# ZHARITY NEWSLETTER July & August 2022

Thank you once again for an incredible Spring/Summer. The amount of work the community did this year is staggering. We've shared the most recent highlights below to show the growth, impact and determination of our volunteers, donors and supporters.

Even as we grow, we will be continuing to support the more than 40 agencies we currently work with and we will seek new agencies that are in need of our services.

We are also offering more one-time volunteer opportunities and a new volunteer process to ensure we can provide interesting activities.

Our Earth and Sport activities are also expanding so stay tuned for those announcements in the Fall!

We will be taking a short break starting from this week to take some well-earned rest and plan for the Fall.

Before we all go on our holidays, I would like to personally thank every donor, volunteer, member, team member, company, school and sponsor for their dedication and effort to help our community and beyond.





# Our 2022 successes so far...

Since the start of the year, Zharity volunteers have been busy bees, supporting both our local and the wider international community. It goes without saying that we could not have achieved so much without the help of our supporters, so thank you to all who supported our efforts.

Between January 1st and July 1st 2022, we:

Collected 2,350 donations from 291 different donors

From February till the end of March, all our international effort (and work in general) focused on

- Fulfilled 937 requests from 32 partner agencies
- Made more than 40 deliveries to partner agencies across canton Zurich
- Provided 1,840 donations over 10,000 individual items - to people in need
- Sorted 500kg of items with a partner agency in just one day
- Supported 4 local animal initiatives with pet food and financial assistance



the Ukrainian Relief Response. Please read more about this <u>here</u>.

Since March, we continued supporting Ukrainians, locally and abroad:

- Donation of bras to Soutien Girls
- Financial Donation to Ukrainian Animal Group
- Providing some supplies to 3 vans headed to Ukraine in May and June



### Special thank you to:

**Collections Drop-off Team:** April, Abbie, Adeline, Ivana, Chloe S, Chloe M, Claudia, Katie, Jyoti, Mette, Priscilla, Raquel and Rebeca

**Drivers:** Katie, Raquel, April, Ewa, Claudia, Jyoti, Ingrid and Mette

Inventory System Development: Thank you Kevin, Abbie and our new team member Alexander

Storage Unit Coordination: Abbie, Ewa, Claudia, Katie, Mette and Priscilla

Personal Care Campaign Coordination: Ewa and Jyoti



# June in Review

This last month has been especially jam packed full of fun, in-person activities where we have helped to give back to the local community.

### **Hof Narr Farm**

On a beautiful summer morning in late June, 28 participants (of all ages) joined our Zharity Earth team for a morning of service at Hof Narr Farm.



### **Stargazing**

Zharity Earth continued our summer activities with a lovely evening stargazing at the Rümlang Sternwarte with some star enthusiasts. While there, we toured the observatory and had the opportunity to observe objects through telescopes. To support their continued community efforts, we gave a financial contribution to the observatory.

Read the full story about our fantastic experience and how you can sign up for our next service day in September...



### **Pet Food Collection**

Thank you to all who donated to our June Collection supporting local pets in need. We were hoping to serve two local agencies, and we ended up serving eight!

In total, we distributed more than CHF 2000 in food and funds, with some of the distributed animal food given to local Ukrainian refugees

We still have one more delivery to go out this week, but it was a fantastic effort by all with special thanks to our corporate donors - Google, Ebay and Zimmer BioMedics - and Academia International School.

This was a new effort for Zharity, but we hope to continue to support our furry friends in the future.

Click here for the full list of donors and donations.

### Yoga in the Park

Following last Fall's incredible session led by Victoria Artola, we were thrilled when she offered to host another yoga in the park, this time to raise funds towards our Pet Food Collection.

In total we raised CHF 700 for our four-legged friends.

<u>Thank you to everyone who participated, to our organizers, and to Victoria!</u>





# Looking to the Fall...

Although we are now taking a break until 29th August, rest assured that we will be back in September with a full schedule of collections, activities and events so we can continue to Do Good, Have Fun, and Connect.

### **Community Kit Making**

We are hosting some kit-making sessions throughout the Fall to donate to our agencies.

If you'd like to Do Good, Have Fun and Connect then sign up to join us at one of the following sessions:

### **Zharity's Coffee Chat**

Are you interested in volunteer opportunities? Would you like to help your local community and beyond? Or do you just want to learn more about what Zharity is doing?

Then join us for an online coffee chat on Wednesday 7th

### **Community Clean Up**

We are excited to host a series of clean-ups this Fall to help keep our beautiful Zurich trash-free.

If you'd like to join us, just sign up for one of the days below.

<u>Saturday 24th September, 10am</u> <u>to 12pm</u> Monday 29th August, 1pm

<u>Tuesday 20th September, 2pm</u>

<u>Thursday 29th September, 10am</u>



September from 10am to 11am.

Sign up here to join us.

**Hof Narr Farm** 

As promised, we will be hosting a second service day at Hof Narr Farm on Saturday 10th September.

For more details and to sign up to what promises to be a great day in nature, <u>please click here</u>.

<u>Thursday 6th October, 10am to 12pm</u>

<u>Tuesday 1st November, 10am to</u>
<u>12pm</u>



We wish you all a great summer and look forward to Doing Good together in the Fall!











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