

Cape of Good Hope



With you beside us, we are stronger.
We are braver. We are ready to do more.
And we must.

IMPACT REPORT

Setting the Standards for Animal Welfare

2024/2025



A YEAR AT A GLANCE

2024

APRIL



With admissions soaring, the SPCA declared a pet overpopulation crisis, urging the sector to face a hard truth: too many animals, too few good homes. It was a call to action to join in prevention efforts and run ethical, humane shelters.

MAY



The SPCA raises the alarm after Rabies is confirmed in our Cape Fur Seal population and embarks on vaccination drives to protect pets and people around the peninsula.

JUNE



Endurance Athlete Howard Warrington becomes the only man in the world to complete the open water swim from Robben Island to Blouberg 200 times – and he did for the animals, raising over R160 000 for our animal hospital.

JULY



The SPCA mobilised as the primary responder for animals in disaster zones as severe floods and high winds put thousands at risk, especially in rural, under-resourced areas. Our teams and volunteers were quickly deployed to evacuate animals, deliver emergency supplies, and respond to distress calls.

AUGUST



We launch a targeted sterilisation campaign in Langa, where a census showed nearly 90% of pets were unsterilised. In just two days, 100 animals were sterilised in a field hospital, marking the first of the SPCA's bold, sustained drives to prevent suffering before it begins.

SEPTEMBER



For World Rabies Day, the SPCA joined the global #ZeroBy30 campaign, offering free vaccines to dogs in vulnerable areas. With rabies detected in Cape fur seals, the focus was on off-leash dogs near high-risk beaches, supporting the 2030 goal of zero rabies deaths and protecting coastal health.



“To care for those who cannot speak is the most powerful voice of humanity.”

OCTOBER



The SPCA launched a second offensive against pet overpopulation, this time in Eerste River. As part of a growing campaign to curb unwanted animals, our team sterilised 175 pets in just days - a strategic strike to prevent suffering before it starts.

NOVEMBER



The SPCA's sterilisation-led strategy has earned Cape Town the title of ICAM's first-ever “Beacon City.” This proud milestone affirms that sterilisation is not just a service, but a proven solution for humane animal population control.

DECEMBER



Wumbo Jumbo was rescued from a puppy mill-style operation. Confined and forgotten until SPCA Inspectors intervened by shutting down the operation and giving Wumbo a second chance at the life he deserves.

JANUARY



In early 2025, the SPCA took a strong stand against cruelty, responding to a rise in abused working equines in Cape Town. On January 15, high-level talks with the City began, pushing for reforms like mandatory registration, load limits, and owner education to protect horses while supporting livelihoods.

FEBRUARY



In February, a wildfire swept through Table Mountain, leaving devastation in its wake. The SPCA's disaster teams quickly launched a search-and-rescue mission to aid injured and displaced wildlife—rehydrating scorched tortoises and relocating snakes and small mammals across the charred terrain.

MARCH



The SPCA leads efforts to reform City By-Laws to ensure proper oversight of animal welfare organisations, following the removal of 163 animals from a so-called rescue facility in Atlantis, where conditions of severe neglect were uncovered. This marked the fifth case of its kind in a year, exposing dangerous gaps in regulation.



OUR MISSION

To prevent cruelty and promote the welfare of all animals.



We step in where others can't

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Setting the Standard for Animal Welfare

The Cape of Good Hope SPCA does more than just care for animals. We care with authority, with accountability, and with a standard no one else can match. Every animal coming through our doors is met with compassion and care that is structured, accountable, and grounded in law.

This past year, we provided care to 114,586 animals, a clear reflection of both the demand for our services and the growing trust placed in our organisation. It is also a measure of our readiness. When animals are in crisis, we have the capacity, expertise, and infrastructure to respond swiftly and effectively. Few organisations can operate at this scale, and fewer still within a framework that is legally governed, transparent, and held to strict ethical standards.

We are part of a national movement of SPCAs governed by Act 169 of 1993, legislation that holds us to the highest standards of animal care. In a sector where regulation is absent, this legal framework is more than a differentiator, it is a safeguard. Without it, well-meaning intentions can quickly spiral into harm. Over the past year, our team was called to intervene in five separate cases where organisations claiming to rescue animals, had instead left them in conditions of severe neglect. Animals were found in overcrowded and unsanitary environments, suffering from untreated wounds, disease, and malnutrition. These incidents are part of the broader crisis of an unregulated animal welfare sector.

At the heart of this suffering lies one undeniable truth. The pet overpopulation crisis is real. There are too many animals, too few resources, and too little oversight. That is why our response is not only to rescue animals from harm, but also to prevent that harm from happening in the first place.

Among our proudest achievements is our intensified focus on sterilisation. With 6,307 sterilisations performed this year we have taken bold, preventative steps to address the root cause of animal cruelty: overpopulation. Sterilisation remains the most effective long-term strategy to prevent suffering. It reduces abandonment, will ease our burden and transform communities over time. Our commitment in this area is not just consistent. It is unmatched.

