

2022

ANNUAL
REPORT



WVS
WORLDWIDE VETERINARY SERVICE

BECAUSE EVERY ANIMAL MATTERS



FROM THE CEO

2022 was an incredibly exciting year for our organisation! Our dedicated teams across the globe remained steadfast in their commitment to improving the lives of animals and raising the standard of animal care worldwide.

In April, I had the honour of joining our team in the Galápagos Islands as we opened a brand new clinic to promote animal health, population management, and wildlife conservation. Through our outreach projects around the world, we've been providing a lifeline for animals in need, delivering vital services, and contributing to conservation through veterinary care. Our expert teams have been treating wildlife, monitoring endangered species, and working tirelessly to reduce the impact that humans and domesticated animals have on wild animals.

As travel restrictions eased, our work accelerated on all fronts. In total, we expertly treated an impressive 62,393 animals, with thousands more benefiting indirectly from the veterinary care we provided. We performed 25,136 sterilisation surgeries, administered 34,538 vaccinations, sent 478 aid parcels to 175 animal charities globally, and directly treated 6,072 working animals. But it's not just about treating individual animals. It's also crucial to ensure effective care can be continued after treatment. That's why our interventions were supported by educational workshops for owners and training for local veterinary professionals.

At our International Training Centres, we delivered world-class surgical training to 586 vet students and professionals, and we trained a further 609 vets through our All-Terrain Clinic, Taskforce, and outreach programmes. Our WVS Academy, which provides free online resources for the global veterinary community, continued to grow and enabled us to reach more vets this year than ever before. We also trained 1,058 veterinary assistants and non-veterinary participants, such as animal handlers.

None of this would be possible without the incredible dedication of our staff, volunteers, partners, and donors. You all go above and beyond for animals every single day of the year, and we are so grateful for your support!

While it's important to acknowledge our successes, we also recognise that there is still so much work to be done before every animal has access to the care they need. I am confident that with your unwavering support, we will make 2023 an even bigger and better year for animal welfare.

Thank you for being a vital part of our mission.

Let's keep rocking on!

Luke

Dr Luke Gamble BVSc DVM&S FRCVS
Founder & CEO, Worldwide Veterinary Service

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ON THE FRONTLINE OF ANIMAL WELFARE

Fighting for a world where every animal receives the care they deserve.

All over the globe animals face unbelievable hardship and lack even the most basic level of care. Whether living in a busy city or a remote rural landscape, many live in constant danger of malnutrition, disease, injury and mistreatment. In many of these cases, the animals have no one to turn to in their time of need and are forced to suffer in silence.

This is where we step in.

Worldwide Veterinary Service (WVS) deliver much-needed veterinary aid all over the world. We are on a mission to help animals in places where no one else can. Since 2003, we have been at the forefront of animal welfare. Every day of the year, we are deploying vets to where they are needed most, shipping urgent veterinary supplies, and training veterinary professionals to improve the standard of care globally.

THERE IS NOWHERE WE WON'T GO FOR AN ANIMAL IN NEED

Here's how your support impacted the lives of thousands of animals around the world in 2022.

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1,195
VETS AND VET
STUDENTS
TRAINED

A WVS vet treats hundreds of animals during a year, but to us, every single patient is just as important as the next. Every life counts, and we know that for them, the veterinary care they have received, has changed their whole world.

Keep reading to discover more about how your support has transformed the lives of animals across the globe during 2022.



CARE BEYOND BORDERS

As well as treating animals at our International Training Centres and outreach projects, we also support charities and non-governmental organisations around the globe by sending volunteers, medication, and supplies. Any species, any location, we are here to help.

Thanks to the support of our dedicated partners, donors, and volunteers, we make an impact globally, reaching the animals who need us the most.



GALÁPAGOS



GOA



TAMIL NADU



MALAWI



CHIANG MAI

- INTERNATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES 
- AID PARCELS 
- PARTNER CHARITIES 
- OUTREACH PROJECTS 

BLANTYRE
Malawi

CHIANG MAI
Thailand

GOA
India

SANTA CRUZ
Galápagos Islands

TAMIL NADU
India



EDUCATION IS EVERYTHING

At our five International Training Centres (ITCS), we deliver world-class training for veterinary professionals.

Our training empowers both local and international vets with the knowledge, skills and confidence to treat animals and complete surgical procedures, raising the standard of care and ensuring effective practices can be continued into the future.

Through education, we are improving animal welfare globally.

In many places around the world, opportunities for vets and veterinary professionals to develop their skills can be incredibly limited. To raise the standard of care and reach more animals in need, we offer expert training at our ITCS located in India, Thailand, Malawi and the Galápagos Islands.

Our surgical training courses provide a valuable opportunity for vets to hone their animal birth control techniques, gain practical experience with challenging cases, and to learn best practice in animal welfare. Our centres also host a number of specialist courses with topics ranging from ophthalmology to dentistry.

1,195
VETS
TRAINED

124
COURSES
RUN



BASICS OF OPHTHALMOLOGY WORKSHOP WITH SPECIALIST, DR. KASTURI BHASAVLE, AT OUR CENTRE IN GOA.

