

ANNUAL ACTIVITY

REPORT

2020-21

TIBET CHARITY ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020 TILL MARCH 2021

Year 2020 was a very unfortunate year for whole world as we suffered a Global Pandemic i.e. COVID 19 aka Wuhan virus. Many died and many suffered badly due to this pandemic. Many Countries went into complete lockdown for several months which not only affected us on human level but also on Global Economic level too.

Tibet Charity also went through rough times during 2020. On one hand, we were waiting for our FCRA renewal at the start of the year and on other hand, COVID 19 has stopped all our NGO related activities for whole year. We were in our desperate days where we were on the verge of shutting the NGO down.

However, one great soul once said “Keep trying and Never lose faith, you will get there one day.” We finally received our FCRA renewal certificate in the month of May 2020 which gave us a hope to continue our social work.

EDUCATION PROGRAM



While we continued our social activities, we couldn't start our English Language Classes for a year due to Government's ordinance in relation to COVID 19.

However, we are hopeful this year as the COVID 19 patient count has dropped and very few cases are registered. Hence, we have decided to start the beginners' class from the month of Mar 2021 – May 2021. We will soon invite our foreign volunteers for the further session by looking into the COVID situation at the moment. We have also planned some skill development workshop such as Video Editing Class starting from the month of March 2021. First session will be taken as a testing period to see whether this may turn a success and beneficial to continue further. We have spoken to one of our foreign volunteer to conduct an online session if possible so that students can learn without the fear of contamination.

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SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



COVID 19 has affected many lives at large in year 2020. Many have lost their jobs and some were constantly working on frontline to save the affected ones. Some were left with no source of income to fulfill their basic needs. In the midst of this pandemic, Tibet Charity distributed face shields, Masks and Sanitizers to the local HRTC workers such as bus drivers and conductors who were under maximum exposure with the travelers on the daily basis.



With the renewal of our FCRA registration certificate, we reached out to our old Tibetan beneficiaries, nuns and monks to provide them with the sponsorship money as soon as possible during lockdown. We also have made a small contribution via cheque to our local administration which has been doing an excellent job in controlling the spread of COVID 19 in the region. We were honored to hand over this contribution to the honorable Deputy Commissioner **DC Kangra** who has received tremendous accolades for the manner in which he handled the crisis.



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On 6th July 2020 (H H the Dalai Lama's birthday), we gave foods, and ration to the poor and needy slum dwellers in Chetru with the help of Tonglen Institute. We realized that there is a dire need of help for the slum people who were mostly migrant workers and slum dwellers. The slum children required not only food but also clothes to cover their bodies. Some of them were wandering half naked while we were distributing foods and rations to them.



With this realization, we organized a drive for cloth distribution where we sought help from our local residents to donate clothes for these slum dwellers and migrant workers. The response was huge. We received clothing in large quantities from our local residents and we also bought new clothes and shoes for the slum children with the generous support from our sponsor EXECUSHIELD INC, USA.



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On 15th Aug 2020, we went back to the slum village to donate clothes and new shoes to 85 slum children. We also distributed clothes to 50 families in the slum village. We further decided and distributed winter clothes and winter blankets too before the winter started.



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On 3rd Jan 2021: As Winter was at its peak, Tibet Charity took a trip to a slum to distribute winter blankets to the slum dwellers ensuring warmer winter for the poor people of the slum. We distributed more than 150 blankets to more than 80 families in the slum village. We also distributed winter blankets to the sanitation workers and beggars, Tibetan elderly, monks and nuns in Mcleod ganj, Forsyth ganj and TIPA road. All this was possible with the kind support of our sponsor EXECUSHIELD INC, USA.



SINGLE PARENT PROGRAM



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During the pandemic last year, livelihoods of many people were affected because of the lockdown and social distancing norms. While incomes were adversely affected, there has been spurt in the expenditure due to the closure of the boarding schools that generally cater to the daily needs of the school going children. Though livelihoods of everyone got affected, it was worse for the single parents who have to bear the responsibility and burden alone. Sensing the difficulties these single parents go

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through, Tibet Charity Denmark and with support of their sponsors, decided to come to the help of such families in the Tibetan community in Dharamsala. With their kind support, we have provided financial support to some such needy families in order to help them provide better nutrition to their children at home until their schools get opened.

HEALTH CARE PROGRAM



Due to the COVID 19, major activities in health care section were closed for whole year. However, we continued our home visits regularly. So far we have done 158 home visits. No hospital assistance was provided due to COVID 19 initially. But later on, we extended our support to few emergency cases where one such case has that of an 85 year old person who was hit by a bull while he was on his way for a morning walk. After receiving a call, our staff proactively went to see him and took him to the hospital. Fortunately, there was no major damage to the bone except some muscular tears.



Though he has no family, he is lucky to have kind and helpful neighbors who provided him help whenever needed. They helped us in carrying him from his room to our car. They also provided him the prescribed medicine on time. We thanked them for their kind support. We also helped Popo Phuntsok Tsering and Dolma Tso to seek medical treatment at Tanda and Delek Hospital.

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We purchased two oxygen concentrators which could be leased out to people in need of such medicines in the future.



Apart from their regular home visits and attending emergency cases, they have also checked body vitals of approx 25 nuns and monks who are residing in Tse-Chokling near Dharamkot on 19th Jan 2021. We also explained how to maintain proper diets and good health regime in case of heavy BPs and sugar level. We have also briefed them about general health safety measures to be followed from COVID 19. We have also advised some of the nuns and monks to take expert opinion from a doctor for those who are with borderline BP (Blood Pressure) and sugar level conditions.