In tandem with this, we delivered 54,834 veterinary treatments this year via our animal hospital. These treatments represent far more than numbers. They signify access. They mean that animals who might otherwise suffer without care receive the treatment they need, when they need it.

We operate with compassion, but we are driven by principle, informed by data, and accountable to the law. Our standard is not aspirational. It is operational. Every life saved, every cruelty prevented, and every act of care is part of a larger system designed to deliver meaningful, lasting change.

To our team, our supporters, our partners, and every person who believes animals deserve protection not just in spirit, but in law - thank you. Your faith in our work empowers us to keep setting the pace for responsible, ethical animal welfare in South Africa.

We look ahead with determination. The needs are great, but so is our resolve. Because we are not only responding to what is wrong. We are proactively addressing it. And in doing so, we are setting the standard.

~ Colette Mang, Chairman

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114 586

Animal Cared For



6307

Sterilisations



54 834

Veterinary Treatments

TREASURER'S REPORT

Setting the Financial Standard for Animal Welfare

In a year of unrelenting economic pressure, rising operational costs, and increased service demand, the Cape of Good Hope SPCA remained firmly committed to sound financial stewardship and mission-aligned investment. Our 2024/2025 results reflect the responsible, strategic choices we made to maintain frontline delivery while preserving long-term sustainability.

We closed the financial year with a carefully managed deficit of R3.09 million - an improvement on the previous year. This shortfall reflects rising costs in fuel, veterinary supplies, and personnel, particularly within our most operationally intensive services.

Income grew by 12.8% to R68.2 million, driven by strong gains in fundraising, legacy income, and investment performance. Expenditure increased by 11.6%, in line with service expansion and inflationary pressure. Cash flow and liquidity improved year-on-year, with sufficient working capital available to meet short-term needs. We do however, remain reliant on continued donor and grant income to sustain our operations. Our average monthly expenditure exceeds R5.9 million, reflecting the scale of financial support required to meet current demand.

In line with our mandate, 44% of total income was allocated to our Inspectorate and hospital (including mobile clinics) - services that are high-cost but critical. While over R14 million was received in service fees from these areas, they operate at a financial loss and are deliberately subsidised. Their purpose is not revenue generation, but to ensure no animal is denied care due to cost.

In contrast, our income-generating operations - the vetshop and charity shop - contributed R5.3 million in unrestricted revenue. These operations are valuable, but they cannot bridge the funding gap that accompanies our scale and service reach.

We continue to uphold stringent financial controls and budgeting discipline across the organisation. Our financial statements are independently audited and fully compliant with the IFRS for SMEs as adopted in South Africa and the Companies Act, No. 71 of 2008.

Income Profile and Risk Management

Our revenue profile remains well diversified with funds being generated via a multi-faceted fundraising strategy, fee-based services, commercial income and Investment and market returns.

In 2025, we realigned investment property to improve asset efficiency, invested in solar energy to reduce long-term costs, and enforced strong internal controls across all departments. Our finance team operates with continuous oversight, regular board reporting, and strict adherence to financial policy.

We are custodians of public trust. Every contribution received is treated with care and converted into life-saving action. This is what it means to set the standard, not only in what we do, but in how responsibly we do it. We are dependent on, and grateful for the generous support from those who share our mission.

~ Veight Schuhen: Treasurer

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R5.9 million
Average Monthly
Expenditure



44% total income
To Inspectorate and
Hospital Services



R5.3 million
Vetshop and Charity
Shop Income Generation

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Setting the Standard before Suffering Starts

Animal welfare is often seen as a response to cruelty, to neglect, or to harm already done. But at the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, we believe that the true measure of impact is not in how many fires we extinguish, but in how many we prevent from ever being lit.

This year, we set the standard not only in how we responded to animal suffering but in how we worked to ensure it never began.

We performed 6,307 sterilisations, a 13 percent increase on the year before. Each procedure is a decisive act of compassion that stops cruelty at its source. With every sterilisation, we reduce the number of animals born into vulnerability, exposed to the risks of abandonment, starvation, and abuse.

Our community-based mobile clinics reached 22,116 animals, delivering essential care where it is needed most. These clinics are affordable, accessible, and focused on prevention. They educate, empower, and create long-term change by delivering primary veterinary care and preventing unwanted litters before disease and pet numbers become crises. The power of prevention is not always dramatic, but it is effective. Without it, many animals would suffer.

In addition to caring for the animals we rescue and those of our welfare clients, our hospital makes affordable veterinary treatment available to animals from other rescue groups. This behind-the-scenes support helps keep many smaller organisations going. We do this because setting the standard is not just about doing more, it is about enabling more good to be done.