PARTICIPANT TESTIMONIALS



As a vet, I think it's an essential training programme for both recent graduate vets and vet students. Even if you have basic surgical knowledge, it is not just about the right incision, time management, and good suturing practice, but it is about the surgical protocol that has a huge impact on the success of the surgery.

Dr Rabina Prajapati

I am not only thankful for the knowledge and skills I received here, but also the confidence that developed in me. In addition, the lectures on rational antibiotic use, fluid therapy, animal welfare and rabies were very helpful.

Dr. Ayusha Shrestha

I sincerely thank the entire team for making the training a wonderful learning experience. The training as well as the hospitality I received was beyond my expectations. I will miss the positivity of this environment. At the same time, the lead vets have inspired me to contribute towards animal welfare.

Dr. Aadish Balouria



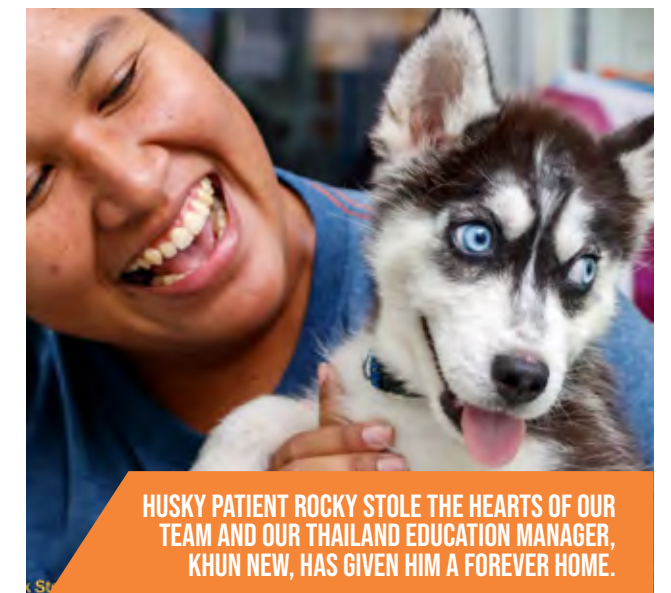
1,058
NON-VETS
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24
SPECIALIST
COURSES
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RESCUE, REHABILITATE, REHOME

Alongside training, our ITCS provide refuge for many challenging veterinary cases. We treat animals from far and wide, with many coming from places where no other care is available. From treatment through to finding the right home, we ensure every patient receives excellent loving care.

318
ANIMALS
REHOMED
AT OUR ITCS



HUSKY PATIENT ROCKY STOLE THE HEARTS OF OUR TEAM AND OUR THAILAND EDUCATION MANAGER, KHUN NEW, HAS GIVEN HIM A FOREVER HOME.

CHAMPIONING ANIMAL WELFARE WHEREVER WE GO

484 SCHOOLS VISITED

35,640 CHILDREN EDUCATED

5,775 COMMUNITY MEMBERS EDUCATED

Wherever we work in the world, engaging the communities in animal welfare topics is incredibly important.

We work with schools and universities, as well as animal owners and the general public, to provide educational sessions, workshops, support and guidance. We see first hand the shocking consequences when people don't understand what animals need. We tackle the root cause of poor animal welfare by promoting responsible ownership and helping communities understand animals better. We work with schools and universities, as well as animal owners and the general public, to provide educational sessions, workshops, support and guidance.

INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION

When taught about animal welfare from a young age, children are much more likely to form a healthy relationship with animals in the future.



VISITING SCHOOLS ACROSS INDIA TO TEACH CHILDREN ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF ANIMAL WELFARE AND RABIES PREVENTION.



OUR SUMMER EDUCATION PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOLS ON THE ISLAND OF SANTA CRUZ IN THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS.



EDUCATIONAL ANIMAL WELFARE SESSIONS AT SCHOOLS IN CHIANG MAI, THAILAND.



The Young Vets Club was created to inspire young animal lovers around the world.

It teaches children about animal welfare with updates from our global projects as well as fun educational activities to get involved in.

Find out more at youngvetsclub.com.

EDUCATION CREATES A BETTER FUTURE FOR ANIMALS AND PEOPLE.

By reaching more schools and communities, we can strengthen this unique relationship – benefitting all.

WVS TASKFORCE

The WVS Taskforce was formed to make a lasting improvement to the lives of animals living in areas that currently lack veterinary care. We do that by supporting not only individuals, but entire organisations – local governments, veterinary colleges, and fellow charities – working on the frontline of animal welfare. In 2022, our experienced team of Taskforce vets travelled across India to run surgical training courses, vaccination campaigns, and promote One Health initiatives within communities.

“The training was very helpful and I learned a lot from it. Thank you to the WVS team for teaching us new techniques that are so beneficial for me and the animals.”
Dr Jashan Sing

45 VETS / VET ASSISTANTS TRAINED

696 ANIMALS VACCINATED

633 ANIMALS STERILISED



DOG POPULATION SURVEYS

“Thank you for giving us another opportunity to work with and learn from one of the best in the field. We are extremely grateful to collaborate with WVS and work on a systematic process to improve the situation here in Coimbatore.”
Kesica J, Managing Trustee, Dogs of Coimbatore

WVS, working with the University of Edinburgh, has been running dog population studies in Goa, India, for the last two years. These studies are providing ground-breaking insights into understanding the forces that govern dog reproduction, the relationships between humans and free-roaming dogs, and ecological approaches to assessing dog populations.

