



**My name is Ritvik Rekhi, and I previously was student at University of Washington, where I met Namita. I have worked closely with animals all my life and during my time in Malaysia, I saw the mistreatment of dogs firsthand which is why I decided to adopt coffee. Coffee has been with me since she was 3 weeks old, she with all her siblings was left in a drain in Malaysia. Once me and my family found out about coffee and her siblings, we wanted to help all of them go to good houses. Fortunately, all the male puppies got adopted but Coffee was left as no one wanted her. Due to the weather in Malaysia, I got permission from my family to keep Coffee in our house only for one day, but everyone fell in love with her, and she has not left since. Coffee is now five and a half years old and living her best life. When my m family and I decided to move out Malaysia and I decided to bring Coffee with me to the US. It was a big change for her, but she adapted quickly, she has for the first time experienced cold weather and seems to love snow. The first time Coffee saw snowfall, she spent close to four hours playing in it. Now she has moved with me to the Netherlands and loves exploring parks and meeting new dogs. The reason why I am explaining the story of Coffee is because, through my experience people can see what joy a "stray" dog can bring and how they do not deserve the treatment they are receiving in Malaysia.**