**We are not waiting for a better world.
We are building one: patient by patient,
case by case, community by community.**

While we prioritise prevention, we remain fully prepared to act.

This year, our Inspectorate handled 10,979 cruelty investigations. Each one began with a voice that refused to stay silent and was met with a team trained to uphold the highest standards of protection. Our actions are supported by law, delivered with compassion, and strengthened by experience.

Six cruelty cases were finalised in court this year, and convictions were secured in all six. Not one case was lost. These outcomes reflect both the strength of our investigations and the heart with which we pursue justice. This is what it means to set the standard.

It also means being first on the scene and the last to give up. It means holding ourselves accountable not only to animals but also to every supporter, every partner, and to the legislation that governs us. It means doing what is right, not what is easy - and doing it every single day.

To our team, our volunteers, and every person who stands with us, thank you. You do not just make this work possible. You make it powerful.

We are not waiting for a better world. We are building one: patient by patient, case by case, community by community. With your continued support, we will keep setting the standard, for the animals, for the sector, and for the future.

~ Moyo Ndukwana, CEO



22 116

Mobile Clinic Cases



10 979

Inspectorate Investigations



13 %

Increase in Sterilisations



SETTING THE STANDARD IN PROTECTION

Setting the Standard in Protection

When cruelty happens, someone must act. At the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, that someone is us - 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. We are the only Inspectorate service in the Cape Metropole operating around the clock, because cruelty doesn't keep business hours, and neither does our protection.

With a mandate to enforce the Animals Protection Act No. 71 of 1962, our Inspectorate team upholds the law across 3,200 square kilometres of the Cape Metropole. That legal authority sets us apart. But it is the depth of our commitment that defines us.

This year, our Inspectors responded to 10,979 complaints of cruelty. These involved animals left chained, starved, wounded, or subjected to deliberate harm. Increasingly, however, the threats animals face are not only from owner neglect, but from within the very sector that exists to protect them. Acting on cruelty reports, we launched five separate investigations into facilities operating under the banner of animal welfare. In each case, animals were discovered living in overcrowded, unhygienic conditions and were suffering extreme neglect. Every one of these cases required intervention and the removal of animals from these facilities.

These incidents highlight a critical gap in sector oversight and the essential role our legally governed Inspectorate plays in filling it. Where others operate without regulation, we operate within the law, accountable to its highest standards. This is what sets us apart. That is what protects animals.

Our investigations resulted in:

- 625 animals seized from life-threatening environments
- 11,944 legal warnings issued to offenders
- 56 criminal dockets opened against perpetrators of cruelty

We also conducted 674 routine inspections, monitoring the welfare of 29,365 animals in settings where animals are used for profit, such as petting zoos, breeders and circuses. These inspections are not box-ticking exercises. They are structured, professional assessments done in accordance with the law that ensure animal welfare is not forgotten behind commercial intent.

This is what it looks like when enforcement becomes prevention. And yet, the strength of our impact lies not only in what we do, but in who we are.

Every one of our Inspectors is:

- Registered with the South African Veterinary Council as an Animal Welfare Assistant.
- Qualified in humane euthanasia for both small and large animals - to perform the hardest duty when there are no other alternatives.
- Trained in disaster response, capable of acting in floods, fires, or mass animal emergencies
- Legally empowered with magisterial jurisdiction, authorised to investigate, issue warnings, open dockets, and testify in court.

It takes two years to earn the title of SPCA Inspector - through entrance exams, national training, practical fieldwork, and final evaluations. Maintaining that title requires formal refresher training and re-examination every five years. This is not a role awarded easily. It is a commitment earned daily.

Our Inspectors do more. They rescue. They enforce. They deter.

This is what it means to wear the uniform. This is what it means to set the standard.

**We are the only team that never clocks out.
That's not just commitment. That's the standard.**





The smoke was still rising when our Inspectors began the climb.

A wildfire had torn through the slopes of Table Mountain, and while the last flames were being brought under control, our work was only beginning. Armed with hydration packs, burn treatment supplies, and field experience earned over decades, our teams spread out across the charred terrain. For days, they searched, locating scorched tortoises, snakes too weak to flee, and small mammals in desperate need of care.



When Disaster Strikes, Our Inspectors Lead the Response

When disaster strikes, the Cape of Good Hope SPCA is on the frontline - not only in the field, but at the very heart of the City's disaster response command. As the only animal welfare organisation serving at Cape Town's Joint Operations Centre (JOC) during times of crisis, we ensure that animal welfare is fully integrated into the City's official emergency response.

In 2024/25, our Inspectorate responded to two major floods and two wildfires, delivering coordinated relief where it mattered most. Working with the City's Disaster Risk Management Centre, we monitor high-risk areas, identify at-risk animals, and act early - relocating farm animals and horses, evacuating pets, and offering sanctuary to animals with nowhere else to go.