In May 2022, we launched the WVS Taskforce team for Dog Population Management. The WVS Taskforce ran training courses in May and September 2022 in Coimbatore, India. They delivered presentations on the concepts of dog population management and rabies control, how to conduct dog sight surveys on transect routes, and how to use the WVS Data Collection App.



A LIFELINE FOR WORKING EQUINES

Many equines around the world work long hours, in incredibly challenging conditions, for the people who rely on them day in, day out.

Without proper veterinary care, which many owners don't have access to or simply can't afford, the work can take a huge toll on the animals. To help prevent needless suffering, we provide free veterinary treatment to equines, support and advice for their owners, and run equine training courses for vets to improve local knowledge.

6,072
WORKING
EQUINES
REACHED

TREATING DONKEYS IN MOZAMBIQUE

In Mozambique in South East Africa, we deliver free vet care, support, and guidance, within the communities. By teaching owners how to clean a wound, correctly fit a harness, and look after the health of their donkeys, we can help ensure the animals have the best possible future. Owners want to do the absolute best for their animal but that's impossible without the right knowledge, and exceedingly difficult without resources. Our mobile clinics lend a helping hand, improve the lives of their donkeys, and improve their livelihoods too. In 2022, 4,143 working donkeys were attended to by our vets, and 957 owners received advice or training on how best to look after their animal's welfare. Our clinics also serve as practical training for the vet students at the University of Maputo.



EQUINE TRAINING COURSES IN INDIA

In Tamil Nadu, India, we run regular training for local vets to learn best practice in equine health and welfare. The courses, supported by Welttierschutzgesellschaft (WTG), provide a valuable opportunity to learn from experienced equine specialists on a range of topics, from farriery to teeth rasping. For the hard-working horses and donkeys in India, having access to this vital veterinary care can vastly improve their quality of life, and prevent them from suffering in silence. During 2022, we provided training for 33 vets on our equine courses in India, equipping them with essential skills to effectively treat working equines.



WORKING WITH UNIVERSITIES

For many veterinary students and newly qualified vets, opportunities can be limited for practical equine experience. By working with universities, we can provide theoretical and practical equine training, equipping students with knowledge on the common conditions seen in practice. During July and August of 2022, we ran training for 119 final year veterinary students at universities across Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Zambia and Namibia.





AT WORK FOR WILDLIFE

Veterinary care is essential for protecting wildlife.

Whether it is through directly treating injured animals, supporting tracking and anti-poaching efforts, or reducing the impact domesticated animals have on wildlife, we are working hard to protect wildlife and endangered species around the world.

TREATING WILDLIFE FROM OUR VETERINARY CARE UNIT IN THE MAJETE WILDLIFE RESERVE

In Malawi, our Veterinary Care Unit (VCU) is situated within one of African Park's greatest conservation success stories – the Majete Wildlife Reserve. Around 20 years ago, before African Parks took over the management, the reserve was almost completely devoid of wildlife from years of poaching. Thankfully, today the park is a place where the wildlife thrives and many species which have been reintroduced. We're proud to support the park's conservation efforts by treating sick and injured animals at our VCU. We also support wildlife tracking and monitoring, and provide veterinary care for the park's anti-poaching dogs. Whether fitting GPS collars on lions or treating sick pangolins rescued from poachers, we're on hand to ensure expert care is delivered to any animal that needs our help.



PROTECTING THE WILDLIFE, PETS AND PEOPLE OF THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

In the heavily protected Galápagos Islands, domesticated species can unwittingly threaten the delicate ecosystems they live amongst. Based on the Island of Santa Cruz, the Galápagos Animal Doctors project is helping to restore the balance of nature on the Galápagos Islands by promoting animal health, welfare, sterilisation, and responsible ownership. Our veterinary teams completed 590 sterilisation surgeries, 107 other surgeries, and visited 18 local animal shelters to provide veterinary care. Animal welfare talks and workshops were delivered within the local community, with over 170 school children reached during the summer education programme.

DURING 2022
1,868 animals were treated by the Galápagos Animal Doctors team.



CONSERVATION THROUGH VET CARE IN THE MUDUMALAI TIGER RESERVE

In the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, located in Nilgiris district in Tamil Nadu, outbreaks of diseases such as canine distemper and rabies pose a threat to the domestic animals, wildlife, and people. These diseases are passed from unvaccinated dogs to endangered species such as tigers, panthers, and wild dogs. Therefore, the vaccination and sterilisation of the local dog populations is vital to prevent outbreaks. With limited access to veterinary care in the area, we visit villages along the reserve's border to provide essential veterinary care to the domestic animals. The outreach team delivered 1,399 vaccinations and surgically sterilised 215 dogs during April and May of 2022. This project, run in partnership with Durga Wildlife Fund and the Forest Department, improves the health of domestic dogs – protecting them, protecting wildlife, and protecting the community.





COMBATING OVERPOPULATION AND DEADLY DISEASES

At our International Training Centres and through our outreach projects, tackling overpopulation and disease is a vital part of our mission.

