



AUXAN Association

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Non-profit association devoted to the protection of animals, serving the public interest, founded in May 2013 in Morges.



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Who are we?

AUXAN was founded in May 2013 in Morges, near Lausanne, Switzerland. It is an officially recognised non-profit association devoted to the protection of animals, serving the Public Interest and with no political affiliation. AUXAN's primary objective is to help and support animal rescue centres and associations in difficulty, both in Switzerland and in other countries, so that they can continue to take in, care for and feed animals (cats, dogs, horses, etc.) that are either homeless or abandoned, ill-treated or at risk.



Origin of the association's name "AUXAN ":

The name is a combination of two latin terms:

AUXilia

which means help, aid, assistance and

ANimalibus

one of the plural Latin forms of the word "animalis" or animals

OUR WORK:

The assistance given to each animal shelter in difficulty is defined on a case-by-case basis according to their specific needs. The support can take the form of:

- Donations of food for the animals

- Help in purchasing equipment for the improvement of the animals' living conditions (e.g., fencing, heating)

- Offer coaching to help charities gain more visibility

- Occasional animal fostering

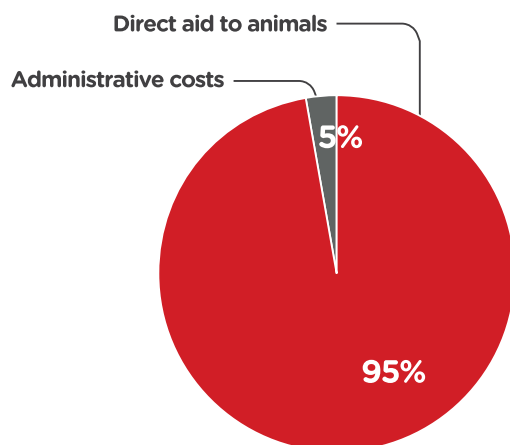


Financial aid to cover outstanding invoices or veterinary fees

Donations of medical supplies (disposable or equipment) enabling veterinarians to treat animals in optimal conditions

2024 FINANCIAL YEAR

2024 BALANCE SHEET Distribution of funds Overview



ANIMALS CARED FOR IN 2024:



SINCE ITS CREATION 2013-2024:

Over the past 11 years, the Association AUXAN ANIMALIBUS has enabled the rescue of thousands of animals in distress:



THANKS TO OUR NEW TRUSTEE -

Hertig Enza EGC Gestion et Conseils, Le Mont-sur-Lausanne

Managing a non-profit association serving the public interest requires sound accounting expertise and irreproachable financial transparency. Since Auxan was founded, we have had the great luck to be supported by dedicated accountants who share our commitment to the animal cause.

2013 - 2022: A LOYAL AND PRECIOUS COMMITMENT

For almost 10 years, Philippe unwaveringly supported us in all the accounting aspects of our association: certifying donations, drafting minutes... Thanks to his support, we succeeded in being recognised as serving the public interest. Philippe has now adopted two bitches, **Campanule** and **Flora**, from the shelters we support. He has also founded his own non-profit animal protection association, continuing his commitment to animal welfare.



Campanule



Flora

2022 - 2025: A VALUABLE NEW PARTNERSHIP

We then crossed paths with a local trustee who agreed to accompany us. We would like to say an enormous thank you to Enza and her team for their expertise and benevolence.



Lucky

And what can we say about **Lucky**, their faithful four-legged friend, who keeps an eye on our accounts with as much care as the affection he gives to us!

Financial transparency and strict accounting standards are essential for our association. We thank these local organisations, which enable us to evolve within a demanding fiscal and administrative framework. Every expert has a contribution to offer to the animal cause!

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I. OUR ACTIONS IN SWITZERLAND

A. Support to OLFACANIS, the first venture in Switzerland to use canine sense of smell to detect breast cancer in its early stages – an innovative and promising method

OlfaCanis, Cancer Detecting Dogs Association is a Geneva-based non-profit organization founded by Nicolas Rothen on October 25th 2019 under the name “Flairer pour l'espoir” (sniffing out hope).

The OlfaCanis project is based on the ability of dogs, thanks to their exceptional sense of smell, to detect breast cancer early, non-invasively, painlessly, inexpensively and without patient contact. Since dogs can identify the odorous components of tumours, this innovative method enables early detection, saving lives and reducing treatment costs. In collaboration with renowned institutions such as the CHUV (Centre hospitalier universitaire vaudois – university hospital of the Vaud canton) and the Institut Curie in Paris (KDOG project), OlfaCanis remains at the forefront of this revolutionary approach.

