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# A HEARTFELT MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

As the founder of Sneha's Care, my journey has been one transformation and unwavering dedication. It all began with the loss of my beloved dog Zara, whose tragic death due to poisoning ignited my resolve to make a difference. That grief spurred me to address the immense suffering of animals and the absence of an Animal Welfare Act in Nepal. What started as feeding community dogs soon evolved into a mission to establish a sanctuary for injured and neglected animals.

Today, Sneha's Care provides a safe haven for over 200 animals, offering love, dignity, and care to those in need. The year 2024 marked a significant milestone in our journey. From launching introducing Dairy Animal Welfare Standards in Lumbini Province to rescuing animals in the Bloodless Gadhimai Campaign, we made strides in advocacy, education, and hands-on welfare initiatives. Various events brought together communities to support compassionate living, while our flood relief efforts demonstrated our commitment to both animals and their caretakers during crises.

This progress would not have been possible without your love, trust, and support. As we look ahead, my vision remains steadfast: to create a world free from animal cruelty and neglect. Together, we can continue this journey and ensure a brighter future for all living beings. Thank you for being an integral part of this mission.





### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Sneha's Care is Nepal's largest animal welfare organization, serving as the pillar of hope for animals in need. Based in Lalitpur, we have dedicated ourselves to rescuing, rehabilitating, and sheltering animals that have suffered from cruelty, injury, or abandonment. Our mission is to foster kindness, compassion, and respect for all animals while advocating for a plant-based lifestyle that promotes coexistence between humans and animals. Established in 2015, we have worked tirelessly to safeguard the welfare of animals and provide them with a chance at a better life.

This year, Sneha's Care has achieved significant milestones in its mission. We completed an anti-rabies vaccination campaign, provided mobile treatment, and carried out various rescue and rehabilitation efforts. We successfully treated animals for ticks and fleas, performed animal birth control surgeries, and facilitated adoptions, all while continuing to expand our educational initiatives promoting a plant-based lifestyle. Our work extended to responding to an unexpected flood and landslide, where we rescued and treated animals in distress. Additionally, we made substantial progress in our advocacy work, including protests for wildlife conservation and efforts to set dairy animal standards in an additional province, bringing the total to six. Our commitment to reducing animal sacrifices was reinforced by our work around the Gadhimai festival, where we were able to reduce the number of sacrifices and rescue animals in need.







Looking ahead, Sneha's Care is focused on the development of a new sanctuary to provide more space and care for our rescued animals. We plan to expand our outreach efforts and increase fundraising to ensure the success of this important project. As we continue to grow, we remain committed to our mission of rescuing and advocating for animals, and we are optimistic about the future of our work and the lasting impact it will have on the animals we serve.

We are deeply grateful to all our donors, partners, and supporters whose contributions make this work possible. Together, we can create a compassionate world where every animal has the chance to live a life filled with dignity and care.





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### **ABOUT US**

Established in 2015, Sneha's Care has been dedicated to fostering love, compassion, kindness, dignity, and respect for all animals. Based in Lalitpur, we have actively worked to safeguard animals from mistreatment, cruelty, and inhumane treatment. Our efforts include rescuing, rehabilitating, and providing shelter to injured, sick, and abandoned animals within the community.





Beyond advocating for the right to life for all animals, we provide support during disasters, ensure their safety, and work tirelessly to end live animal transport while promoting humane transportation practices. Additionally, we actively promote veganism, conduct various awareness campaigns, and advocate for the rights and well-being of animals.



"The most important thing is to have humanity. It's not only people who teach you humanity, I learned humanity from these animals. These animals taught me everything."

- Sneha Shrestha



### **Our Mission**



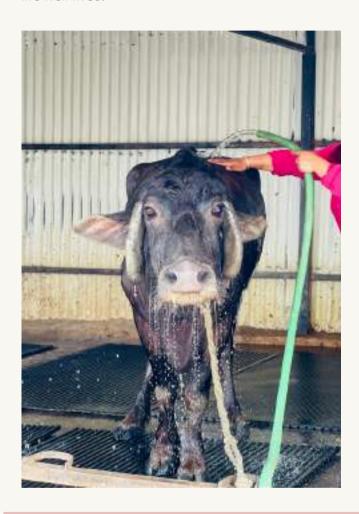
Sneha's Care passionately rescues, rehabilitates, and advocates for the welfare of diverse animals while promoting a plant-based lifestyle for a harmonious coexistence between humans and animals.

## OUR OBJECTIVES

- To provide immediate rescue, medical care, and shelter to injured, sick, and abandoned animals in need.
- Expanded Focus on Animal Population Management, Farm animal Welfare, Welfare of working animals in mountainous regions, Wildlife Welfare, Care for captive animals, and more.
- Provide disaster relief assistance to animals ensuring their safety.
- Advocate for the necessary amendment in the penalty system of existing Live Animal Transportation Standard, 2064.

