



## Cape of Good Hope SPCA

### *Our Mission*

*To prevent cruelty and promote the welfare of all animals.*

### *Our Vision*

*To end animal cruelty in South Africa and to engender compassion for all animals.*

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### 1. Background – The Cape of Good Hope SPCA

Established in 1872, we're the founding society of the SPCA movement in South Africa and the oldest animal welfare institution in the country. We're a member of World Animal Protection and an Executive Member of the National Council of SPCAs South Africa.

Over the past 145 years, we've diligently carried out our mission to prevent cruelty to animals through education, law enforcement, veterinary care services (operating an Animal Hospital, Inspectorate and four Mobile Clinics serving impoverished communities) and running a Kennel, Cattery, Horse Care Unit, Wildlife Facility, Farmyard and Adoption Centre, which every year places hundreds of animals in loving and caring homes.

Our area of operation is vast and covers approximately 11,000 km<sup>2</sup>, excluding the coastline. Last year alone, we sterilised over 4,500 animals, reducing the region's animal over-population problem, provided primary veterinary care to thousands of animals, re-homed over 800 companion animals and responded to thousands of reports of animal cruelty.

Crucial services we offer include:

The SPCA Inspectorate investigates reports of animal cruelty, abuse and neglect. SPCA Inspectors rescue abused animals and instigate legal action against perpetrators of animal cruelty, as well as assist in enforcing municipal by-laws. The Cape of Good Hope SPCA is the only animal welfare organisation in the Western Cape which offers a 24/7 Inspectorate service through a fully computerised call centre from its facility in Grassy Park.

The SPCA Animal Care Centre cares for stray, abandoned, rescued, impounded and seized cats and dogs. Our aim is to find suitable and loving homes for these animals and to reunite stray animals through our lost and found service.

The SPCA Animal Hospital treats sick and injured animals brought to us either by our Inspectorate or the animal's owners. The hospital has three permanent in-house vets and a team of nurses and orderlies. Veterinary treatment is fully or partially subsidised to make care affordable to the needy.

The SPCA Mobile Clinics operate in the informal settlements around Cape Town, primarily the Cape Flats, providing primary veterinary care for animals and educating owners about responsible pet care. The Mobile Clinics also bring animals into the SPCA Animal Hospital for treatment and sterilisation and return them to their owners when they have recovered.

The SPCA Horse Care Unit investigates cases of cruelty and neglect of equines (horses, donkeys, ponies and mules). The unit rescues maltreated equines which are brought back to the SPCA's horse stables in Grassy Park, where they are cared for until a suitable, good home is found.

The SPCA Farm Animal Unit seeks to engage various stakeholders ranging from the city to the Provincial Department of Agriculture in order to improve the welfare standards of farm animals. The unit firmly believes that education is a vital tool in uplifting the plight of farm animals, especially in the hands of small to emerging farmers who lack the basic infrastructure to adequately care for these animals.

The SPCA Wildlife Unit investigates an ever-increasing number of wildlife complaints as urban sprawl impacts on nature reserves. This unit also rescues, rehabilitates and releases errant and injured wildlife, including baboons, seals, tortoises, wild birds, geese and squirrels, etc.

The SPCA Education Unit educates school children about responsible pet care, animal welfare principles and the goals and mission of the SPCA. SPCA Education Officers visit schools throughout the greater Cape Town area where a talk, a DVD presentation or a puppet show is given. Developed by the creators of Takalani Sesame Street, the puppet show inspires the young to care about animals. The programme also offers a free sterilisation, de-worming and de-fleaing service to pets of school children in disadvantaged communities.

Driven by the necessity to remain sustainable as more and more animals and people require our services, the Cape of Good Hope SPCA has initiated a number of income generating initiatives including:

- Vet Shops in Grassy Park and Plumstead that provide a range of quality pet products.
- A Charity Shop in Grassy Park that serves a disadvantaged community, enabling them to buy necessities at a fraction of the normal price.
- A boarding service to enable families to go on holiday, secure in the knowledge that their pets will be well cared for.

