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Building a Legacy, *by rewriting the story.*

Welcome to our Annual Report, a showcase of our achievements, progress, and commitment to saving Africa's Vultures throughout the year.



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Leadership and Strategic Overview

*Leading with Vision,
Inspiring Success*



Leadership and Strategic Overview

Message from the Chief Executive Officer

Dear Shareholders, Stakeholders and Donors

We anticipated that 2024 would bring significant changes for VulPro, but we could not have foreseen the extent to which these changes would impact our work or how they would be received by our supporters, donors, sponsors, volunteers, and followers. The magnitude of these changes, coupled with the extraordinary support and enthusiasm we have received, has been nothing short of remarkable, leaving us with a profound sense of gratitude and hope.

We are hopeful for the future of vultures in South Africa, across the African continent, and beyond. Our commitment to striving for continuous improvement — to work smarter, achieve more, and reach higher goals than we ever thought possible — remains steadfast. This hope has been realised through our partnership with the Shamwari Private Nature Reserve, the surrounding reserves, the broader Eastern Cape community, and our international network. The outpouring of support and enthusiasm for our work in the Eastern Cape has been truly heartening. This has been reinforced by the successful return of Cape Vultures foraging and moving around the Shamwari Private Game Reserve and neighbouring land, alongside our resident non-releasable birds regularly. In less than 12 months, we have made significant progress in vulture conservation, notably through our supplementation and restoration programme, which has restored Cape Vultures to the area and attracted other vulture species.

I am immensely proud of our achievements over the past year, and at times, I find myself humbled by the scale of what we have accomplished in such a short period.

As our conservation breeding programme expanded in the Eastern Cape, our rehabilitation efforts reached new heights. 2024 has been our busiest and most challenging year to date, with many injured birds requiring extensive veterinary treatment, surgeries, and long-term care. Our team has excelled in collaboration with the University of Pretoria's Faculty of Veterinary Sciences. While previous cohorts of veterinary students had some exposure to vulture care, the 2024 students, working alongside the wildlife vets at the faculty, often found themselves managing multiple cases daily. This has provided veterinary students with invaluable, hands-on experience in vulture care, which is crucial for the future of vulture rehabilitation in South Africa. We are hopeful that this training will contribute to a greater number of vets and dedicated individuals willing to assist these exceptional birds when they need help.

In addition to the growth of our conservation efforts, this progress would not have been possible without the expansion of our team. For the first time in VulPro's 18-year history, we have welcomed a dedicated Marketing, PR, and Fundraising Head. As the demands on the team have increased, it became clear that the growth of our staff was essential.



Our research and monitoring activities are integral to our rehabilitation and breeding conservation work. As we expand our field sites and track more vultures, we see a growing focus on our educational, community, and landowner outreach programmes. This is evidenced by the warm reception we receive at community and school events, as well as the increasing number of farmer and landowner engagements. These results stem directly from our ongoing efforts to engage with the community, landowners, farmers, and the public.

While I could write extensively about our experiences and achievements in 2024, I will leave the details to the body of this report. Our commitment, both to you and to the vultures, is unwavering. We will continue to go to great lengths to conserve, protect, and preserve these birds — for the world today and future generations. Our lives are intrinsically linked with nature, and our responsibility is to ensure its survival and thriving. Together, we can achieve extraordinary things — let us continue to believe in this mission.

In conclusion, I offer my sincere gratitude: THANK YOU for supporting us, believing in our cause, and helping us in our mission to prevent the extinction of African vultures.

Kerri Wolter

Chief Executive Office



**"Together, we can
continue rewriting
their story."**

Kerri Wolter



Leadership and Strategic Overview

Message from the Chairman

Dear Shareholders, Stakeholders and Donors

As I reflect on the year 2024, I am filled with immense pride as we mark what we've designated the Year of the Great Vulture Migration for Vulpro. This milestone not only celebrates the progress made but also reminds me of a pivotal moment many years ago, when Kerri first walked into my office at the Endangered Wildlife Trust in Johannesburg. It was around the turn of the 20th century, and the young woman who entered that room with a passion for conservation has since transformed her vision into Vulpro – an organisation now recognised globally for its exceptional work in vulture conservation. Kerri's unwavering commitment has established Vulpro as a leader in the field, with her contributions recognised both locally and internationally.

The Year of the Great Vulture Migration marked a significant chapter for Vulpro, as the capacity of the existing premises in the Magaliesberg was increasingly unable to meet the growing needs of the organisation's work. After careful deliberation, the decision was made to establish a second facility elsewhere in South Africa. Following discussions, the possibility of Shamwari as a new site for Vulpro was realised. Dr. Johan Joubert, a long-time conservationist and veterinarian with whom I have worked since 1996, immediately recognised the value of this new venture. Johan, whose passion for wildlife has always been evident, wholeheartedly supported the concept of creating a second Vulpro facility at Shamwari.

The translocation of vultures from the Magaliesberg to Shamwari was a monumental endeavour, involving the largest group of vultures ever moved in the world. The new facilities at Shamwari were nothing short of impressive, offering expansive enclosures, breeding ledges, and ample flying space, ensuring the wellbeing of the vultures in our care. Kerri, along with Johan and Dr. Katja Koepfel, oversaw the entire process, ensuring that the birds were safely transported and comfortably settled in their new home.

It did not take long for the Cape vultures at Shamwari to acclimatise to their new environment. Shortly after their arrival, the first chicks hatched – a historic moment for the Eastern Cape, marking the first homegrown Cape vultures in the region, albeit in captivity. More remarkable still was the successful release of vultures back into the wild, with some returning to Shamwari, signifying the sanctuary's growing importance as a vital haven for these endangered birds. In a further testament to the success of the facility, wild Cape vultures were observed feeding alongside the rehabilitated birds, highlighting the extraordinary potential of Shamwari as a breeding and release site. A truly momentous occasion occurred around the New Year of 2025 when a flock of wild Cape vultures arrived at Shamwari, feeding on a carcass left by predators, marking a significant step in vulture conservation.

As Chairman of Vulpro, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations and thanks to Kerri Wolter and Dr. Johan Joubert for their outstanding work in establishing Vulpro at Shamwari. I would also like to express my deepest gratitude to Joe Cloete, Chief Operating Officer of Shamwari Private Game Reserve, whose support has been invaluable in making this vision a reality. The owners of Shamwari, through their trust in Joe and his team, have also played a crucial role in allowing Vulpro to establish a presence at this exceptional reserve.

I would also like to acknowledge the ongoing support of Vulpro's many sponsors, whose contributions have been instrumental in the organisation's success, and to the staff and volunteers who work tirelessly to ensure that every vulture in our care receives the highest standard of care. Their dedication often goes unrecognised in the public sphere, but it is through their efforts that Vulpro's conservation work continues to thrive.



Looking to the future, the challenges ahead remain significant. As humanity's impact on the planet grows, wilderness areas such as Shamwari will face increased pressure. Vultures themselves face numerous threats, including poisoning, lead contamination, electrocution, powerline collisions, wind turbine collisions, and habitat loss. These issues will remain central to Vulpro's work in the years to come. However, it is inspiring to witness the increasing enthusiasm and support for vultures in the Eastern Cape, and I am confident that with leaders like Kerri, Johan, and Joe at the helm, Vulpro will continue to make significant strides in the protection and conservation of these remarkable birds.

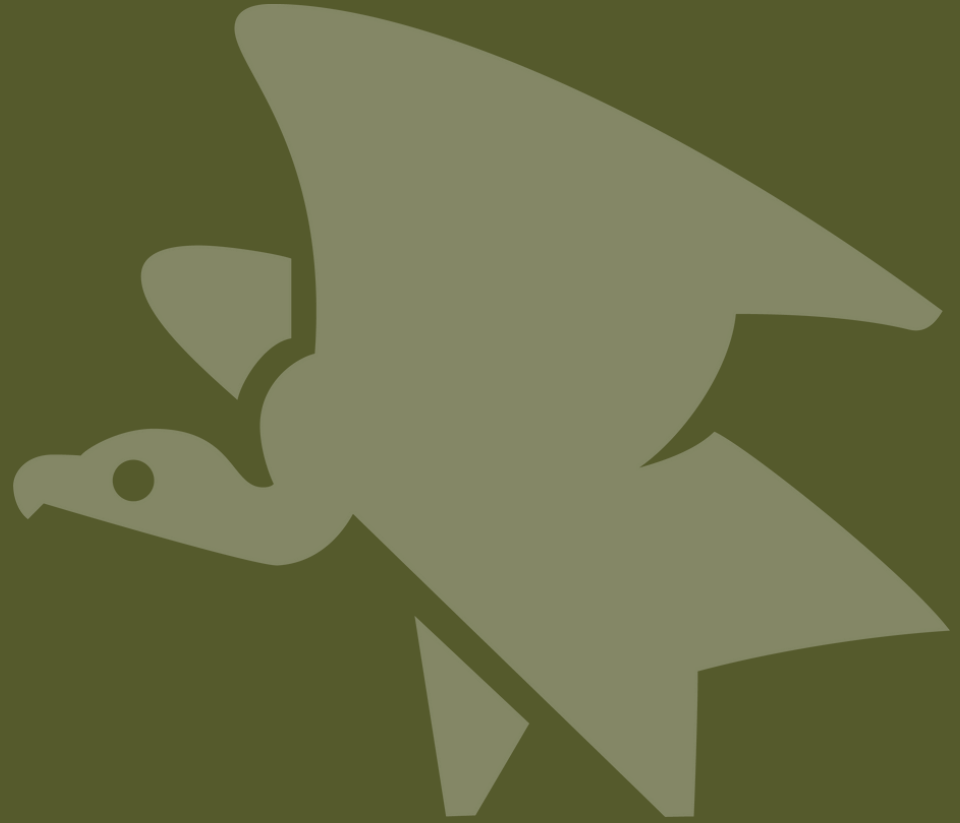
The Vulpro team at Magaliesberg continues to play a critical role in vulture conservation, particularly in the protection of the large vulture populations in the region. I challenge everyone involved in this vital work to continue safeguarding the Cape vultures of the Magaliesberg, a place that has been close to my heart for over 25 years, and where Kerri has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to their protection.