The veterinary care we provide goes beyond helping the animals treated on the day. Our large-scale spay and neuter campaigns, alongside mass vaccination, are an incredibly effective way to improve the health and welfare of the whole population. Here are just some of the ways we worked to combat overpopulation and disease in 2022.



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SALVATION FOR THE DOGS OF SAL

On the island of Sal, Cape Verde, the majority of dogs, including pets, are allowed to roam free. With incredibly limited access to veterinary care, uncontrolled breeding led to fighting over the limited supplies of food, causing outbreaks of disease and wide-spread starvation. We ran a sterilisation outreach programme alongside local organisations, Movimento Civil para as Comunidades Responsáveis and Projeto Biodiversidade, delivering 666 sterilisation surgeries, responding to emergency cases, and raising awareness of the importance of humane population control.

A LIFELINE IN LAMPANG

In Lampang, Thailand, a single 2km strip of land became a dumping ground for unwanted dogs for more than ten years. Uncontrolled breeding resulted in traffic accidents, fighting over food, and painful, unnecessary deaths. To stop the uncontrolled breeding and improve the animals' quality of life, we ran an outreach project where 139 dogs received spay or neuter surgeries from our expert vets. We were delighted to see that the project also inspired further action within the local community.



THE JAMTSE PROJECT

In the Tibetan settlements of Bylakuppe in Karnataka, India, there is limited access to veterinary care. We provide humane population control surgeries and an anti-rabies programme for the animals of the community. As 99% of human rabies deaths are caused by an infected dog bite, vaccinating the dog population saves both canine and human lives. During 2022, our vets at the Jamtse Project performed 1,322 sterilisation surgeries and administered 1,997 life-saving rabies vaccinations.





ALL-TERRAIN CLINIC

Delivering expert care and training across India in our mobile veterinary hospital.

Our All-Terrain Clinic enables us to travel across India, to locations where veterinary care may be limited or even non-existent, and deliver Animal Birth Control surgeries and surgical training. The clinic is completely self-sufficient and provides the perfect space to learn world-class surgical techniques and practice them under the guidance of our vets. By providing local vets with essential skills to humanely manage animal populations within their communities, we can reduce overpopulation and the suffering that comes with it.

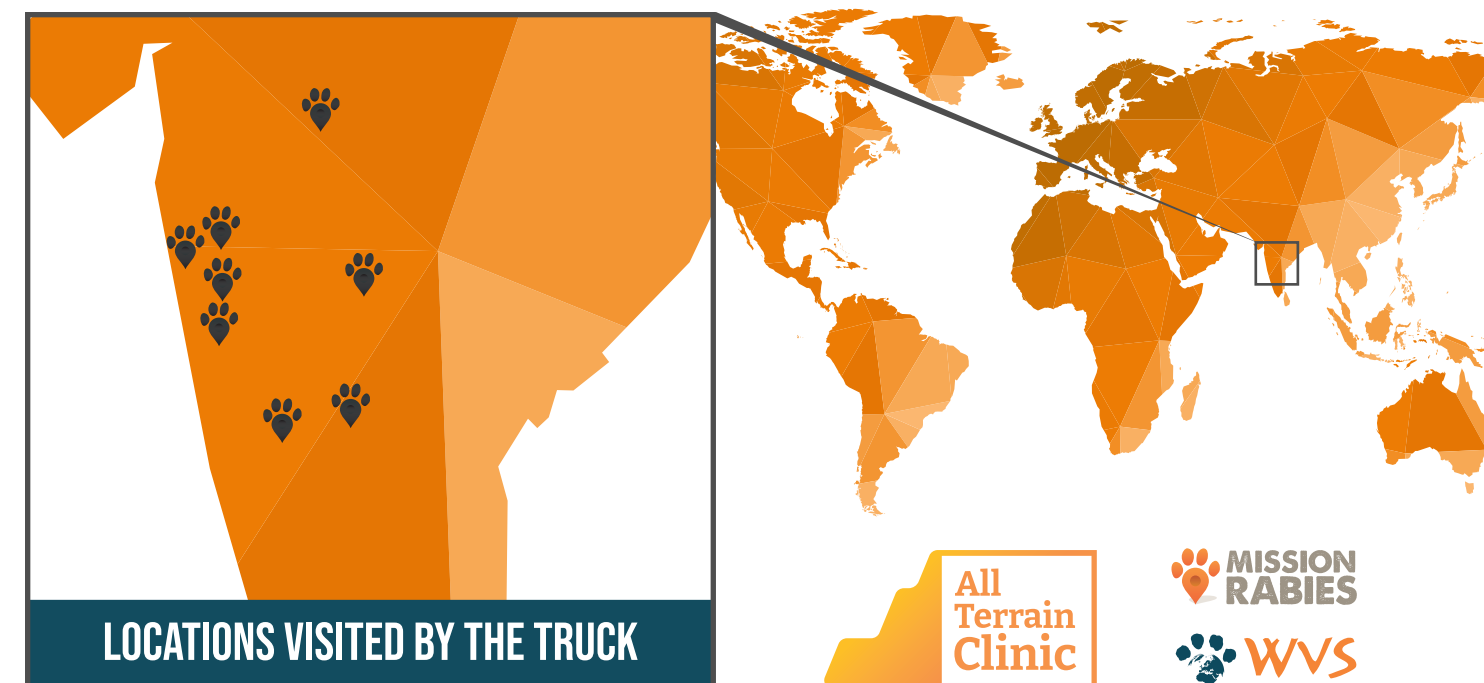
During 2022, our All-Terrain Clinic team ran 22 training courses across India, many in remote hard-to-reach places. Murbad taluka, Maharashtra, was one the most challenging of locations visited during the year, settled in the natural depression of the Sahyadri Hills. Here, we partnered with PAWS Murbad to deliver 2 surgical training courses for 8 vets and sterilisation surgeries were performed on 93 dogs.