Disaster relief is rescue in high gear. It's also preparedness, compassion and coordination, and the SPCA leads the charge in all three. When the worst happens, we're there to protect, prevent and deliver life-saving impact.



10 979

Cruelty Complaints



625

Animals Seized



56

Criminal Dockets Opened



29 365

Animals monitored in Profit Driven Environments



3 200

km² area of Operation



24/7

Operational Coverage



6

Court Outcomes and Convictions

Five unregulated 'rescues'. Over 240 animals removed. No official oversight. Only the SPCA is Stepping In.

In 2024/25, SPCA Inspectors intervened in five separate cases where animals were found suffering in organisations presenting themselves as rescue facilities. Each one was a registered NPO, each one raised funds from the public - and each one failed to provide even the most basic standards of care.

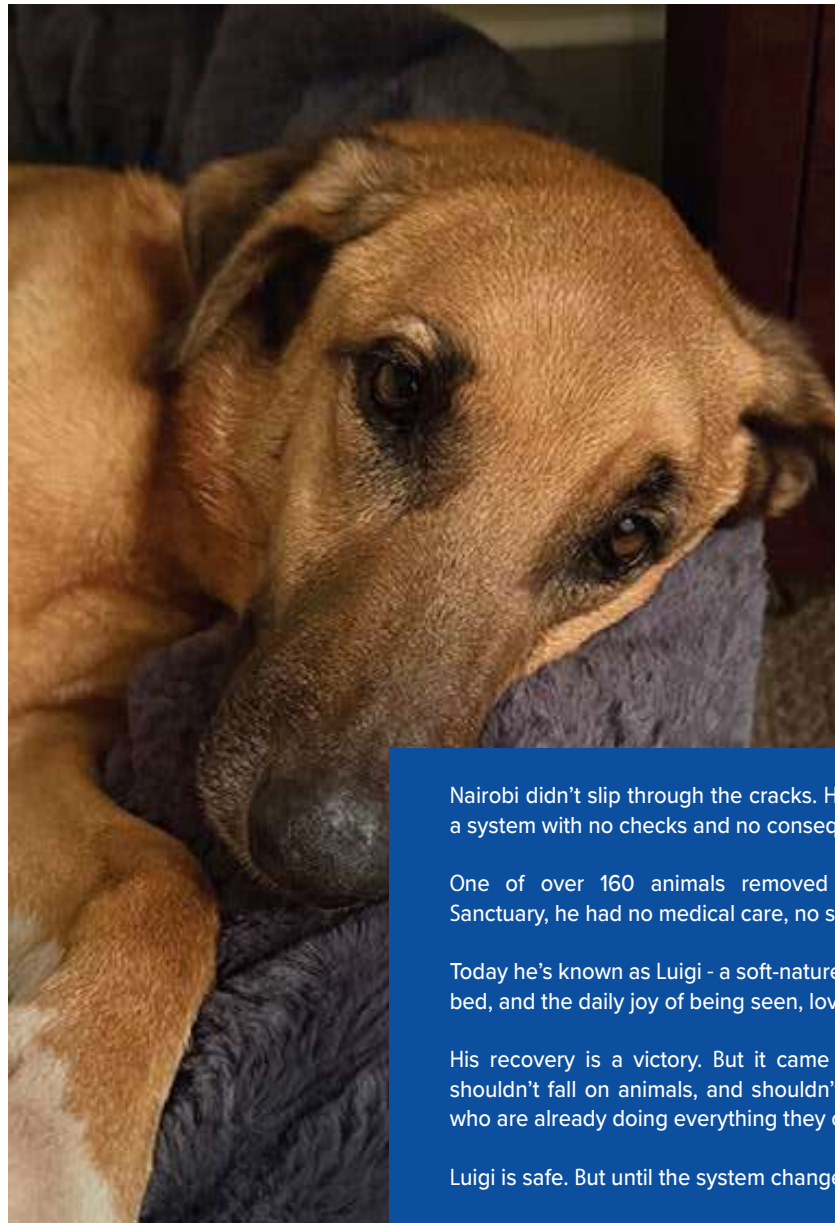
The most serious of these, Mahanaimfeet Sanctuary, resulted in the removal of 163 dogs and 29 tortoises from conditions that were not only inhumane but criminal. Animals were discovered with untreated tumours, painful skin conditions, infected wounds, and advanced malnutrition. Wildlife held illegally was found starving, tick-infested, and surrounded by the remains of others that did not survive.

Acting under warrant, SPCA Inspectors removed the most urgent cases immediately. A further 75 dogs were seized in a follow-up operation. The operator was arrested for obstruction and animal cruelty - but the deeper issue remains: he was allowed to operate in the first place.

There is no regulatory body overseeing animal rescue organisations. Anyone can register an NPO, take in animals, solicit donations, and call themselves a sanctuary - regardless of skill, resources, or intent.