In closing, I would like to reflect on the remarkable journey of five individuals: Kerri Wolter, Dr. Johan Joubert and his wife Isabel, and Joe Cloete and his wife Robyn. I have had the privilege of knowing them for nearly three decades, and never could I have imagined that life would come full circle in such a perfect way, with such a meaningful partnership in the service of vulture conservation. I would also like to acknowledge the contributions of former Chairman, Prof. Vinny Naidoo, whose leadership inspired much of the research at Vulpro, as well as Mark Wolter, Craig Natrass, Prof. Katja Koeppel, and Magda Kets, whose support has been instrumental in Vulpro's success.

While individuals can spark change, it is the collective strength of the team that ensures that change is sustained. Kerri has been fortunate to have such a strong network of supporters, and it is this continued collaboration, alongside Vulpro's dedicated staff complement, that will ensure the organisation's success in the years ahead. Together, we will continue to safeguard the future of vultures for generations to come.

Dr. Gerhard H. Verdoorn

Chairman, Vulpro



Conservation Impact and Operations



Rescue and Rehabilitation

Causes of Admissions

Rescue and Rehabilitation Summary

In 2024, Vulpro continued its vital work in vulture rescue and rehabilitation, addressing the ongoing threats to vulture populations across southern Africa. Powerline collisions, poisoning, electrocution, and habitat destruction remain significant challenges. Vulpro responded with rapid rescue operations, targeted medical care, and rehabilitation to ensure the successful reintegration of vultures into the wild. This section outlines the key admissions, causes of injury, rehabilitation outcomes, and future objectives.

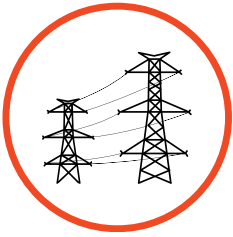
Bird Species Admitted in 2024

A total of 165 birds were admitted for rehabilitation, including various vulture species and other raptors.

Species	Number Admitted	Primary Causes of Admission
African Harrier Hawk	1	Grounded
Barn Owl	1	Disease
Black Crane	1	Unknown
Black-Left Eagle	3	Fell from nest Unknown Grounded
Cape Vulture	86	Collision Poisoning Habitat destruction Electrocution, Grounded
Egyptian Vulture	2	-
Lappet-Faced Vulture	2	Collision - powerline Poisoning
Martial Eagle	1	Grounded
Owl	1	Collision - vehicle
Peregrine Falcon	1	Unknown
Secretary Bird	1	Collision - fence
Spotted Eagle Owl	1	Grounded
Steppe Buzzard	1	Collision - fence
White-Backed Vulture	64	Collision - powerline Grounded Electrocution Poisoning Heat stroke Developmental problems



Key Causes for Admission



01. Powerline Collisions

A major cause of fractures and fatalities. Vultures struggle to detect powerlines, leading to frequent mid-air impacts.



02. Poisoning

Intentional and accidental poisoning remains a severe issue, especially through contaminated carcasses.



03. Electrocution

Contact with high-voltage infrastructure causes severe burns, wing damage, and fatalities.



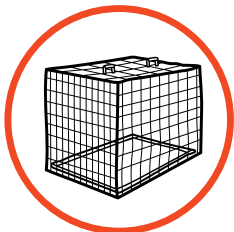
04. Habitat Destruction

Agricultural expansion and deforestation reduce safe nesting and foraging areas.



05. Vehicle Collisions

Birds scavenging near roadways face frequent risks from speeding vehicles.



06. Illegal Capture & Predation

Some vultures were targeted for the illegal wildlife trade or fell victim to natural predators.



07. Human Disturbances

Nesting areas disrupted by human activity, leading to abandonment or injuries.



Rehabilitation and Recovery

Vulpro's rehabilitation programme focuses on species-specific treatment to maximise survival rates and ensure successful reintegration into the wild.

Key Rehabilitation Highlights:

- Specialised Veterinary Care: Custom splints, wound management, and nutritional support.
- Species-Specific Enclosures: Tailored flight enclosures to aid in muscle recovery and acclimatisation.
- Long-term Monitoring: GPS tracking for released birds to assess post-rehabilitation survival.

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Outcome:

Successfully Released
(excluding captive bred)

Remarks:

Fully rehabilitated
and reintroduced
into the wild.

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Outcome:

Ongoing Rehabilitation

Remarks:

Birds requiring
extended care for
full recovery.

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Outcome:

Non-Releasable

Remarks:

Birds with
permanent injuries
remain in
conservation
programmes.



Looking Ahead: 2025 Goals

As we move into 2025, Vulpro remains dedicated to advancing its mission to protect vultures. Each successful rescue and rehabilitation strengthens the resilience of wild populations and underscores the vital role these birds play in their ecosystems. We aim to expand rescue operations, refine rehabilitation methods, and enhance post-release monitoring to boost survival rates. Through partnerships with conservationists, landowners, and policymakers, we will focus on reducing key threats and creating safer habitats for vultures, ensuring our conservation efforts yield lasting, meaningful impact.



Annual Health Checks

Vulpro conducts thorough annual health checks to monitor the wellbeing of all resident birds in our care. Before the end of 2024, these checks were carried out at both facilities, namely Shamwari Private Game Reserve and Hartbeespoort, ensuring that every bird received individual attention and in-hand veterinary assessments.

Key Highlights:

- **Health Status:** No significant health concerns detected across the vulture population.
- **Chronic Conditions:** Ongoing effective management of bumblefoot, with the few cases we have, all under control.
- **Blood Work Insights:** Updated reference ranges for key health indicators based on 2024 data.
- **Staff Training:** Enhanced skills in vulture captures, handling, assessments, real-time blood analysis, enabling quicker diagnoses and treatment for conditions like anaemia, dehydration, and infections.

Location Breakdown



These checks are critical to maintaining the health of our birds and advancing conservation efforts. We are committed to using the data gathered to refine our care practices and further vulture protection.

Captive Breeding Programme

A Landmark Year for Vulture Conservation

As the 2024 breeding season began, Vulpro had made significant strides in restoring Africa's endangered vulture populations, including integrating new species into its breeding programme and enhancing facilities. This year has been a remarkable success for Vulpro's conservation efforts.

A Year of Successes in Captive Breeding

Vulpro's captive breeding programme remains a cornerstone of its conservation efforts, demonstrating considerable growth in 2024. We have advanced our breeding practices for Cape Vultures and expanded to include other critically endangered species, marking a defining year for our organisation.

The year saw the successful introduction of Egyptian Vultures to our breeding programme. These vultures are facing steep declines due to habitat loss, poisoning, and illegal hunting. Their addition to Vulpro's breeding efforts is part of a broader goal to strengthen global vulture populations. As we work towards breeding and releasing these vultures in the coming years, we are hopeful that these efforts will contribute to the species' long-term survival.

2024 Highlights

- Vulpro has made significant strides in breeding critically endangered species, including Cape Vultures, and Egyptian Vultures.
- Infrastructure upgrades and enhanced breeding conditions have improved breeding success rates by 15%.
- Focus on genetic health, genetic diversity, and monitoring for long-term vulture population viability.

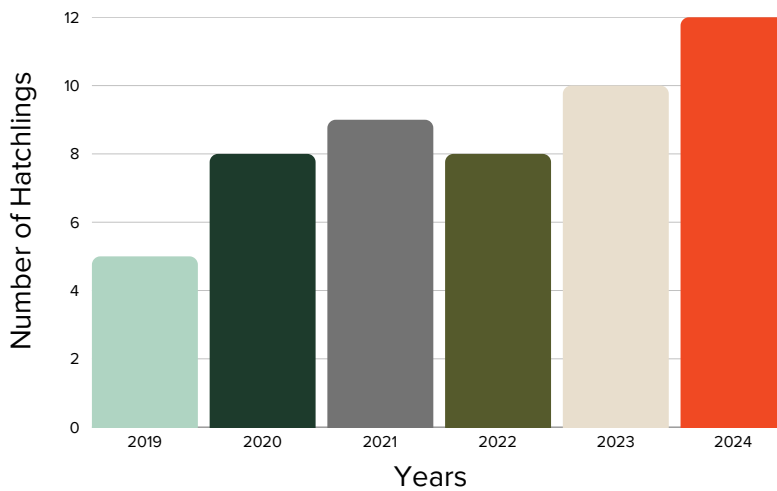
Egyptian Vultures: New Species Added to the Programme

- Egyptian Vultures face steep declines due to habitat destruction, poisoning, and illegal hunting.
- Vulpro's breeding efforts aim to address these challenges and strengthen global vulture populations.

