Cat and Dog Welfare 2019 Annual Review
Dog Ownership Management
Visiting Guangxi
- Visited 2 NGOs
- Support them and address their difficulties
- Building a relationship with Guangxi Vet Association for Pets. Commence cooperation to promote collaboration between local vet clinics and local groups.

Visiting Hohhot
- Visited 3 NGOs, 1 government shelter.
- Discussed existing problems and feasible solutions with local NGOs.
- Held seminar with urban management department officials and volunteers.

Visiting Taiwan
- Visited 4 government authorities, 5 NGOs.
- Introduced a representative from The Environment & Animal Society of Taiwan to share Taiwan’s dog meat ban progress and experience at our symposium in May.
Guangzhou Dog Ownership Management Regulations

- Invited by Guangzhou PSB to join a meeting to revise the Guangzhou Dog Ownership Management Regulation, which was released 10 years ago.
- Provided suggestions and advice to encourage an efficient, humane and scientific new regulation.
- The final draft of the regulation hasn’t been released by government yet.
7th China Companion Animal Symposium

- Date: 18-19 May
- Theme: Shelter management and diversified rescue modes; Capacity building and vision expansion.
- 180+ representatives
- 91 animal protection groups from 56 cities
- 41 groups joined this symposium for the first time
Provide Direct Help To Animals
Helping Rongcheng Nursing Garden

-Chengdu, over 1,500 dogs
-Problem: shelter has been forced to move to a new location, shortage of capital, lack of dog food.

-AAF INPUT:
• Advised to manage the intake of new dogs, in order to maintain a good level of animal welfare.
• Provided 1,350kg dog food.

5-Day New Year’s Eve Meal for Strays

-Project before the CNY 2019 in Jan, covering 2 groups in Sichuan.

- Chengdu Rongcheng Nursing Garden
- Ya'an Stray Cats and Dogs Rescue Base

-4 tons of dog food
-4,000 packs of pet supplements
-2,800+ animals benefited

Emergency Rescue
Financially supported 7 NGOs in Guangxi area and 1 in Hebei province for shelter refurbishment and material purchase:

• Cat and dog shelter refurbishment (walls, floor, windows etc.)
• Shower and bath facility for animal
• Cages
• Fences
• Mats
• Cushions for cat and dog crates
• Enrichment (toys, cat trees etc.)
• Ventilation facility
• Air conditioner

So far our shelter improvement projects have offered financial and technical support to about 67 NGOs and government shelters in 47 cities, benefitting over 30,000 animals. (Vaccines, cat\dog food, articles\appliance for animals, shelter refurbishment...)

Shelter Refurbishment
Financially supported 12 NGOs in Guangxi area, Yunnan, Chengdu for stray cats TNR programme.

- **292 cats** have been neutered, vaccinated and de-wormed.
- Over **50 cats** have been adopted afterwards, the rest have been released to their original habitat.

A volunteer is trying to tempt a cat into the cage

A cat adopted after TNR

Cats released back to where they were found

Stray Cat TNR
1st TNR in-depth training

- September, Shi jiazhuang city
- Host: Animals Asia + Beijing Lucky Cat
- Attendees: volunteers from Yi Mi Ai Stray Cat Rescue Center
- 21 cats helped by volunteers after training

2nd TNR in-depth training

- October, Xiamen city
- Host: Animals Asia + Beijing Lucky Cat
- Attendees: 36 volunteers of NGOs from 4 cities
Friends or Food
In-depth investigation of dog meat industry in Guangxi area

By the end of 2018, in the winter season, we investigated Guangxi region again, visited a total of 42 open markets, 2 slaughter markets and 55 restaurants.