### **Our Vision**

We envision a world where all animals are treated with kindness, compassion, dignity, and respect. We dream of a sustainable community, where plant-based alternatives are chosen instead of relying on animal-based products for food. It's a big vision, but together, we can create a world where every animal knows the joy of a life well-lived.



- Engage in advocacy and campaigns to raise awareness and promote animal welfare principles across diverse platforms and communities.
- Promotion of Plant-Based Diet through School and Community Outreach to encourage a compassionate and healthy lifestyle and advocate for cruelty-free food choices.
- Establish a community where love, compassion, kindness, dignity, and respect guide the treatment of all living creatures through community awareness.
- Advocate and coordination with government stakeholders for the formulation of Animal Welfare Act in Nepal.

## THE TEAM BEHIND

#### **Board Members**

Guiding the organization with strategic oversight and invaluable support.



### **Adminitrative Team**



The one who ensures our projects bring real change to animals' lives.



Fundraising Officer

Driving efforts to secure resources that fuel our mission.



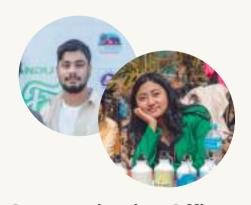
Accountant

Managing finances to ensure transparency and sustainability.



Communication and Fundraising Officer

Building bridges between our mission and the community of supporters.



Communication Officer

The one who crafts messages that inspire compassion and action.



Office Helper
Ensuring the staff are wellfed and the workspace is
clean and welcoming.

# **SNEHA'S CARE**



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nind Sneha's Care, fostering love and In for animals.

#### **Advisors**

The experienced professionals providing strategic guidance and expertise to help shape the organization's future.



**Shelter Team** 



Veterinarian

Providing expert medical care and ensuring the wellbeing of every animal.



**Shelter Manager** 

The one who ensures the shelter operates seamlessly every day.



**Photographer** 

Telling the stories of our animals through impactful and heartfelt visuals.



**Vet Technicians** 

Delivering hands-on care and ensuring the health of the animals.



**Shelter Helpers** 

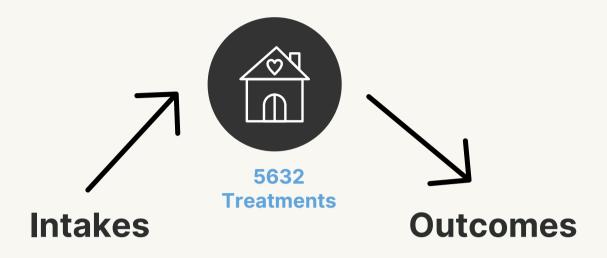
Keeping the shelter clean and comfortable for its furry residents.



**Ambulance Driver** 

Responding swiftly to emergencies and ensuring animals are transported safely.

