



From all of us at Vegan Outreach

You're a hero! People are vegan now because of you. We're getting closer to a vegan world **because of you.** Any way you slice it, you made a big impact this past year with your donations to Vegan Outreach.

In the following pages, we dish up stories of the critical work accomplished in 2017 and the positive changes we've created together for animals.

Make yourself a Tofurky sandwich and relish in your successes!





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See what your donations are accomplishing, be the first to hear about new vegan products, and learn more ways to help animals!

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Get to Know Some Faces of VO

How did you get involved with Vegan Outreach and leafleting?

I actually found out about Vegan Outreach when I received a leaflet my first year at Rutgers University! Once I went vegan, I immediately wanted to join the fight to end violence towards animals. I contacted VO to ask about internships and was put in contact with Outreach Coordinator Kimberly Moffatt. I leafleted with her as a volunteer for two weeks at several New Jersey schools. Now I'm on my own tour!



-Alexis Clark, Outreach Coordinator

How has the response been to **Vegan Outreach in Mexico?**

It's been wonderful. When I'm on a tour, almost every day I get to meet someone who's interested in changing their eating habits to help animals—thanks to a leaflet they've received from us. Sometimes it can be overwhelming to see so many students reading the booklets on a campus we're visiting!

-Emmanuel Marquez, Mexico Outreach Coordinator

What inspires your work for animals and what keeps you going?

I'm inspired to work for animals because of the ripple effect. The end to all industries that exploit animals not only has ethical benefits, but the health and environmental changes are also huge. There are so many dedicated activists fighting for the rights of non-human animals, and I'm proud to do my part and to see all our work making a difference.



-Nzinga Young, Greater NYC Community Engagement and Events Coordinator



What makes you most proud of Vegan Outreach today?

I'm always amazed by the dedication of our Outreach Coordinators. who travel to colleges despite bad weather, long stints on the roadand this year, even a car crash. I'm also proud of our Community Engagement Coordinators, who put on so many events—it takes a lot of time and dedication! Everyone at VO works hard for the animals,

day in and day out, from our outreachers, to our fundraisers, to our operations team.

-Jack Norris, RD, Executive Director

Your Donation Doubled Now through December 31!

Your gift today will be matched by an anonymous donor!

By donating during our matching challenge, your money will go twice as far for animals. Your generosity fuels all the good work we do for animals, from educating the masses through college leafleting, to providing one-on-one mentorship to aspiring vegans—and everything in between.

Please give generously today. Use the envelope provided or donate securely online at VeganOutreach.org/2017match. Thank you!



wenna Hunter/VO (Nzinga); Nzinga Young/VO (HBCU Students, Gwenna, India Day); 🜀 Brad Bethell Photography (dessert tasting); Victor Flores/VO (El Palote;

Your Dollars at Work for the Animals

Reaching **More Communities**

The Vegan Outreach Community **Engagement program** reaches out to communities that have traditionally been underserved by the animal advocacy movement.

Just under two years old, the program has seen tremendous success and has created so much positive change! In 2017, we've hosted or participated in over 50 outreach activities:

- Vegan food tastings
- Grocery store tours
- Nutrition talks
- Film screenings
- Humane education presentations
- Outreach at cultural festivals











In spring 2017, Community Engagement and Events Coordinators Nzinga Young and Gwenna Hunter (above) teamed up to complete a month-long leafleting tour of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in

the southeastern US. This fall semester, they completed their own respective tours—visiting over 25 HBCUs!

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- Indian American Community Engagement and Events Coordinator Roopashree Rao spoke with over 2,000 attendees at New York City's India Day Parade. She gave them VO booklets, provided samples of plant-based milks and yogurt, and signed many up for our Vegan Mentor Program.
- ◀ Los Angeles churchgoers enjoyed vegan treats at a dessert tasting event hosted by Community Engagement and Events Manager Roxanne Hill.



Over 600 people came to El Palote Panadería in Dallas for VO's Mexican American community event. Greater New Mexico Community Engagement and Events Coordinator Victor Flores and volunteers gave out VO booklets, showed Animal Equality's iAnimal virtual reality videos, and served free vegan tacos al pastor, asada, and carnitas.



Where There Are Students, There Are Leaflets

Thanks to your donations, Vegan Outreach's humane education program has taken off and we've ramped up our showings of Animal Equality's iAnimal virtual reality footage. And as always, we're handing booklets to any open-minded crowds we can find—through our

Adopt a College (AAC) program in the US, Mexico, Canada, India, Australia, and New Zealand!

On May 8, VO Mexico's Emmanuel Marquez and Katia Rodriguez, along with ten dedicated volunteers, handed out **22,805 booklets** at the Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León—*a new AAC world record!*





- ¶ In 2015, Israel received a booklet from Katia at UANL and became a first-time leafleter and vegetarian that day! Two years later, he's almost completely vegan and helped VO set a new world record for leafleting.
- ◆ Steven Litrov, Justino Molinaro, Evan Shamoon, Vic Sjodin, John Oberg, Kacy Franzen, Gwenna Hunter, and Phil Letten

August 28 was another historic day. VO's Victor Sjodin, Gwenna Hunter, Kacy Franzen, and five fellow activists handed out **10,187 booklets** at Cal State Northridge and *set a new campus-leafleting record for the US!*

AdoptaCollege.org

New Booklets!