A LOOK INSIDE THE CLINIC

The clinic is equipped with a digital x-ray, ultrasound scanner, microscope, and an operating theatre which can handle and treat a variety of cases. Alongside administering vaccinations and performing sterilisation surgeries, the clinic is a base for our vets to treat sick or injured animals in need of help.

“
Extremely valuable. Great learning experience. Thank you so much for an amazing course! I learned so much.
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Dr Kapil



OUR PATIENTS

Animal welfare is at the heart of what we do.

Our vets see many horrific cases of neglect and mistreatment, treating animals with severe injuries or cruel diseases, and those who simply have no one to turn to. The expert veterinary care we provide is life-changing, giving these animals a chance to not only survive their ordeal, but to go on and thrive. On these pages, discover the stories of Bonnie, Maya, Mimi and Mika and how access to expert veterinary care has given them a happier, healthier and more hopeful future.

THAILAND

A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR BONNIE

Bonnie, a sweet 7-month-old stray puppy, was found within the Chiang Mai University Campus with visible damage to her eye. Our vets examined Bonnie and her symptoms indicated that she was suffering with a bad case of glaucoma, which is caused by fluid build up in the eye and can damage the optic nerve. Because of the severity of the glaucoma, Bonnie had become blind in one eye and it was causing her a lot of pain. The initial treatment included a course of

eye drops to reduce the pressure within the eye, before a reassessment to determine if she had any sight in the damaged eye. Unfortunately, Bonnie remained blind in this eye, and an enucleation (eye removal) surgery was required. Thankfully, the surgery went well and Bonnie made a speedy recovery. It was not long before a family came to see her and instantly fell in love. We were delighted to find her a caring home to give her the life she deserves.



INDIA

EX-RACEHORSE MAYA TREATED AFTER SEVERE ROAD COLLISION

In India, working horses and donkeys are often left to roam the streets after a day's work, putting them at a high risk of being injured. Maya, a tourist riding horse in Tamil Nadu, was severely injured during a road traffic collision. She had received some treatment from another vet before being brought to us but unfortunately, by this point, her wounds were infected, the sutures had given up, and she was in a great deal of pain. Our equine field team gave Maya much-needed pain relief and transported her to

IPAN Hill View Farm Animal Refuge for further wound assessment and care. After weeks of extensive wound management from our vets, antibiotics and pain medication, Maya was thankfully on the road to recovery. Cases such as Maya's highlight the need for continued training for veterinarians around the world. WVS training programmes provide opportunities for vets to learn best practice in animal welfare, gain practical experience, and ensure that each patient receives a high standard of care.



MALAWI

A LUCKY ESCAPE FROM POACHERS FOR PANGOLIN MIMI

Pangolins are the most trafficked animal on the planet and when rescued from captivity, their chances of survival are sadly quite slim. Every pangolin's life is precious, and our vets at the Veterinary Care Unit located in Majete Wildlife Reserve, do everything in their power to treat and protect these creatures. Mimi was one pangolin who was rescued from poachers and brought to our vets in need of urgent treatment. When Mimi arrived, she was extremely dehydrated, showing signs of pneumonia and her soft foot pads indicated that she had been in captivity for at least 1 or 2 weeks. Heartbreakingly,

many of the pangolins confiscated from poachers have been kept in sacks and starved without access to water. Our vets treated Mimi with intravenous fluids with added glucose every 12 hours, and she was put on a course of antibiotics. She was incredibly weak, but she was a fighter, and soon she started to explore her surroundings and drink water by herself. Once Mimi's condition was stable, she was transported to a local rehabilitation sanctuary to fully recover and regain her strength. Once back to full health, Mimi was released back into the wild, in a safe location.



GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

MIKA SURVIVES DOG ATTACK IN SANTA CRUZ

A 4-year-old dog named Mika was brought to our Galápagos Animal Doctors clinic a week after being badly attacked by another dog. Mika's owners had attempted to manage Mika's condition themselves; unfortunately, she had deteriorated quickly and was suffering with severe diarrhoea, vomiting, and dehydration. Immediately, an abdominal ultrasound was conducted to rule out more systemic disease or internal trauma, and this confirmed gastroenterocolitis. Mika also had deep, infected wounds on both of her hind limbs with exposed tendons and lots of necrotic

(dead) tissue. Straight away, our vets began pain management, rehydration therapy, antibiotics, wound cleaning, and supportive care to stabilise Mika and reduce the risk of sepsis. Thankfully, after four days of intensive treatment, Mika had turned the corner and her condition was stable enough for her to undergo surgical cleaning of the wounds. Her owners were shown how to manage the wounds at home, and Mika was brought back to the clinic for weekly wound checks. A few weeks later, we were thrilled to see Mika was back to her happy self with her wounds healing very well and no signs of infection.