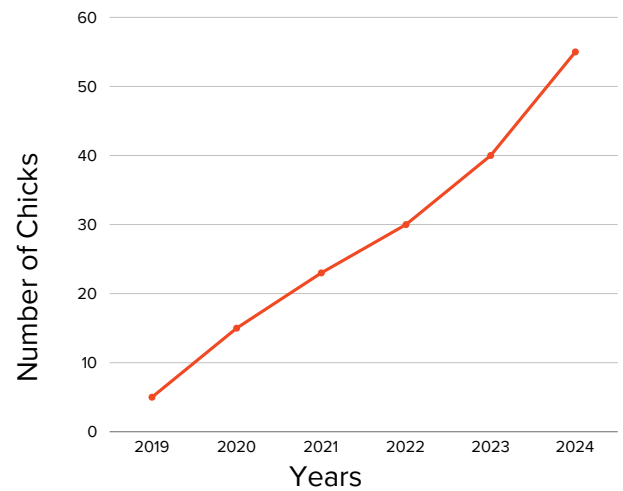
Cape Vultures: A Focus of Recovery 17 New Cape Vulture Chicks Reached Fledgling Age

- Total number of Cape Vultures fledged from Vulpro's programme: 56.
- Cape Vultures are critically endangered, with fewer than 5,000 individuals remaining in the wild.

**Annual Cape Vulture Hatchings
(2019 - 2024)**



**Cumulative Cape Vulture Chicks
Bred at Vulpro (2019 - 2024)**



Infrastructure Upgrades and Enhanced Breeding Conditions

In 2024, Vulpro improved its breeding facilities through significant investments in new technologies and upgrades, including state-of-the-art monitoring systems and enhanced nesting sites. These enhancements, along with a focus on environmental enrichment, led to a 15% increase in successful breeding outcomes compared to 2023.

We continue to monitor the genetic health of our captive population to prevent inbreeding and ensure long-term viability. Genetic studies refine our breeding strategy, promoting diversity and sustainability. Our improved data collection allows for accurate tracking of egg development, chick health, and survival rates, contributing to the overall success of our programme.

Eight New Enclosures in the Eastern Cape

- Expands capacity for breeding and care, with artificial cliffs to encourage natural breeding behaviour.
- Enhanced nesting sites, improved food supply systems, and spacious enclosures have contributed to a 15% increase in breeding success.

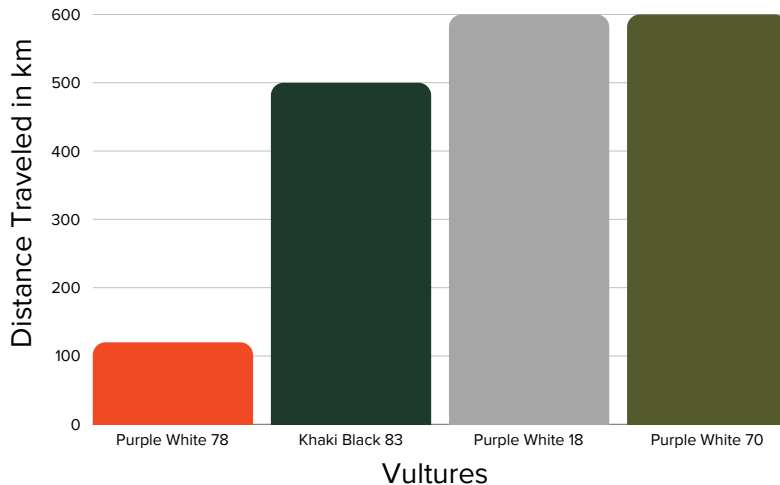
Expansion and Growth: The Captive Breeding Population

Our flagship conservation hub has expanded facilities, creating a secure ecosystem for both in-situ and ex-situ efforts. We now have eight enclosures accommodating various vultures, including Cape Vultures, semi-flighted African White-backed Vultures, Lappet-faced Vultures, White-headed Vultures, and Egyptian Vultures, along with an artificial cliff for breeding. A pre-release enclosure is also in place for healthy young Cape Vultures, ensuring a strong start before they are released back into the wild. Further enclosures are planned for the upcoming year, funds permitting.



Tracking and Monitoring Released Vultures: Insights into Success

Our work does not stop at breeding. As part of Vulpro's broader conservation strategy, we focus on the integration of captive-bred vultures back into wild populations. This year, 18 Cape Vultures were released into the Shamwari Game Reserve, each fitted with a GPS tracking device to monitor their movements and survival rates. While several devices encountered technical issues, the remaining active trackers have provided valuable insights into the vultures' post-release behaviour.



Released Vultures

- 18 Cape Vultures Released in 2024
- Equipped with GPS trackers to monitor post-release behaviour and survival.

Key Movements:

- Purple White 78: 120 km (near-release area).
- Khaki Black 83: 500 km journey into Lesotho.
- Purple White 18 & 70: 600 km+ journey across KwaZulu-Natal, Gauteng, and Botswana.

Preliminary data from the release programme show that the vultures are successfully integrating into wild populations, roosting and feeding alongside other vultures. This is an encouraging sign that the vultures are becoming self-sustaining, contributing to the resilience and growth of wild populations.

Looking Ahead: A Bright Future for Vulture Conservation

The achievements of Vulpro's 2024 breeding and release programmes offer hope for the future of Africa's vulture species. With 21 chicks successfully bred, a 31% increase in productivity from the previous year, and more than 30 eggs produced annually since 2018, Vulpro is poised to continue making strides in vulture conservation. Our focus on breeding, monitoring, and post-release integration has created a robust framework for the ongoing recovery of vulture populations.

2024 Breeding Productivity

- 31% increase in breeding productivity.
- 21 chicks hatched this year.
- On track to produce 30+ eggs annually, contributing significantly to vulture population recovery.

Future Goals

- Increase breeding success by 20% over the next five years.
- Expand breeding facilities and monitoring equipment.
- Continue to combat primary threats: poisoning, habitat loss, and human-wildlife conflict.

Shamwari Vulture Release

Progress & Insights

In May 2024, Vulpro released 22 Cape Vultures into Shamwari Private Game Reserve to help restore declining populations in the Eastern Cape. This significant achievement strengthens efforts to supplement wild populations and advance vulture conservation.

Additionally, Vulpro expanded its impact by integrating a new species into its programme — the Egyptian Vulture — furthering its commitment to safeguarding Africa's vultures.

The released Cape Vultures included both captive-bred and rehabilitated individuals, each fitted with a tracking device to monitor survival, movement, and threats like power line collisions and habitat loss. The data collected provide vital insights into the success of the release and ongoing conservation challenges.

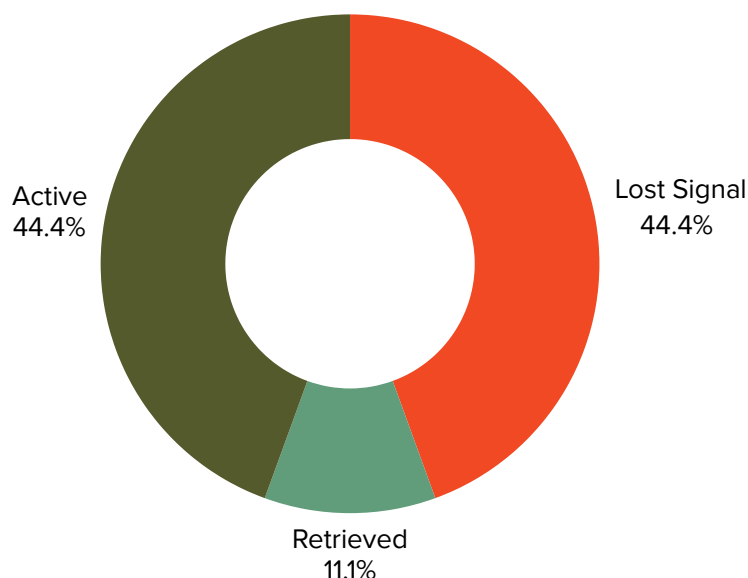
Summary of Release & Monitoring

- **Total Cape Vultures released:** 22
 - **Captive-bred:** Primarily from Vulpro's breeding programme
 - **Rehabilitated:** 4
- **Release method:** Soft release, with acclimatisation in enclosures prior to release
- **Tracking:** All birds fitted with tracking devices

Tracking & Movement Analysis

- **Active tracking devices:** 7 remain operational
- **Lost signals:** 8 devices no longer transmitting (due to various factors, including battery depletion and technical failures)
- **Devices retrieved:** 2