That is why the SPCA is leading efforts to reform the City of Cape Town's By-Laws - to ensure that minimum welfare standards, routine inspections, and enforceable accountability become non-negotiable requirements for anyone housing animals under the banner of care.

Until those protections are in place, the SPCA is the only organisation stepping in when rescue turns into cruelty.



Nairobi didn't slip through the cracks. He was trapped inside a system with no checks and no consequences.

One of over 160 animals removed from Mahanaimfeet Sanctuary, he had no medical care, no shelter, no escape.

Today he's known as Luigi - a soft-natured dog with a home, a bed, and the daily joy of being seen, loved and walked.

His recovery is a victory. But it came at a cost - one that shouldn't fall on animals, and shouldn't be passed to those who are already doing everything they can.

Luigi is safe. But until the system changes, others won't be.



SETTING THE STANDARD FOR WILD LIVES



Setting the Standard for Wild Lives

Wild animals have no owners to advocate for them, yet their lives are equally deserving of protection. At the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, we are proud to be that voice, that refuge, and that unwavering line of defence.

In the past year, we admitted 3,371 wild animals, marking a 166% increase from the previous year. This dramatic rise is no coincidence. It reflects the growing pressures wild animals face in urban environments - pressures that too often lead to suffering. From electric fencing and road traffic collisions to habitat loss, illegal captivity, and conflict with humans, wild animals are navigating a world not built for them.

Behind every admission is an animal in crisis, and a response that reflects compassion, preparation, professionalism, and principled care.

At a time when the threats to wild animals are escalating, we are not only keeping pace, we are setting the standard.

Every animal was met by a dedicated team of wildlife professionals with the experience, and the ethical and legal framework required to act. From seals to snakes, guinea pigs to raptors, baboons to porcupines - no matter the species, we were prepared.

Our Short-Term Wildlife Care Facility stands as a model for urban wildlife response. Fully permitted by CapeNature, the provincial wildlife authority, this specialised unit was purpose-built to meet the needs of wild animals requiring emergency intervention. Inside, species-specific enclosures and a dedicated clinic provide quiet, stabilising care for animals displaced, injured, or removed from harm. The facility is staffed by professionals whose combined expertise spans wildlife legislation, wildlife rehabilitation, animal handling and species-appropriate husbandry.

And our work extends far beyond the walls of our facility. We remain the only organisation in the Cape Metropole with qualified wildlife inspectors authorised to enforce the Animals Protection Act No. 71 of 1962 on behalf of wild animals in captivity. Our inspectors reach into pet shops, animal parks, private collections, breeding operations, tourist venues, and anywhere else wild animals are kept. Where necessary, we intervene. Where possible, we educate. And where standards are absent, we set them.

This is not just rescue work, it is constitutional work. Section 24 of the South African Constitution guarantees every person the right to an environment that is not harmful to their health or well-being and calls for the protection of biodiversity for future generations. Every wild life we rescue is part of that promise. Every intervention is a step toward preserving the delicate ecological balance we all depend on.

Our work also advances the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 15: Life on Land. By preventing cruelty, mitigating human-wildlife conflict, and promoting lawful, ethical care, we directly contribute to halting biodiversity loss, combating exploitation, and ensuring the welfare of wildlife within our shared environment.

We are proud to serve as a trusted point of contact for the public, private landowners, other welfare organisations, and conservation bodies. Whether it is an owl trapped in a school hall, a pangolin seized from the illegal pet trade, or a seal being exploited for financial gain, our response is professional, legal, and rooted in compassion.

This is what it means to set the standard for wildlife protection. It is not only about what we do. It is about the future we help secure, one wild animal at a time.



3 371

Wild Animals Admitted



166%

Increase in Admission
from previous year



24/7

Call Response for
Wildlife Emergencies

Urban environments weren't built for wildlife, but our response is.



SETTING THE STANDARD FOR VETERINARY CARE

Setting the Standard for Veterinary Care

At the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, animal healthcare is not a support service. It is a frontline imperative. Through our animal hospital and mobile clinics, we provide access to veterinary care at an unmatched scale.

In 2025, our veterinary teams delivered a remarkable 54,834 individual treatments, an increase of 10 percent over the previous year. This equates to nearly 150 animals treated every single day.

Vaccinations remain one of the most powerful tools in disease prevention. As a routine treatment protocol, they guard against high-risk infectious diseases such as parvovirus, feline panleukopenia, and distemper - conditions that devastate under-resourced communities. Our team's extensive vaccine outreach forms an invisible, yet impenetrable wall of protection around animals who would otherwise be exposed and unprotected.

