Road Rescue

Meet Gulab

Three New Calves
Dear Friends,

We are continuing to move the healthy members of our herd to the natural habitat near Deeg. To date we have moved more than seventy and it is a slow and painful process. Painful, as we will not be able to personally serve those cows daily as before. Of course we are still maintaining them but we will not be able to brush them and interact with them as before.

Our consolation is that we are offering them the best gift that can be given... that being a natural habitat where they can roam around freely. Cows have four legs for a reason. They were abandoned to the streets where they had to compete for garbage... we picked them up and hosted them in a refugee camp for a few years until they were healthy... and now we offer them a natural habitat where they can be all that they are meant to be.

Love is not about restricting others to suit oneself... it’s about giving one the freedom to be all that one can be.

We will celebrate Govardhana Puja and Gopastami at our facility in Sundrakh, and we expect to close it in December. We will announce our new location next month.

The CFC Staff

Care for Cows in Vrindavan is a Charitable Trust registered in India, USA, Holland and Switzerland.
~ PORTRAIT OF THE MONTH ~

~ VRAJABASI TEMPLE CALF ~
A cow was injured on the Parikrama Path between the Krsna-Balaram Tree and Danukha Ashrama. Upon arrival we found her in a puddle amidst honking horns unable to get up. She was distressed. A man drug her by the tail to the side of the road so his truck could pass.

It seemed no bones were broken. We placed her on the stretcher and with the help of passersby loaded her on our truck and made our way back to the clinic. We placed her on a sand bed and after resting she got up but couldn’t walk. Her left rear leg is sprained.

Later in the day her owner showed up and told us that she collapsed when a street bull mounted her. We offered to board her while he went off to fetch her calf to keep her company.

It was a happy reunion. Looks like she needs two-weeks of TLC.
If one delivers a cow from a dangerous situation... from being stuck in the mud... or from being attacked by a tiger, one obtains the result of performing a horse sacrifice.

If one treats a sick cow with medicine, one becomes cured of his own disease.

By protecting cows from fear, one becomes fearless.

One should treat cows with great respect.

--Vishnu-dharmottara-purana Part 3, Chapter 291
The injured cow’s owner
Babu Narayna Dasa
florist by day,
watchman by night
**Meet Gulab**

When he was about one-year-old Gulab was hit by a vehicle and suffered a broken tibia.

He was found hobbling around Loi Bazaar on three legs begging for food. His rear leg was covered with dried blood and his wound was full of maggots. A friend brought him to CFC and the late Dr. Lavania cleaned and dressed his wound and set his broken bones with a cast made of bamboo, gauze, cotton and plaster.

It proved to be so effective the young bull could stand and walk around immediately.
Since Gulab was gentle and a co-operative patient, his limb healed quickly and after about three months Dr. Lavania removed the cast and found the break remarkably well-mended.

It took Gulab another two weeks to build the muscles up around the injury and soon he was sparring with his mates in the barn yard.

That was five years ago. He made such a good recovery and steadily grew to be so strong and hearty that our trainers decided to teach him how to pull the cart.

He was submissive and learned quickly and now at six-years-old has joined the twenty trained bulls who pull our fleet of bull-driven school buses.

Gulab has taught us that patience and care can combine to transform a dismal present into a fruitful future.
Karuna came to us more than two years ago with an eight-month-old bull calf named Vallabha. She arrived pregnant and later gave birth to Santosh. Above is her third calf, a female who has been sponsored by Gaura Purnima devi dasi. She has named the calf Gopi.
Ramvati came to us three years ago in very poor health. She improved quickly and has now had her first bull calf. He has been adopted by Heidi Tschannen from Australia and is named Nrisimha.
Ramabhadra Dasa, the well-known servant of Sri-Sri Radha-Govinda in New York, sponsored a calf on behalf of Their Lordships Sri-Sri Radha-Govinda. The fortunate bull calf is the third born to Mangala and is healthy and happy. He is named Sri Govinda.
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The cows send their heart-felt thanks to those who assisted during October 2010

May cows stay in front of me; may cows stay behind me; may cows stay on both sides of me. May I always reside in the midst of cows. —Hari Bhakti Vilas 16.252