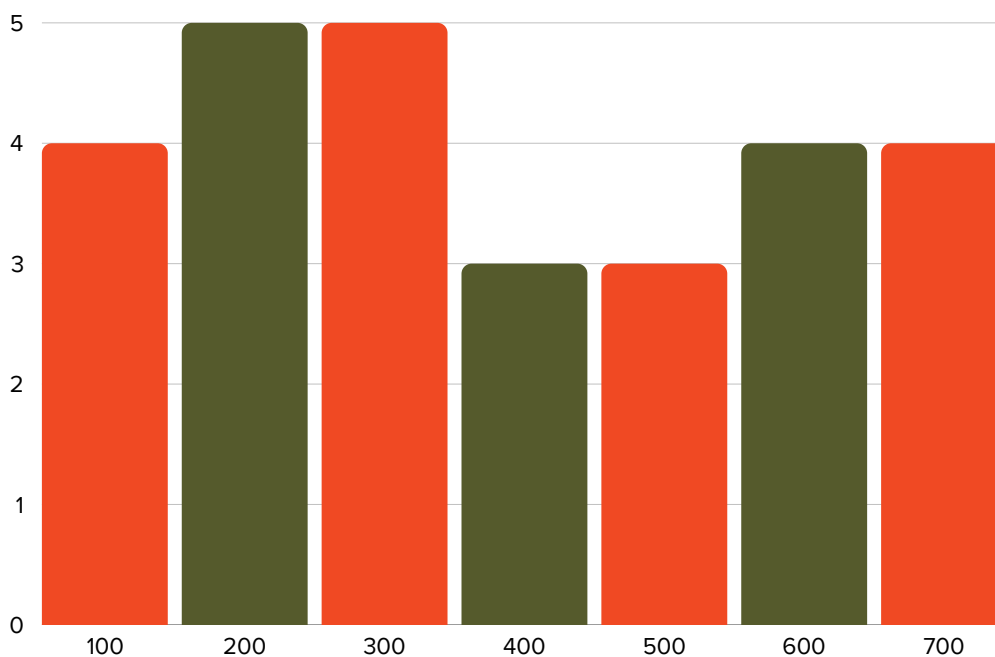
Tracking Data Status



Recorded Movements

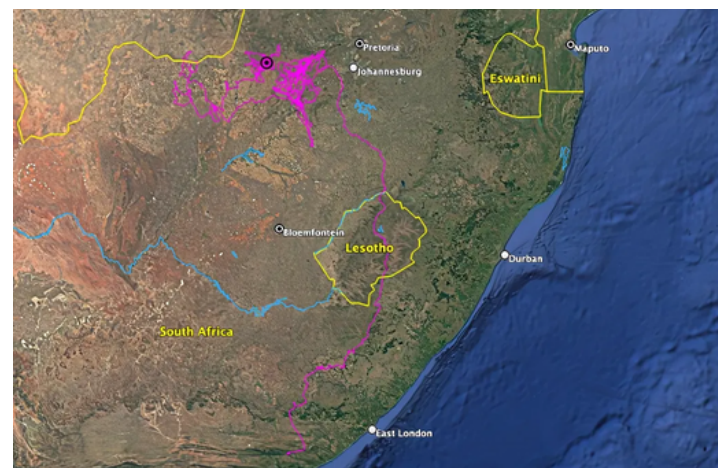
- Longest recorded distance: 728 km (PW 47)
- Shortest recorded distance: 1.6 km
- Notable movement patterns:
 - One vulture travelled to Tsolwana Nature Reserve, Eastern Cape
 - Another reached KwaZulu-Natal
 - One joined the Potberg colony, Western Cape
 - One moved northeast, nearing Eswatini
 - Two birds converged near Komani, Eastern Cape

Movement Distance of Released Vultures



Noteworthy Journey

One of the released birds, hatched on 14 June 2023 in Hartbeespoort, was relocated to Shamwari in January 2024 as part of the largest vulture relocation to date. Released on 30 April 2024, it initially exhibited exploratory movements before transitioning to more defined directional travel from 11 May. Its flight path spanned multiple regions, including Bedford, Queenstown, Rhodes, Lesotho, and the Free State, before returning to Hartbeespoort. The bird subsequently remained within the greater North West/Gauteng region until its final transmitted signal on 11 November 2024. These movement patterns provide valuable insights into the post-release dispersal behaviour of captive-bred and rehabilitated vultures, informing future conservation strategies.

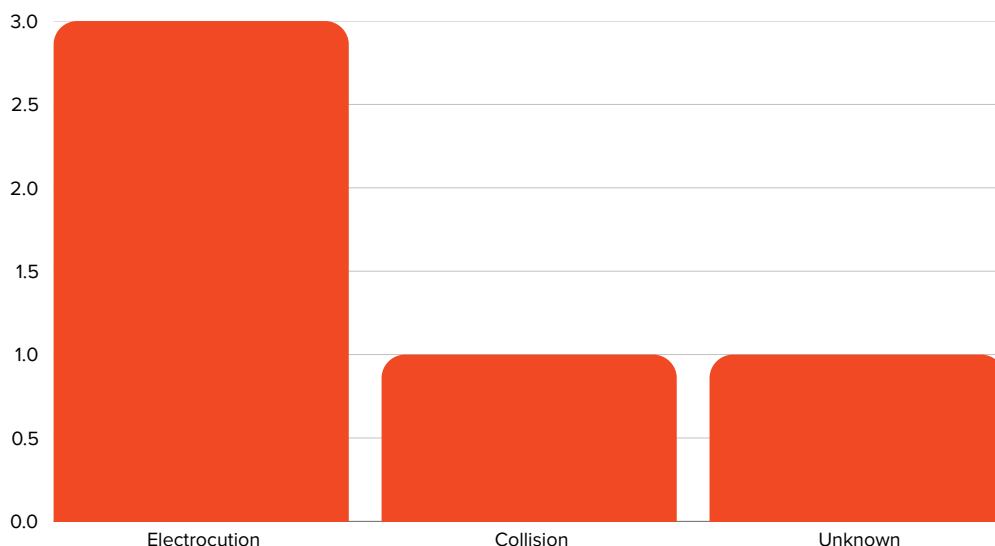




Mortality & Threats

- Total recorded mortalities: 5
 - Electrocution from power lines: 3
 - Collision injury (humerus fracture; euthanised): 1
 - Unknown cause: 1

Power line risks: The leading cause of mortality, underscoring the urgent need for mitigation measures such as retrofitting power lines and securing safer foraging zones.



Conservation Implications:

- The extensive movements of released vultures demonstrate potential for recolonisation but also expose them to high-risk threats such as power lines and habitat fragmentation.
- Effective mitigation strategies—such as power line modifications and advocacy for vulture-safe infrastructure—are critical for reducing mortality rates.
- The high dispersal rate reinforces the need for landscape-scale conservation efforts to ensure vulture survival across multiple regions.

Conclusion:

- The initial findings from the Shamwari vulture release highlight both achievements and conservation challenges. While some vultures have dispersed over vast distances, reintroducing Cape vultures to key areas, power line electrocutions remain a significant concern. Moving forward, Vulpro will continue refining release strategies, advocating for vulture-safe infrastructure, and enhancing monitoring efforts to improve survival rates.
- The data collected from this release will not only inform future conservation initiatives but also strengthen policies aimed at securing the long-term survival of Cape vultures in the Eastern Cape and beyond.

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Research and Scientific Contributions

Vulpro Monitoring Report 2024

Vulture populations across Africa have declined by over 80%, primarily due to threats such as energy infrastructure, poisoning, and the illegal wildlife trade. Vulpro monitors key breeding sites throughout southern Africa, providing vital data for targeted conservation efforts. In 2024, we have continued our work to assess vulture populations and breeding success, highlighting both progress and challenges in our ongoing efforts to protect these species. This report provides our donors, sponsors, and funders with key insights into the state of vulture populations and the critical actions needed for their conservation.

Monitoring Summary

- Surveys were conducted across multiple sites in southern Africa: 10 sites in 5 provinces.
- Notable trends were observed in cliff-nesting and tree-nesting sites, with both increases and declines in specific locations.
- New sites were added to the monitoring programme, providing further insights into vulture populations

Survey Methods

- Monitoring took place at cliff and tree-nesting sites, with surveys conducted at least twice yearly.
- High-quality equipment was used for data collection (spotting scopes, cameras, drones).
- Surveys included walking, drone, and vehicle methods to ensure reliable data gathering.

Cliff-Nesting Results

- 1,463 active Cape vulture nests, down from 1,569 in 2023 (representing 20-30% of the global Cape vulture population).
- 137 nests across 20 properties.

A slight decline was noted in active Cape vulture nests:

- **Dwaalboom:** slight decline
- **Roedtan:** slight increase
- **Mareetsane:** stable





New sites were introduced, contributing to the expansion of monitoring efforts:

- **Karmmelkspruit:** 61 nests
- **Marloth Park:** rare Hooded vulture nest

Breeding success varied across different sites, with some showing positive trends and others indicating potential concerns:

- **Nooitgedacht:** 104% success rate (slight increase)
- **Moletjie:** 25% success rate (concern for future)
- Other sites showed variability
- **New Site - Karmmelkspruit:** 61 breeding pairs

Conclusion

The 2024 monitoring data indicates a slight decline in some vulture populations, with variability in breeding success across monitored sites. New sites were successfully added to the programme, expanding our monitoring efforts. Vulpro will continue to focus on collecting and analysing data to guide targeted conservation actions, ensuring the ongoing survival of vulture species across southern Africa.

Cliff Breeding Vulture Surveys – Cape Vulture Colonies (2024)

Active nests were recorded across key sites, showing some decline from the previous year. These sites represent a sizeable portion of the global Cape Vulture population, highlighting their significance in the broader conservation efforts. Key trends suggest that continued monitoring is essential to assess the overall health of these populations and identify emerging threats, ensuring timely intervention when necessary to protect these vital species.

Breeding Site Performance

- Kransberg & Manutsa: High and stable numbers with peaks in 2018 and 2022.
- Moletjie: Significant decline, with only one confirmed chick in 2024.
- Nooitgedacht: Consistent growth, from 66 pairs (2010) to 178 pairs (2024).
- Skeerpoort: Peak in 2023, followed by a sharp decline in 2024.

2024 Breeding Success Rates

Nooitgedacht

Best-performing colony, +4% growth in breeding success.

Kransberg, Soutpansberg, Skeerpoort

Declines to 74%, 70%, and 52% respectively

- Typical breeding success rates range from 60–80% (Borello and Borello, 2002).
- Some decline is expected, but the sharp drop at certain sites is concerning.

