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ARO HOSPITAL

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PayFast: Visit www.payfast.co.za click on 'Buyers', then 'Giving Back', then follow the instructions for the list of charities to appear. Find the Animal Rescue Organisation logo, click on it and follow the instructions on how to donate.



As petrol prices skyrocket, all of us are affected by increasing costs. This has made a huge impact on ARO's monthly costs.

Our mission as an Organisation is to relieve the suffering of animals living within indigent communities across the Cape Metropole. In order to achieve this goal, we have two mobile clinics which offer basic health care to pets in these communities, and one special projects vehicle- which focuses just on collecting and dropping off animals for sterilisation.

These projects are at the heart of our mission and without them ARO ceases to exist as we know it. It is our commitment to keep offering these services to the community in order to ensure the dogs and cats in these areas are living happy healthy lives.

These vehicles use an average of 800 litres of petrol between the 3 of them. With the rising petrol costs it equates to almost an extra monthly R5000 which we had not budgeted for. This puts a strain on our fundraising efforts which are all carefully planned out and accounted for.

So where do we get this extra funding from? We have noticed an increase in income from our Charity Shops, which is helping us to supplement the extra expenditure on petrol. Whether this is due to the increased popularity in thrift shopping and sustainability,

or just that everyone is struggling and second hand items are more affordable, we are not sure. However, we are grateful for this means of fundraising. You can support our charity shops by donating your second hand goods.

HOSPITAL AND
MOBILE CLINIC
STATS

212 consults a week

44 sterilisations a week



NEW HOSPITAL FLOORS

We are so excited about the most recent renovation to our hospital! Thanks to Old Mutual Staff Volunteer Fund (OMSVFT) we were able to redo the floors of our indoor and outdoor kennels as well as part of the hospital floors.

The most important part of this makeover are our new floors being made of screed which is not only incredibly sturdy but offers a surface that can be properly cleaned and sterilised.

Because of OMSVFT's generosity in sponsoring this project we can rest assured knowing that this area of our clinic can be easily cleaned and will help stop the spread of communicable viruses.



CHARITY SHOPS & MARKET DONATIONS

ARO is always in need of stock to sell and offers a full house-clearing service. Our fabulous volunteers can sell almost anything, so if you are having a clear out, call Keziah at ARO's reception desk on 021 396 5511 to arrange a collection time that suits you.



Bergvliet Charity Shop:

Situated on 51 Main Road, Bergvliet. Tel: 021 715 7525. Open weekly 9h00 to 17h00 and Saturdays 9h00-13h00.

Kalk Bay Charity Shop:

On the Main Road in Kalk Bay, opposite the Trading Post. Turn into Belmont Road and ARO's charity shop is situated opposite Papagaya in Belmont Road. Open daily (weather dependent). For more information contact Geraldine on 082 805 5005.

SPONSOR A KENNEL

Kennel sponsorship is a great way of supporting ARO. A Kennel sponsorship is a monthly amount of R250 (or annual donation of R2750) donated on a debit order basis, to assist the running of a specific kennel.

Your contribution will go towards the feeding, caring and medical expenses of the animals that stay in your kennel. We will hang a personalised plaque on your kennel with a message of your choosing and send you a Kennel Sponsors Certificate.

With the kennel sponsors, we can budget more effectively than we can on once-off donations. You may stop your sponsorship whenever, for whatever reason – so, go ahead and become a sponsor and a lifelong friend to ARO and animals in need!



ADOPTIONS

Some of the happy dogs that we have rehomed so far this year









ABOUT ALISON – THE RONDEBOSCH MARKET RINGLEADER

I have been a volunteer for ARO for what seems like forever (in a good way!), over 18 years. It all began as I was keen to help animal charities "behind the scenes" so to speak and had enjoyed visiting the ARO stall at the market so applied for voluntary work. It turned out ARO needed assistance, so I jumped straight in!

I love working at the market. I, as well as the volunteers at our stall, love making the customers happy when they find something they really like or want. The Rondebosch market has such a great feel to it. It's very organised and there are many lovely craft stalls and refreshments. It's a fun place to work at.

At the end of the day my work is all for the animals. There is so much over breeding and suffering out there. I am proud to fundraise for ARO, it is an organisation with a long history which fulfils its mandate every day to rescue those animals in need via mobile clinics and a hospital. The staff are so warm, caring and passionate about what they do. Since I have the time, I take great pleasure in collecting donations (meeting the wonderful donors we have) and sorting them out. My family all help to bring old items back to life and I like to find new and interesting ways to package and display the goods that come in. If you would like to support us please come to the market and visit our stall on the second Saturday of every month. You will not be able to resist some of the gorgeous items on display as well as many, many books. People can also support us by bringing their unwanted, saleable items to the market and/or ask for our vans to collect their goods.

I collect in Pinelands and surrounds.

I would just like to thank all my volunteers for their amazing help, support and hard work over the years. They make my job so much easier. Thank you June, Jean, Deborah, Sue and Diane. Last but not least to "my" donors without whom we would have much less goods, a huge thank you for your wonderful, on-going donations.





The much-loved Rondebosch Park Market on the corner of Sandown and Campground Roads trades every second Saturday of the month. We encourage everyone to visit and support the stalls. Dogs on leashes are most welcome.

For enquiries about Rondebosch Park Market please email aro@animalrescue.org.za or call 021 396 5511.



INSPIRING STORY

We got a real surprise at the start of this year when we opened up one of our collection tins. The average amount in the tins is around R200 in small change. However this one had over R2 000 in it! We had to find out who this tin came from!

We tracked down the donor who handed it in and she told us that every year on the 1st of January an animal lover in Table View holds a New Year's Day party which all his friends and acquaintances attends.

He provides boerewors, hamburger patties, rolls etc and a fire along with good company. Each guest cooks their own food which in turn gives everyone the opportunity to mingle and relax in the garden.

The one requirement is that each guest brings along a donation for the Animal Rescue Organisation collection tin. He is also a very good quiz master so a quiz is usually part of the proceedings.

This year they even held a raffle amongst the group of friends. In this way, funds were raised for a cause close to their hearts, and everyone had a lot of fun as well!

ARO is encouraging all donors to use this story as inspiration to do the same. With your next special occasion or event, instead of receiving gifts you'll never use, contact us for a tin and raise funds for a good cause!



CAT FOOD DONATIONS



ARO would like to appeal for cat food donations. Our stock is very low and we need food for the cats in our hospital during their recovery.

Please contact Keziah on 021 396 5511 or reception@animalrescue. org.za if you can assist.







BEQUESTS & LEGACIES FOR ANIMALS

Including a legacy to an NGO you trust is a deeply personal choice. At ARO, we pride ourselves on making sure that your legacy gift to our animals is used exactly how you intended it to be.

Whether that's supporting mobile clinics, development of new hospital equipment or the sponsorship of sterilisation cases.

If you would like to have a confidential discussion about leaving a legacy to Animal Rescue Organisation, please call Lindsey Concer on 021-396 5511 or email lindsey@animalrescue.org.za

DONATE YOUR NEWSPAPERS TO THE ANIMALS IN THE ARO HOSPITAL

