

Media Release

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HSA MARKS REMEMBER A CHARITY WEEK

This week is Remember A Charity Week (7-13 September) and the Humane Slaughter Association is one of over 200 charities across the country taking part.

Legacies have the power to have an impact far into the future and the HSA's work is only possible because of the generous support of those who leave a legacy. Gifts left in wills have enabled the charity to grow from simple beginnings in 1911 to become an organisation that has led and/or contributed to major changes in attitudes towards animals, with scientific and technological developments resulting in huge improvements in methods for humane slaughter or killing.

Legacies constitute a huge tranche of the charity's income, and have the power to make a difference to a significant number of animals worldwide. Every day, millions of animals around the world are transported, marketed and slaughtered for food. The potential for distress and suffering for these animals is immense and comes at a time when they are most vulnerable.

Last year, gifts in Wills helped the HSA to continue its unique programme of research, education and advice which is helping to improve farmed animal welfare around the world.

The HSA's CEO Huw Golledge said: "We are taking part in Remember a Charity in your Will Week to help raise awareness of the importance of gifts left in Wills – perhaps the greatest gift of all. Now more than ever the HSA is relying on gifts in Wills from supporters like you to help our work live on. We know many of you have recently been reflecting on the things that matter the most – family, friends and the causes close to your heart. Many have also been reminded of the value of planning for the future in order to look after the things you care about most. After taking care of your family and friends, a gift in your Will, regardless of size, will ensure that we can continue to make a lasting difference to the welfare of food animals during marketing, transport and slaughter."

Please see https://www.hsa.org.uk/support/leaving-a-gift-in-your-will to find out more about leaving a gift to the HSA.

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Note to Editors:

The Humane Slaughter Association

The HSA is an independent charity recognised internationally for promoting scientific, technical and educational advances towards improving the welfare of food animals worldwide during, marketing, transport, slaughter and killing. Its work includes researching, refining and demonstrating humane slaughter methods, publishing material such as guidelines, best practice, books and videos, funding research projects and the development of equipment. Specialist technical staff provide expert and practical advice on all welfare issues relating to food animals. The HSA is funded by voluntary donations, subscriptions and legacies.

For more information about the HSA's work call 01582 831919, email info@hsa.org.uk or visit www.hsa.org.uk

Remember A Charity

Remember A Charity was formed in the year 2000 as a consortium of charities working to encourage more people to consider leaving a gift to charity in their Will. A representative voice for the sector with over 200 charity members, the campaign works with Government, the legal profession and employers to help normalise legacy giving. Remember A Charity is part of the Chartered Institute of Fundraising, which is incorporated by Royal Charter (RC000910) and is a charity registered in England and Wales (No 1188764) and Scotland (No.SC050060) and is trading for the present time as the Institute of Fundraising.

Find out more at <u>www.rememberacharity.org.uk</u> or follow <u>@RememberCharity</u>.