Moletjie

One active nest, critically low breeding population.

- Surrounding threats: human development, habitat destruction, and poaching.
- Urgent conservation is needed to prevent local extinction.



New Monitoring Site: Karmmelkspruit (Eastern Cape)

61 breeding pairs observed in 2024

- New site added to expand monitoring reach and assess untracked populations.
- Significant for conservation, providing insights into previously overlooked areas.

Conclusion

The 2024 data reveals a mix of challenges and opportunities for vulture conservation. Vulpro remains committed to enhancing monitoring and ensuring vulture survival across Africa.

Tree Nesting Vulture Surveys

White-backed, Lappet-faced, and Hooded Vultures

For over a decade, VulPro has monitored tree-nesting vultures alongside cliff-nesting surveys. This includes the critically endangered White-backed Vulture (*Gyps africanus*), endangered Lappet-faced Vulture (*Torgos tracheliotos*), and critically endangered Hooded Vulture (*Necrosyrtes monachus*), all listed by the IUCN. Long-term monitoring sites, like Dwaalboom, Roedtan, and Mareetsane, have provided valuable insights into population trends.

Survey Results: Across 20 properties, 137 tree nests were recorded





Breeding Site Performance

- Roedtan: Successful nests increased from 3 in 2022 to 11 in 2024 (57.1% rise), mainly due to the addition of New Wycombe farm. Other farms in Roedtan saw declines, with nests dropping to zero.
- Mareetsane: Successful nests dropped from 66 in 2022 to 45 in 2023, then rebounded to 57 in 2024, a 26.7% rise from 2023.
- Dwaalboom: Active nests declined from 84 to 73. However, successful nests increased from 62 in 2022 to 68 in 2024.

New Monitoring Site:

Marloth Park (Mpumalanga)

- A rare Hooded Vulture nest was discovered in a Jackalberry tree, marking a significant find for a species with fewer than 100 breeding pairs in South Africa.

Challenges at Atherstone Nature Reserve

Atherstone, visited for the first time in 2024, has seen significant tree loss due to an unsustainable elephant population. Once home to over 40 tree-nesting vultures, it highlights the need for balanced wildlife management and habitat protection.

Conclusion

The 2024 survey shows varied trends in tree-nesting vultures, with some sites improving and others declining. The rare Hooded Vulture discovery and challenges at Atherstone reinforce the need for ongoing monitoring and adaptive conservation efforts.

- *The full monitoring report, containing detailed findings, is available upon request.*

The Importance of Long-Term Data Collection

Long-term breeding data is essential for understanding vulture population dynamics and identifying threats to breeding colonies. Vulpro uses data analysis and consultation with local landowners to prioritise conservation efforts in areas of greatest need.

Vulpro's data has contributed to key studies, including:

Olifants Private Nature Reserve:

Monitoring of White-backed, Hooded, and White-headed Vultures to assess population health and establish a standardised data management system.

Climate Impact Study:

Investigating the effect of rising temperatures on nest site selection and breeding success in African White-backed Vultures.

Cape Vulture Fledgling Study:

Utilising GPS tracking to assess the survival rates and behaviours of wild-fledged vultures, providing benchmarks for captive-bred individuals.



Challenges in Data Collection and Monitoring

Throughout the year, Vulpro's data collection and monitoring efforts faced several challenges:

- **Environmental Conditions:** Excessive sunlight reduced visibility for cliff observations, while rainfall delayed drone flights, particularly impacting tree-nesting monitoring.
- **Terrain and Infrastructure:** Rugged terrain slowed progress at monitoring sites, while limited network coverage and unreliable electricity disrupted communication and equipment charging.
- **Site Accessibility:** Inconsistent access to key areas caused delays. Changes in land ownership occasionally restricted entry, requiring relationship-building with new property owners.
- **Wildlife Interference:** Wildlife interactions occasionally disrupted monitoring activities, such as a young elephant temporarily halting operations during Marakele monitoring.

Despite these challenges, Vulpro's team demonstrated adaptability, ensuring the continuity and effectiveness of critical monitoring and conservation efforts.

Power Line Fatalities:

A Growing Challenge for Vulture Conservation

Power lines remain one of the most significant threats to vultures and other large birds in South Africa. A substantial proportion of the cases Vulpro receives for rehabilitation arise from power line collisions or electrocutions. Tragically, these incidents are often fatal, and when birds do survive, their injuries are frequently irreversible, necessitating permanent residency at Vulpro. Affected birds either remain at the Hartbeespoort facility or become part of the breeding programme in the Eastern Cape.

Vultures, known for their expansive flight ranges and preference for open areas for movement and roosting, are particularly vulnerable to energy infrastructure, including power lines and wind turbines. The injuries resulting from such incidents can range from burns to fractures, often requiring intensive rehabilitation. Unfortunately, many of these injuries are life-changing, preventing the birds from being reintroduced to the wild.

In partnership with Eskom and other environmental consulting agencies, Vulpro continues to prioritise the identification and mitigation of hazardous power lines. Our multidisciplinary approach includes educational outreach to raise awareness, collaboration on Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) to protect critical habitats, and advocacy for safer energy infrastructure. While these efforts have led to important interventions, data indicates that progress in mitigating power line-related threats remains gradual.

2024

Overview

In 2024, Vulpro documented 48 power line incidents, reflecting a slight increase from the previous year. Of these, 12 cases were resolved following successful mitigation or resolution efforts, while 36 remain active and under review. Each reported incident has been submitted to Eskom, and Vulpro conducts consistent follow-ups to provide actionable recommendations and ensure progress is monitored.

These incidents involved a total of 72 birds, comprising:



Despite these figures, they represent only a fraction of the actual impact, as many incidents go unreported. Given the extensive network of power lines across vast and remote areas, the true scale of the issue is likely to be significantly higher.



Historical Data

2012 -2024

Yearly Trends (2012–2024)						
Year	Cape Vultures	African White-backed Vultures	Lappet-faced Vultures	Unknown Vulture Carcasses	Other Species	Total Birds
2012	3	0	0	0	4	7
2013	17	15	0	1	7	40
2014	49	7	1	0	14	71
2015	62	4	1	0	15	82
2016	57	5	0	1	34	97
2017	99	1	3	1	14	118
2018	60	12	0	0	1	73
2019	50	16	2	0	13	81
2020	68	6	1	0	28	103
2021	59	8	0	0	18	85
2022	34	7	0	2	49	92
2023	56	7	1	0	2	66
2024	61	8	1	0	2	72

Energy Infrastructure Collisions and Electrocutions

The expansion of the renewable energy sector and its associated infrastructure in southern Africa has brought with it new challenges for vulture conservation. Wind turbines and power lines now pose significant risks to vultures, particularly as they traverse vast landscapes. Injuries from these collisions can include broken wings, internal trauma, and electrocution. Electrocution typically occurs when a bird makes contact with two live wires or a live wire and a grounded structure, resulting in either immediate death or fatal injuries.

For vultures that survive collisions but are severely injured, rehabilitation is essential. Vulpro's expanding veterinary clinic is equipped to handle many of these cases in-house, minimising the stress associated with transporting weakened birds. However, for more severe injuries, Vulpro collaborates with the University of Pretoria's Faculty of Veterinary Science, where skilled veterinarians provide advanced care. Unfortunately, some vultures suffer irreparable damage and require amputation. These individuals are then integrated into Vulpro's captive breeding programme, contributing to the long-term conservation of their species.



Mitigation Efforts: A Collaborative Approach

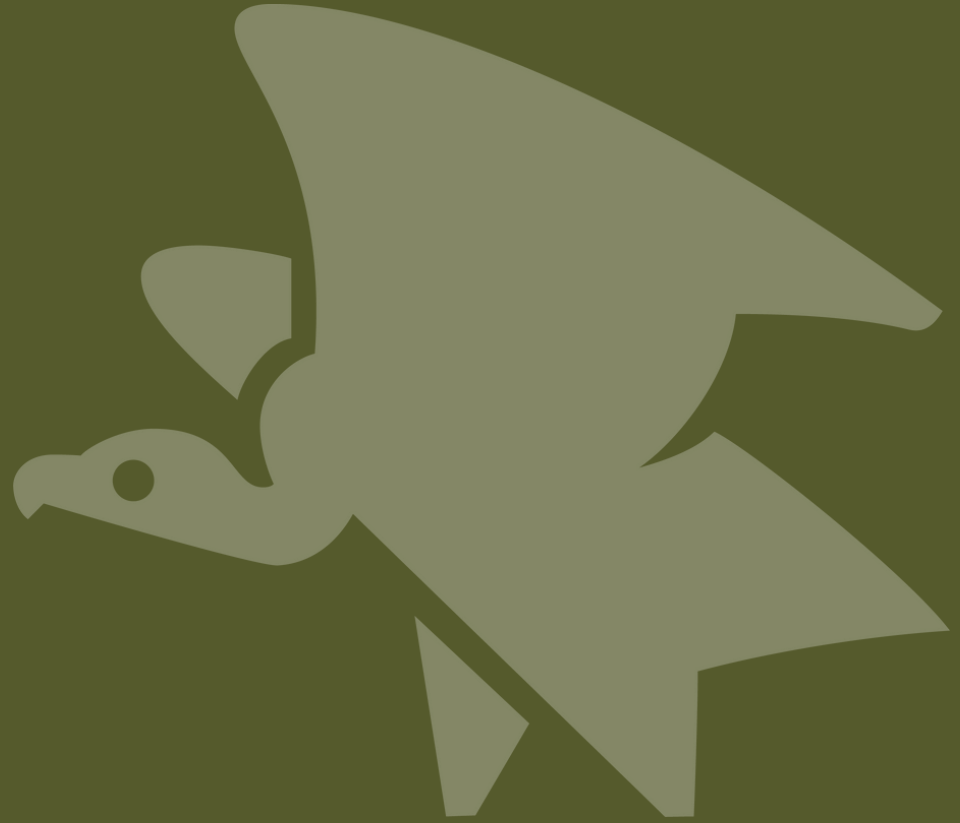
Vulpro's work with Eskom and other partners, continues to focus on mitigating these hazards. Notably, Eskom has made significant strides in addressing power line risks at Shamwari Private Game Reserve in the Eastern Cape, implementing key mitigation measures such as power line insulation and bird flight diverters. These initiatives help reduce the likelihood of collisions and electrocutions, ensuring a safer environment for vultures and other wildlife in the region.