The method involves using medical compresses to remove volatile odorant components (VOCs) from a cancerous tumour. These samples are then used to train the dogs, who learn to detect the VOCs thanks to their exceptional sense of smell. The owners of these dogs agree to make their pets available to the association on a voluntary basis. The training sessions are perceived by the dogs as a game.

Among other members of the team, we are proud to include **Dr. Thaleia Voreopoulou** who practices in Geneva.



B. Support for the association SOS CHIENS POLAIRES for the rescue of 12 dogs in distress (summer 2024)

The association **SOS Chiens Polaires**, founded in 2009, takes in abandoned or ill-treated polar dogs such as huskies, malamutes and Akita Inus. This shelter, unique in Switzerland, is a real haven where 68 dogs receive care, food and stimulating activities such as Canicross.

Last August, Carine Mettraux-Pousaz and her partner carried out an emergency rescue, taking in 12 dogs impounded by the cantonal vet in Graubünden, as they were living in deplorable conditions. Scared and scrawny, some of them were on the verge of cachexia, unsterilised and infested with fleas. Suffering from serious deficiencies, they needed emergency care. Faced with this dramatic situation, the association was confronted with heavy unforeseen costs. The 12 dogs rescued from mistreatment - Odin, Nanook, Skadi, Tarija, Thor, Wolf, Layka, Nayeli, Everest, Ylva, Nova and Askan - are currently recovering.



C. Support to GUAPO - saving a young bull condemned to slaughter on Valentine's Day!

We were asked to save a young bull destined for the slaughterhouse after the farmer, who had become attached to him, was unable to contemplate this fate. This rescue enabled us to get familiar with a world we previously did not know. Although the shelters in Switzerland are full to overflowing, we nevertheless managed to place Guapo in a facility in the canton of Solothurn, where he joined other survivors of the dairy and beef industries.



D. Adoption and care for some 30 cats, rabbits and guinea pigs in the Canton of Vaud

a- CATS: Spay and neuter campaign + adoption of a colony of 30 stray cats

- Interventions in the Canton of Vaud – TNVR campaign (Trap, Neuter, Vaccinate, Return) of around ten cats, taken care of by veterinary clinics in Aigle and Monthey.
- Adoptions :

CALCIFER, HAURU, PASHA, YOKO (4 months old) : as soon as they were domesticated, the 4 sibling kittens were divided between two adoptive families, one in Viry and the other in Colombier.



Calcifer



Hauru



Pasha



Yoko

RIO (4 months old) & MINOUCHE (6 years old): these cats from Bex were adopted by a family with two children in Vilars.



Rio



Minouche

b- A RABBIT AND GUINEA PIGS: castration, adoptions and patronage

PINPIN (rabbit) & TITI (blind guinea pig) - these two elderly animals who lived together found refuge in a specialised animal pension in Ballens, thanks to the patronage of Auxan. Pinpin has found a patroness within our association, who covers the monthly expenses. A big thank you to her for this generosity!



Pinpin



Titi

BOB & NESTOR : fostering of two male guinea pigs entrusted to the **CRACI association** in Froideville, where they were neutered and then adopted.



Bob



Nestor

IROKOÏ - neutered and returned to his family and his guinea pig girlfriend.



Irokoï

II. OUR ACTIONS IN THE WORLD



BELGIUM

Donations of hay, grit and wood shavings for Maryse's 158 hens and cockerels

Over 3 months, our support enabled the association **Les Poules Heureuses de la Ferme Lovely Asbl** to buy:

- 20 bales of hay to protect the hen houses from cold and damp.
- 200 kg of grit (10 bags) to improve the hens' digestion.
- 400 kg of wood shavings (20 bags) to improve the hen's comfort and egg-laying.

This donation made it possible to take care of 158 hens and cockerels rescued from exploitation, ill-treatment or neglect.



CHINA

Visit to the biggest shelter in the world, one of our beneficiaries

In May 2024, we went to visit the **PING AN A FU** shelter in Nanjing to meet the team and all the animal residents, as well as to take stock of the development of animal protection in China. The shelter was founded in 2002 by Mrs. Ha Wenjin, a wealthy businesswoman who sold all her assets in order to devote herself wholly to animal protection in her country.