These initiatives will assist us in providing a further 145 years of service to animals and our surrounding communities.



## Cape of Good Hope SPCA Budget 2018

Expenses	R's
Animal Care Centre	4,844,539
Hospital	8,276,072
Mobile Clinics	1,226,165
Wildlife	849,065
Inspectorate	4,040,581
Farmyard	73,584
Horse Care Unit	657,084
Education	609,250
Fundraising	5,816,119
Maintenance	243,468
Charity Shop	259,265
Both Vet Shops	5,313,743
Administration & Investments	4,471,650
Total	R 36,680,585

## 2. The Inspectorate

*“Prevention is better than prosecution; educate before we confiscate.”*



The Inspectorate responds to approximately **70 animal cruelty/distress alerts daily and operates all year round, 24 hours a day.**

This team of heroes regularly find themselves in compromised positions and often risk life and limb to rescue animals in danger or distress.

In the last financial year alone, **more than 29,000 animal inspections were performed** and the Inspectorate was frequently called on to assist animals affected by severe weather conditions e.g. animals trapped in floods, pets left without shelter in the cold or summer heat and animals locked in closed cars in the scorching sun.

Although the Inspectorate always strives to educate and guide before taking punitive action, it does work closely with the SAPS and law enforcement to lay charges against those who perpetrate cruelty towards animals and contravene the Animal Protection Act.

In March 2017, the Cape of Good Hope SPCA orchestrated a dog fighting bust that saw five dogs being confiscated from their owners and seven men being charged with contraventions of the Animals Protection Act. The confiscated animals displayed visible scaring and bite wounds – both old and new – indicative of a history of regular dog fighting and abuse.

This was only one of **6,059 cases of animal cruelty investigated** in the last financial year and many of these cases involve either the suspicion of dog fighting or were in response to tip-offs of dog fights in progress.

Our Inspectors, in the course of investigating crimes like dog fighting, are often threatened with physical harm, but this dedicated team of individuals remain committed to prosecuting offenders not only in the interests of protecting our animals but also with an interest in protecting our children and communities.

Heavily focused on combating animal population growth, the Inspectorate is always focused on community outreaches aimed at sterilisation, education on responsible pet ownership and welfare issues regarding farm animals.

Expenses	R's
<b>Buildings – Depreciation/ Maintenance</b>	<b>110,413</b>
<b>Municipal charges - Electricity/Water/Refuse</b>	<b>61,751</b>
<b>General expenses</b>	<b>56,675</b>
<b>Vehicle equipment – Tracking/Radios</b>	<b>93,292</b>
<b>Vehicle costs – Fuel/Tyres/ Repairs/Insurance/Depreciation</b>	<b>1,036,675</b>
<b>Field Material</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<b>Printing &amp; stationery</b>	<b>11,863</b>
<b>Remuneration</b>	<b>2,467,711</b>
<b>Staff training</b>	<b>24,697</b>
<b>Phones</b>	<b>132,766</b>
<b>Uniforms</b>	<b>19,738</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>R 4,040,581</b>

### 3. The Animal Care Centre

Our newly constructed Animal Care Centre was officially opened in June 2016 and cares for and rehabilitates stray, abandoned, rescued and impounded cats and dogs. Our aim is to find suitable and loving homes for these animals and to reunite stray animals through our lost and found service.



This facility by its very design contributes to both the psychological and physiological well-being of our animals. The clever and efficient design ensures that our animals are kept in clean, spacious and warm environments. With 228 dog kennels and 36 cat rooms, we are able to accommodate more animals than ever before.

In July, 2016 our Animal Care Centre admitted 11 exhausted, adult greyhounds that had been confiscated by our Inspectors under the suspicion of being used for illegal hunting. Not long after arriving at the SPCA, we found ourselves caring for a total of 20 greyhounds when Kimba, a beautiful female gave birth to nine healthy puppies.