Based on our observation, the dog meat consumption is still thriving in Guangxi region, not only in Yulin city, dog meat is sold in markets in 75% of our visited areas. 2 large scale slaughter locations in Liuzhou city and Guilin city slaughter over 1000 dogs daily.
Volunteers reporting dog meat restaurants nation-wide

- 202 dog meat restaurants reported
- 61 government responses received
- 3 restaurants closed down
- 3 restaurants closed during Covid-19 quarantine
- 3 restaurants stopped selling dog meat OR no dog meat was found on sale during officials’ inspection
- 23 restaurants received rectification warnings from government

Volunteers reporting animal abuse footage /dog meat products on online platforms:

- Taobao.com, Iqiyi.com, Tik Tok.
- 42 products removed from Taobao.com

Feedback from Guangxi Government in Q2 about our reporting of 6 dog meat restaurants in Q1. (Sending rectification warnings to the reported restaurant)
Online survey of cat and dog eating attitudes

- Completed in Jan, 2019
- 10 questions
- 1,500 samples (500 for Guangxi, 1,000 for the whole China)
- Age: 18-60

On the right is a sample question from the survey. Here we can see many people still (wrongly) consider farm raising as the main source of cat and dog meat. Over 70% of the interviewees stated that they would not consume dog and cat meat if they knew the meat is from poisoned pets or stolen strays.
Public Awareness & Education
Guangxi vet training

- Nanning
- May 13th - 15th, 2019
- 90+ vets, 35 clinics and charities
- Topic: Increase the skills and awareness of animal welfare

(In co-operation with: The University of Edinburgh’s Jeanne Marchig International Centre for Animal Welfare Education)

Animal Protection Salons in Guangxi

- 70+ local cat and dog guardians
- 4 invited guests (1 vet from Zoetis, 2 from local Guangxi group, 1 from AAF)
- Topics: Animal oral health maintenance, stray animal rescue, and our Dr Dog programme.

Volunteers used mobile devices to attend the training.

Vets are communicating.

Sharing speech with dog guardians.
Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Chengdu, Hong Kong and Nanning

- Dr Dog brought happiness to 9,545 people on 261 visits

New Dr Dogs in 2019

Guangzhou: 15
Shenzhen: 11
Chengdu: 15
Nanning: 3
• Professor Paws visited 6,182 people during 103 activities
• Teams held 71 public education campaigns attracting 4,455 people

Professor Baobao is enjoying stroke from the children

Volunteer is using coffee grounds to draw a dog image with a girl in an education campaign hosted with Starbucks in Shenzhen

Dr Dog and Professor Paws
Our educational film *Cat and Dog Welfare around Us* has been played:

- in **28** cities reaching **15,307** people in 2019
- To date, the film has been played in **94** cities across the country, attracting more than **264,000** viewers.
Dr Dog programme made it onto the “most searched hashtags” on both Sina Weibo and Baidu.com (both are mainstream news platforms in China).

Weibo posted by Chinanews.com that showed the Dr Dog programme has over 80 million page views, followed by 3600+threads and over 15,000 Likes.

Baidu.com: the tag also reached No.5 at the rank with 2.5 million reads.
In November, we partnered with CYAPA (China Youth Animal Protection Association) to host a short video competition on TikTok (a popular short video platform) themed: No Keeping Pets on Campus. At the end of the competition, we have received 131 submissions from 14 university student clubs and 5 individuals, the topic page has been viewed over 66,000 times.
Ads in Chengdu

- September-December, 2019
- **35** LED screen doors on **9** platforms in Chengdu underground stations (Line 7 and Line 10)
- Displayed our static posters and parts of our video “Cat and Dog Welfare round Us.”
Leaflet Distribution

- Distributed 35,882 leaflets and posters to support 90 public education activities.

Leaflet distribution in veterinary clinics in the Guangxi area

- 27 veterinary clinics
- 22,400 leaflets
- 214 posters
- 60,000+ pet owners educated by this programme

Public education in rural areas of Guangxi

- Delivered 10,000 calendars, 10,000 leaflets, 100 banners
- Calendar topic: be responsible owners, take care of dogs to avoid them being stolen ...
- Covered 20 cities, 34 counties, 42 villages
- 123 volunteer university students joined to help
A big **THANK YOU**
to our volunteers and supporters for the vital work and progress in 2019. Here’s to another year of compassion and success for our four legged best friends.