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2014 ANNUAL REPORT

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2014 Annual Report

Mission Statement

Project V.E.T.S. is dedicated to helping improve the health and welfare of animals around the world. We achieve this goal by collecting veterinary equipment, technology and supplies (V.E.T.S.) from veterinary hospitals, human hospitals, medical equipment/supply manufacturers and individuals and distributing them worldwide to veterinarians working in non-profit or non-governmental organizations devoted to animal health. In this way, we also conserve valuable resources that might otherwise end up in a landfill.

We strive to heal the planet, one animal at a time.

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A New Life for Raju

by Claire Campbell, Board Chair & Treasurer

For Raju, an Asian elephant, a new life of freedom began after 50 years of cruelty, when he was rescued in 2014 by Wildlife SOS in India.

Wildlife SOS is one of Project V.E.T.S.'s Recipient Organizations. We knew they were doing good work and our board voted unanimously to accept them into our program in 2014. Little did we know how soon our decision would come back to us to leaps and bounds of joy!



Dr. Yaduraj Khadpekar, the Wildlife SOS veterinarian who led Raju's rescue, said "We were determined to save Raju's life..... He requires a lot of extensive vet care and it will take a long time to restore his health". Wildlife SOS co-founder Geeta Seshamani said, "As we watched we realized we had to act as quickly as possible as his situation was so desperate and the cruelty so extreme. The chains around his legs had spikes which were cutting into his flesh.... Pain and brutality were all he knew. His cruel handler even tore out all the hair from his tail to sell as good luck charms."

The minute Raju arrived at the rescue center, veterinarians began treating his wounds, abscesses, and foot pads. Their team worked around the clock to provide medical care to help Raju recover from his mental and physical trauma.

Raju was introduced to his new family, "the herd of hope," who were already at the center and who welcomed him. He shares a very special bond with female, Laxmi. They are often seen feeding each other, walking and playing in the pool together.

Wildlife SOS has devoted much time and money to fight for the freedom of Raju and other abused, injured or sick elephants in India. Thankfully, Raju is unaware of all this and continues to enjoy his freedom with his fellow elephant friends. We continue to send supplies and equipment to Wildlife SOS in order to continue our support of their veterinary efforts!



Thoughts from Candy Sayles Brad, DVM Founder

Have you ever wondered what you would do if you won the lottery? How would you decide to spend your fortune? I know that I have! One of my plans has always been to be philanthropic: find the charitable organizations around the globe that are doing work that I admire and donate to them. Spread the wealth, you might say. Several years ago I started realizing that I did not need to be a multimillionaire to make that dream come true. Instead of waiting for a windfall, I started looking at how to allocate the resources I already had. Project V.E.T.S. is the result of that mind-shift.

For the past six years, Project V.E.T.S. has been collecting donations of veterinary equipment, technology and supplies. Our mission to distribute these items to veterinarians working in animal related non-profits has grown to support over 65 of these organizations in 33 countries! And, we have kept over \$315,000 worth of supplies from ending up in landfills. Joining our list of recipients in 2014 were H.E.R.O., Kitten Krazy, People and Animal Welfare, Refugio Cantalobos, Saint Seton's Orphaned Animals, Students for International Veterinary Opportunities, The Big Fix Uganda, Tree of Life for Animals and Wildlife SOS.

This work would not be possible without the support of donors like you. Through your philanthropy, not only are we able to reallocate valuable equipment and supplies, we are also able to cover the cost of shipping them around the globe. Monetary donations have also helped grow our staff from one employee working fifteen hours per month to two part time employees: a Development Director and an Inventory Manager. Each dollar received by Project V.E.T.S. is making a HUGE difference in the lives of companion animals, working animals and wildlife in the U.S. and abroad.