It took a gruelling seven months for the court (and thus the matter of ownership of the greyhounds) to be decided. Greyhounds were born to run and to deny them that would have frustrate their natural desires and instincts, leading to neurotic, destructive behaviour. Our staff worked diligently to ensure that this did not happen.

In January 2017, justice was finally served and those accused of animal cruelty were found guilty and sentenced. For our staff, it was an incredible victory to see their hard work finally pay off as each and every greyhound was placed with a loving family.

At the heart of the Animal Care Centre is a team of dedicated staff with an immense love for animals. Their aim is to give as many dogs and cats a second chance in life, and nothing uplifts their spirits more than to see a dog walking out with its new owner, head held high and tail wagging, excited and ready to start its new life.



Our cat and dog adoption kennels are available to sponsor, which provides an opportunity for permanent recognition of your support and a chance to name a kennel. This support not only helps us to support all the animals in our care but it's a unique way to leave your mark and show your passion for animal welfare.

#### Sponsorship benefits:

- Trusts and Corporations can choose a name for their sponsored kennel and have their name and logo displayed on the kennel door. This is a great way to market your business and enhance your profile through association with the oldest and largest animal welfare organisation in South Africa. It's also a lovely way to honour the life of a loved one or cherished pet in a lasting way.
- For the sponsorship of the cat kennel block, a donor will receive naming rights and we'll display their name at the entrance to the kennels.
- Donors can visit the Adoption Pods to see their named kennels and meet the animals inside. The Adoption Pods will also be open to the general public and will be the main focus of organised tours. For corporations, increased visibility of your name and logo will lead to better brand recognition throughout the Cape Town area.

Expenses	R's
<b>Buildings – Depreciation/Maintenance</b>	<b>613,588</b>
<b>Municipal charges – Electricity/Refuse/Water</b>	<b>209,823</b>
<b>General expenses</b>	<b>77,793</b>
<b>Vehicle costs – Fuel/Tyres/ Repairs/Insurance/Depreciation</b>	<b>58,763</b>
<b>Cattery</b>	<b>3,120</b>
<b>Boarding</b>	<b>2,500</b>
<b>Medical Treatment</b>	<b>261,126</b>
<b>Hospital fee</b>	<b>222,240</b>
<b>Food - cats &amp; dogs</b>	<b>480,000</b>
<b>Microchips &amp; tags</b>	<b>173,943</b>
<b>Advertisements</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>Printing &amp; stationery</b>	<b>24,764</b>
<b>Remuneration</b>	<b>2,585,962</b>
<b>Staff Training</b>	<b>27,000</b>
<b>Trauma Counselling</b>	<b>5000</b>
<b>Phones</b>	<b>21,672</b>
<b>Uniforms</b>	<b>27,245</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>R 4,844,539</b>

## 4. The Animal Hospital

The Animal Hospital at our premises in Grassy Park serves the neediest of pet owners in local communities. Veterinary treatment is fully or partially subsidised to make care affordable to those in need.

We do our best to cater to the many disadvantaged pet owners who need our services. Our hospital was full to overflowing for a good portion of the past year with **24,072 animals receiving either preventative treatments or being treated for illness and injury.**

The hospital's team of dedicated staff comprising of veterinarians, animal welfare assistants, orderlies and administrative staff are faced with huge numbers of sick and injured animals as well as cases of cruelty and/or neglect and do their work diligently in spite of the emotional trauma they often experience.





One of those experiences occurred in June 2016 when an Inspector responded to a report of a dog that had been stabbed in Lavender Hill, Cape Town. She rushed to the scene where she found a male pitbull cross named Trouble with a knife protruding from his back. The injury had occurred during an altercation between the dog's owner and a known gang member.

Trouble was immediately taken to the theatre for emergency surgery to remove the knife, which had been wielded with such force that the blade was broken and lodged against his vertebra. Fortunately, the knife missed all his vital organs and with the expertise of our resident veterinarian and the care of our devoted nursing staff, Trouble made a miraculous recovery.