Vulpro remains committed to a multi-faceted approach that includes:

- Raising awareness through educational outreach and facility tours
- Collaborating on Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) to protect critical habitats
- Advocating for safer energy infrastructure
- Reporting power line incidents to ensure corrective measures are implemented.

By combining rescue efforts with education, research, and advocacy, Vulpro continues to lead the charge in vulture conservation. However, the work is far from over, and we call on all stakeholders — government agencies, energy providers, and conservation organisations — to accelerate efforts to address the growing threats to vultures posed by energy infrastructure.





Education, Outreach and Media Impact

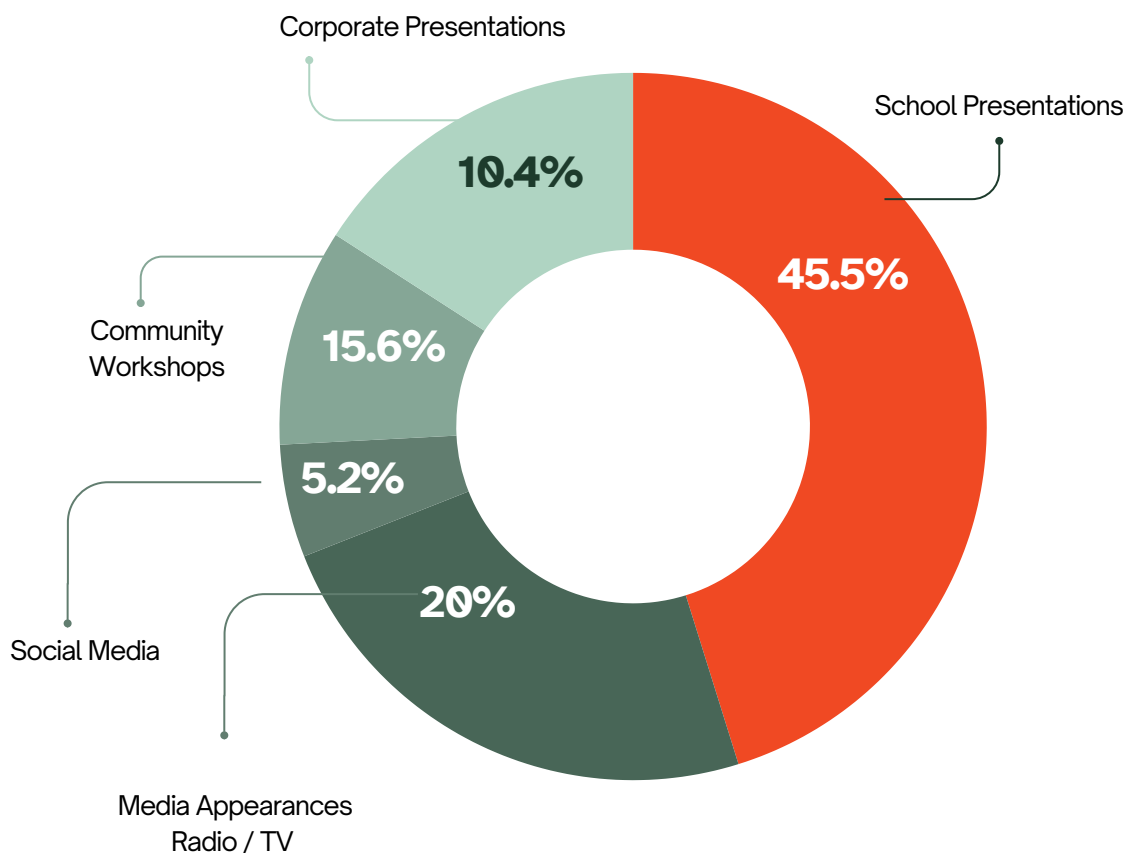
Raising Awareness: Education, Outreach, and Media Impact in 2024

In 2024, Vulpro's dedication to vulture conservation advanced significantly through a range of educational initiatives, outreach activities, and media engagement. These efforts increased awareness of the essential role vultures play in ecosystems and inspired action from communities and partners across Africa and internationally. The support of our donors, sponsors, and partners was instrumental in making these accomplishments possible. This section provides an overview of Vulpro's achievements, highlighting progress made and setting the stage for future growth in vulture conservation.

Educational Initiatives and Outreach Activities

In 2024, Vulpro's educational and outreach efforts expanded significantly across various audience groups. These activities aimed to raise awareness of vulture conservation and engage younger generations for long-term environmental stewardship.

Activity Breakdown by Number of Events (2024)



The distribution of activities in 2024, highlighting the variety of events Vulpro conducted across education, outreach and media efforts.



Key Educational Achievements

School and University Engagement:

- Over 1,873 individuals were engaged, including 330 adults and 1,543 children, to promote ecological awareness.

International Webinars:

- Multiple webinars were hosted, expanding Vulpro's global reach and engaging with conservationists worldwide.

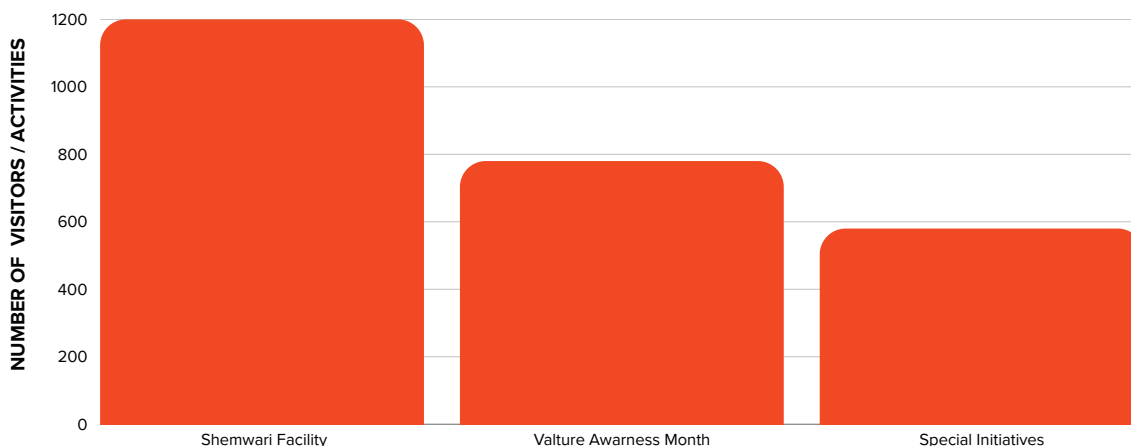
Educational Materials:

- Thousands of educational resources, including the African White-Backed Vulture digital card, were distributed to raise awareness on vulture conservation.

Visitor Engagement and Tours

In 2024, Vulpro welcomed more than 2,500 visitors to our Hartbeespoort and Shamwari facilities. These tours provide a tangible connection to our conservation efforts and offer visitors a direct understanding of the importance of vulture conservation.

Key Visitor Engagement Achievements



Analytical Insights and Strategic Developments

The following insights highlight key trends from Vulpro's outreach activities in 2024:

Expanding Engagement with Youth:

Emphasis on educating younger audiences has fostered early environmental stewardship, with rural school partnerships proving particularly effective in reaching previously underserved communities.

Geographic Outreach Growth:

The success of our Shamwari facility in the Eastern Cape, in combination with international collaborations, has allowed Vulpro to extend its reach both locally and globally, reinforcing our leadership in vulture conservation education.

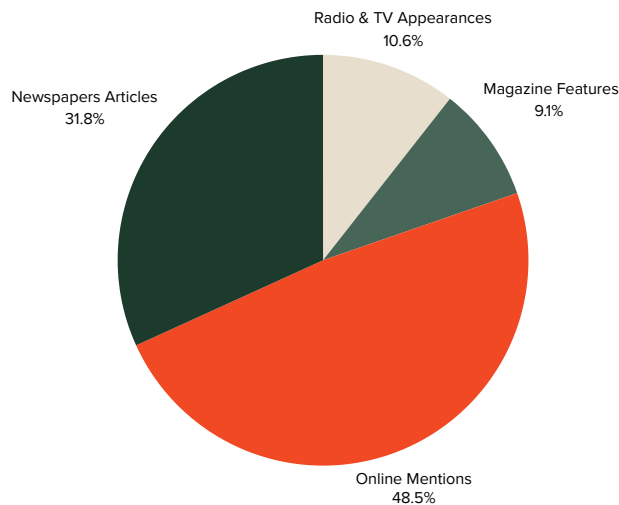
Challenges and Innovation:

Despite substantial progress, the logistical and financial challenges of conducting in-person outreach in remote areas remain. The increasing costs of educational materials and travel have prompted the exploration of new funding models, including event-specific campaigns and corporate partnerships, to sustain our outreach efforts.