No animal welfare effort can succeed without addressing overpopulation. Sterilisation is the single most effective means of reducing suffering, abandonment, and disease. This year, we performed 6,307 sterilisations, a 13 percent increase from 2024. This preventive approach safeguards animal health, reduces future emergency cases, and alleviates the burden on owners, shelters, and the broader welfare system. It is veterinary intervention with enduring ripple effects. It means fewer litters born into hardship, fewer animals facing neglect, and fewer crises demanding emergency rescue. It means sustainability. It means strategy. It means care with foresight.

Our four fully operational mobile clinics brought care to the heart of communities often left without access. In the 2025

financial year, 22,116 animals received veterinary attention through this service - a 28 % increase from the previous year. Staffed by SAVC-registered professionals and equipped for a full suite of primary healthcare interventions, they bring essential services directly to where the need is greatest.

The results are tangible:

- Timely treatment of minor conditions before they become life-threatening
- Widespread vaccination halting the spread of disease
- Sterilisation outreach reducing the number of unwanted litters

By embedding our services into the fabric of communities, we are closing the access gap.

Every member of our hospital and mobile clinic team is registered with the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC). Our patients are treated by professionals who are held to national standards, operating under regulated protocols, with the full accountability that formal registration demands.

Our veterinary services also support smaller rescue organisations by providing subsidised access to care and contributes significantly to keeping several organisations in the sector afloat.

When care is accessible, when sterilisation is prioritised, when vaccination is routine, and when treatment is professionally delivered, animal welfare is no longer reactive. It becomes preventative. It becomes sustainable. It becomes standard.

When vaccination is routine and sterilisation is prioritised, animal welfare becomes sustainable.



In the past year, we invested over R17.9 million in hospital and mobile clinic operations, excluding capital expenditure and overhead allocations. These are not costs. This is our commitment to access, to compassion, and to delivering care where it is most needed.

This is what it means to set the standard.



When Gerry Brand arrived at the Cape of Good Hope SPCA Animal Hospital with his dog Bella, she was in visible pain and distress. She had suffered an injury requiring sedation, shaving, cleaning and suturing. Gerry was desperate to help, but unable to afford the treatment, even at our subsidised rates. "She is so close to me," he said softly. "Without her, I am nothing."

This is where our work begins, and where donor support changes everything.

Thanks to you, Bella received expert veterinary care without delay or cost. Our hospital team stabilised her, treated the injury, and provided the medication and aftercare she needed to heal. For Bella, it meant comfort and recovery. For Gerry, it meant the world.

Their story didn't end at discharge. When one donor heard about Bella, she gifted a year's supply of food in memory of her own beloved dog. Others followed. Gerry, spent every contribution on Bella's wellbeing - a second-hand kennel, grooming supplies, and treats.

"No one has ever helped me in my life," he told us through tears. "This is the first time I've known this kind of kindness."

This is the gold standard of veterinary welfare in action - skilled care, compassionate delivery, and a steadfast commitment to making treatment accessible to all who need it.



54 834
Animals Treated



6307
Sterilisations Performed



22 116
Animals served through
four mobile clinics



150+
Animals helped everyday



SETTING THE STANDARD FOR SECOND CHANCES

Setting the Standard for Second Chances

Adoption is not about finding a home for an animal, it is about changing the trajectory of a life.

We are the highest-volume rehoming facility in our region. But volume alone is not our only measure of success.

What sets us apart is the quality of that second chance. Every adoption represents not just a new home, but a carefully supported transition into a life where the animal is no longer at risk - not of abandonment, not of neglect, and not of returning to the welfare system.

This year, 265 adult dogs and 120 adult cats found new homes through our rehoming programme. An additional 96 puppies and 73 kittens were placed under sterilisation contracts, ensuring we control overpopulation without compromising the urgency of getting young animals into loving environments. We also rehomed equines, poultry, birds, and more because every life matters.

Our dedicated team completed 518 pre-adoption home checks to ensure that every new environment was safe, suitable, and ready to welcome a new companion.

Adoption is not the end of our commitment - it is only the beginning. After adoption, we conducted 441 post-home checks for dogs and 200 for cats, continuing our care long after an animal leaves our facility. We remain a constant presence throughout their lives, ready to step in if ever needed. This lifelong commitment to every animal we rehome is unmatched.

With a 99% placement success rate, our rehoming outcomes are not only high in volume, but remarkably stable.

We set the standard in behavioural care, too. Our on-site behaviourist works one-on-one with animals who may face barriers to adoption due to trauma or anxiety. By understanding their triggers and teaching them confidence, we give them a real chance at finding, and keeping, a home. That same behavioural support extends post-adoption to every family welcoming a new pet.

Every animal we rehome is sterilised, vaccinated, microchipped, and fully examined by veterinary professionals. We ensure their health is sound, their future secure, and their presence in their new home sustainable. It is how we protect our animals and the families who welcome them. It is about trust. It is about doing right by the people who open their hearts, and the animals who need them most.

At the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, adoption is never a transaction. It is a commitment, made with care, backed by knowledge, and honoured for life. This is what it means to set the standard.



