# Vegan Rise One (VR1): Empowered Animal Advocacy with VR1 AI

A Strategic Messaging Platform for Reaching the 3.5% Threshold

## THE CHALLENGE

Just over 1% of the global population identifies as vegan — but only a fraction are actively advocating for animals. According to research by political scientist Erica Chenoweth (2011), sustained nonviolent action by just **3.5% of a population** has been enough to drive significant social change.

To reach that level of active advocacy, we need more than facts. We need messages that move.

## **THE SOLUTION**

VR1 trains and equips advocates with the tools of modern persuasion — and enhances their impact with VR1 AI, an AI-powered media psychologist and messaging partner. Together, they help advocates craft emotionally resonant, psychologically strategic messaging across formats.

## WHAT MAKES VR1 DIFFERENT

- Rooted in 5 years of PhD research in media psychology
- Built on 35+ years of professional communication experience
- Powered by AI tools grounded in storytelling, persuasion, and resistance reduction

VR1 + VR1 AI creates a feedback loop: Vegans  $\rightarrow$  Advocates  $\rightarrow$  Effective Messaging  $\rightarrow$  More Vegans  $\rightarrow$  Movement Growth

## WHY IT MATTERS

Movements don't rise from facts alone. They rise when advocates connect with hearts and shift norms. As Victor Hugo wrote: "One resists the invasion of armies; one does not resist the invasion of ideas."

## **NEXT STEPS**

VR1 and VR1 AI are currently in development. We're seeking:

- Pilot partnerships with organizations and advocacy teams
- Mentorship and funding to refine and scale

 $\bullet$  Strategic collaborators — including the right potential cofounder(s) — to help train 3.5% of the world as effective vegan advocates

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