COVID ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



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COVID assistance program is a program where we took an initiative to help our Tibetan elders such hermit monks and nuns, older single parents who have no family and relatives of their own in the Dharamsala region. This program was commenced from 9th March 2021 where we not only registered them on co-win website, but we also took them to the Regional Hospitals on the said date for vaccination and assisted them till the end of their vaccination. We also brought them back to their respective homes. We have covered many places (such as Forsythganj, Thardotling, Tsechogling Old and new camp, nearby Upper TCV hermit place) and nearby in Mcleodganj for Covid Assistance. We have also helped our Tibetan brothers and sisters in registering their elders for the Covid Vaccination in our office. Following data explains the number of assistance done in the Dharamsala region:

No. of Assisted Hermit Monks and nuns from registration till vaccination: 20

No. of Assisted Older Single Parents from registration till vaccination: 45

No. of Assisted Tibetan Elders for registration at office: 113

ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM

When COVID 19 was struck, whole world was declared under a pandemic situation. Government of India declared a nationwide lockdown and announced to remain shut for 3 months at start. It was tough time for our animal clinic too. As on one hand, we were on the verge of closing the clinic as we had no confirmation about our FCRA renewal at the start and on other hand, we couldn't have regular dog treatments except emergency cases such as Parvo, skin disease and road accident.



In the month of May 2020, we were granted the renewal of our FCRA registration certificate. This enabled us to carry out our socially beneficial works with more vigor. We thank Honorable Ministry of Homes, GOI for their kind consideration.

With this, we continued our ABC programs and Anti Rabies program without a stop. Each day we caught several dogs and get them sterilized and cleaned their wounds from any lice or worm.

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ABC Surgery in clinic	212
Amputation cases in clinic	3
Ear Surgeries in clinic	13
Tumor removal	11
ABC Camps	-
Anti Rabies Camp	968
Anti Rabies Vaccination in clinic	146
Parvo Cases	130
Accident cases	6

On 28th August 2020, we also took an initiative to reward some of the local residents of Dharamsala to appreciate their continuous support to feed the stray dogs in the region. These individuals have tirelessly fed the stray dogs around their places with nothing but love and compassion for the animals and sometimes even faced some conflicts from the community too. Their service kept the dogs surviving the hardships of lockdown where dogs too faced difficulties in finding food. They always called us and helped us whenever they saw a sick dog around. It is with thanks to their cooperation and help we received from Brigitte Bardot Fondation, France and TCV school that we were able to do what we have been doing for stray dogs in the region for past 16 yrs.



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MASS ANTI RABIES VACCINATION PROGRAM 2020

With kind support from Brigitte Bardot Fondation, France, we commenced of our mass anti rabies vaccination program from 28th Sep 2020. Like always, we started the first day on World Rabies Day.

S. No.	Date	Areas to be covered	Remarks	Total no. of vaccination done
1.	28/09/20	Tibet Charity House	Pet dogs only	70
2.	29/09/20	a. Area between Dolma Chowk and Main Temple b. Thardot Ling c. Old People's Home	Stray dogs only	111
3.	30/09/20	a. Gu-Chu-Sum to McLeod Main Square b. Yongling School area c. McLeod Taxi Stand d. McLeod Bus Stand e. Tse-Chok-Ling	Stray dogs only	92
4.	01/10/20	a. Area between McLeod Main Square and Bhagsunath b. Dushaini Village	Stray dogs only	88
5.	03/10/20	a. Area between McLeod main square and Dharamkot b. TIPA Area c. Tushita Area	Both pet and stray dogs	90
6.	05/10/20	a. TCV Handicraft section b. TCV Main School c. Dal lake road	Both pet and stray dogs	158
7.	06/10/20	a. Naddi Village b. Dharamsala Cantt. area	Both pet and stray dogs	73
8.	07/10/20	a. Jogiwara b. CTA area c. Ghamroo Village	Both pet and stray dogs	158

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9.	08/10/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Mentseekhang b. Indian village below Mentseekhang 	Both pet and stray dogs	96
10.	09/10/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Petoen School b. Lower TCV School c. Sherab Gatseling School d. Sarah 	Both pet and stray dogs	32

Therefore, we have vaccinated 968 dogs in 10 days of Mass Anti Rabies Vaccination Program. Here are the glimpses of our Mass Anti Rabies Vaccination Program.



Tibet Charity House

Main Temple Road

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Mcleod Square

Forsythganj



Tibetan Medicinal Centre

Gangchen Kyishong (Library)

Conclusion:

Despite the year 2020 went with lots of ups and downs, we have slowly picked up our pace in our day to day activities and we are hopeful that the COVID 19 may not harm us in any near future. We would like to thank all our esteemed sponsors who stood with us in our bad times and supported us further in our activities. We thank for their support that we received from well wishers and friends as under: -

- **Tibet Charity Denmark** for supporting our administrative expenses, education, sponsorship and health care programs and also for Single Parent Program

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- **Brigitte Bardot Fondation** for supporting our animal care program
- **TIBET CHARITY - Save Tibet, Austria** for supporting our sponsorship and other social development program
- **Graines d'Avenir, France** for supporting our sponsorship program
- **Martine & Bertram Pohl and Tibet House Germany** for sponsoring the salary of our Home nurse and a Vet Assistant.
- **Execushield Inc, USA** for supporting us in our social development project i.e. Summer and Winter Clothes Distribution and Winter Blankets Distribution
- And other individuals who have supported us during the year.