You can subscribe to our email newsletter for more news, project updates, case studies, volunteering opportunities and more, at [wvs.org.uk/newsletter](https://www.wvs.org.uk/newsletter).



AID PARCELS

Getting veterinary supplies to where they are needed most.

SUPPLIES WORTH
£209,017
SENT

Sending veterinary aid all over the world is at the core of what we do.

Our offer of support is open to non-profit organisations working to care for animals, wherever they are in the world. All species, any condition, and every location – if we can help, we will. Packed with everything from tick and flea treatments to anti-inflammatory pain relief medications, these supplies are vital to many veterinary teams around the world. In 2022, working with our global network of animal welfare charities, we shipped 478 aid parcels to 175 different charities across 70 countries and territories, totalling £209,017 worth of critical veterinary supplies.



PROBIOTICS FOR CHIMPANZEES IN AFRICA

In 2022, we sent 115 boxes of probiotics to Tacugama Chimpanzee Sanctuary located in Sierra Leone in West Africa. These probiotics are given to the resident chimpanzees as a preventative measure to decrease the mortality and the morbidity of the epizootic neurological and gastroenteric syndrome (ENGs) that the Sanctuary deals with every dry season.

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Tacugama Chimpanzee Sanctuary is truly grateful for the probiotics donation that the Worldwide Veterinary Service provided which without it, the execution of the preventative strategies for the ENGs would have been extremely costly and very difficult to carry out.

Tacugama Chimpanzee Sanctuary

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The delivery of these veterinary supplies would not be possible without the generous donations we receive from WVS supporters. All the equipment, medication and supplies we receive makes a huge difference for animals in every corner of the world!

478
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SENT TO



SOUTHERN THAILAND ELEPHANT FOUNDATION, THAILAND.



KABUL SMALL ANIMAL RESCUE IN AFGHANISTAN APPLYING TREATMENT TO A FOUR-LEGGED FRIEND.



LET'S BE S.M.A.R.T., GREECE.



MICROSCOPES IN USE AT SAVE THE DOGS ROMANIA.



ANIMAL RESCUE CAMBODIA.



RESCUE DOGS AT LOVE FOR LOVE BULGARIA PLEASED WITH THEIR SHIPMENT OF FLEA AND TICK TREATMENT.



ROATAN ANIMAL WELFARE CENTER LOCATED ON THE ISLAND OF ROATAN IN THE CARIBBEAN.

Find out about donating medication at go.wvs.org.uk/medication

TRAVEL. VOLUNTEER. CHANGE THE WORLD.

Volunteers are essential to our mission. Every year, we deploy hundreds of volunteers globally to places where animals need our help the most.

From vets to vet nurses, vet students to animal lovers, we send passionate and dedicated volunteers to the project where they can make the greatest impact. Volunteers like Anna, Edric, Ellie, and Melinda, who have all kindly shared their experiences.

MELINDA HOLLINGER, Veterinary Technician

GALÁPAGOS ANIMAL DOCTORS

“The trip was a once in a lifetime opportunity. During our trip, I was able to see all of the legendary animal species. We saw the giant tortoises, the blue footed boobies, the marine iguanas, and a land iguana. We enjoyed the sun, sand, and water of the islands. Snorkelling was amazing. We were able to take in all the flavours of Ecuadorian cuisine. The island culture was lively and fun. I found so much inspiration for future art projects at home in their art galleries. The vacation aspect was so exciting. It was also an eye-opening experience for me as a veterinary technician. I learned that I do take many things for granted in my animal hospital. I have a new appreciation for my anesthetic machines and my blood work machines as well as our readily accessible supplies like needles, syringes, and even leashes. But the trip made me into a stronger technician. I learned how to titrate and monitor total intravenous anesthesia, something that I had never done before. I was pushed out of my comfort zone and was able to experience so much more. I feel so much more confident in my abilities as a technician because I learned my adaptive capabilities in new situations. It really was an incredible experience that I will always remember. It changed my life. My goal is to return someday and do a longer volunteer experience because I gained so much from this experience.”



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ELLIE SHELBURNE, Vet

KARUMBÉ SEA TURTLE PROJECT

“My two weeks were packed full of adventure and a lot of hard work. My typical day involved giving IV fluids to a loggerhead, doing a necropsy to determine that a hawksbill turtle did die of drowning (likely from getting caught in a fisherman’s net), helping my friend Nati do her research which involved flying drones over the ocean to count the numbers of turtles, collecting algae from the rocks along the shore for feeding and even drawing blood from a penguin! Perhaps my favourite activity was releasing tagged turtles back to the ocean, knowing they can live over 80 years and swim huge distances, to Africa, the United States and back to Uruguay. I came away with many memories and a renewed awareness of how many of the things we do can affect the earth and all it’s creatures.”



