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Kindness to Animals has no Boundaries

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100% of your donations go directly to our partners in animal welfare. AKI works with organizations in Uganda, Tanzania, South Sudan, Namibia, Malawi, Ghana, Bosnia, Armenia, Jamaica, Honduras, and Suriname.

How AKI Works

AKI sends your donations to our 11 partner organizations three times a year, usually around April, August, and December. The AKI board votes on the amount of each disbursement. We pay no bank fees because we always send money with people who travel to or who work in the country. So every penny of your donation goes to our POs, and not to bank fees or other transaction fees.



Our POs are held to rigorous standards and are expected to account for every dollar, dram, kwacha, and shilling....and they do a great job at that!

We are one of the few funding organizations that don't strictly stipulate what our funds should be spent on. We cover the priority needs of our POs--as long as it's for animal welfare--because we know they know best!

Our board is composed of several people who travel for their "day jobs" and we use that opportunity to conduct site visits--**just one more way we verify use of funds.** But AKI doesn't only send money; we also provide advice, moral support, and connect volunteers with our POs. In short, we're a one-stop support system.

We have close relationships with all our POs--we've worked, hand-in-hand--with all of them for several years. **When we partner with another organization, we don't take that partnership lightly.....we understand that together we can improve the lives of animals across the globe.** Why not be a partner on this journey! <http://www.animal-kind.org/supportus.html>

Shelter Renovations: Lilongwe SPCA, Save the Animals-Armenia, Rural SPCA-Tsumeb



Lilongwe (Malawi) SPCA renovated their puppy pens with the last AKI disbursement (end of April) and also bought a few months of dog and cat food.



Asked what his plans are for the next AKI disbursement, Dr. Ssuna Richard (pictured above left) said: **"We have a very urgent need for the cat quarantine.** We currently house them in a the back office at the clinic, which is far from ideal. It is too small and this not only causes discomfort but makes disease control impossible. Modifying one of the structures will give us an opportunity to offer the animals a more appropriate functional space but also creates room for extra office space."

The puppy kennels are vital to saving lives in Lilongwe. In the LSPCA photo gallery, you can see pictures and read about many of the LSPCA's recently rescued puppies, who get to enjoy the new kennels. **Also please consider donating to help make the cat quarantine space a reality:** <http://www.animal-kind.org/malawiphotoalbum.html>. The LSPCA does amazing work; it is the only organization in Lilongwe helping dogs and cats.

Armenia

For many months, we've talked about SA-Armenia's shelter roof renovations. At last count, SAA needed \$700 to complete the work, and **with AKI's 2nd disbursement of 2014, they now have enough to finish roof repairs (photo right), and to start buying food for the winter months.** Oleg (pictured at the top of this newsletter), one of the oldest dogs at the SAA shelter, is sure happy to hear he'll have a warm, dry, and food-filled winter! SAA still needs more money for dog food, vet care, and continued shelter improvements. <http://www.animal-kind.org/armeniasavetheanimals.html>



Namibia

Because of one person's kind and generous donation in memory of her brother, **Tsumeb SPCA will have enough money to complete most of their needed shelter renovations** (photo right, the old kennels in need of repair). The shelter dates back to the 1970s and because of



lack of funds, hasn't been upgraded in decades. Tsumeb is near Etosha National Park, is located in a rural setting with few ways to raise funds, yet has to deal with many dumped animals and many misconceptions about animals.



You can read more about this donation, and also about other AKI supporters and what they are doing to help AKI help dogs and cats, donkeys and horses around the world: <http://www.animal-kind.org/supporters.html>

Tsumeb SPCA's kennels will include a memorial plaque. What better way to remember a loved one.

We've accomplished so much; please keep the momentum going and your donations coming in!

With AKI's 1st disbursement of 2014, Namibia's Have A Heart-Luderitz spayed/neutered about 30 pets and provided vet care for many more; Tanzania Animal Welfare Society built dog and cat pens--these are serving as the only shelter in all of Dar es Salaam!; Ghana SPCA copied about 300 humane ed manuals for students in their HE programme, and covered transport and teacher stipends for the HE instructors; Uganda SPCA bought pet food, covered transport and air time to rescue many dogs and cats, covered transport for their humane ed programme, bought medicines, and MORE! Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras and Kingston Community Animal Welfare bought dog and cat food and medicines/vet supplies, and spayed several dogs and cats; and Stray Dogs Bosnia used AKI's 1st disbursement to help dogs and cats in the flood affected areas.

We believe that funding the priorities of our POs is the way to go since they are leaders in the animal welfare field in their countries; they know what is needed, and how to get their jobs done! Thank you for joining us in saluting and supporting them.

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Karen Menczer, Director
&
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(photo right: Geesche of Have A Heart Namibia with Scoopy and friend. Scoopy is one of the dogs that HAH has helped with AKI funds.)



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