# 2024 In a Glance





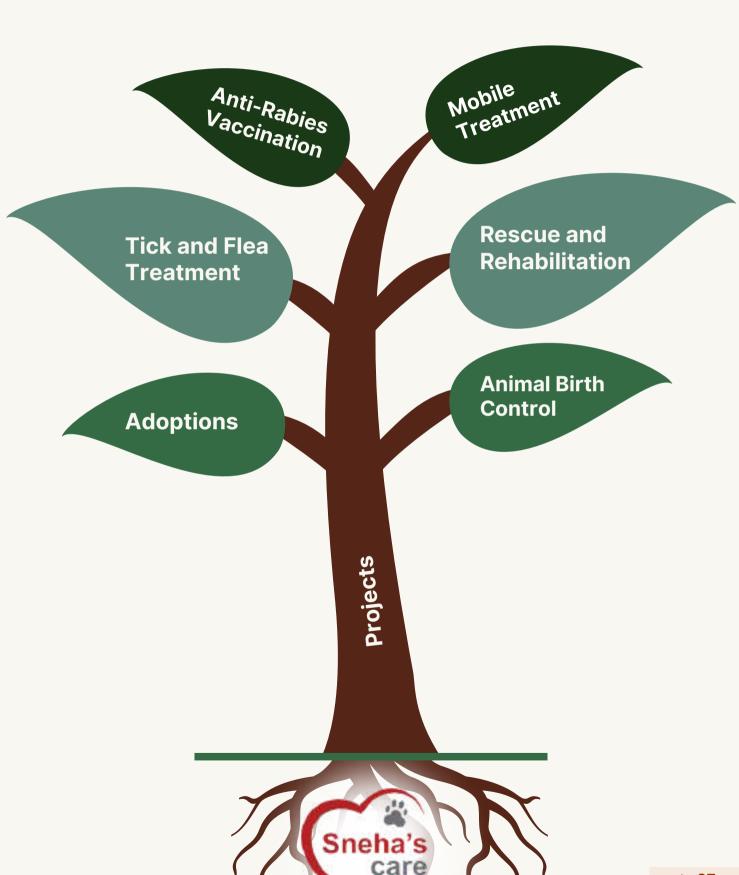


Category	Dog	Cat	Farm
Community	64	3	0
Abandoned	6	1	14
Return	2	0	0
Born in Care	0	0	1
Rabies	4	0	0
Surgery	14	0	0
Aggressive	5	0	1

Category	Dog	Cat	Farm
Adoption	13	1	0
Back to community	53	1	0
Back to owner	1	0	1
Died	50	1	6



## **MAJOR ACTIVITIES**











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Rescuing every animal is not always feasible, but certain cases require urgent, 24-hour care and cannot be addressed in community areas. For such cases, we make every effort to provide help and rescue. Once rescued, the animals receive treatment, rehabilitation, and sterilization. We then look for potential forever homes, and if that's not possible, they are released back to their own community. It is a core principle of Sneha's Care that no dog is ever returned to the community without being sterilized, as we are committed to humane dog population control.

Some cases are particularly heartbreaking, such as animals that have been run over by vehicles and left paralyzed for the rest of their lives. For these animals, we provide permanent housing at our shelter, offering them the care and comfort they need for as long as they live.

While our maximum cases are of dogs, we also receive cases involving other animals. In Nepal, there is a significant problem with abandoned male calves, many of which are left stranded on the streets with no access to food or shelter. We frequently encounter cows who have been hit by vehicles or are suffering from hunger and the cold. These animals, too, are given the care they deserve, offering them relief and safety from the harsh conditions they face.



# HANDLING RABIES SUSPECTED CASES

# 4 dogs 1 cow

Rabies outbreaks pose a significant public health concern and can even lead to epidemics. At Sneha's Care, we understand the critical importance of an immediate and effective response to any rabies-suspected case. The health and safety of both animals and community members are our top priority. We are committed to ensuring that these cases are handled with the utmost care, following proper protocols. We believe that a harmonious coexistence between the community and animals is essential, and we work towards preventing the spread of rabies through responsible management and swift action.









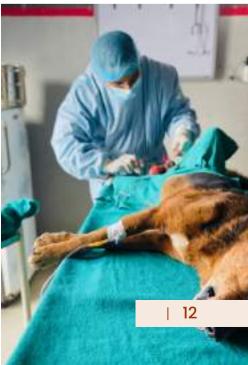
ANIMAL BIRTH CONTROL PROGRAM

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# ANTI-RABIES VACCINATION DRIVES

Sneha's Care is proud to align with the global mission to eliminate rabies by the year 2030. This ambitious goal focuses on widespread vaccination and education to eradicate rabies as a public health threat worldwide. Our Anti-Rabies Vaccination Program is a vital step in this journey, protecting the health of community dogs and preventing the spread of this deadly zoonotic disease.

Rabies is 100% preventable, yet it continues to claim countless lives every year. By vaccinating every community animal annually, we can break the cycle of transmission and move closer to a rabies-free world. Sneha's Care has successfully implemented Animal Birth Control (ABC) and Anti-Rabies Vaccination (ARV) campaigns in Kathmandu Metropolitan City and conducted mass vaccination drives across various wards of Lalitpur Metropolitan City.





















### The Drivers of our Effort





Local Government

Chance for Nepal

Our own Initiative









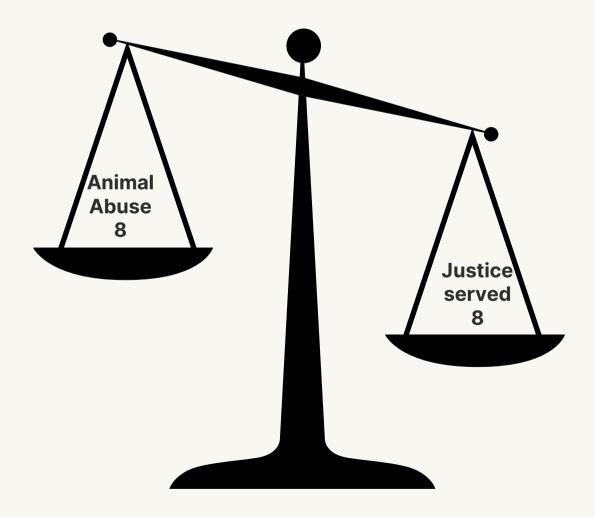
### **TICK AND FLEA TREATMENTS**





### **CASES OF ANIMAL ABUSE**

Despite living in the 21st century, cases of animal abuse remain alarmingly high. We frequently receive calls from concerned citizens about plans to poison or kill dogs, and the reasons behind these actions are often disturbingly irrational. When we investigate these situations, the justifications given are absurd, such as dogs barking too much, watching people eat their food, or following them around. These explanations reflect a lack of understanding and compassion for animals, highlighting the need for more education on animal rights and the importance of humane treatment. At Sneha's Care, we are committed to addressing these cases, providing support to animals in need, and raising awareness about the cruelty animals face.