These incidences serve to remind us how crucial our services are to the many animals and their owners whose circumstances find them enduring violent and dangerous environments on a daily basis.

Hospital Expenses	R's
Buildings - Depreciation/Maintenance	133,908
General expenses	221,863
Municipal Charges - Electricity/Refuse/Water	493,300
Food - Cats & dogs	74,821
Medicine/Supplies/Surgical equipment	2,563,688
Pathology/Radiology	10,613
Maintenance - Equipment	69,654
Materials/Instruments	8,610
Stationery	61,377
Locum - Vets	88,736
Remuneration	4,491,652
Phones	42,850
Uniforms	15,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>R 8,276,072</b>

## 5. The Mobile Clinics

The Cape of Good Hope SPCA's Mobile Clinic Programme is a community-based project that takes the SPCA and its expertise into disadvantaged communities on a daily basis. Residents living in these areas live in conditions of considerable deprivation and poverty and the dogs found in these townships often bear testimony to this.

**The Mobile Clinics delivered primary veterinary care to 16,685 animals** during the last financial year alone.

The programme is a division of our Animal Hospital and consists of four vehicles fitted out with basic veterinary equipment and drugs and manned by qualified personnel. All the SPCA Mobile Clinic staff are South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) authorised Animal Welfare Assistants, capable of recognising, preventing, reporting and treating disorders such as ringworm, worms, mange, fleas and tick infestation, etc.





Visitors to the Mobile Clinics are asked to make a small donation towards the services provided, however, no animal is turned away in the event of an owner being unable to make a contribution.

Sterilisation remains a priority as animal over-population poses a serious problem for many communities. Where animals are allowed to breed uncontrollably, the health and welfare of the animals and their owners are compromised.

Lack of knowledge of the basic needs of animals results in neglect and abuse and leads to disease transmission. Improving knowledge of appropriate animal care and protection within

indigent and disadvantaged communities will lead to improved animal and social welfare.

Through their role as educators our multilingual Mobile Clinic Operators encourage residents to allow their animals to be sterilised and then return these animals back to their owners after surgery.

## Monitoring & Evaluation

The programme is evaluated and monitored through several mechanisms. Mobile Clinic Operators produce record cards for each animal treated and gather statistics on usage of the clinic. Specific services will be tabulated, such as:

- Number of animals vaccinated
- Number of animals dipped
- Number of animals dewormed
- Number of animals spayed/neutered
- Amount of education leaflets distributed

These animal statistics are collected and tabulated on a monthly basis and analysed to ensure that usage of the SPCA Mobile Clinics is maximized, and where numbers drop off, action is taken to determine the reasons and acted upon.

Expenses	R's
Vehicle costs – Fuel/Tyres/ Repairs/Insurance/Depreciation	178,884
General Expenses	7,028
Vaccines	367,645
Flea & Tick Dip	75,547
Remuneration	585,410
Cell Phones	6,651
Uniforms	5,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>R 1,226,165</b>

## 6. The Wildlife Unit



***“We are committed to our credo that wild animals belong in the wild.”***

Our Short-Term Wildlife Care Facility offers full-flight aviaries, aqua pens, small mammal night and day enclosures as well as temperature controlled environments for reptiles.

We rescue all kinds of wildlife, including seals, porcupines, owls, tortoises, caracals, wild birds, small buck and snakes, to name but a few. **The past year saw the admission of 1,725 wild animals.**

It has become apparent that our wildlife is more at risk than ever as **342 cruelty cases involving wild animals were investigated this year.**

Cruelty to wildlife happens for the purposes of commercial gain, the production of muti or in the name of protection. In poverty stricken communities, people capture and maim wild animals in the hopes of finding a buyer for them and some use wild animal body parts for protection. The Unit works tirelessly to put an end to incidents where locals abuse wild animals to provide tourists with entertainment and benefit themselves financially.

