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Have you wondered how an organization becomes an AKI partner organization?

At least 1 AKI board member has to have worked with the organization. If warranted, the board member proposes to the board to add the organization. We discuss the proposed partner organization at our end of the year board meeting, and if necessary, we vote (it's never come to a vote).

Kingston Community Animal Welfare is a good example of our process. I worked with KCAW for about 9 months in 2002-2003, and I saw firsthand how KCAW's Deborah and her volunteers operate. I know that **most of their funding was from their own pockets; that they will do everything within their power to help an animal in need; that they are the only organization that helps Kingston's street dogs and cats; and that they are held in high regard by local communities where they work.**

That's why I proposed to the AKI board that KCAW become an AKI partner organization. Below is why KCAW remains a partner organization and why we believe KCAW is so deserving of your donations.

Could this sweet kitty really be a biter?

Deborah was on her lunch break-earlier this month-when she heard loud meows. At the back of the restaurant, she found "this awfully sweet little puss, all by himself bawling away for his mummy, who was nowhere in sight. He ran away when he saw me approaching but I was faster!"

When Deborah caught him, he bit her finger!

As Deborah was getting in her car to leave, the security guard came running after her, shouting to get her attention. He had this guy's brother in his hand! The guard told Deborah that he



hadn't seen the mama for days. Although their mama was gone, they weren't eating on their own yet and had been starving (the security guard said).



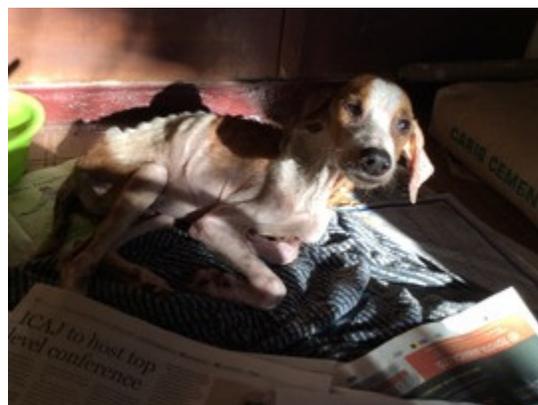
Deborah went back inside, but didn't find any more kitties or the mama. She returned the next day to do another search just to be sure.

She had to hand feed the 2 boys since they weren't used to lapping, "but I am happy to announce that they both started to lap and eat within a few days!" Now, they're ready to be re-homed.

Trugg-Another KCAW Rescue!

A few weeks ago, Deborah rescued Trugg after he had been hit by a car. On her way to work, Deborah found him lying by the side of the road.

Even though he was badly injured, he put up a fight, but decades of rescue have taught Deborah how to deal with that (see picture below).



With help from Samantha (an innocent bystander), who happened to be in the right place at the right time, Deborah got Trugg in the car and went off to the vet, where he was put on an IV drip.

Trugg is a fighter, he'll be just fine!

Trugg left the vet clinic and he's now at Deborah's home (photo above). Deborah told us that he's eating well and even attempted to stand. He has a broken hip and a broken femur. (See AKI's Facebook page for a more complete version of Trugg's story.)



How does KCAW cover the costs of vet care, dog and cat food, and spay/neuter (always done before a pet is adopted)?

AKI donors cover most of these costs. Although there's no end to the need for rescuing, rehabilitating, and rehoming, there are very few individuals or companies in Jamaica willing to donate to these efforts. Without AKI donors, KCAW would be unable to help so many dogs and cats.

Please consider contributing to these life saving efforts (As always, AKI sends 100% of your donations to our partner organizations; feel free to designate 1 or more of your choice):

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

Deborah-Wake up, there's a mama & puppies in need of your help!

Two women came to Deborah's gate at 5



AM last Thursday. Their dog had a bad maggot wound on the neck, and in a box were her 2 malnourished pups. Because she wasn't well, mama had stopped feeding her pups and they were starving.

Deborah went to work.

She cleaned the maggot wound, flea powdered everyone, got some food and meds into them, and gave the owners strict instructions for their after-care. Of course, Deborah checked up on the family over the next few days-sadly, 1 of the pups didn't make it, but mama and the other puppy are fine.



They all know where to go when they need help with a dog or cat

--Deborah told us.

"A lot of the poor people who live at the bottom of the hill in an informal settlement, who have pets have no hesitation in coming to my gate and shouting no matter what the time! Be it midnight or 5 am!!!"

Next up, Deborah will help the women get their dog spayed.

[Photo, right: the 2 women who woke Deborah at 5 AM to get help for their dog and her 2 puppies]



KCAW is 1 of 11 AKI partner organizations, all of which have dedicated, hardworking, and caring staff, who rely on us for support because donations to help animals are so hard to come by in their countries. You can securely donate at the link below, or send a check made out to AKI to POB 300, Jemez Springs, NM 87025 USA.

<http://www.animal-kind.org/#!donate/epq2c>

There are so many ways to help! Check out these suggestions,

<http://www.animal-kind.org/#!other-ways-to-help/tkb18>

or send me an email message and I'd be happy to discuss options for supporting AKI and our partner organizations.

Thank you so much for helping animals in some of the poorest countries--they rely on us, they have no one else.

Karen Menczer, Director

&
the AKI Board of Directors

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