6,000 dogs and cats have been taken into 5 different sites over the years, rescued from the meat industry, abandonment, straying and ill-treatment. We spent 4 days visiting the different facilities where these animals are sheltered. Most of them live in groups, in large open spaces (e.g. converted schoolyards) and are fed mainly on homemade kibble thanks to a specially adapted machine, which considerably reduces costs and makes it possible to be in control of the ingredients.

While the needs are colossal, resources are sorely lacking and the often-inexperienced staff are doing their best to look after the animals. In spite of a dedicated vet, working full-time, it is unfortunately impossible to take care of all of them. Changing mentalities is crucial if the animal cause is to be truly heard and respected.





Repatriation of 2 dogs to Paris, visit to 4 shelters and voluntary work at the Pyramids

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED - STAR & SKY ARRIVED IN PARIS!

On 3rd August 2024, **Star** and **Sky**, two Egyptian bitches, arrived in Paris after a long expedition from Cairo. Further to a request from the association **L'Homme et Son Chien**, we accepted this mission in spite of the difficult conditions in Egypt (40-45°C). After waiting a year and a half, the bitches finally found a brighter future:



Sky, a 7-year-old Golden Retriever was purchased and rescued on the street for € 5.65 with an injured front leg. She has already been adopted and now lives in Normandy.



Star was only 15 days old when she was rescued by **Hala Mohamed** in Cairo, in a rubbish dump where her mother was trying to feed her babies. All the other puppies died. After that, the only place she knew was Hala's shelter.

Volunteering at the foot of the Pyramids

We also spent a deeply disturbing day discovering the living conditions of the animals at the foot of the pyramids. Here, the horses, exhausted by the stifling heat, are made to pull carriages weighing over a ton, and are frequently whipped. A horrific sight which really shocked and affected us.



Spay and neuter campaign for 22 cats in Brittany

Sterilisation, castration and identification campaign for 22 stray cats in Brittany

An SOS was posted on social networks by Philippe, a retired man from Brittany who fed a colony of 22 stray cats daily. Following threats from the pound to capture them, these non-identified and non-sterilised cats were in danger of being euthanised. After several refusals from associations in France, our charity in Switzerland was contacted. We decided to help out and organised an emergency TNVR campaign (**T**rap, **N**euter, **V**accinate, **R**eturn).

In less than 3 months, 22 cats were identified and 16 of them spayed and neutered. It wasn't an easy road for Philippe, but together, we were able to offer these animals a safer future. "Thank you for your help, I'm speechless", he told us. Many thanks also to the Parisian association **Le Club de Défense des Animaux du 12ème (CDA)** which generously covered the veterinary costs for 5 female cats. A wonderful example of solidarity in favour of animals!





NICARAGUA

Awareness campaign for workhorses in Managua and the installation of electric fencing to secure the shelter

Workhorses in Latin America, which are often neglected and ill-treated, suffer from very hard-working conditions. In order to help, we launched an initial awareness campaign with 30 horse owners in Managua, by distributing hay, food supplements and veterinary care through the **Shellthon Zamora Foundation**. The success of this campaign has raised awareness among owners, giving them new hope and essential awareness for the well-being of horses.



Electric fencing to secure the Shellthon Zamora Foundation shelter

At the same time, we installed electric fencing round Karla's shelter, where over 100 animals, including horses, have been rescued from ill-treatment. This shelter, located in a high-risk district of Managua, is frequently threatened by thieves who sell the horses for the illegal meat trade. Thanks to this new electric fencing, the safety of the animals is now reinforced.

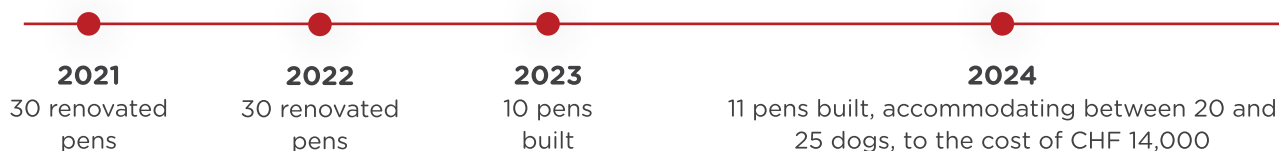


ROUMANIE

Completion of the renovation of Valeria's shelter after 4 years of work!

Since November 2021, we have done everything possible to improve the living conditions of the hundreds of dogs in the **la-Ma-Acasa shelter**. Founded and managed by Valeria, it houses more than 300 dogs, but the facilities were in serious disrepair. In financial terms, this was a very ambitious project, since the association receives no support and the shelter, which is isolated, made access by workmen extremely difficult.