Focus is placed on successfully releasing as many animals as possible. In April 2017, a juvenile African Goshawk came into our facility with an abscess on his right shoulder. He was unable to use his wing and was in severe pain and discomfort. After cleaning his wound and medicating him daily, the bird started exercising his wing more and his eating habits began resembling that of catching prey in the wild. Soon he was ready for release back to where he came from. **There is no greater feeling in the world than watching a wild animal return to the wild, and this year we were able to witness this 406 times.**



It is our greatest wish that all people could understand the importance of keeping them in the wild and preserving the necessary habitat for them to do so.

Very often injured animals end up at our Unit as a result of human-wildlife conflict. Most human-wildlife conflict originates from a lack of tolerance and understanding of the animals' natural behavior and how we as humans can appropriately interact with them. We believe that through education many incidences of such conflict can be prevented.

We also work with the relevant authorities to bring an end to the illegal keeping, import and sale of exotic animals as pets. In addition to this, we keep a watchful eye on circuses, zoos, pet shops, aquaria and other captive wildlife facilities.

Expenses	R's
Depreciation – Buildings/Equipment	87,689
Maintenance	79,686
General expenses	45,824
Municipal Charges- Electricity/Water	23,285
Vehicle costs – Fuel/Tyres/ Repairs/Insurance/Depreciation	97,146
Food	2,654
Medical Treatment	4,996
Stationery	1,692
Remuneration	491,790
Cell Phones	8,484
Uniforms	5,820
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>R 849,066</b>

## 7. The Farmyard

The Farm Animal Unit continues to play a complimentary role to the Horse Care Unit and Inspectorate in catering for the needs of large animals within the Cape Metropole. The unit is responsible for the care and rehabilitation of stray, owned and confiscated farm animals brought in by the Inspectors.

The Farm Animal Unit seeks to engage various stakeholders within the greater Cape Town area, ranging from the City to the Provincial Department of Agriculture in order to improve the welfare standards of farm animals and working animals.

The advent of factory farming has seen an increase in the abuse and cruelty subjected to farm animals. This cruelty takes the form of inadequate housing, unnecessary confinement, parasitic environments and unacceptable modes of transportation, to name but a few priority issues. For these reasons, **244 farm animals who were not being adequately cared for were confiscated during the last year.**



The unit firmly believes that education is a vital tool in uplifting the plight of farm animals. With the encouragement and advice of our Fam Animal Unit, many animals are able to be returned to their owners and regular follow up inspections see these animals now living in comfortable shelters, well fed and with all their welfare needs taken into consideration.

Emerging farmer projects remain an area of focus and we look forward to seeing the results of our formal education programme this year. We will see in excess of 100 farmers educated on farm animal best practises, humane slaughter and the minimum requirements for living conditions, transport and care.

During the past year, **the unit has been a haven for 1,578 farm animals**, including goats, potbelly pigs, rabbits, chickens, cattle, ducks and sheep. We insist that a thorough home check be conducted prior to the animals being adopted in order to safeguard the welfare of all animals that come through our doors.

The unit has played a critical role in supporting the work of the Animal Control Unit of Law Enforcement by offering additional housing facilities and attending to the veterinary needs of impounded animals. **Fifty farm animals were adopted into wonderful environments this year** where they now live out their days with all the compassion and comfort they deserve.

Expenses	R's
Feed	4,300
Treatment	647
Remuneration	68,637
Total Expenses	R 73,584

## 8. The Horse Care Unit

The focus of the Horse Care Unit is to rescue, rehabilitate and re-home. **The unit provided a safe haven to 320 equines this past year** and time spent at the SPCA saw many of them being transformed into gentle, loving animals worthy of being given a second chance in life. A significant amount of time is spent on the rehoming of equines to ensure that perfect homes are found.

Medoca was practically at death's door when she arrived at the SPCA in May 2016 and her disposition was one of defeat. She had no interest in receiving love and we were fearful that her spirit was well and truly broken. She was possibly one of the worst cases of equine abuse we have ever encountered in terms of wilful neglect and starvation.