**Adoption doesn't end when an animal leaves our care.
For us, that's where the commitment begins.**

Before his rescue, Wumbo's world was a box. He lived confined in cramped, filthy conditions, with no space to move and no meaningful human interaction.

He was rescued by SPCA Inspectors during a cruelty investigation. What they found was more than a failure of care, it was a deliberate disregard for life. Wumbo had never been walked, never seen a toy, never known what it meant to be wanted.

That changed the day he entered our care.

From the moment Wumbo arrived, he became part of a process designed to heal: veterinary treatment, socialisation, behaviour assessment, and preparation for rehoming - all within a framework that puts animal welfare first.

Today, Wumbo has a name, a collar, a family - and a life. He plays, he travels, he sleeps in a warm bed. His recovery wasn't luck. It was standards in action.

This is what a second chance looks like, when it's done right.



265

Adult Dog Adoptions



120

Adult Cat Adoptions



169

Total : 96 puppy and 73 kitten Adoptions



518

Pre-Adoption Home Checks Completed



641

Post-Adoption Home Checks Conducted



99%

Placement Success Rate



100%

Animals Sterilised, Vaccinated, Microchipped and Health Checked



SETTING THE STANDARD IN HUMANE EDUCATION



Setting the Standard for Humane Education

Animal welfare is not only about intervention. It is about prevention and that starts in childhood.

Before a dog is chained or a pet goes hungry, there is a moment to change the story. That moment lies with a child who understands that animals feel, and that caring for them is part of being human. This means our humane education programme is a necessary and strategic investment in a kinder future.

This year, our dedicated Education team of just three people, reached 7,055 young learners across 63 schools with Anipals, our award-winning puppet show and curriculum aligned programme designed for Foundation Phase learners.

It entertains. And then it educates. Through storytelling, laughter and play, children are introduced to the five key responsibilities of pet care:

- Food and water
- Shelter
- Exercise
- Veterinary care
- Sterilisation

These are more than pet care rules, they are early ethical lessons absorbed by young minds, carried in young hearts, and often shared at home. Every child receives a workbook, endorsed by the Western Cape Department of Education, that reinforces these lessons long after the show ends.

Humane education is proven to support emotional regulation, empathy and pro-social behaviour, qualities that shape children and uplift communities.

But our work doesn't end with awareness. It moves children to act.

Through our integrated mobile clinic, learners are invited to become responsible for their own pets. This year, that invitation resulted in 915 sterilisations. Animals brought forward by children who had learned that caring for their pets is not someone else's job. It is theirs.

The numbers tell one part of the story. The rest lives in moments - a child standing taller because they helped, a home made kinder because of what was taught in a classroom. This is how you stop cruelty before it starts.

By teaching the value of life early and showing children that they have the power to protect it. We are shaping future citizens, building empathy from the ground up, and strengthening the fabric of society, one school visit at a time.

This is our investment. In children. In animals. In a better tomorrow. Because setting the standard means more than responding to cruelty. It means raising a generation who will refuse to allow it.



7055

Learners Reached



63

Schools Visited



915

Sterilisations

We're not only shaping attitudes. We're shaping futures.



SETTING THE STANDARD IN COMPASSIONATE FARMING



Setting the Standard for Compassionate Farming

The Cape of Good Hope SPCA's Compassion in Farming programme is redefining what it means to care for animals and for people. Over the past year, our education officer conducted 393 visits, working alongside 121 farmers and reaching 14,612 animals with hands-on support and training.

With funding from Welttierschutzgesellschaft (WTG), subsistence and informal farmers are learning how to shelter, feed, and care for their animals, while also acquiring gardening and composting skills to grow food for their families, their animals, and their communities. It's a model where empathy leads to empowerment, and where welfare becomes a pathway to dignity and development.

When Mrs. Noncendo Khawuleza lost her only source of income to African Swine Fever, she faced an uncertain future. But through the SPCA's Compassion in Farming gardening and composting workshop, she found a new beginning. She began growing vegetables to feed her family, reducing their dependence on social grants (SDG 1: No Poverty). As her confidence grew, so did her ambition. She launched a micro-enterprise supplying seeds to 34 other growers, expanding access to nutritious food across her community (SDG 2: Zero Hunger).

Her husband now sells their produce near local shopping centres, and together they've turned a small harvest into a self-sustaining, homegrown agri-business. Most recently, she secured a contract to maintain a preschool's vegetable garden, earning a steady income while supporting early childhood nutrition and community wellbeing.

Where her family once relied solely on government grants, today she is a provider, a mentor, and a local food champion. Her story is a powerful reminder of what happens when compassion extends not only to animals, but to the people who care for them.