Media Impact: Broadening the Conversation

In 2024, Vulpro's media presence grew significantly, ensuring that our conservation message reached a wider audience. Through strategic media coverage, social media campaigns, and partnerships, we amplified the importance of vulture conservation on both national and international platforms.

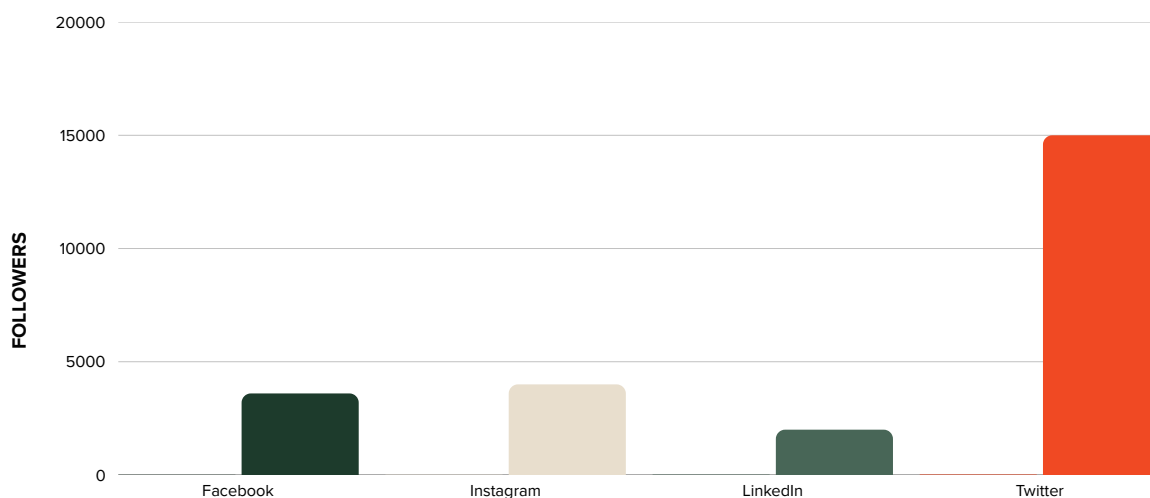


Social Media Engagement Overview

Vulpro's social media reach grew by 30%, with over 120,000 people engaged across various platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Key milestones included media attention surrounding the arrival of two Egyptian Vultures, which generated significant public interest and contributed to the further spread of our message.

The bar graph below showcases Vulpro's social media growth in 2024:

- Facebook: 35,000 followers
- Instagram: 40,000 followers
- LinkedIn: 1,000 followers
- Twitter: 15,000 followers
- Total Reach: 120,000+ (across platforms)



These efforts, amplified by substantial media coverage, have significantly broadened the conversation on vulture conservation, increasing public interest and support.



Outreach Activities and Impact in 2024

The following table provides a breakdown of Vulpro's outreach activities in 2024, highlighting the number of events, audience reach, key audience groups, regions covered, and growth compared to 2023.

Activity	Number of Events	Total Audience Reached	Key Audience Groups	Regions Covered	Growth Compared to 2023
School Presentations	35	8,200	Students (primary and secondary)	Gauteng, Limpopo, Eastern Cape	+15%
Community Workshops	12	950	Farmers, local communities	North West, Free State	+10%
Corporate Presentations	8	400	Environmental organisations	Western Cape, KwaZulu-Natal	+20%
Media Appearances (Radio/TV)	18	50,000	General public	National (South Africa-wide)	+25%
Social Media Campaigns	4	120,000 (engagements)	Online audiences	Global	+30%
Total Impact	77	179,550	Mixed	National and international	+20%

Conclusion

Vulpro's education, outreach, and media initiatives in 2024 have significantly advanced vulture conservation efforts by increasing awareness and fostering support. Our educational programmes, particularly those targeting younger audiences and local communities, have expanded the understanding of vulture conservation. These initiatives, combined with strong media engagement, have further amplified the importance of protecting vultures. Vulpro remains committed to driving these efforts forward, ensuring the long-term survival of vultures and their ecosystems.



Academic and Scientific Publications

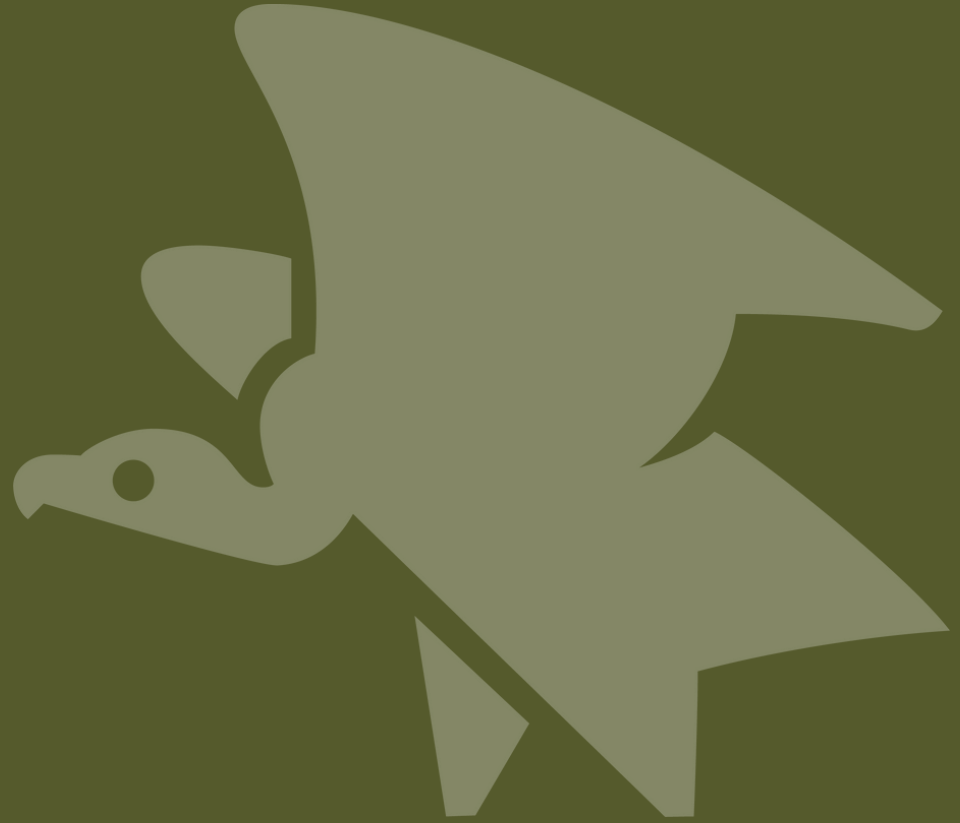


Academic and Scientific Publications

VulPro remains committed to advancing scientific research in vulture conservation. The following peer-reviewed publications underscore our contribution to the field, supporting our conservation efforts and enhancing the broader understanding of vulture ecology and the threats these species face.

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Organisational and Financial Overview



Organisational Leadership and Operational Overview

Governance and Organisational Structure

Vulpro's governance structure ensures the effective implementation of our mission to protect and conserve vulture species. The organisation is overseen by a dedicated board of directors, who provide strategic guidance and support for both day-to-day operations and long-term goals. The board works closely with the staff to align Vulpro's activities with its conservation objectives and operational needs.

The directors of Vulpro for 2024 are:

Name	Role	Since
Prof. Vinny Naidoo	Chair & Research	2013
Magda Kets	Legal Advisor	2019
Craig Nattrass	Director of Operations	2017
Prof. Katja Koeppel	Director	2022
Dr. Gerhard Verdoorn	Director	2022
Kerri Wolter	CEO	2011



Staff

Vulpro's success is driven by the commitment and expertise of its team. Staff members at Vulpro bring invaluable skills to support the organisation's conservation activities, both on the ground and in strategic roles.

Name	Position	Employment Type
Kerri Wolter	CEO	Full-time salaried
Alistair Sinclair	General Manager	Full-time salaried
Obert Phiri	Operations Manager	Full-time salaried
Tau Phiri	Assistant Operations Manager	Full-time salaried
Clarence Mabasa	Operations and Field Assistant	Full-time salaried
Devilliers Baint Disi	Deputy General Operational Assistant	Full-time salaried
Juliana Pinto	Conservation Scientist	Full-time salaried
Tracy Karam	Branding, Marketing and Outreach	Full-time salaried
Kate Webster	Eastern Cape Representative & Fieldworker	Full-time salaried
Notice Phiri	Driver & Maintenance	Full-time salaried
Shelton Mathe	Vehicle Manager and Maintenance Assistant	Full-time salaried
Anesu Chauke	General Bird Assistant	Full-time salaried
Nicole Wilson	General Assistant	Full-time salaried
Esther Mapope	Domestic Affairs	Full-time salaried



Training and Development (2024)

Vulpro remains committed to fostering continuous learning and professional growth for its team. In 2024, staff members participated in targeted conservation training to strengthen their expertise in vulture rescue, rehabilitation, and research. These sessions enhanced the team's ability to address key conservation challenges.

Training Session	Date	Description
Poisoning Workshop	05 October	Led by Dr. Gerhard Verdoorn, this online workshop provided critical insights into identifying and responding to poisoning incidents.
Internal Clinic & Rehabilitation	22 September	Conducted by Kerri Wolter, focusing on clinic procedures and rehabilitation best practices.