As we look back over 2014 and reflect on how much we have grown, I find myself thinking mostly about those individuals around the globe who are making a difference in the field. People like veterinarian Tom Graham, CEO of Veterinarians Without Borders US. Tom has over 30 years of experience in veterinary heard health, primarily working with dairy and beef cattle. He has taken his experience to VWB and helped implement educational programs in Liberia, Uganda and Ethiopia, not only training veterinarians and para-vets, but also helping to educate farmers in detecting the signs of disease, and creating an early detection system to help prevent zoonotic outbreaks. And Mike Cranfield, veterinarian and Co-Director of Gorilla Doctors. Mike has worked for the past 15 years with the incredible staff at Gorilla Doctors, helping to bring the number of individual Mountain Gorillas from fewer than 300 in the mid-1980's to over 880 currently. He has also helped to expand Gorilla Doctors to provide health programs, not only for Mountain Gorillas, but also for Grauer's Gorillas and the humans living in communities surrounding gorilla habitat in Rwanda, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Mike, Tom and the other individuals working throughout the globe in our Recipient Organizations could not succeed without the support of organizations like Project V.E.T.S. and individuals like you! Each one of us makes a difference, every donation is important and together we are healing the planet one animal at a time.

Cheers,

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Thoughts from Meghan Curtis

Development Director

We are at a pivotal time in the growth of Project V.E.T.S. All for-profit and non-profit organizations go through a period of substantial growth and capacity building. We are at that point! Year after year, we have seen increased awareness of our organization as well as increased willingness to help accomplish our mission. At the same time, we see clear signs, from around the world, of the continued need for our services – of the need for veterinary and medical supplies and equipment to help care for our world's animals in need. Started in 2009 with six Recipient Organizations, Project V.E.T.S. now serves 65 organizations! The need is great!

Our mission is to serve veterinarians working in non-profit organizations around the world – and to serve the animals in their care. Whether it be a small spay/neuter clinic for cats at Kitten Krazy in Ohio. Or, the commendable efforts of Wildlife SOS to rescue and provide lifetime sanctuary and care for all circus elephants in India. Or, possibly, the work of Tanzania Animal Welfare Society to care for dogs and cats, but also their commitment to administer treatments to thousands of working animals in an effort to keep animal <u>and</u> human populations healthy. Regardless of the Project V.E.T.S. Recipient Organization, we provide veterinarians working with limited resources, but with abundant passion, the supplies and equipment they need.

Large supply manufacturers, small veterinary hospitals, specialty practices, pet product stores, human hospitals and individuals who have lost their pet companions are examples of the starting point for our work. Gloves, collars, syringes, dental instruments, blood chemistry analyzers – you name it, and with a few exceptions, Project V.E.T.S. can send it to an organization that will be thrilled to receive it. New or used, in-date or just past expiration, Project V.E.T.S. will keep these items out of the landfill and get them into the hands of grateful veterinarians. Financial support from individuals and foundations allows Project V.E.T.S. to inventory, package and ship these items to our Recipient Organizations around the world. Please review our list of Recipient Organizations – you will be humbled by their dedication and their success in treating the animals that come into their care.

We are honored to serve these organizations and their animal patients. We are excited for the future and continued growth of Project V.E.T.S. We hope that you will join us in our efforts – with your support, we will continue to heal the planet one animal at a time!

Sincerely,

Meghan Curts

Our Global Impact in 2014



All over the world, animals are loved as dear friends, enjoyed by wildlife enthusiasts, and worked to help families maintain crops and carry loads. Simultaneously, animals face worldwide struggles with pet over-population, the poaching crisis and endangered species survival as well as environmental disasters and every day human conflicts. Project V.E.T.S. focuses solely on helping veterinarians perform hands-on work with companion animals, wildlife and working animals in an effort to help address these struggles.

The need is great for animals! We can read the news, visit our local shelter or wildlife rehabilitation center, and look at Project V.E.T.S.'s list of Recipient Organizations to find evidence to support this fact. In 2014 alone, Project V.E.T.S. distributed 83 shipments of equipment and supplies to 40 Recipient Organizations. These Recipient Organizations provided the following services and programs to the animals in their care and within their local communities:

- More than 89,000 sterilizations were performed.
- They offered minor wound treatment to approximately 34,000 animals.
- More than 17,500 surgical cases and 12,600 internal medicine cases were seen and treated.
- 117,000+ animals were vaccinated.
- They administered parasite control to over 68,000 animals.
- And, educational services were provided to 48,000 adults, 71,500 children and 2,200 veterinary students and staff.