393

Educational Farm Visits



121

Farmers Supported



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Animals Reached



SETTING THE STANDARD IN PURPOSE DRIVEN COMMERCE

Setting the Standard in Purpose Driven Commerce

At the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, financial sustainability is not optional. To safeguard animals at scale, we must generate income that is both reliable and unrestricted. Our Vetshop and Charity Shop are central to this strategy - mission-aligned enterprises governed with commercial discipline and operated to professional standards.

Our Vetshops are licensed to dispense prescription veterinary diets and health products, operating under the legal supervision of a qualified veterinarian registered with the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC). This ensures every sale meets the required legal and clinical standards.

Every item stocked, from renal-support diets to parasite control and supplements and are selected based on clinical efficacy, regulated supply, and suitability for companion animals. For animal guardians, this means access to trustworthy veterinary products. For our organisation, it means recurring revenue that supports our frontline services.

Behind the counter, strong internal controls are in place: inventory systems, cash handling protocols, price tracking, and customer service standards are regularly audited and reviewed internally. These are not informal shops. They are structured commercial operations with welfare at their core.

The SPCA Charity Shop is a prime example of circular commerce at work. Donated goods are upcycled and resold, reducing waste and offering quality items to budget-conscious shoppers. In 2025, the Charity Shop generated R1.16 million in income, every rand of which is reinvested into our core mission.

From clothing and homeware to books and collectables, the shop diverts high volumes of goods from landfill. This environmental benefit complements our welfare work by aligning our love for animals with a greener, more compassionate future.

Our customers aren't only buying second-hand. They are buying a future where fewer animals suffer, and less is thrown away.

Together, our Vetshops and Charity Shop contributed over R5.3 million in self-generated income this year. Funding that strengthens our resilience, reduces funding vulnerability, and allows for strategic reinvestment in animal welfare.

Our operations prove that non-profit does not mean non-commercial. When well-managed and aligned with mission, enterprise can drive real impact.

This is what it means to set the standard, not only in how we care, but in how responsibly we operate.





SETTING THE STANDARD IN POWER PEOPLE

Setting the Standard for Power in People

Every rescue, recovery, and act of protection begins with a person. And behind that person stands a system that believes in them.

From inspectors and vets to frontline carers, drivers, and administrators, our 146 staff members are the force behind every rescue, recovery, and act of compassion. Their work is intense, emotional, and often relentless, enabled by a Human Resources system that holds people at the centre of our mission.

We cultivate a workforce that reflects our country's diversity, upholds fairness, and champions transformation. Guided by a conscious employment equity policy, our Employment Equity Committee, comprising staff from across race, gender, and job level, monitors progress and drives accountability. We are proud to be a Level 1 B-BBEE contributor, and to employ a team that includes 120 individuals from historically disadvantaged backgrounds, two persons with disabilities, and six foreign nationals. These numbers reflect who we are and the South Africa we want to help shape.

But transformation must be more than representation. We invest in people's growth both personally and professionally. Over the past year, our HR team supported employees to complete their matric, obtain driver's licences, and study towards formal qualifications in animal welfare, health, and law enforcement. These development pathways allow our team to do more than fulfil roles - they build careers, gain recognition, and deliver services with greater confidence and expertise.

Operationally, the HR department ensures rigorous compliance with the Labour Relations Act, Employment Equity Act, Occupational Health and Safety Act, and POPIA. Every contract, policy, and process is reviewed in consultation with external experts to ensure ethical and legal soundness.

Through the Staff Wellness Committee, we offer compassionate, hands-on support to colleagues navigating bereavement, illness, or hardship. We also provide structured wellness interventions that promote resilience and morale in an emotionally demanding environment.

The nature of animal welfare work requires extraordinary emotional energy, and the risk of burnout is real. We recognise that those who care for others must be cared for too. Our HR team ensures that staff are not only safe and equipped, but also seen, heard, and valued. It is this care, both quiet and consistent, that makes every act of animal protection possible.

We are setting the standard for what a people-first, purpose-driven workforce looks like in the non-profit sector. One where equity is not a target but a value system. Where training is recognised as an investment. And where internal culture is as important as external impact.

Because before any animal is saved, a person must choose to act. And when that person is supported, equipped, and empowered - anything is possible.

**Before every act of protection, there is a person.
Behind every person, a system that believes in them.**



Thank You for Standing With Us

As custodians of animal welfare in increasingly complex and constrained environments, our mandate has never been more critical. While we are proud of the strides made, we are equally aware that the scale of animal suffering and systemic neglect in our communities continues to outpace the resources at our disposal.

We are not seeking funding to sustain the status quo. We are seeking it to scale our solutions. Every additional rand enables another sterilisation, another humane education workshop, another rescue, another life transformed.

Animal welfare is not a luxury. It is a moral imperative, a societal good, and an anchor for community healing and cohesion.

To every donor, funder and ally who walked this last year with us, thank you. Your support enables transformation, for animals and for the communities they live in. With you beside us, we are stronger. We are braver. We are ready to do more. And we must.

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