Well-being, Diversity, and Inclusion

Vulpro is committed to fostering a diverse, inclusive, and supportive environment for its staff, volunteers, and partners. In 2024, new initiatives to support physical and mental health were introduced, including team-building activities, wellness programmes, and access to counselling services. These efforts aim to ensure a healthy work-life balance while promoting diversity and equal opportunities within the organisation.

Achievements and Recognition

The dedication and hard work of Vulpro's team were recognised in 2024 with several prestigious awards and nominations, highlighting the organisation's innovative conservation strategies.

Award/Nomination	Recipient	Details
Women in Conservation Award	Kerri Wolter, CEO	Recognised at the Kudu Awards for her exceptional contributions to wildlife conservation.
Indianapolis Conservation Award	Vulpro	Nominated for its innovative approach to vulture conservation, including breeding, rescue, and community outreach efforts.



Vulpro's commitment to excellence was underscored by its successful captive breeding programmes, vulture rescue and rehabilitation efforts, and ongoing community outreach initiatives. These accomplishments highlight the organisation's significant contribution to vulture conservation. Furthermore, individual team members were recognised for their exceptional contributions, reinforcing Vulpro's continued impact within the conservation community. These recognitions affirm Vulpro's dedication to the preservation and protection of vultures and their habitats.

Partnerships and Future Growth

As Vulpro continues to grow, future staffing requirements include additional volunteers to assist with rescue and rehabilitation efforts, as well as interns to support educational initiatives in rural areas. These roles will be essential to the promotion of vulture conservation and the long-term success of the organisation.

Administrative & Operational Overview

In 2024, Vulpro's operations across South Africa, Botswana, and Zimbabwe were supported by extensive travel to ensure the successful execution of key activities. The following table outlines the primary tasks and their associated travel requirements.

Key Activity	Description
Vulture Carcass Collection	Timely collection for mortality analysis and use as food for vultures in rehab.
Rescue and Rehabilitation	Transporting injured/poisoned vultures to the rehabilitation centre for care.
Bird Release	Release of rehabilitated vultures back into the wild in suitable habitats.
Educational Outreach and Training	Fieldwork, talks, and training to raise awareness and improve conservation.
Conferences and Meetings	Participation to strengthen collaborations, share research, and discuss strategies.
Ground Truthing for Bird Monitoring	Locating and monitoring at-risk vultures for prompt intervention.
Power Line Investigations	Investigating and mitigating risks from power lines.
Transport for Veterinary Services	Transporting vultures to veterinary services and ensuring vehicle maintenance.



Operational Data

Detail	Information
NPC Registration Number	2011/127419/08
Tax Number	9888246155
VAT Number	4240308793
PBO Number	930038988





Financial Overview

The success of Vulpro's conservation efforts is made possible through the support of our funders and partners. Their ongoing contributions provide the essential financial foundation necessary to sustain and expand our work, ensuring the protection, rehabilitation, and long-term survival of vulture populations across southern Africa.

We acknowledge and appreciate the diverse range of support received from individuals, corporations, and organisations. Vulpro is proud to collaborate with a wide variety of partners who contribute both financially and in-kind to our mission. This extensive network of support plays a crucial role in the achievement of our conservation goals.

As Vulpro continues to expand its global presence, the growing international recognition of vulture conservation remains vital in securing the financial and material resources necessary for our ongoing impact.

Financial Oversight & Governance

Vulpro upholds strict financial oversight to ensure the sustainability and efficiency of its operations. Our approach prioritises strategic financial management, conservative asset investment, and proactive cash flow monitoring, which enables us to maintain stability despite economic fluctuations.

In 2024, we implemented stringent expense controls, ensuring that every expenditure is aligned with our mission and long-term sustainability. We adhered to best practices in forecasting and financial planning, ensuring that the funds we receive are allocated efficiently to maximise their impact.

Our investments continue to be managed conservatively, providing modest returns, which are reinvested into our conservation initiatives. These efforts ensure that Vulpro remains financially stable and able to weather market fluctuations while continuing to invest in our critical projects.

To maintain transparency and accountability, our audited financial statements for the 2024 financial year are available upon request.



Operational Sustainability & Outlook

For over 17 years, Vulpro has remained unwavering in its commitment to vulture conservation. We continue to invest in infrastructure, personnel, and governance, ensuring that our operations are both effective and efficient. Our governance framework, supported by a dedicated Board of Directors, upholds compliance with corporate governance standards, while guiding our long-term strategic planning.

As Vulpro expands its impact beyond national borders, strengthening our international support network remains a key priority. This growth not only enhances our conservation efforts but also provides us with additional resources to support our global outreach initiatives. By educating communities and stakeholders across the world about the importance of vultures, we are able to expand our global sponsorship base, which is instrumental in ensuring the long-term sustainability of our work.

Looking ahead, Vulpro is focusing on further developing our infrastructure, expanding our captive breeding programmes, and strengthening our research and advocacy efforts. The ongoing support from our donors will play a critical role in achieving these goals, and we remain committed to delivering impactful results in vulture conservation for generations to come.

Vulpro remains committed to managing resources responsibly and ensuring the continued financial sustainability of its conservation efforts. We are confident that the financial strategies employed will enable us to continue to achieve our mission of vulture conservation, while adapting to challenges and leveraging opportunities in the year ahead. The support from our funders and sponsors remains crucial in allowing us to meet these goals and to further our impact on vulture populations.





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- *Greenville Zoo*
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- *Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo*
- *Rheinmetall Denel Munition (RDM)*
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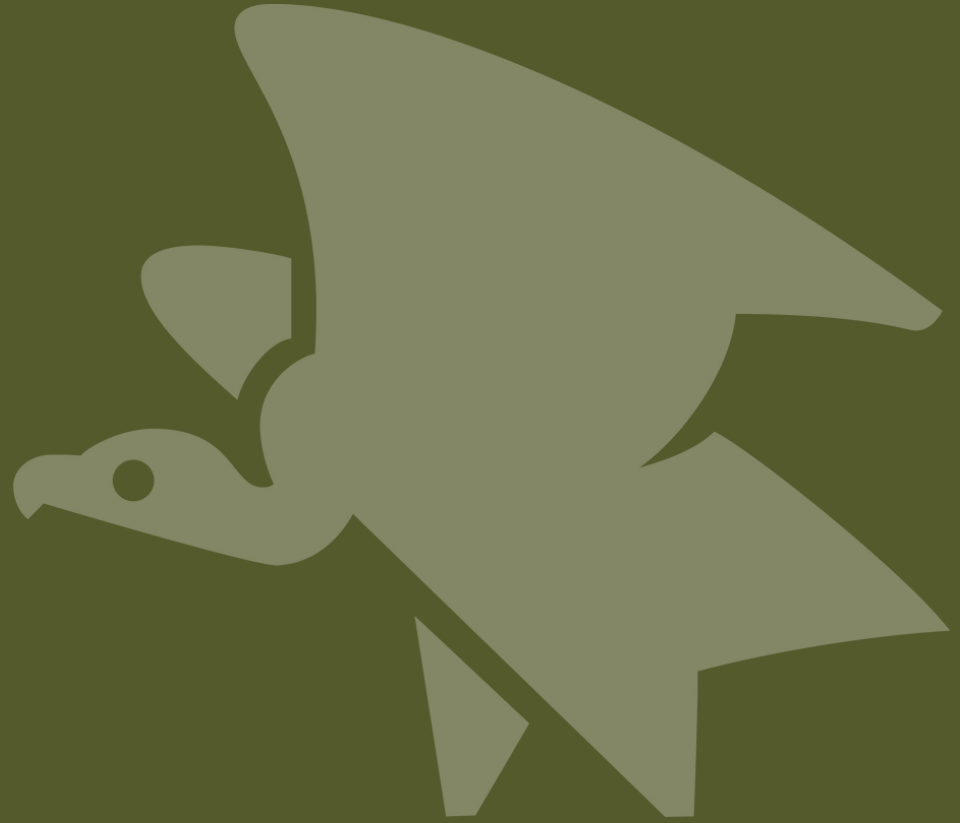


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VulPro's continued success in vulture conservation is driven by the unwavering support of our sponsors and adopters. Their contributions are integral to the preservation of endangered vulture species and the protection of their habitats. The collective commitment of our partners strengthens our ability to tackle the challenges ahead and make a lasting impact on vulture conservation.

Together, we are not only turning their story around, but rewriting it for future generations.



Closing Remarks



On behalf of Vulpro, we extend our deepest gratitude to our sponsors, supporters, and adopters. Your unwavering commitment to vulture conservation plays a critical role in ensuring the survival of these keystone species.

Through your generosity, we are able to conduct vital rescue, rehabilitation, and release operations, expand our breeding programmes, and drive impactful research and education initiatives. Your support directly contributes to reducing threats such as power line collisions, poisoning, habitat loss, and human-wildlife conflict.

At Vulpro, we promise to inspire conservation action by uplifting vultures and challenging how the world sees them. Conservation is a collective effort, and your involvement strengthens our ability to implement long-term, sustainable solutions for vulture populations across Africa. The impact of your contributions extends beyond individual birds—it safeguards entire ecosystems and future generations of both wildlife and humans.

We're for the vultures. This is how we're turning their story around.

With your help, we are not just conserving vultures; we are rewriting their story for future generations. Together, we can ensure that these remarkable birds, and the ecosystems they support, thrive for years to come.

We sincerely appreciate your partnership and look forward to driving even greater conservation outcomes together. Thank you for being part of our mission!





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