Communication

We received a call about a dog collapsed on a roadside with severe bleeding.



#### Response

Our team rushed to the site and consulted with the locals on the abuse.

# Kirtipur Dog Abuse Case of 2024

Story of "Hope"

Hope got a second chance at life and spent her remaining days surrounded by love and care at Sneha's Care before peacefully crossing the rainbow bridge.



#### Rescue

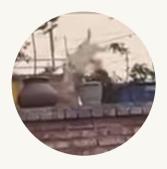
Hope was then rushed back to the shelter for treatment. She was transferred to AMC then for further specialized treatment.





#### **Culprit Mapping**

We mapped the culprit with the help of local supporters and lawfully detained him for the crime he committed.



Toffee was a pet dog, but abused everyday by his owner.



# Let's have a look at Toffee's Journey



We found someone wiling to adopt Toffee.



## NATE JOURNEYS

Every animal entering Sneha's Care begins a unique journey. Despite varied paths, we are dedicated to each ones welfare. 13 dogs and 1 cat got adopted this year.



We gained his trust day by day and worked on rehabilitating him and worked on his trauma healing.





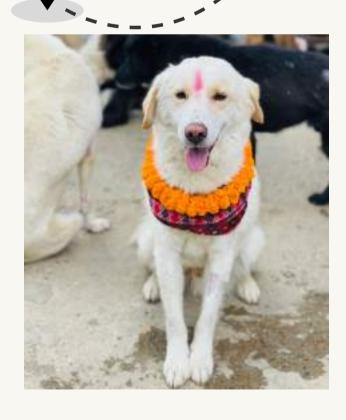
Toffee went to his forever home with other furry friends.





Travelled from Nepal







"Every paw entering Sneha's Care brings a tale of sorrow, but every paw leaving carries a heart full of love and a life renewed with care."



### **PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS**

Compassion and Plant-Based Education Sessions

**ABC and ARV Campaigns** 

Live Animal Transportation Inspection

**New Sanctuary** 

**Animals in Disaster** 

Bloodless Gadhimai Campaign

# INSPECTIONS ON LIVE ANIMAL TRANSPORTATION

We are committed to improving the welfare of animals, including buffaloes, goats, sheep, and chickens, transported to the valley for slaughter. We have been continually advocating for the amendment in the penalty system of existing Live Animal Transportation Standard, 2064 with the Department of Livestock Services, Department of Animal Quarantine and the concerned government bodies of the Nepal Government. Our inspections at the Naghdhunga Checkpoint, a major entry point to Kathmandu, revealed alarming conditions, such as overcrowding, lack of food and water for over 27 hours, and severe injuries due to improper handling. In one instance, a buffalo was near collapse from pain and suffocation, prompting our team to intervene and arrange for better transport. We ensure to educate the truck drivers and traders about the minimum standard they must meet while transporting live animals. While we continue to monitor, advocate, and raise voice against the cruelty these animals face during transport, we urge authorities to enact strict regulations to prevent such inhumane treatment and ensure the well-being of animals in transit.









# COMPASSION AND PLANT-BASED EDUCATION SESSIONS

At Sneha's Care, we believe veganism is key to a sustainable future.

Aim

To educate students about the benefits of a plant-based diet, raise awareness of animal cruelty, and highlight the positive impacts of veganism on health and the environment.

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#### **Topics Addressed**

Nutritional completeness of vegan diets and the hidden suffering endured by animals in food production. Connection between plant-based diets and disease prevention, environmental benefits of veganism, including reduced deforestation, water pollution, and greenhouse gas emissions.

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### **Q&A Segment**

The sessions ended with a Q&A segment, and feedback from students and school management highlighted the value of these programs in fostering moral awareness, as animal welfare topics are absent in the curriculum.

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### **Animal Welfare**

Discussion on the "Five Freedoms of Animal Welfare" and the current state of animal welfare in Nepal. A documentary by Sneha's Care, depicting the inhumane transportation of buffaloes, left a strong impression, as did discussions on the issue of religious animal sacrifices. These visual and factual presentations encouraged compassion and empathy.

