

What does it mean to be an AKI partner?

How can you run any business or organization when you don't know where your next dollar, shilling, or dram is coming from? Not due to lack of trying, but nonetheless, that is always the issue for animal rescue and protection organizations in Africa, Latin America/Caribbean, and other "resource-poor" regions. And that's why, when I started Animal-Kind International, I decided that we would have partnerships.

As partners should, we know we can rely on each other: our partner organizations know they will get funding from us to continue their programs; we know that we'll get the good information we need to keep our donors well-informed. **Rather than provide grants, which an organization can't count on from year to year, our partnerships are commitments to each other--that we are here to support them, that they will provide the transparency, accountability, and communication that we require.**

BUT, we can only be there for our animal welfare partners, if we're able to raise the funds they need--and that's where you, our supporters come in. **We've been so lucky and we are so grateful that you've been committed and generous.**

When Uganda SPCA counts on us for about 50% of their shelter operating costs; Mbwa wa Africa for almost 1/3 of their shelter operating costs; Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras, Kingston Community Animal Welfare, and Ghana Society for the Protection & Care of Animals--just about 100% of their costs--we know we can't slow down! We know we have to continue to ask for your support!

When you read about 2017 accomplishments in our annual report (see below), which are 100% thanks to you, **we hope you'll feel a renewed commitment to our cause: helping animals in some of the poorest countries, where there are effective animal welfare organizations who need our assistance.**

April Posts from the AKI Blog

AKI Blog post: AKI Donor Support to Mbwa wa Africa

Before you read this April 7 AKI Blog post about Mbwa wa Africa, I have 2 really happy updates: Logan, pictured right, an old guy, who our partner Mbwa wa Africa, found in December, battered and tired, with a torn ligament, living at a busy parking lot, has a forever home! Kim, the founder of Jobortunity (a training center in Arusha, Tanzania, where underprivileged youths receive a



one-year training course that prepares them for a career in tourism), visited the Mbwa wa Africa shelter and adopted Logan as a school dog (see picture below).

[Read how Mbwa wa Africa used AKI donor funds](#)

The other bit of good news from Mbwa wa Africa is...

The 2 orphaned kitties (you'll read about them in the article on Mbwa wa Africa), who arrived at the MWA shelter so frightened, were also adopted! (Photo right).

So please read the Mbwa wa Africa article knowing that it ends on 2 happy notes!



Logan at his forever home!



AKI Blog post

Ghana SPCA: 2018 has been busy (thanks to AKI donors!)

Read about how Ghana SPCA is making great strides in animal welfare through their expanding Humane Education Program:

[Read about Humane Ed in Ghana](#)

(Photo right: GSPCA's Cheetah Kindness Club members with the Humane Education Manual, provided to each student, thanks to AKI donors.)



AKI Blog post: Animal Protection in Cameroon

Animal care and welfare is a new concept in Cameroon. Yet from an early age, Che Gilbert felt the urge to protect animals.

As an adult, he started an animal welfare organization and they are getting the word out to Cameroonians that kindness to animals is cool!

[Read about Che Gilbert and his team here](#)



Animal-Kind International's 2017 Report is Online!

In our 2017 report, we have information about what our partners have been able to do thanks to AKI donors and how we've tried to keep you, our supporters, in the loop, well-informed, and well-thanked. If you've feel we've fallen short, please let us know. If you'd like to hear more or less from us, please let us know. If you think we're doing a good job, we'd love to hear that too!

[Read our 2017 Annual Report Here](#)

How You Can Help the Cats, Dogs, Donkeys, & Horses Who Most Need Your Help

Send me a message and I'll send you our AKI Volunteer Packet with many ideas about how you can help our AKI partners. If you have 10 minutes/week or 10 hours, we have ideas for you! (And we'd like to hear yours too).

Please click the picture to the right or the link below to get to our donor page, where you can then choose your preferred donation method and amount. As always, we send 100% of your donations to our partner organizations to support animal rescue.

I'd like to donate to AKI



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You can donate to help animals in any of the countries where we work: Uganda, Tanzania (2 partners), South Sudan, Namibia, Liberia, Ghana, Armenia, Jamaica, Honduras, and Barbados.

Thank you so much for your kind and generous support.

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