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ANNA SCHUMANN AND EDRIC CROSS

MAJETE WILDLIFE RESERVE CONSERVATION EXPERIENCE

“Between us we have visited Africa on many occasions and visited many reserves. We have had plenty of memorable encounters both in vehicles and on foot, but it is safe to say that this experience has eclipsed them all. The ability to track wildlife with telemetry obviously helps to remove much of the uncertainty of a typical game drive but Majete is no petting zoo. Encounters with key species are still hard to come by. Hours can be spent with the telemetry and nothing is encountered or seen. Majete is not a first-time safari experience for those wishing to see large herds and the big five. If you are lucky, you can see the big five, but we did not see buffalo. Much of the park remains inaccessible in a vehicle and the roads that are drivable can be difficult or impassable in wet weather as we found. The great joy of the Majete experience for us lay in the small things, the things that you rarely get to see or experience on a typical Safari. In two weeks of Malawi winter we saw or identified signs of 28 mammalian species, recorded over 103 species of birds and over 37 species of butterfly, many of the latter within the confines of the research camp at lunchtime. There were many other creatures and signs to observe if only time had been on our side.”



SUPPORTER SPOTLIGHT

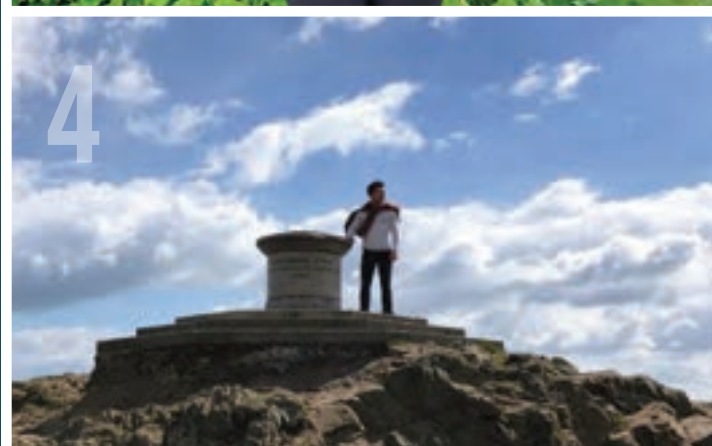
BEHIND EVERY ANIMAL TREATED, IS YOU.

It's thanks to the support of people from far and wide that we're able to send critical supplies, deliver expert training, and provide free veterinary care to animals all over the world. Here are just some of our amazing supporters who lent a hand in 2022.

1. Nicky Daly and Gyles MacLean completed the very difficult Welsh 3000s Challenge
2. Jane Hunter, Ian Paterson and Liz Phillips ran two fantastic fundraising events in Scotland
3. Jennifer Meredith completed the Edinburgh Marathon
4. Thomas Gwynne challenged himself to a 32km run from Gloucester to the Malvern Hills Worcestershire Beacon
5. Welsh vet practice, Mochdre Vets, kindly arranged for their entire team to volunteer at our clinic in Malawi

THANK YOU

to everyone who has donated - from supporting our appeals, making a regular gift, to being a member. None of this life-saving work would be possible without you.



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

BELOW YOU'LL DISCOVER SOME OF THE WAYS YOU CAN HELP ANIMALS IN NEED RECEIVE THE LOVE AND CARE THEY DESERVE.

Donate

Provide life-changing treatment and care by making a donation online at wvs.org.uk/donate.

Donate medication

Donate in date and unused medications, and we'll get the life-saving supplies to where they are needed most. Simply complete our quick online form at wvs.org.uk/donate-medication

Volunteer

Volunteering is incredibly rewarding and a fantastic way to make a big difference to the lives of animals around the world. Find out more at wvs.org.uk/volunteer.

Membership

As a member of WVS, your support will provide free expert care to animals all over the world and you'll also receive some excellent member benefits. Join today as an individual or as a vet practice. Find out more at wvs.org.uk/support-us/membership

Visit our online shop

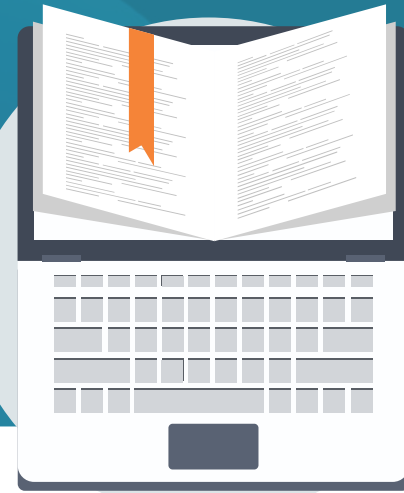
Every sale helps animals in need around the world. Just head to wvshop.org.uk to shop.

Leave a legacy

Leaving a gift in your Will is an incredible and long-lasting way to help animals in need for future generations, even after you're gone. Find out more at wvs.org.uk/support-us/legacy or contact us at fundraising@wvs.org.uk.

Visit wvs.org.uk/support-us to find out all the ways to get involved!

TECHNOLOGY & RESEARCH



THE WVS APP

From conducting animal population surveys to collecting surgical records, the WVS Data Collection App is a powerful tool that helps our teams and other organisations to deliver animal welfare and One Health initiatives efficiently and cost-effectively.