We have gradually rehabilitated this living space :



N.B : each pen usually accommodates 2 to 3 dogs.



UKRAINE

Construction of 13 kennels, for the winter, for dogs rescued by the military in war zones

With war raging, many abandoned dogs are brought in by the military. Unfortunately, there are not enough kennels to give shelter to these homeless dogs.

A local craftsman, concerned by this situation, proposed a solution – to build kennels at a preferential price of € 100 instead of € 120. On 12th December, we succeeded in financing 13 kennels , made in just one week.



Participation in Arthur's veterinary expenses

Arthur, an abandoned dog, was found with an injured front leg, probably due to being hit by a machine. His stomach had also been hurt. He was able to have an operation and, after a month in a splint, the vet removed the latter and Arthur can now walk again. What makes this story all the more moving is that the soldier who rescued him has already visited him in the shelter three times.

The key actions presented in this 2024 Newsletter are just a part of the support we provide to animal protection associations, particularly food, veterinary care, rescues, TNVR campaigns (spaying and neutering) and so much more.

CURRENT NEWS



Collaboration with IFAW to assist associations in difficulty due to disasters – the earthquake in Morocco and the war in Ukraine.



Two American students, Brianna and Grace, are helping us raise funds for the Shellthon Zamora Foundation shelter in Nicaragua by setting up a fundraising campaign on GoFundMe.



The CLIC ANIMAUX platform in France, which enabled us to raise funds, has closed: a major blow for us!



Auxan has been validated by CAF America, an American organisation which helps donors make strategic and targeted philanthropic decisions, while ensuring that they are fully compliant with regulations. Their support ensures a lasting impact on the causes and communities they support.

DONATIONS: IN PICTURES

Present in 19 countries:

Since 2013, our non-profit association has come to the aid of animals in the following countries: Algeria, Belgium, Brazil, China, Egypt, France, Greece, Hungary, India, Mauritius, Morocco, Nicaragua, Romania, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Tunisia, Thailand and Ukraine.



Ping An A Fu, Nanjing, China



The Animal House Rescue, Mauritius



Shellthon Zamora Foundation, Nicaragua



Animals Care Foundation (ACF), Egypt



NomadVet, Romania

SOME OF THE PICTURES OF ANIMALS THAT HAVE TOUCHED US...



Before



After

News of Choupette

Choupette is doing wonderfully well with her new adoptive family in Lausanne. After being rescued in Geneva, where she was ill-treated with her baby (who unfortunately passed away), she has regained her vitality, her joie de vivre and has become a real gourmet!



Léa

Rescue of Léa

Léa was found in a garden in Lausanne, stray and very thin, by Choupette's mistress, a lady who is very concerned about animal welfare. Since then, Léa is part of their lives.

Rosa, found after 6 years of wandering in Echichens

Rosa was cruelly abandoned after 13 years of communal life. When her owner adopted a new cat, she lost all interest in Rosa, preferring to devote herself to her new feline companion. She unscrupulously went to her local vet and claimed that Rosa had urinary problems, requesting euthanasia. Fortunately, the vet, who knew Rosa well, refused this request and tried to find a new home for her. This is how we were contacted and asked to find a family for this lovely tortoiseshell cat.

In May 2018, affected by this sad fate, one of our neighbours in Morges decided to take her in, even envisaging adoption. Rosa spent a month in this person's apartment, but her love of freedom was too strong and she desperately tried to get out, probably to find her former mistress. Faced with her distress, we tried to give her a little freedom by leaving her in the garden with a harness, but Rosa managed to escape.... disaster!! We started a frantic search, putting up more than 300 wanted posters, soliciting social networks (PetAlert) and local vets, but to no avail. Her absence was unbearable.

Then in March 2024, there was a spectacular turn of events! The **Ste Catherine SVPA** succeeded in contacting our neighbour to announce that Rosa had been found, though very weak and ill. Apparently, she had been wandering only 2 kms from her home for all those years, fed by a family who had then moved away. Spotted by a caring local lady, Rosa had been taken to the SVPA and, thanks to the identification chip, her family in Morges was contacted. Since Rosa was so weak and very old (18), it was agreed that she should be put to sleep to put her out of her misery.



Rosa

Support us by making a donation!

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Payment method 2

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Beneficiary:

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Payment method 3

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Payment method 4

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