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#### Misconception Clarrification

Misconceptions about animal products being essential for nutrition were clarified by showcasing plant-based alternatives through the "Plate Method" for balanced diets.







### ANIMALS IN DISASTER

### Flood and Landslide Response

The disastrous floods and landslides had hit various places of Nepal on September 27th and 28th which resulted into a devastating condition. The destruction was unimaginable. Roads had vanished beneath flowing waters, highways were blocked by heavy landslides, and even homes in the city have been submerged, affecting numerous lives leading to 244 deaths. Thousands of animals had been displaced from their homes, animals living on the streets, farmed animals left behind and more.



In challenging times like these, Sneha's Care firmly believes in the power of timely response and treatment. With urgency and determination, our entire team mobilized for rescue, bracing ourselves for the worst. The Nakkhu area, severely impacted by the flood, is home to numerous farms along the riverbank. As a result, countless pigs, goats, and other animals were displaced and scattered across the residential areas.



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Affected animals were rescued



Animals were provided with medical attention

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Dead animals were traced and buried respectfully following safety measures





Sample Survey on Animal Losses amongst the locals in the area were conducted.



Consultation and Rehabilitation Support were provided to the affected.



Relief aids were distributed to sustain and treat all the affected farm animals with the support of Lalitpur Metropolitan City.











Aside from the impacts of the flood outside our shelter, we also faced a devastating loss within the shelter.

The extreme amount of rainfall and landslide had damaged our isolation zone making it unlivable for the animals residing there.

The flood also damaged our entire food storage, including supplies for both our farm animals and dogs. Additionally, our clinic also suffered significant damage.

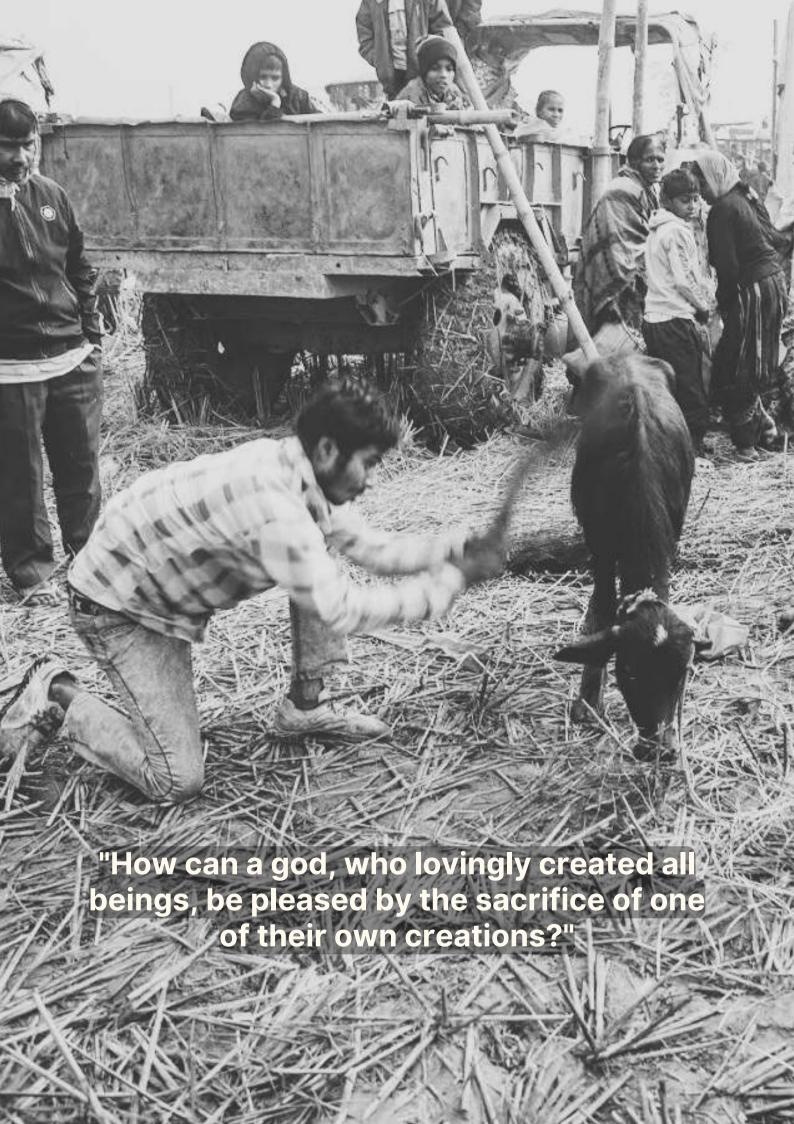
Despite the destruction, we are incredibly grateful that all our animals remained safe during the flood. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our invaluable supporters, whose generosity enabled us to treat and rescue animals, replenish their food supplies, and restore our clinic and isolation zone. Your support made a tremendous difference during this challenging time.











