**Animal-Kind International**

Africa-Based Animal Welfare Organization Grant Guidelines

# AKI Background

Animal-Kind International is a US-based organization that raises funds for Animal Welfare, Rescue, and Protection Organizations in resource-poor countries. We support our Partner Organizations and our funding typically covers the costs to operate shelters/sanctuaries for cats and dogs, community animal care clinics, street cat and dog care, spay/neuter programs, programs for working and abandoned donkeys and horses, and humane education in schools and communities.

Grant Program Funding Requirements

AKI’s 2023 Africa-Based Animal Welfare Organization Grant Program, AKI’s 6th annual grant program, is intended to assist worthy Africa-based organizations, beyond our Partner Organizations, capable of implementing high impact projects aimed at improving the lives of domestic animals. AKI will only consider funding for:

* Projects that benefit cats, dogs, donkeys, and/or horses (secondarily, we will consider projects that benefit cattle, goats, sheep, chickens, and pigs).
* Existing organizations based in Africa that have been operating **in the animal welfare sector** for at least three years.
* Organizations that are currently and actively engaged in their communities to improve the lives of animals.
* Projects that can be completed within six months of receipt of funds.
* Projects that demonstrate sustainability and that give assurance the efforts will continue beyond the grant period.

# Grantee Reporting

Grantees are required to:

* **Submit Monthly & Final Grant Reports** – All grant recipients will be required to submit Monthly Grant Reports (for the life of the grant project) and a Final Grant Report. If your proposal is successful, we will provide you with the report templates. Applicants to our grant program must identify an individual responsible for the reports. That person must have the capacity to write, in English, a detailed, accurate report with pictures and receipts, as required in the template.
* **Post information about their AKI grant project on their website and on social media sites** – Our Grant Program is fully funded by donations from individuals. Posts on your website and social media pages help raise awareness of our Grant Program, helping to ensure that the program will continue in subsequent years, and ultimately, making more funding available to Africa-Based Animal Welfare Organizations. If you are awarded an AKI grant, the Grant Agreement will include specific requirements for posting on your website and social media pages.

# We will not provide funding for

1. Website development
2. Capacity building, professional development, or workshops **for staff**
3. Debt reduction
4. Political activities
5. Religious activities that do not directly benefit animals
6. The grantee’s administrative costs, such as reporting, monitoring, audits, and salaries for administrative staff