**WISHING YOU A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON AND ALL THE BEST FOR 2013**

*AKI: connecting compassionate donors with dedicated animal advocates worldwide*

*Photo: Pilar’s neighbor found Puppy Galip in Tegucigalpa, Honduras standing in the middle of a busy street, looking very lost and scared. He had internal parasites, cuts and scrapes all over his body. The neighbor presented the puppy to Pilar at HHHH, and asked “Can you do something?” Pilar treated him for parasites, had him vaccinated, neutered, and cared for him for 6 months. He was then adopted by a family with two children. AKI’s support to HHHH helped Pilar cover the cost of Galip’s care.*

**Here are a few suggestions for ways you can help AKI and our partner organizations to continue helping dogs, cats, donkeys, and horses in countries where your help really makes a difference:**

- Please forward this AKI newsletter to friends and family; we rely on you to get the word out about us!

- Donate directly to AKI, and if you would like to designate one or more of our partner organizations to receive your contribution, we will send a holiday note to them to let them know of your gift:

  [http://www.animal-kind.org/supportus.html](http://www.animal-kind.org/supportus.html)

- For the holidays, you can send a donation in honor of a friend or family member, and AKI will send a personalized card notifying the recipient of your gift. AKI sends 100% of all donations to our partner organizations, and your friends and family will be thrilled to know that a gift in their honor is improving the lives of animals.

- Donate to AKI through our GlobalGiving project (you can donate in honor, in memory, and/or designate 1 or more of our partner organizations to receive your GlobalGiving donation):

• Add your review of AKI to the Great Nonprofits website. Your personal story and feedback help us gain visibility for AKI and our partner organizations. Please share your experience with AKI at:

http://greatnonprofits.org/organizations/browse/search:animal-kind+international

• Still looking for a holiday gift? Amalinda Creations gives 10% of the purchase price to AKI--when ordering, make sure you click AKI as your charity of choice:

http://amalindacreations.wix.com/shop#!animal-rescue

• Upload the GoodSearch, GoodShop, & GoodDining toolbar, choose Animal Kind International as your charity of choice, and start searching, shopping, and dining for AKI. It's so easy, you won't even realize that you're donating with every click:

http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/mode

Below you can read just what your donations to AKI have achieved during 2012 (And the year isn't over yet--during December, we'll be sending all of our partner organizations their 3rd AKI allocation. Donate to AKI and help us make it a good holiday for our partners!)

So far, in 2012, AKI funds supported:

*At the Lilongwe SPCA shelter, construction of puppy kennels, a cattery, and adoption kennels; and construction of a water tower and 2600 liter tank at the shelter so that dogs and cats have a supply of water during shortages.

*For the Uganda SPCA, salary for 2012 for one animal caregiver (Mary) at the shelter, The Haven; kennel repairs; propane to cook dog food; fuel to transport USPCA staff to animal rescues and humane education workshops; veterinary meds (de-worming, mange treatment, rabies and parvo vaccines, tick and flea medicines, and anesthesia for spay/neuter surgeries); and a community spay/neuter campaign, during which 6 female and 4 male dogs were sterilized.

*Tanzania Animal Welfare Society’s Donkey Welfare Programme for purchase of ivermectin paste for treatment against worms and bots and other medicines & vet supplies, such as antibiotics, multivitamins, oxytetracycline wound sprays, syringes, gauze, cotton wool, examination gloves, alcohol, iodine tincture, and ivermectin injectables; fuel to transport TAWESO volunteers from Dar es Salaam to Mpwapwa (& return, 2 times) and fuel to travel to the Mpwapwa villages to conduct workshops in humane donkey care; and supplies for an October 2012 workshop in which 104 teachers and village leaders were trained in Tanzania’s animal welfare legislation and to make humane harnesses.
*Namibia’s rural SPCAs for purchase of food, veterinary medicines, and blankets; and spay/neuter of shelter pets and community street dogs.

*Ghana SPCA to reproduce brochures for an information campaign; and the Ghana Horse Project, which provides de-worming, food, vitamins, and hoof care to horses-in-need in Accra.

*Bosnia Animal Foundation’s community spay/neuter campaigns, for which AKI covered the cost of vehicle rental and fuel to transport dogs to the s/n clinic; reproduction of educational posters and flyers and purchase of humane education puzzles; and spay/neuter of 17 dogs in Cazin (near Bihac), who live in an abandoned factory.

*Construction of 10 roofs for the kennels at the Save the Animals-Armenia shelter so that the dogs are warm and dry during the winter months; repair of the shelter’s drainage infrastructure; food for the dogs at the shelter; vet treatment of shelter dogs, especially the older ones in need of care; and sterilization of stray/street dogs.

*Food for Kingston Community Animal Welfare’s street dogs and cats and for pets owned by low income families; de-wormer and mange treatment; and spay/neuter costs for street dogs and cats.

*For Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras (HHHH), de-wormer, flea and tick medicines, antibiotics, and other veterinary medicine for dogs and cats at the sanctuary in Tegucigalpa; sterilization of sanctuary dogs and cats; dog food for sanctuary animals; and sanctuary repairs, in particular, repairs to the door and fence of the yard so the dogs are unable to escape.

In 2012, AKI sent out approximately 3000 sutures, syringes, scalpels, gauze, veterinary medicines, and other veterinary supplies to our partner organizations (and other organizations, as supplies were available). We sent humane ed materials to South Sudan educators. Articles about AKI appeared in University of New Mexico alumni magazine, The Mirage; and in the American Foreign Service Association News/Foreign Service Journal. AKI gave a presentation for a University of New Mexico course, “A Question of the Animal.” AKI visited (at no cost to AKI) our partner organizations in Malawi and Tanzania (and our “special case,” Animal Friends of Kosovo, for whom we host a paypal link and a webpage), and visited potential new partner organizations. We linked Mozambique Animal Protection Society to a US-based vet, who traveled there to do spay/neuter and vet training. AKI provided advice to many animal welfare organizations, worldwide, on topics such as organizational management, fundraising, and conducting awareness raising and spay/neuter campaigns.
Thank you for helping animals in some of the poorest countries. Your holiday donations help make sure that our partner organizations can continue to care for animals most in need.

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Helping animals....without borders. Because animal welfare has no boundaries.

AKI supports 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. We have no overhead.

Wishing all the Best to our Supporters, our Partner Organizations, and the Animals in 2013,

Karen Menczer & the AKI Board

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