# BLOODLESS GADHIMAI CAMPAIGN 2024

The Gadhimai festival is a Hindu celebration held every five years at the Gadhimai Temple in Bariyarpur, located in Bara District, near the Indo-Nepal border. This event, primarily observed by the Madhesi community, has been historically known for its large-scale animal sacrifices, including water buffaloes, pigs, goats, chickens, and pigeons, which were offered to Gadhimai, the goddess of power.

Despite our long-term campaign, advocacy, and awareness efforts, the Gadhimai festival on December 9th and 10th witnessed the sacrifice of 4,200 buffaloes and thousands of goats. This festival is a tragic display of blind faith and cruelty.



### **Major Activities**

#### Street Drama

With a social message not to participate in sacrificing animals. Rather, one can make wish and opt for alternative peaceful offerings like coconuts and ash gourds instead of offering lives of the innocent animals.



Around 100 participants from the village attended the event where the speaker raised awareness about animal welfare, promote violence free Gadhimai festival, and advocate for animal rights.

#### Formation of various groups

We selected 1 animal welfare defender, 1 Animal Welfare Group of women and 1 youth each in 16 municipalities in Bara district for advocacy and facilitation. We also cformed a border watch group to monitor the transportation of animals from India to Nepal from mid-September until the sacrifice that took place in December.

#### Rescues and Rehabilitation

On the days leading to the sacrifice, we monitored the animals brought in , stopped them at the Nepal-Indo border and handed the animals to local shelters. We also build pigeon houses to support their conservation and provide for their basic needs.



#### Peace Rally

We vocalized slogans for animal welfare and promoting peaceful alternatives to animal sacrifices in both Kathmandu and Bara.

Discussion on Effective Implementation of the Supreme Court's Mandamus on Gadhimai Festival

The promotion of compassion and non-violence, and by holding relevant stakeholders from the ministries, departments, concerned institutions accountable for their roles, the movement towards a bloodless Gadhimai Festival gained momentum.

#### **School Education**

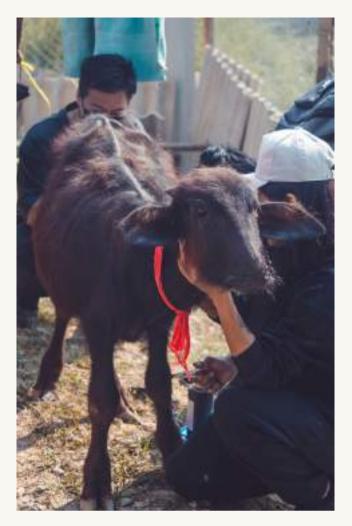
FAWN selected two government schools in all of the 16 municipalities in the Bara district. Schools in the sacrifice-prone villages were prioritized. One teacher from 32 selected schools had been trained to lead as school focal person to teach animal welfare, anti-sacrifice, and alternate sacrifice for six months.





