- **Animals are sentient**, meaning they are able to perceive and feel things. They are conscious and feel fear and pain. Animal agriculture treats living animals as products to profit from.

- **Animals are forcibly bred for human use and consumption.** Mothers are separated from their young and slaughtered as soon as their productivity declines.

- **Many livestock animals are kept in abusive conditions** such as small cages, extreme temperatures, and hazardous air quality and are prevented from exhibiting their natural behaviors.

- **Many livestock animals do not receive adequate veterinary care.** Confined conditions put animals at greater risk of physical ailments, including infectious diseases due to close quarters and poor hygiene, effects of poor air quality, and conditions like bursitis. Animals that get sick may be immediately slaughtered instead of receiving costly healthcare.

- **Livestock animals are slaughtered at a fraction of their natural lifespan**, when it is most profitable to do so.

- **“Ag gag” laws prevent whistleblowers from publicizing the cruelty of animal agriculture.** Additionally, many states have passed legislation exempting farms from animal cruelty laws.

- Regardless of the conditions an animal is raised in, **there is no ethical or humane way to kill an animal that does not want to or need to die.**

**VEGANISM IS ROOTED IN COMPASSION FOR HUMAN AND NON-HUMAN ANIMALS.**

*You can take action!* Treat others the way you want to be treated. Stop funding the exploitation of livestock animals and make your next meal vegan.