By collecting donated veterinary equipment and supplies, and then distributing them to animal health focused non-profits and non-governmental organizations all over the world, Project V.E.T.S. plays an important role in helping veterinarians treat the animals that come into their care. The services listed above were made possible, in part, with the help of Project V.E.T.S. and it's supporters!

Project V.E.T.S.'s goals are twofold: 1) to keep valuable medical items and supplies from being wastefully discarded, and 2) to have them put into the hands of those who are making a difference in

the welfare of wildlife and domestic (companion and working) animals worldwide. By fulfilling these goals, there are many parties who benefit:

- Veterinarians and Recipient Organizations who partner with Project V.E.T.S.,
- Wildlife and domestic animals that are treated by these veterinarians,
- The communities in which the Recipient Organizations provide service, and
- Manufacturers, veterinarians and other donors who donate their surplus equipment and supplies.

More and more animal health focused organizations all over the world are learning about Project V.E.T.S. and are reaching out for support. It is our mission to serve the needs of the animals in their care. With our expanding network, our ability to help more animals and veterinarians grows! Together, we are healing the planet one animal at a time.



2014 Project V.E.T.S. Recipient Organizations



Animal Balance - Animal Balance believes that high volume, community based sterilization campaigns combined with rabies vaccination is the only humane, logical and sustainable strategy to combat the overpopulation of cats and dogs and prevent the spread of rabies. Volunteer veterinarians, veterinary technicians, assistants and helpers come together to create MASH-style 'Mobile Animal Sterilization Clinics' on islands around the world. They currently work in the Bahamas, Cape Verde, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Galapagos Islands and Samoan Islands.



Animal-Kind International - Animal-Kind International is a U.S. based non-profit that supports several animal welfare organizations worldwide by matching them with individuals and businesses in developed countries who can provide much needed supplies and monetary donations. We are currently matched with their partners: Animal Friends of Kosovo, Helping Hands for Hounds of Honduras, Lilongwe SPCA, Namibia SPCA, Save the Animals-Armenia, Sierra Leone AWS and Zimbabwe National SPCA.



Arkansas Native Plant and Wildlife Center - Mena, Arkansas is home to Tommy Young and his wildlife rehabilitation center. Tommy has a degree in Ornithology from Cornell University and is a Federal and Arkansas State licensed wildlife rehabilitator. Working with Dr. Sandy Hatch, Tommy has successfully rehabilitated birds of prey, bear cubs, deer, fox, skunk and other native Arkansas species. For those animals that are not able to be released back into the wild, the Center provides lifelong care.



AWARE Trust - Dr. Keith Dutlow and Dr. Lisa Marabini are the motivation and work force behind this Zimbabwean conservation trust. Founded in 2004, AWARE Trust focuses on the welfare of wildlife and the conservation of wildlife habitats. They do this through rehabilitation of injured wild animals, prophylactic care of domesticated animals living in poverty-stricken areas interfacing with wildlife conservation areas, research and education.



Belize Wildlife and Referral Clinic - Co-founded by Dr. Isabelle Paquet-Durand and Justin Ford in 2011 to help care for Belizean wildlife that had been injured or orphaned, BWRC sees many unique patients each year. They are continuing their work in wildlife conservation while also reaching out to local communities to provide domestic animal veterinary care. BWRC is also an integral partner in promoting veterinary education and research throughout Belize.



<u>Chimpanzee Sanctuary Northwest</u> - In 2003, the CSNW was founded by Keith Lachappelle after learning about the plight of chimpanzees used in research and the entertainment industry. The first seven residents, dubbed the Cle Elum Seven, made their way to Washington State in 2008 from a biomedical research laboratory in Pennsylvania, where they were used for vaccine research and in a breeding program. Thanks to Keith and the CSNW board of directors, these chimpanzees now have a much better environment to call home.



