

We need your financial support today

Please join us on this journey to change the lives of elephants in Nepal by helping us raise \$7,000 for each elephant corral.

We are in a race against time to raise all funds and complete this project before the current chief warden of Chitwan National Park leaves office in 2015.

With your generous support, 63 working elephants will finally be chain-free, forever...with many more to follow in the months and years ahead as a new tradition of compassionate elephant care takes root throughout Nepal and beyond.*

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Thank you!

(*EAI is scheduled to install chain-free corrals in Thailand)

About Elephant Aid International



A Carol Buckley Project
ELEPHANT AID INTERNATIONAL
One World...One Elephant at a Time

Our Vision. Founded by Carol Buckley in 2009, Elephant Aid International (EAI) envisions a world in which society respects elephants and provides environments in which they can not only survive but flourish. Elephants who live in semi-wild and wild environments would be free of human harassment and exploitation; elephants in captivity would live as humane and natural a life as possible.

Why EAI? EAI melds knowledge, experience and vision to bring fresh new ideas to the table. Our agenda is simple: improving the lives of elephants and the people who live and work with them. Our work brings together biologists, mahouts, scientists, researchers, veterinarians, educators, caregivers, progressive zoo professionals and elephant enthusiasts from all around the world.

Our Goals

- •Improve the conditions of captivity in which elephants live and eliminate abusive training and management.
- •Demonstrate alternatives to the use of chaining as a form of management.
- •Train mahouts in positive management techniques so they can better care for and manage their elephants.
- •Improve the social status of mahouts through education and job advancement.
- •Remove begging elephants from the streets of Asia by finding alternative livelihoods for mahouts and their families.
- •Facilitate the establishment of lifetime care centers (sanctuaries).



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Chain Free Means Pain Free

Creating Chain-free Corrals ~ Promoting Compassionate Care for Asia's Working Elephants

What Are Chain Free Corrals?

This unique project is deceptively simple, yet amazingly effective. Here's what it involves:

- Step 1: Equip 15 spacious outdoor stables with chain-free corrals using state-of-the-art, solar-powered electric fencing (harmless to elephants).
- Step 2: Release 63 elephants from their chains (forever) and place them in their respective corrals filled with natural vegetation for shade, hygienic natural substrate for foot and joint health and fresh water for drinking, bathing and playing.
- Step 3: Witness the amazing transformation of formerly chained elephants—their overwhelming joy of moving at will and engaging in natural behavior such as dusting, foraging, sleeping, bathing, walking and playing!





For Asia's working elephants, life in captivity is filled with pain and isolation.

Day after day, often with no shelter to escape the sun's burning rays, they stand for long hours, legs shackled together in heavy chains that prevent them from moving more than a few inches in any direction.

Standing in their own waste, their feet become diseased from infected and necrotic tissue. They suffer from crippling arthritis and exhibit abnormal rocking, bobbing and swaying behaviors. Many die sick and broken.

This antiquated and cruel practice has never been questioned...until now.

In an unprecedented gesture of faith in a US-based nonprofit organization, Nepalese government officials recently invited Elephant Aid International (EAI) to create the country's first-ever chain-free corrals at Chitwan National Park where 63 working elephants now live—shackled in chains.

In 2014, 63 Asian elephants will go chain-free—forever!

The elephants used for conservation work at Chitwan National Park in Nepal will benefit from the construction of chain-free corrals at 15 stables, based on the design below.

Grown tuskers, juveniles and mothers and their calves will all experience the joy of freedom thanks to this groundbreaking project. The government's decision to work hand-in-hand with Elephant Aid International to release their elephants from chains is monumental.