### SURVIVORS OF THE GADHIMAI MELA









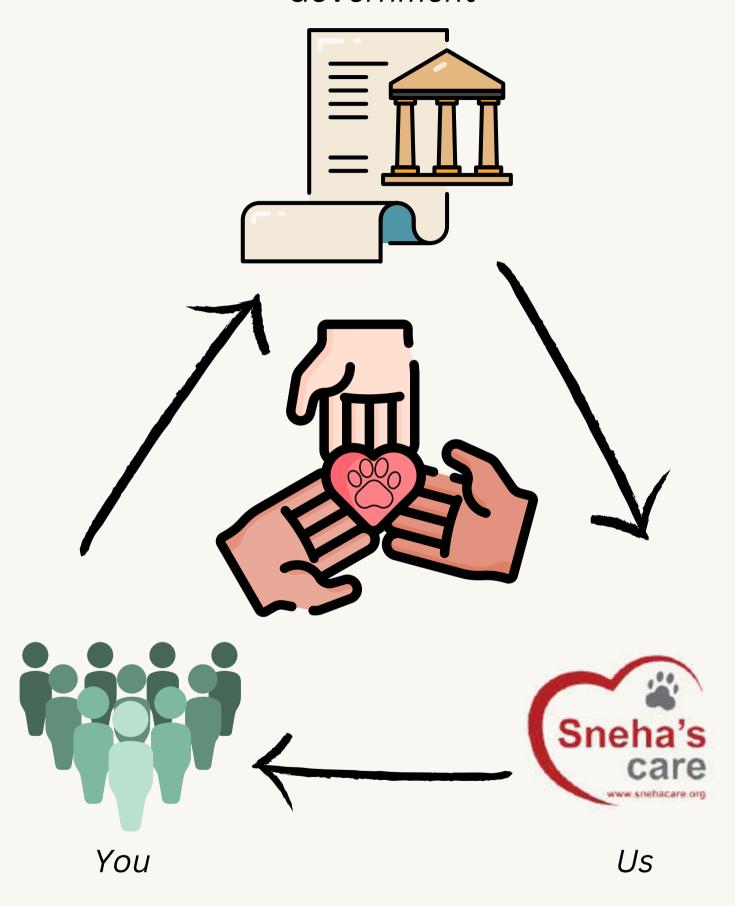




"All beings tremble before violence. All fear death. All love life. See yourself in others. Then whom can you hurt? What harm can you do?"

— Dhammapada, Verse 129

#### Government



"When we unite, we create a powerful force for change, bringing hope, care, and welfare to every animal in need."

## ADVOCACY AND AWARENESS EFFORTS

### Protest to raise awareness: Wildlife conservation and welfare









On April 2, 2024, a peaceful protest was held at the WWF headquarters to raise awareness about ending animal cruelty and promoting wildlife welfare.

The event highlighted the tragic deaths of three tigers at Parsa National Park within five months, attributed to restrictive enclosures and inadequate management. We along with other protestors emphasized the urgent need for better conservation practices to prevent further losses of endangered species.

With banners reading "Stop Animal Cruelty" and "Tigers Belong to the Wild, Not Captivity," the demonstration called for effective wildlife management and a united effort to protect animals and their natural habitats.

#### Dairy Farm Animal Standards set in Lumbini Province

The Ministry of Agriculture and Land Management Lumbini Province in collaboration with Sneha's Care has successfully introduced the Dairy Animal Welfare Standards in Lumbini Province. This standard aims to bring an end to the cruelty that the dairy animals are facing. Our collective aspiration is to ensure that every single dairy animal receives the care, respect, and humane treatment they rightfully deserve.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the Honorable Minister, Mr. Bhandari Lal Yadav, and the esteemed Secretary, Mrs. Namrata Singh, for their dedication in addressing the critical issue of dairy animal welfare and the profound positive impact it has on the lives of these farm animals. This initiative reflects a commitment to animal welfare and sustainable farming in Lumbini province, promising a more compassionate future for dairy animals. Our goal is to ensure that every dairy animal receives the care and respect they deserve, adhering to the 5 Freedoms of Animal Welfare.

Our team visited Lumbini Province and conducted a media briefing/stakeholder awareness session in Lumbini Province, engaging with media personnel, farmers, industries, and stakeholders to promote dairy animal welfare standards. Together, we can create a brighter future for dairy animals and foster a culture of kindness and empathy in our communities.









### Inclusion of stakeholders in Animal Welfare Act







Workshop with animal welfare professionals







**Central Level Quarantine Coordination Meeting** 







Discussion to discourage animal sacrifice in Nepal



"Compassion begins when we see the world through their eyes and understand the silent stories they long to share."

