hum Women Leaders award. And were a recipient of the Pride of Pakistan at the 23rd March Pakistan Day parade. We also received an award for our service for Independence Day by the Rangers Pakistan Sindh and were the recipient of the Hum Women Leaders Award in Pakistan amongst several more.





## **AWARDS**

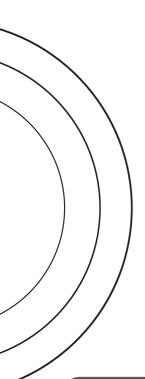








## **AWARDS**









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#### SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

All of our projects are aligned with the United Nations SDGs







































