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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.

I've been wondering how, with so many organizations pleading for help, do we stand out and get the attention of potential donors--and inspire them to donate.

In the U.S., local and national news shows often have stories of animal rescues. People love hearing these heartwarming stories about dogs, cats, horses, and even chickens that have been saved from horrible circumstances. Getting mentioned on one news show can bring in many thousands of dollars, often much more than is needed to solve the problem at hand.

But in countries where AKI partners work, animal stories rarely hit the news...unless there's an outbreak of rabies or foot and mouth.

So we rely on you to help spread the word about the work of our partners. A little money goes so far in the countries where our partner organizations work. And that means that we can all make a difference in the lives of dogs, cats, donkeys, and horses where the help is needed most. That's a news story in itself!

## **Uganda SPCA's Miraculous Rescues**

If these rescues happened in the US, they would have made national news, and donations would be pouring in! But they happened in Kampala, Uganda, where animal rescue doesn't make

the evening news,



and where Uganda SPCA struggles daily for enough funds to cover transport costs, medicines, and even propane to cook dog and cat food. (These are just a few of the items that funds from AKI have covered.)



This poor boy (picture above) was hit by a speeding car on Kansanga road. The USPCA team was on their way to help another dog with a wound, who had been reported to the USPCA, when **they saw this dog, and rushed back to the** 

### USPCA clinic, where he was treated and is recovering, no longer in pain.

Funds are needed for medicines and for his ongoing care, which may involve significant rehabilitation.

#### Miraculous Rescue #2

Just yesterday, Friday, the USPCA got a call about a dog stuck in a drainage ditch. When the USPCA Team arrived, community members told them that the dog had been there for 2 days, fighting for his life. The team got him out of the ditch-a feat in itself (see the steep sides of the ditch in the picture below), and took him to the USPCA (picture below right), where he's now under the care of Dr. Alex.

Even though this rescue story didn't make the headlines, you can

make sure that the USPCA has the funds they need to continue to rescue and care for all animals in need by donating and designating here:

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

AKI sends funds to our partner organizations to cover their priority needs--we don't dictate what they can and should spend AKI funds on, as long as it's used for animal rescue/welfare.

### Tanzania Animal Welfare Society Has Kennels!

This story should get top billing on local news (but it didn't). TAWESO's kennels are a great example of how far money can go to help animals in poor countries. For about US\$1100, and a lot of volunteer support, TAWESO built these kennels. If you look closely at the picture to the right, you can see the AKI logo on the kennel



building--they were built entirely with AKI funds!

Dr. Kahema sent this message: "The kennels are of much help as we are still working towards getting a permanent animal shelter, a lot of animals need rescue now. So far the kennels have helped 70 dogs and 30 cats and 63 of the dogs and 24 cats got adopted. The kennels are working as rehabilitation centres. Again thank you so much and greetings to all AKI supporters."

TAWESO continues to hold Vet Outreach Clinics, they rescue animals from the streets, and they implement the Humane Ed Programme and Donkey Care Programme--their funding needs haven't ended with this kennel--as I'm sure you can imagine. If like me, you are inspired by TAWESO's work, you can donate and designate here: <a href="http://www.animal-kind.org/tanzania.html">http://www.animal-kind.org/tanzania.html</a>

# Kingston Community Animal Welfare Recues & Rehabilitates Dog with Wound on her Face: The mystery remains--How did this happen & who did this to her?

That would be the headline if this story had made Kingston's paper, *The Gleaner*.

And the article would go something like this:

Kingston resident, Jenni, rescued this injured dog (photo to the right) from her apartment complex, and contacted KCAW for help. While no one has been able to identify the assailant, KCAW suspects that someone used a machete to cut



her face. After being seen by a vet, KCAW has taken on the daily care she requires. According to KCAW, they first named her Two Face, and then Two-ey, which morphed naturally into Tutti, then they added Frutti. So she's Tutti Frutti or at times, just Toots.

KCAW reports that Tutti Frutti is just the most loving dog. She still has trouble eating hard food. In the attack, her jaw was damaged, so she can't chew well yet. She's on soft food for now, but as KCAW's Deborah told our reporter, "I slip her her favourite thing to eat, turkey neck, now and then." To help defray costs of Tutti Fruitti's care, and to help provide for other KCAW animals, please donate here: <a href="http://www.animal-kind.org/jamaicaadvocate.html">http://www.animal-kind.org/jamaicaadvocate.html</a>

#### **UPDATES**

We've delivered flood relief funds to Stray Dogs Bosnia so they can buy food, and get vet care for dogs, cats, and other domestic animals in need. We'll keep you updated on our website and in future newsletters about how flood relief funds have been used.

Our GlobalGiving Campaign to support spay/neuter and humane ed in Suriname didn't earn enough donations to remain on the GG site, but we did raise enough to pay for spaying of about 18 dogs and cats! Watch the AKI website and future newsletters for more info about the FHA s/n campaign.

We're still collecting humane ed supplies--mainly books for kids about animals--to send to Ghana SPCA and Liberia Animal Welfare & Conservation Society. LAWCS also uses stuffed animals if you have any new or lightly used ones to donate.

Thank you again to everyone who has been using AmazonSmile and who has designated Animal-Kind International as your charity. Just go to the website below (you may have to type it in to your browser if the link doesn't work), and designate Animal-Kind International as the charity you're supporting: <a href="http://smile.amazon.com/">http://smile.amazon.com/</a> and if you have trouble with that, please let me know!

Please check out the beautiful new design of the AKI website, thanks to Deb! <a href="http://www.animal-kind.org/">http://www.animal-kind.org/</a>

The website is full of news that inspires, where you can read more about all our partner organizations. They all have compelling stories worthy of the evening news!

Thank you for your support,

Karen Menczer, Director & the AKI Board

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