<u>Dharamsala Animal Rescue</u> - Deb Jarrett founded Dharamsala Animal Rescue in 2009 after a trip to Dharamsala, India where she befriended an injured street dog named Tommy. He opened her eyes to the plight of many animals in India and the fact that over 50,000 human lives are lost every year to rabies. Since their inception, DAR has neutered and vaccinated over 1,000 dogs and treated hundreds of dogs, cats, cows, donkeys, monkeys and birds for various illnesses. They are also working to educate the community about animal health and welfare and its relationship to human health.



Evelyn Alexander Wildlife Rescue Center - Located in Hampton Bays, New York, this wildlife rehabilitation center treats and rehabilitates over 2,000 animals per year. They have a full time veterinary hospital built specifically for the treatment of wildlife and it is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. They also provide educational programs to the surrounding communities on human/wildlife interactions and provide internships to students from local colleges.



Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center - This wildlife rehabilitation center in Lyons, Colorado was first started in 1982. It has grown to become one of the largest wildlife rehabilitation centers along the Front Range, caring for over 2,500 animals each year, most of these small mammals and birds. Dr. Alison Hazel and her staff, both paid and volunteer, provide professional care to sick, injured and orphaned wild animals so that they can be released back into their natural environments.



Humane Society of Concord & Greater Cabarrus County - The mission of the Humane Society of Concord & Greater Cabarrus County, North Carolina, is to end animal suffering and cruelty, reduce overpopulation and educate the public regarding responsible animal ownership. This mission is accomplished by utilizing trained volunteers to investigate cruelty, supporting efforts to establish a low cost spay/neuter clinic for low income families and a sanctuary for homeless animals.



<u>Humanitarian Efforts Reaching Out (H.E.R.O.)</u> - Founded by a group of physicians wanting to give back to the world community, this grassroots organization has grown into so much more. Their medical and veterinary teams can go into impoverished communities around the globe and provide medical care, dental care, vision testing and eye glasses, veterinary care and education about sustainability.



<u>Kitten Krazy</u> - A non-profit organization located in Medina, Ohio, Kitten Krazy helps to decrease the kitten and cat overpopulation problem in their area by housing and re-homing abandoned animals. They are a small, volunteer organization that usually cares for healthy and well-socialized kittens under six pounds.



Knysna Animal Welfare Society - KAWS has served the communities of Knysna and Sedgefield, South Africa for over 60 years. KAWS offers low cost or free veterinary care for families in the area and holds numerous vaccination/sterilization clinics every year.



Lakeside Spay and Neuter - Like many shelters, Lakeside Spay and Neuter was founded by Diane Hazen and Gudrun Jones in response to the overwhelming street dog and cat population in Jalisco, Mexico. What started in 2001 as a rescue to provide shelter, sterilizations and vaccinations to this homeless pet population has now grown to include education about pet ownership as well as clinics to service the needs of pets with homes as well as those without. Helped by volunteer veterinarians, like Dr. Bob Strand, this rescue is significantly reducing pet overpopulation in Ajijic, Mexico.



<u>Mazie's Mission</u> - Mazie's Mission was formed in Frisco, Texas by Dr. Erin Shults to bring a self-sustaining, focused approach to animal welfare with the purpose of eliminating unnecessary euthanasia. This is accomplished by providing professional medical care, expert forensic evidence and adoption assistance to shelters, rescue groups, first responders and other non-profit animal welfare groups. The ultimate goal of Mazie's Mission is to establish a world class hospital and lifetime sanctuary for the care of those animals that cannot find a home.



Mdzananda Animal Welfare Clinic - Located in Khayelitsha, South Africa, this clinic provides low cost or free veterinary service for dogs and cats. They have been in operation for over 14 years and through community support, have grown to a fully serviced veterinary facility working out of 6 recycled shipping containers. Dr. Edson Man'ombe and his staff also provide mobile services to the area.



Mountain Gorilla Veterinary Project/Gorilla Doctors - Led by Executive Director and veterinarian Dr. Mike Cranfield, MGVP was established in 1986 at the request of Dian Fossey. Their mission is to protect the remaining population of Mountain Gorillas in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Uganda. Their work is primarily performed in the field, trekking to the gorillas in the mountainous rain forests. MGVP also oversees the care of three orphaned infant mountain gorillas and two Grauer's gorillas at Virunga National Park's Senkwekwe Center and one Grauer's gorilla at their orphan facility in Kinigi, Rwanda.



Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary - Located on a 100 acre island in Lake Victoria just offshore from Entebbe, Uganda, this Sanctuary is home to approximately 45 chimpanzees ranging from 2 to 25 years old. These chimps were orphaned when their mothers were killed, either for the bushmeat trade or for their babies to be stolen and sold on the black market.



Orangutan Foundation International - Originally founded by Dr. Birute Galdikas in 1971 and called the Orangutan Research and Conservation Project (ORCP), OFI is dedicated to the conservation of the remaining wild orangutan populations in Borneo and Sumatra. They do this through the promotion of research, education and forest protection. They are also responsible for the care of ex-captive orangutan orphans as they work to relocate them back into their indigenous forests.



Pan African Sanctuary Alliance - PASA created its first sanctuary in 1974 and currently has 22 member sanctuaries in 12 African countries. Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary, one of our earliest recipient organizations, is a member of PASA. These sanctuaries care for more than 850 chimps, 85 gorillas and almost 3,000 other endangered primates. Each facility has its own veterinarian, or group of veterinarians, and they all work to support the conservation and care of African primates.



People and Animal Welfare (PAW)/Casa de Orientacion y Desarollo Real (CODR) - PAW is community project of CODR, an organization in the Dominican Republic working to gain university education opportunities for students from poor backgrounds. Through PAW, students learn how to design and implement a program that will help vaccinate and sterilize the vast homeless companion animal population. They are working to build a sustainable spay/neuter program through the development of an animal hospital. This will also allow Dominican veterinary students an opportunity to receive additional training.



<u>People For Animals-Faridabad</u> - Located in Faridabad, India, PFAF strives to educate the community about the fair and ethical treatment of all animals. They do this by providing sterilization services, rabies vaccination/education and by providing a shelter for those animals rescued from the street and abusive situations.



Refugio Cantalobos - A companion animal shelter opened in 2013 by the Varela Walter family in response to the growing number of strays in Spain. This organization not only rescues dogs and cats living on the streets, but they vaccinate, sterilize and house them until they can find them a forever home.... often in another country!



Romania Animal Rescue - On a hiking trip with friends in Romania in 2001, Nancy Janes was shocked by the thousands of stray dogs and cats roaming the streets. At that time, the government was poisoning animals as a means of population control. It was difficult to find good veterinary care, let alone veterinary surgeons, who were able to perform spays and neuters. Nancy and her husband founded RAR in 2003. RAR established the first free spay/neuter program in Romania and to date have performed over 18,000 sterilization surgeries. They also offer no cost vaccinations, parasite control and general veterinary care.



<u>Saint Seton's Orphaned Animals</u> - By providing low cost veterinary care to middle and low income families in Stafford, Virginia, Saint Seton's is helping to keep more companion animals in their homes and helping to end economic euthanasia. They also provide affordable sterilization surgeries to the community and other animal non-profits.



Soi Dog - In 2003, Gill and John Dailey joined forces with Margot Homburg Park in Phuket, Thailand to help control the burgeoning stray dog and cat population. Since then, through many obstacles, including Gill almost losing her life, they have sterilized almost 30,000 animals and established a shelter where they provide ongoing care for injured and abused animals and a temporary home until they can be placed in permanent homes, locally and abroad.



 $\underline{Soul\ Dog}$ - This all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) organization works in Colorado and surrounding states to provide low cost veterinary care to areas where it is not readily accessible. With their mobile spay/neuter clinic, they visit Indian Reservations, rural communities and inner cities. They also have an adoption program for those animals treated who do not already have homes.



Students for International Veterinary Opportunities - A group of students and veterinarians at the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine founded this non-profit to provide basic veterinary care to communities located outside of the U.S.. They currently hold an annual three day veterinary clinic in Roatan, Honduras at no cost to island residents.