For Spanish speakers living in the US, we created *El poder de nuestras elecciones alimentarias* (translation: *The Power of Our Food Choices*).

Everyone Loves Music, a joint creation with the Factory Farming Awareness Coalition, targets concertgoers interested in the environment and spirituality.

What Is Speciesism? frames veganism as a critical way to oppose speciesism and stand up for justice. We're very excited about it and hope to have a hand in making "speciesism" a household term, like "vegan" is today!

Visit us online to view and order booklets.

VeganOutreach.org/Order



EVERY SLICE IS A SUCCESS FOR ANIMALS!

Vegan Outreach's campaigns department has been making it a whole lot easier to get vegan cheese when out and about and craving a delicious slice of pizza! So far, we've helped seven local and chain pizzerias put vegan cheese on their menus—at 23 locations in total!





Going Vegan and Staying Vegan

Just as important as raising awareness about violence towards animals is helping people make a sustainable switch to vegan eating. Thanks to your donations, we're doing both!

Vegan Mentor Program

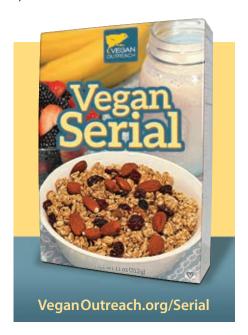
The Vegan Mentor Program connects veg-curious people and new vegans via email with a volunteer mentor who will help with anything from navigating the grocery store aisles to figuring out how to respond to questions.

Vegan Serial

Another resource we offer is Vegan Serial, a 10-week email series designed with simplicity in mind. Everyone who signs up receives weekly emails, each with a delicious and easy vegan recipe, a nutrition tip from Executive Director Jack Norris, RD, and recommendations for store-bought vegan food products, like frozen pizza and sweet treats.

Since we revamped the series in March, 2,540 people have used this tool for help going vegan.

To date, the Vegan Mentor Program (Programa Mentor Vegano en Español) has more than 2,000 active mentors and 3,700 matched mentees in over 1,000 cities in 60 countries.



MEASURING CHANGE

Your donations have put Vegan Outreach on the front lines, persuading people to oppose the violence of animal agriculture. We're grateful to play a part in the fight for animal rights.

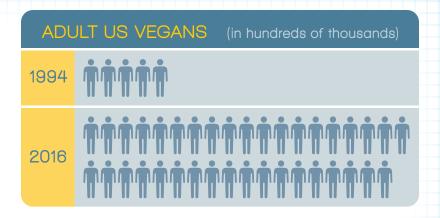
When we started leafleting in the mid-1990s, there were about half a million vegans in the US. Today, there are 3.7 million—a seven-fold increase!

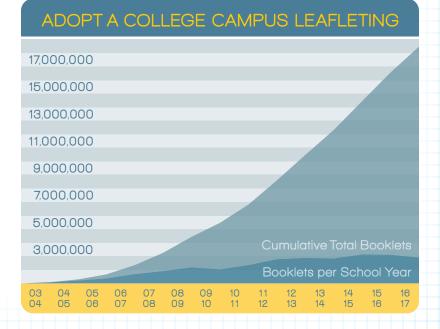
Our fall 2015 pilot study showed that reading a VO booklet made:

- 80% of respondents more sympathetic to farmed animals
- 70% discuss the booklet with others
- 50% want to eat fewer mammals and birds
- 35-40% want to eat less eggs, dairy, and fish

In 2016, our Pay Per Read study showed strong evidence that for every 75 booklets read, one person reduces their consumption of all nonvegan foods to less than once per week.

Thank you for changing lives and changing the world for animals!





Display this on your fridge for reference!

Easy Vegan Baking: Egg Replacers

Baked goods can be made by substituting each egg with one of the following:

- 1 tablespoon ground flaxseeds + 3 tablespoons warm water
- ¼ cup unsweetened applesauce, mashed banana, soy yogurt, or blended silken tofu
- 1 tablespoon vinegar + 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch + 2 tablespoons water
- 1½ teaspoons Ener-G Egg Replacer + 2 tablespoons water





Please don't let him down.

The work we do together is crucial and it all depends on your donations.

Everything you read about in this newsletter—all our accomplishments in 2017 and all the work we'll do in years to come—is because of donations from people just like you.

Right now you have a special opportunity. Your donation will be matched dollar-for-dollar, doubling your impact for animals!

Will you be one of the first donors to our 2017 matching challenge?

The animals need you. Vegan Outreach needs you.

Give now at VeganOutreach.org/2017match.

Thank you for donating to the match!

