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AKI News: September 2012

Dear AKI Friends,

In the last newsletter, we asked you to tell us what you think about the global-local issue--does it divide us or does it unite us? Specifically, we asked you: Are "animal people" more prone than others to think "us v. them"--local VERSUS global? Or are we more open to giving to those who need help most no matter where in the world--local AND global?

We received many replies; here are a few:

David said: *Charity begins at home ... and in my view "home" is planet earth, but I suspect not all think like this. Also, the USA has a lot of support for animals - so to me AKI is more about one dollar or one person really making a difference as it's going to a place where there is virtually no support and hence you CAN make a difference in a real and measurable way.*

Tamala said: *I actually feel that we have a duty to look after animals in less developed countries. People there have far less resources than those of us in the first world and we should offer them our assistance. Many animals in less developed countries would not even receive basic health treatment such as de-fleaing and de-worming.*

Lynne told us: *It is disappointing to hear that someone actually used that as an excuse to not help needy animals.....anywhere..... Why shouldn't everyone help animals where ever it is needed? It can and should be done everywhere.*

PLEASE KEEP THE DISCUSSION GOING! EMAIL US AT karen@animal-kind.org AND TELL US WHAT YOU THINK, GLOBAL & LOCAL? GLOBAL OR LOCAL?

Uganda SPCA's Zooley Has a New Wheelchair!

Thanks to Mandy and Zina, AKI supporters, and Harlan from Red Flyer, as well as Uganda SPCA's David (pictured with Zooney below), Tony (adjusting Zooney's wheelchair in the photo to the right), Brigitte, and Katia--and the persistence of all--Zooney finally has a wheelchair.



Brigitte sent AKI a message about Zooney's 1st day (9 September) in the wheelchair: *Zooney has been growing in length and the chair is on maximum... just hoping she does not grow further in length...Nevertheless Zooney was really impressed by the chair when she discovered that she could go quickly to investigate some areas, she took off in no time. Zooney is still up for adoption and it would be nice if somebody in the states or UK could adopt her, here there is not much hope. She is so loving and so grateful, she is such a pleasure.*



If you are interested in adopting Zooney, please send a message to karen@animal-kind.org. To donate to the care of Zooney and other Uganda SPCA dogs and cats, please go to <http://www.animal-kind.org/supportus.html>

Ghana SPCA Returns to Life!

Having been in Ghana earlier this month, where I met with GSPCA volunteers--I can attest to this--the GSPCA is raring to go! GSPCA now has several Ghanaian volunteers and volunteers from around the world, who live in Ghana--all have come together to help improve conditions for animals in Ghana. GSPCA Chairman David (holding a puppy in the picture to the right) has been involved in humane education for about 20 years. But recently, David has noted a marked increase in the number of people interested in the GSPCA; he thinks we are witnessing a "sea change." Ghanaians are now more ready than ever to hear--and listen to--the animal welfare message. But David implores AKI--now, more than ever we need the support of the international community. There are many opportunities to help the GSPCA--David tells us--they need *everything*--funding, supplies, and expertise. Read about the GSPCA and please lend your support: <http://www.animal-kind.org/GSPCAadvocate.html>



Bosnia Animal Foundation--a little bit of paradise

AKI is proud to continue to support BAF's work in Orasje. At the Orasje shelter, BAF covers all expenses, including salaries, food, medical care, and maintenance. Suze from BAF told us: *The people working at the Orasje shelter love the animals, and they take great care of them. The dogs have lots of space to play and run, they are fed well, and they receive love and attention. It sounds like paradise, and it is! In August 2012 we held a small neuter campaign, 50 animals were neutered in three days by one vet.*

AKI funds help BAF cover their expenses so they can continue their important work in Orasje; you can see pictures of BAF's work in Orasje here:
<https://picasaweb.google.com/dierenopvang/201208TripOrasje?authuser=0&feat=directlink>

Briefly,

AKI supporter Myra mentioned that Goodsearch and Goodshop are great ways to support AKI, and she's looking for some competition! Myra is AKI's leading Goodsearch fundraiser. Please download the Goodsearch toolbar and start searching and shopping for Animal-Kind International (give Myra some competition!)--THANK YOU!

<http://www.goodsearch.com/>

In the last AKI newsletter, we told you about our new photo albums:

Namibia's rural SPCAs

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

Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras

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

Kingston Community Animal Welfare

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

We've now added

Uganda SPCA photo album

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

Tanzania Animal Welfare Society photo album

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

and

Lilongwe SPCA photo album

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

In August we sent:

To HHHH: approximately 200 sutures, 480 rawhides, prednisone, Rimadyl, and other medications (Thank you Silvia!).

To LSPCA: 270 sutures, gauze, 700 rawhides (Thank you Hartz!), and medicines.

To KCAW: Clavamox, Amitraz, Panacur, Biospot (Thank you Joan!)

To Namibia's rural SPCAs: flea/tick meds, de-wormers (Thank you Project Vets!), and 230 sutures.

Please join us in making the world a better place for animals by donating to AKI.

Sincerely,

Karen Menczer, Executive Director
&
the AKI Board

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