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In Kingston, Jamaica, street dogs are every where; they hide in the bush, they hang out and sleep along roadsides. They are a common sight. In Paramaribo, Suriname, also, just about every place you look, you see street dogs.

Sometimes a street dog will become a community dog--1 step up from a street dog--a community dog is usually taken care of, watched over, sometimes fed, sometimes provided vet care when needed, by 1 or more person in the community.

Even where street dogs are accepted (and in some countries where AKI's partner organizations work, they aren't), spay/neuter--of course--is so important for ensuring feeding programs aren't contributing to dog overpopulation, as well as for controlling health problems that are common in unaltered dogs.

Although life for street dogs isn't easy, Kingston Community Animal Welfare and Foundation Henk Abrahams-Suriname make sure street dogs are fed, spayed/neutered, and given attention and love.

Foundation Henk Abrahams feeds 75 street dogs every day

For over 5 years, FHA-Suriname has been taking care of Paramaribo's street dogs (Street cats aren't very common in Paramaribo.) At this link, you can read about AKI's partnership with FHA and you can sponsor a street dog from Suriname: http://www.animal-kind.org/suriname.html

To feed one street dog for one month=only US\$25

FHA volunteers prepare dog food from rice, noodles, meat, and vegetables. The volunteers go to designated locations every day and feed the dogs (like in the photo above), who wait patiently--and sometimes not so patiently!--for their caretakers to come by with food.

FHA volunteers never leave anything behind-they wait until the dogs finish eating and then take away the plates.

Would you like to sponsor street dog or cat spay/neuter? FHA gets a discount from the vet on s/n costs:

One dog spay or neuter=US\$50 One cat spay or neuter=\$40



Vriendje

Vriendje (Dutch for Friend) was severely injured last week (picture below). We don't know who or what did this to him. FHA brought him to the vet immediately and his eye had to be removed.

Together with his girlfriend, Floppy, Vriendje had been living at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Paramaribo, where FHA had been feeding them for more than 5 years. FHA had Floppy spayed, but even five years ago, Vriendje was considered too old to undergo the surgery.



Someone is interested in adopting both Vriendje &

Floppy!

Vriendje probably won't have to go back to the Ministry premises because FHA found someone who wants to give a safe and loving home to both dogs!

FHA will first check the potential adopter's home to make sure it's a good one-and escape-proof, for these two dogs who have lived most of their lives on the street.



Situations like this one can be very costly and really cut into FHA's budget. Won't you please consider designating FHA-Suriname for a monthly donation to help defray costs of feeding, spay/neuter, and vet care for Paramaribo's street dogs?

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

When you become a monthly donor to AKI, you join a team of people who are helping animals in some of the poorest countries, where support for animal rescue and care is so needed.

Congo is 1 street dog of about 500 in Kingston, Jamaica, who rely on KCAW for food and a hug.

A woman notified Kingston Community Animal Welfare that a dog had been dumped nearby; the woman witnessed a guy drive up, open his car door, and put Congo out. Congo dug out a space under a pomegranate tree and made it his home. The sun is brutal during the days so he made this little shelter to stay cool.

Congo's pomegranate tree has now been added to Deborah's (KCAW) dog feeding route. Deborah cooks up batches of rice and meat and mixes that with store-bought food. She always carries food in her car, and drives different routes on a daily basis-on her way to and from work-feeding street dogs and cats along the way. Of course, KCAW gets them all spayed, and as funds allow, neutered.



Over the three decades that Deborah has been caring for Kingston's street dogs, she's developed quite a network of community animal caretakers. So that KCAW doesn't have to visit every dog and cat on a daily basis, Deborah gives the caretakers food to dole out during the week.

To feed one street dog in Kingston, Jamaica for one month (rice, meat, supplemented with store-bought dog food)=US\$25.

To become a KCAW sponsor and to read about some of the animals your donation will be helping, please go to this link:

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

For most animals though, life on the street is far from ideal.

Uganda SPCA's Haven is a sanctuary for so many animals that have been rescued from the streets of Kampala, where life for dogs and cats can be very rough. The 3 kittens (below) were rescued-about 10 days ago-- thanks to one man's (blue shirt) kind heart. He found them living on the street in Kisementi (a section of Kampala), and he hired a boda boda driver (in the jacket) to take the kittens to The Haven.

Your donations to AKI, designated for the Uganda SPCA, help make sure that the USPCA never turns down an animal because of lack of funds; at the USPCA, dogs and cats will always find a haven from life on the streets.



USPCA relies on AKI donors for funds for salaries, transport, food, propane, vet care and supplies, and other items that The Haven needs to operate their top notch shelter.

Three lucky kittens who found their haven at the USPCA

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

Thank you for helping AKI help the neediest of the needy--the dogs, cats, donkeys, and horses who live in poor countries, where there are so few people able to donate to animal welfare.

Please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions, comments, if you're interested in a particular country or

program, or just to say hi!

Karen Menczer, Director & the AKI Board of Directors

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

AKI works with organizations in Uganda, Tanzania, South Sudan, Namibia, Malawi, Ghana, Bosnia, Armenia, Jamaica, Honduras, and Suriname.