

#### Kindness to Animals has no Boundaries

February 2017

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Together, we're making so many good things happen and that's the focus of the stories in this AKI newsletter. There's so much to look forward to during 2017-really....keep reading.

February's AKI Blog posts are about:

- Donkeys in Tanzania and how Tanzania Animal Welfare Society is addressing the challenges (with AKI support)
- Residents at the Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras sanctuary (and how AKI donors are helping them)
- The new mobile spay/neuter clinic in Namibia (and AKI donors' contributions to this initiative)

#### http://www.animal-kind.org/aki-blog

You can always find the latest (and archived) AKI Blog posts on our website (link above), or sign up at the RSS feed on the website to receive posts as soon as they're published.

### **Namibia Goes Mobile**

After a test run in December, the "maiden" voyage of Namibia's mobile spay/neuter clinic (photo right, clients in Henties Bay waiting at the clinic) took place at the end of January and early February. The clinic is affiliated with Have A Heart, the country-wide s/n effort that focuses on getting s/n services to under-served areas.

HAH's aim is to sterilize dogs and cats, but when the mobile clinic is the only vet service around, owners bring everything from their dogs and cats to pet rabbits to donkeys and horses, and many of them need more than s/n services.



**So AKI agreed that we'd fill the gaps by covering the costs of vet care for dogs, cats, donkeys, horses (and other animals) that are brought to the clinic.** The good news is that we've raised enough money to cover all the expected costs of vet care plus about 5 spay/neuter surgeries for the next 2 mobile clinics. The next mobile clinic will take place during 2 weeks in March and will travel to the south of the country. Please read more at the AKI Blog (where you can also donate to help Namibia's animals) and enjoy Geesche's beautiful photographs:

http://www.animal-kind.org/single-post/2017/02/18/Namibias-Have-A-Heart-Goes-Mobile

**Kingston Community Animal Welfare Gets a Facelift!** 

When Deborah (KCAW) needs to get dogs or cats, puppies or kittens off the street or away from an abusive home, she places them in the pens at her house, which were actually meant to be storage rooms--like the 1 in the picture to the right.

But in about 1 week, construction and repair work will begin and KCAW will soon have five refurbished kennels and a quarantine pen thanks to an AKI donor! Check out the pens BEFORE construction (and see Deborah with her rescued dogs and cats):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fyBqlSpmSs0
&t=14s

And stay tuned for updates on the progress of kennel renovation.



Of course, even with new kennels, we still need to raise money for KCAW's street dog and cat feeding, s/n, and vet care. This link takes you to the KCAW page on the AKI website, which has background info on KCAW, all AKI Blogs about KCAW and a direct link to donate: http://www.animal-kind.org/aki-jamaica

# **Bunny was thrown away!**

Literally, Bunny was thrown away. She was thrown from a car to one of the boys who helps Pilar at the Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras sanctuary.

As you can see, her leg was either injured and left untreated or possibly she was born with her leg like that. At least she ended up at the right place, because it turns out that the leg needed to be amputated. Pilar (with AKI donor support) was prepared to get whatever vet care Bunny needed and give her the aftercare and love that she's now getting (picture below is of Bunny after the Feb 16 surgery.)



The February 18 AKI Blog post is about Bunny and some of the other dogs now at the HHHH sanctuary (currently, the sanctuary is caring for 22 dog and 2 cats): <a href="http://www.animal-kind.org/single-post/2017/02/18/Heres-Whos-At-Helping-Hands-for-Hounds-of-Honduras-as-of-18-Feb-2017">http://www.animal-kind.org/single-post/2017/02/18/Heres-Whos-At-Helping-Hands-for-Hounds-of-Honduras-as-of-18-Feb-2017</a>

# It's always busy at the HHHH Sanctuary

The AKI Blog post about HHHH is only about 5 days old, but we already have good news updates!



**Flor's** stitches were removed and someone already inquired about adopting her. She's become more active and actually wags her tail and demands that Pilar pat her.

**Nala** has put on 2-3 lbs, her stitches were removed, her infection is gone (but will have to do another blood test to check on the status of her anemia), and she is much happier and active now. She's always by Pilar's side.

For 18 days, Pilar was taking care of a 14 year-old dog who needed to go to the vet every other day for an injection. Now the dog is back at her permanent home (they were unable to provide this intensive care).

And Pilar's been busy helping with street cat and dog spay/neuter surgeries.

# Tanzania Animal Welfare Society-Helping Tanzania's Donkeys

We recently sent an AKI disbursement to TAWESO to cover the costs of two donkey outreach clinics! Each clinic is for 2-3 days and treats approximately 500 donkeys (photo right, a recent TAWESO clinic). Also included: community education on donkey care; working with government vet and agriculture officers to make sure they understand and can address the needs of working donkeys; and lessons on making and using humane harnesses.



# Thanks to AKI donors, about 1000 donkeys will be helped over the next few months!

There's more about TAWESO's Donkey Welfare Programme on the AKI Blog (where donations can be made so that even more donkeys are helped): http://www.animal-kind.org/single-post/2017/02/19/Donkeys-in-Tanzania-Need-our-Help

AKI's fundraiser for Uganda SPCA's Land Purchase Fund on the GlobalGiving site remains active. We're continuing to raise money for USPCA to purchase land for a larger sanctuary, one which the USPCA actually owns. From March 1-April 30, GlobalGiving's fee for donation processing (and other support) is reduced from 15% to 5%--so it's a great time to donate for the Uganda SPCA! Our first progress report is also on the GlobalGiving site (when we post a fundraiser on GlobalGiving, we commit to updating our donors every 3 months):

https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/transform-ugandas-only-animal-shelter-the-haven/

#### **AmazonSmile**

Although the intense shopping days around the holidays are over, we still love to see our supporters designate Animal-Kind International for their purchases on AmazonSmile. Thank you for shopping for AKI!

https://smile.amazon.com/

For more ways to help AKI, check out what some of Our Supporters have done: <a href="http://www.animal-kind.org/aki-supporters">http://www.animal-kind.org/aki-supporters</a>

We are so grateful to each and every one of you for your support!
You can donate to help animals in any of the countries where we work: Uganda,
Tanzania (including our newest partner organization, Mbwa wa Africa), South
Sudan, Namibia, Liberia, Ghana, Armenia, Jamaica, Honduras, and Barbados (new
as of 2017).

AKI always sends 100% of your donations to our partner organizations.

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