Tanzania Animal Welfare Society - Founded in April 2008, TAWESO has already been making a huge impact on the way people in Tanzania view and treat domestic and wild animals. As one of their first projects, they spent over a year working with the Tanzanian government to draft and pass the Animal Welfare Act of 2008. Executive Director, Dr. Thomas Kahema, and his volunteer staff are presently working out of a small shelter in Dar es Salaam, providing veterinary care to primarily dogs and cats, while educating the community about animal care and zoonotic diseases. They have also implemented a donkey welfare project in Dodoma.



The BIG FIX Uganda - Since 2012, this non-profit has been working in northern Uganda to help improve human and animal health and welfare. They do this through sterilization and vaccination clinics, general veterinary care, animal welfare education and animal cruelty education.



<u>Tree of Life for Animals</u> - A non-profit founded in 2005 in Rajasthan, India, TOLFA works to improve animal health through sterilization, vaccination and education. They run a free veterinary hospital 365 days a year and offer care and sanctuary to all species of animals that cannot be returned to their original environment. They even have an animal ambulance that can respond to emergencies!



Tsunami Animal - People Alliance - In 2004, a devastating tsunami swept through Sri Lanka, leaving thousands of people and animals displaced. As a result of this displacement, as well as the lack of food and water, the threat of rabies soared. Local NGO's and independent animal welfare activists joined together in March 2005 to form what has become TAPA. Their field sterilization clinic travels within the tsunami disaster zone and refugee camps providing veterinary care, rabies vaccination and sterilization to community owned animals, privately owned animals and strays. To date, they have performed over 25,000 sterilization surgeries and have improved the human-animal bond!



<u>Veterinarians Without Borders US</u> - Working in underserved areas of the globe to improve veterinary care, Dr. Thomas Graham, CEO and Dr. Julie Hunt, Director focus VWB energies in Liberia, West Africa. They are teaching the local population how to provide essential veterinary care for their livestock and are teaching local, college educated students basic laboratory medicine. This will provide much needed surveillance for emerging animal and zoonotic diseases.



Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust (formerly Wild Horizons Wildlife Trust) - This Zimbabwe-based wildlife trust is run by Jessica Dawson and her husband, Roger Parry. They have been in operation for 5 years and, together with veterinarian Dr. Chris Foggin, are working to rescue and rehabilitate wildlife injured or orphaned by human interference. Their wildlife laboratory and clinic is the only one in the KAZA 5 countries region and is important not only for rehabilitation but also for disease surveillance.



<u>ViDAS</u> - This non-profit organization was created to improve animal health and welfare in some of the poorest areas of the world. VIDAS currently funds 2-3 free clinics per year in Mexico for vaccination, safe sterilization and parasite control in cats and dogs. They also educate the communities about safe animal handling, zoonotic diseases and general animal husbandry. To date, they have sterilized nearly 10,300 dogs and cats!



<u>Visakha Society for Protection and Care of Animals</u> - Located in Andhra Pradesh, India, the VSPCA is a sanctuary for dogs, cats, cows, horses, buffalo, birds, turtles and other small animals. VSPCA started in 1996 in the city of Visahapatnam. They work primarily here and the surrounding areas, although as the numbers of animals needing treatment increases, they are branching out into to several other districts in Andhra Pradesh.



<u>Watermelon Mountain Ranch</u> - This No-Kill facility located in New Mexico was the dream of Sophia and Lee DiClemente. Since its establishment in 1996, they have adopted out over 20,000 animals. Their goal is to reduce pet over population through education.



<u>Wildlife SOS</u> - Working to preserve India's vast wildlife and forests since 1995. Wildlife SOS has a multi-tiered approach to wildlife and habitat conservation which includes: rescue of injured or exploited animals, anti-poaching, education, research, habitat protection, reducing human/wildlife conflict and tribal rehabilitation.

In Their Words...

Refugio Cantalobos (Spain)

2014 Recipient Organization

When you wake up in the morning and switch the phone on, the only thing you receive are missed calls and Whatsapps regarding abandoned and mistreated animals. That's part of every day life, no matter if its a bank holiday, your birthday or you are feeling terribly ill.

You become tough, but your heart still aches when you receive those calls and see those photos. It gets even worse when you find a terribly beaten animal on the street that you cannot catch.

You ask for help and many people do give you a helping hand, but many others ignore you or say you are crazy... Why help animals, they are only "animals"!

