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We support animal welfare organizations in Honduras, Jamaica, Uganda, Tanzania, South Sudan, Namibia, Malawi, Ghana, Armenia, and Bosnia with 100% of your donation sent to our partner organizations.



Thank you for spreading the word about AKI--with your help we are making a difference for animals in poor countries

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Dear AKI Friends,

February 2012

There are several things that make AKI different from most other non-profits. One thing that's different is that we give you, the donor, a choice. You can choose to support an animal welfare organization in Africa, Latin America/Caribbean, or Eastern Europe. You can choose to support spay/neuter, to help our partner organizations construct or renovate facilities, you can buy food for dogs and cats, or you can let AKI decide where the need is greatest. AKI does the due diligence to ensure that our partner organizations are financially accountable and transparent, and our partner organizations are required to track the use of AKI funds. At AKI, we feel strongly about accountability because we know that you, our donors, feel strongly about using your money to improve the lives of animals.

Please read below about how AKI donations have made a real difference for animals.

Uganda SPCA: AKI sends rent \$\$

Most funding organizations refuse to pay overhead costs. But with no outside funding for overhead, many animal welfare organizations in poor countries just can't make it through the month. AKI believes that our partner organizations are best placed to make funding decisions. So when the USPCA told us they needed money for January's rent, we rushed the funds to them. For now, these dogs --and another 100 like them, and about 30 cats can be assured of a safe, secure sanctuary. We will continue to help the USPCA with rent, as needed, until they are able to purchase land of their own.



You can designate the USPCA in your donation to AKI and help cover the cost of rent,

food, spay/neuter, and many other needs. Let us know if you're interested in helping the USPCA purchase land for a new Haven. You can read more about the USPCA at the link below.



<http://www.animal-kind.org/ugandaadvocate.html>

Thanks to Lea for these beautiful pictures of Haven dogs (February 2012).

Kingston Community Animal Welfare: feeding the puppies

Deborah with KCAW noticed a puppy population explosion, and worried that she would be unable to afford to feed, vaccinate, and when it came time, spay/neuter all those new street puppies. AKI came through with funds to help Deborah cover these costs. AKI supporter, Ali, was instrumental in raising money and awareness of Deborah's (and the puppies') plight. Below, Deborah is with Boysie, one of the men who help her care for the street dogs and cats.



Deborah says of this puppy: One of my favourite street pups! Adorable, and faces life's tough challenges head on! No fear! :)

<http://www.animal-kind.org/jamaicaadvocate.html>

You can read more about Deborah at this link, and see Ali's blog.

Bosnia Animal Foundation: AKI supplies food to help the dogs through the difficult winter

BAF supports the animal shelter in Orasje by paying for all the expenses: staff, food, medical care, and facilities. The shelter is excellent and therefore BAF thinks of this as their ambassador.

Suze from BAF tells us: It is dog haven, a paradise, safe and special. Plenty of care and cuddles for the almost 200 dogs.



AKI sent money for food for the shelter's dogs, so they were ensured extra nutrition during the freezing temperatures. Suze told us: The dogs look wonderful and healthy after getting extra pasta, eggs, meat, and oil.

If you are interested in designating BAF as recipient of your AKI donation, their plans

for 2012 include: fixing fences and cages and an expansion of the drainage system. Of course we will continue to send money to help feed and provide other care for the dogs at the shelter.

Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras: spreading kindness

Pilar from HHHH sent us this January 2012 message: Today I gave the first humane education talk to 51 7th graders at the Mayan School. It took about an hour with all the questions afterwards. The title of the talk was Animal-Kind International in Honduras. It was about your work, my work and humane education in general. (Pilar and the teacher are in this photo, showing one of the humane ed slides.)



In 2011, with AKI funds, HHHH has spayed/neutered 20 dogs and cats, paid the costs for a part-time caretaker for Pilar's sanctuary, and covered the costs of dog and cat food and medicines for many of the dogs and cats at the sanctuary.

Pilar tells us: I usually use between 9 and 10 bags of dog food a month. That comes out to about \$300/month depending on if I use 40, 50 or 52 lb. bags and if they are Purina Dog Chow, Pedigri, ProPet or some other brand. I usually use about 18.5 to 21.6 lb bags of Purina Cat Chow or Meow Mix about every 5 weeks for the 5 cats. I add the chicken parts and sweet potatoes for variety.

Your donations to AKI can help support the dogs and cats at Pilar's sanctuary.

Namibia rural SPCAs, Save the Animals-Armenia, Lilongwe SPCA, & Tanzania Animal Welfare Society

In our 2012 updates, we'll be telling you more about our partner organizations, and how you have and can continue to help them. Briefly,

- AKI sent money to TAWESO to help their donkey welfare programme.
- From Namibia's rural SPCAs, Erika sent us this: Just wanted to say thank you (in the name of Tsumeb, Otjiwarongo, Walvis Bay, Keetmanshoop, Rundu and Luderitz SPCAs) for everything you have done the past few years. Here in Namibia it is highly appreciated!!!
- From Dr. Richard with LSPCA: Thank you for your contribution. This is a timely boost for the animals. I would like to request that this goes towards the feeding of the animals under our care. We are rescuing many animals at the moment and they are going through some amount of food before they are adopted. OF COURSE AKI SAID YES TO RICHARD!
- AKI sent money to SA-Armenia to place roofs on 10 dogs kennels and to pay for food during the cold winter of 2011-2012. **Nune at SA-A said that she would appreciate help to close the roofs of all kennels so that next winter will be easier for the dogs. Designate Save the Animals-Armenia in your donation to AKI, and you can help ensure the dogs at Yerevan's only shelter never again have a cold night:**

<http://www.animal-kind.org/supportus.html>

The ten countries where AKI has partner organizations are just a fraction of the countries and organizations where help is needed. During 2011, we received requests for help from Sierra Leone, Zimbabwe, Kosovo, Argentina, Liberia, Lebanon, Cambodia, and many more countries. Some day we hope to be able to support many more worthy organizations--and give you more good choices of great animal welfare organizations that need your support.

Please read our 2011 Year-End Report, now available on the AKI website.

<http://www.animal-kind.org/index.html>

Go to the drop-down menu under About Animal-Kind International, and to the 2011 report.

We at AKI know that you want your donations to be used as effectively as possible. AKI is here to make sure that happens.

Karen Menczer, Director
&
the AKI Board