SINCE THE APP LAUNCHED

414,594
SURGICAL
RECORDS
UPLOADED

USED BY
38
ORGANISATIONS
GLOBALLY

3,085,126
VACCINATIONS
RECORDED

APP NEWS

WVS App supports control of TB in UK

In 2022, we began a collaboration with Defra (UK Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) to explore how the use of the WVS App could improve the coordination of badger vaccination in the control of Tuberculosis (TB) in the UK. Use of the WVS App was piloted during the badger vaccination season and we will continue to work with DEFRA to outline expansion of this work in 2023. We are delighted that our App technology is proving beneficial for efforts to improve the welfare of animals, wildlife conservation, and public health in the UK.

WVS App used for mass vaccination campaign in Karnataka

In September 2022, the Government of Karnataka, India, started using the WVS App to enable real-time monitoring of their state-wide mass dog vaccination programme. Over 2,000 vets from across the state were trained to use the App and over 160,000 canine vaccinations were recorded in just one month. This campaign demonstrates how the app can enable governments to improve the monitoring and evaluation of large-scale dog vaccination programmes, ensuring clearer, more transparent reporting of data, which leads to more effective delivery and better targeting of scarce resources.



Accessible online resources for vets worldwide

The WVS Academy provides vets across the world with access to high quality, engaging, relevant and peer-reviewed resources to guide best clinical practice in any setting.

The WVS Academy launched in June 2021, and since then, this growing platform has been visited by over 27,000 unique users around the world.

At ground level, the knowledge and practices of the veterinary sector have a significant impact on food production, disease control, animal welfare and economic prosperity globally. However access to high quality, peer-reviewed educational materials is limited for most vets around the world.

For over 15 years, we have been delivering practical training courses to vets at our International Training Centres, but so much more is needed. By making our educational content available online, we are able to provide on-going support to past participants, as well as extend this access to anyone with an internet connection. We can also broaden our training materials, providing opportunities to educate vets on a wider range of medical and surgical topics in multiple species.

Learn online with us at
wvs.academy



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Working on the Academy site and expanding its content has been a really fun and mentally stimulating way to get involved with WVS, and it has also given me the opportunity to learn about many other aspects of the charity's work. We're all looking forward to seeing how the Academy develops as more vets in resource-limited environments use it to aid in their lifelong learning.

Dr Ben Waites

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MISSION RABIES

240,969
DOGS
VACCINATED

1,020,633
CHILDREN
EDUCATED

Our work to create healthier and more stable animal populations is often done in partnership with our sister charity, Mission Rabies. Like us, they're working 24/7 to protect animals – and ultimately people – from one of the world's deadliest and ancient diseases – rabies.

2022 was a big year for Mission Rabies, with the team hitting some major milestones since being established 9 years ago.

Mission Rabies reached the milestone of 5 million children educated in June, before going on to reach the milestone of 2 million dogs vaccinated in September. These are phenomenal achievements which have helped to protect the lives of so many people and animals living in rabies endemic areas across the globe. In May 2022, Nature Communications published 'Elimination of human rabies in Goa, India through an integrated One Health approach' following the success of Goa becoming the first Indian state to become a 'Rabies Controlled Area'. The paper reveals how Mission Rabies and its partners are setting a blueprint for rabies elimination.



VACCINATE

The aim is to vaccinate at least 70% of a local canine population to break the disease transmission and stop rabies in its tracks.



EDUCATE

It is vital to teach those who are most at risk about rabies, bite wound treatment, and bite prevention.



ELIMINATE

We can reduce the threat through rabies surveillance. We trace human bite cases back to their source, and test and quarantine suspect rabid animals.

To learn more about the work of Mission Rabies, visit missionrabies.com.

INTERNATIONAL RABIES TASKFORCE



We are proud to be a founding partner of the International Rabies Taskforce, a global committee of experts dedicated to the elimination of canine rabies.

The International Rabies Taskforce (IRT) provides practical One Health expertise, resources, and guidance to support governments in planning and growing successful, cost-effective rabies elimination strategies.



Discover more at rabiestaskforce.com.

FINANCES

In 2022, Worldwide Veterinary Service spent £2,121,762 treating animals in desperate need and improving the standard of veterinary care globally. This was an increase of 17% from 2021 and demonstrates the hard work of our vets and wider team, ensuring an even bigger impact for animals. WVS overall income decreased by 24% in 2022 to £1,981,605. This decrease was primarily due to a generous legacy in 2021, but we still saw a promising increase in income from international volunteering and training, with travel becoming more accessible once again.



THANK YOU

We are incredibly grateful for every single person who supports our vision for a future where animals receive the love and care they deserve.

Together, we are stronger, and we are immensely proud of what we have achieved. Every year, your support enables us to provide a lifeline to more animals in need of veterinary care, train more vets around the world, and continue to raise standards of animal welfare.

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS, VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORTERS, WHO HAVE HELPED US MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR ANIMALS AROUND THE WORLD IN 2022.

We are grateful to everyone that has supported our work in 2022, including our incredible grant funders, volunteers, fundraisers and members.

BEHIND EVERY ANIMAL TREATED IS YOU.



- 79% Grants
- 12% Trips and Courses
- 6% Voluntary Income
- 3% Shop



- 48% ITCs
- 19% Vet Care Projects
- 18% Core costs
- 6% Training and education
- 3% Fundraising and marketing
- 2% Dog Pop (Goa)
- 2% Working Equine
- 1% Truck operations
- 1% Parcels



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