Then you ask Project V.E.T.S. for help, because medical equipment is very expensive and most non-for-profits cannot afford it and after a few emails you receive a lovely e-mail saying: "Yes, we are willing to help. What do you need?"

There are two ways of crying, from sadness and from joy. This time we cried from joy!

Every time they send you a lovely big box with things that you really need and that make your day-to-day work much easier and lighter.

Thank you very much for helping others help animals, Yaiza Varela



Anne May, RN BSN, Emergency Nurse

2014 Equipment & Supply Donor

Project V.E.T.S is helping animals of the world AND helping our environment. I am an emergency nurse and regularly "recycle" the unused instruments from our disposable suture trays through Project V.E.T.S. If I did not have this organization to whom I can send these items and know that they will be put to good use to care for animals, they would go into our landfill. I love animals and love being able to do some small part in helping them through Project V.E.T.S.

The BIG FIX Uganda 2014 Recipient Organization

Northern Uganda is one of the most impoverished places on earth due to 20 years of rebel warfare and at times the people here feel as if the rest of the world has forgotten them. This was the case when it came to vet services. Prior to The BIG FIX Uganda, there were no vets in the region. It was particularly devastating because the Acholi people value dogs as beloved family members and watching their dogs suffer and die from treatable conditions because of a lack of veterinary services was yet another affront.

The BIG FIX Uganda is a very small grassroots organization with few resources but big hearts devoted to helping animals. How has Project V.E.T.S. helped us? The tangible help comes often in the form of all manner of

supplies, books and equipment that we could otherwise never dream of having. Those tools equip us to carry out our mission of helping animals. The intangible help comes in the form of encouragement, advice, and support - knowing that we have friends far away who believe in and support what we do.

For all Project V.E.T.S. has done to help us serve the people and animals of Northern Uganda, we are grateful beyond words.

Dr. Robert Omara, President

Dr. Wilfred Opira, General Secretary

Dr. Moses Migadde, Treasurer

Remmy Mukulu, Humane Officer

Francis Okello Oloya, Comfort Dog Project Psychologist

Sarah Schmidt, Coordinator

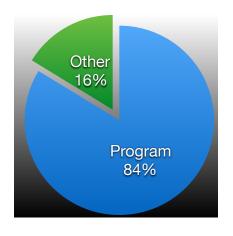




Financial Report - 2014 "Grow the Organization"

by Claire Campbell, Board Chair & Treasurer

Project V.E.T.S. operates with just 16% overhead which means that **84 cents of every financial donation is invested directly toward our Recipient Organizations**.

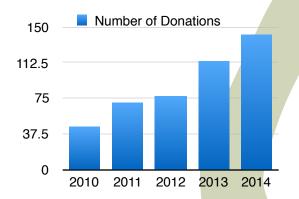


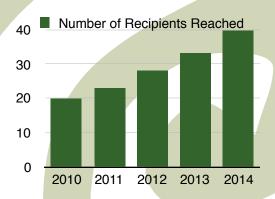
"Program" expenses include the value of donated items shipped, equipment repair costs, retired inventory, part time Inventory Manager payroll and costs of shipping to our Recipient Organizations.

"Other" expenses include legal, accounting, office expenses, payroll for a half time Development Director, advertising and fundraising.

In last year's Financial Report, I ended by sharing that we had begun a fund drive for the hiring of a Development Director. I am very pleased to report that beginning mid-year 2014, we were able to fill that position on a half time basis, and it had a very positive impact on Project V.E.T.S.'s fundraising (over \$22,000 was raised through our annual fundraiser and year end appeal)! We did this while retaining program efficiency of 84%. This was possible due to increased grant awards for a total of \$40,000, along with the incredible generosity of our individual and business donors, and our continued strong cash position.

We received **142 donations** (up from 114 in 2013) of supplies with an estimated value of over **\$69,000**. Once again, we helped a record number of animals worldwide by sending out **83 shipments** (up from 72 in 2013) to our Recipient Organizations with a total value of over **\$65,000**.