# Yearly events.

VegFest 2024



World Animal Day Celebration



World Rabies Day Celebration



**Kukur Tihar** 



**Gai Tihar** 



**Play Furr Paws** 





## VEGFEST. March 2 2024





More than 2500 event

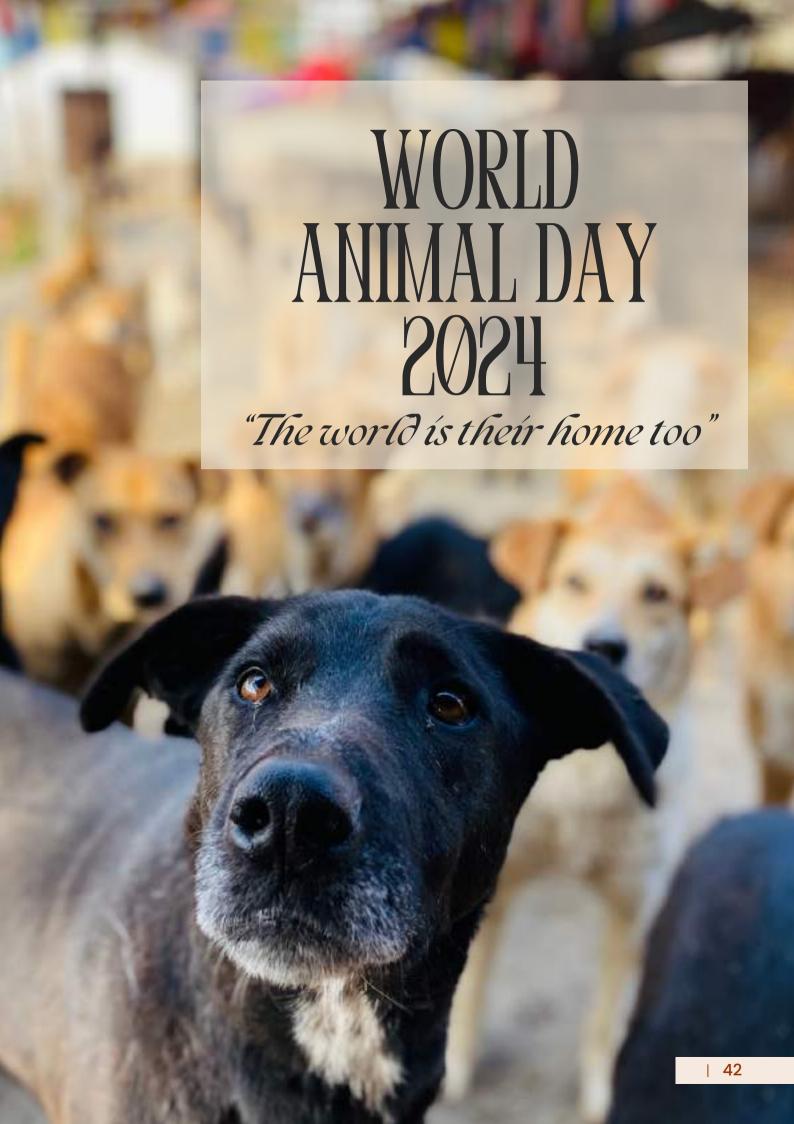
Celebration of **Plant-Based** Living."



One of the largest vegan gatherings in the city, celebrated plant-based living and promoted healthier. compassionate lifestyles. The event featured live music, cultural performances, a screening of Ma ka Dudha, yoga sessions, a vibrant vegan food court, cooking demonstrations, and showcases of vegan recipes and local plant-based products, inspiring a shift toward sustainability and wellness.



**Product Stalls** 



As part of our celebrations, we conducted humane education programs in local schools, focusing on veganism and its impact on animal welfare and the environment. These sessions aimed to foster compassion by highlighting how adopting a plant-based diet contributes to ethical treatment of animals and a healthier planet.

**Humane Education Session** 



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#### World Rabies Day

On September 28th, Sneha's Care marked World Rabies Day with an Anti-Rabies Vaccination Campaign. With support from Lalitpur Metropolitan City and the Division of Animal Services, we vaccinated 156 community dogs across Wards 14 and 15 in Lalitpur, protecting them from rabies and reducing risks for humans.

Additionally, our participation in the inception meeting by the Department of Livestock Services reinforced collaborative efforts to create a rabies-free future for communities.



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Flood and Landslide hit Nepal















## KUKUR TIHAR

Flagshíp annual event of Sneha's Care

























When every farm animal under our care is worshipped

















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## PLAY FURR PAWS

Play Furr Paws is a vibrant annual musical fundraising event by Sneha's Care that brings together animal lovers and music enthusiasts. The event celebrates the bond between humans and animals while raising essential funds for animal welfare.

This year's focus was on supporting the construction of a new sanctuary in Khokana, which will provide a safe and nurturing environment for animals in need. By fostering community engagement and raising awareness, Play Furr Paws aims to make a lasting impact on both the animals' lives and the broader community, advancing the cause of compassion and care.











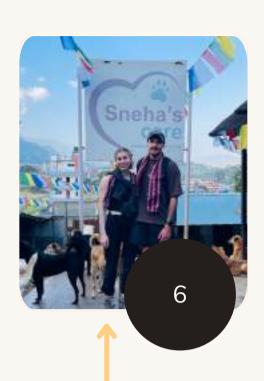




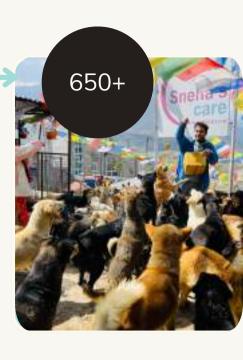








CASUAL VISITORS



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NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS



INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS



## **Projection for 2025**

Activities	Total Units
Spaying/Neutering of community dogs and cats	3000
Anti-Rabies Vaccination of community dogs and cats	10,000
Mobile Treatment	1500+
Sheltering of animals	50
Treatment of community dog in shelter	1000
New Sanctuary construction	1
Vegan Festival	1
Plant-Based Education Sessions	200
Advocacy against inhumane long distance live animal transportation	50
Chef Training	4 batches
Yearly Celebrations	20