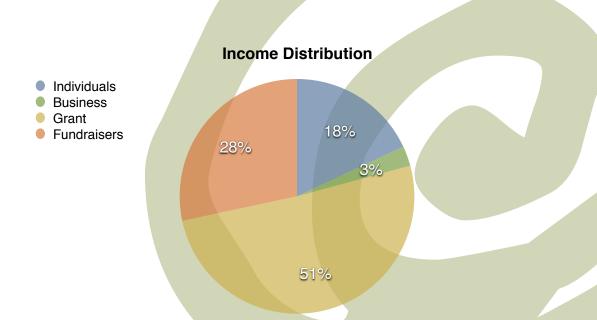




SUMMARY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

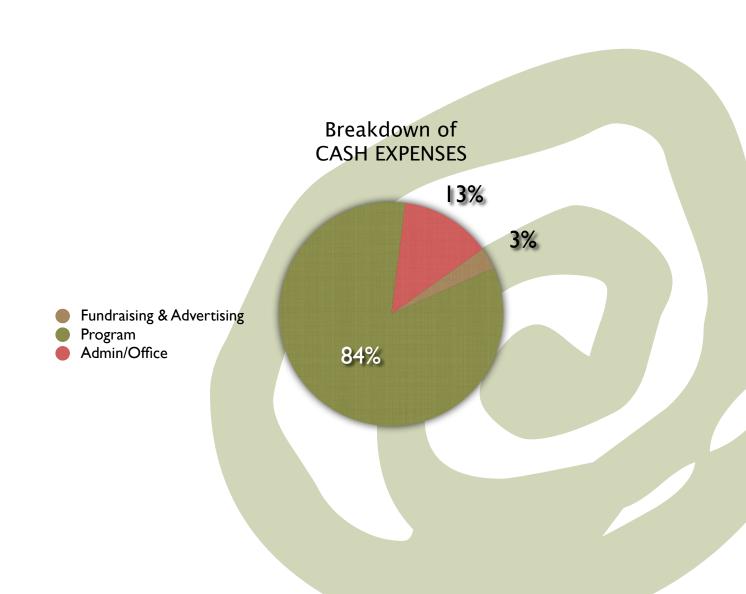
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	2014	2013	2012
Support, Revenue and Other Gains			
Contributions - individual and business donors	\$17,351	\$10,975	\$7,048
Contributions - grants	\$40,000	\$9,500	\$5,500
Special Events and other income, net	\$22,309	\$3,898	\$1,123
Total Cash Support	\$79,660	\$24,373	\$13,671
Contributions - non-cash (supplies and equipment	\$69,849	\$75,433	\$51,979
Reconciled Inventory / Value Update		\$8,114	
Total Support, Revenue and Other Gains	\$149,509	\$107,920	\$65,650
Expenses			
Program – equipment disbursed and retired + ship	\$85,984	\$103,446	\$54,973
General and Administrative	\$13,484	\$6,780	\$3,125
Fundraising/Advertising	\$3,238	\$676	\$2,220
Total Expenses	\$102,706	\$110,902	\$60,318
Changes in Net Assets – see Note 1 below	\$46,803	-\$2,982	\$5,332
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Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$51,796	\$54,778	\$49,446
Net Assets at End of Year	\$98,599	\$51,796	\$54,778
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Note: This financial report is based on un-audited financial statements, though every care has been taken to ensure they are accurate.



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	2014	2013	2012
ASSETS			
Cash	\$69,719	\$21,771	\$14,074
Inventory	\$43,772	\$41,425	\$44,687
TOTAL ASSETS	\$113,491	\$63,196	\$58,761
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities	\$561	-\$370	\$798
Equity			
Retained Earnings	\$21,295	\$13,276	\$7,039
Net Cash Income	\$47,863	\$8,865	\$6,237
Retained Inventory	\$43,772	\$41,425	\$44,687
Total Equity	\$112,930	\$63,566	\$57,963
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$113,491	\$63,196	\$58,761



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Our all volunteer Board consists of members of the veterinary community as well as others with solid corporate veterinary pharmaceutical, small business and non-profit expertise. Each member of the Project V.E.T.S. Board and Staff devotes a great portion of their lives to improving the health of animals in our world.

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