The mare, a product of the horseracing industry, had been 'retired' to a life of misery and found on a farm in Darling with no access to food, suffering from malnutrition, dehydration and hoof and dental damage. She must have felt the love and compassion our Horse Care Unit staff as they committed themselves to her rehabilitation. Together with an endless supply of feed, that was all she needed to mend her broken spirit.





With the ongoing love and care of her adoptive family, Medoca transformed into an exquisite horse with a beautiful nature and a place to finally call home. Medoca was one of **68 equine rescues who were rehomed** during the past year.

Clearly equine owners felt the effect of the drought on the prices of lucerne and oat hay as badly as we did because many admissions were horses who had simply been abandoned and were wandering around as strays. Concerned, we immediately began proactive inspections in the surrounding areas to ensure that we could identify owned animals who may be in need of our assistance.

These inspections, 742 in total, presented us with the opportunity to not only monitor the welfare of the horses in our communities but to also educate and guide their owners on many of the principles of equine care. We saw great improvements being made to shelters and grazing areas and relationships built on a shared love of and respect for horses were forged.

The unit is equipped with a vehicle fully kitted for rescue missions with a winch, custom made railings and potent towing and all terrain capacity to ensure that we'll be able to overcome all challenges we might face in the process of animal rescue.

Expenses	
Feed	125,135
Farrier	3,053
Treatment	19,040
General Expenses	3,700
Maintenance	9,198
Municipal charges - Electricity/Refuse/Water	147,732
Remuneration	272,599
Stationery	29
Phones	21,450
Uniforms	2,891
Vehicle costs - Fuel/Tyres/ Repairs/Insurance	52,257
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>R 657,084</b>

## 9. Education

***"All living things require nurturing, care and respect."***

This is the premise from which our Education Team strives to impact positively on the attitudes of our youth. Our goal is that they become responsible adults who exude empathy and compassion for all living, breathing and feeling creatures.

There is a well-documented link between childhood cruelty to animals and later criminality and violence. Humane education can break this cycle and replace it with one of compassion, empathy and personal responsibility. It is for this reason that our Education team works tirelessly to change the way that children view animals.

The multi-award winning SPCA Ani-Pal Education Programme teaches children compassion for animals



via an interactive puppet show and provides teachers with workbooks (endorsed by the Department of Basic Education) to ensure further teaching and the reinforcement of our message. Our Ani-Pal Programme helps children to develop a deep feeling for animals and the environment and was **presented to 14,056 children during 123 school visits this past year.**

The programme's key focus is the extended Ani-Pal mobile clinic program which incentivises and encourages learners to sterilise their pets, resulting in a reduction in the pet population and ultimately the reduction of reported cruelty cases. Schools from poorer communities in Nyanga, Cross Roads, Delft, Mitchell's Plain, Gugulethu, Phillipi and Pelican Park participated in this Programme where Grade 3 – 5 learners and the greater community were given the opportunity to have their pets sterilised for free. In the past year, a **total of 565 animals were sterilised** through this and thousands of unwanted puppies and kittens were prevented from being born.



Holiday Outreach Programmes are targeted in areas which have been identified as needing more attention. The Education team gain the trust of the communities and convince them that sterilisation is beneficial to the health and wellbeing of their pets and that of their communities. Healthy animals mean healthy families.

Emerging farmers, striving for economic empowerment, lack the skills required to properly care for their animals and therefore fail in their attempts to generate an income from their efforts. While we have worked with these farmers in the past, this year we embark on an exciting, formal education programme to improve the welfare of farm animals via education. We aim to put an end to farm animal suffering by teaching compassion in farming and providing farmers with the skills they need to ensure the welfare of their animals.

In the coming year, we hope to extend the reach of our Ani-Pal Programme and develop a much needed high school programme that discourages the heinous act of dog fighting – a crime which our Inspectors deal with repeatedly.

Expenses	R's
<b>General Expenses</b>	<b>16,000</b>
<b>Ani-Pals Programme</b>	<b>12,200</b>
<b>Printing &amp; materials</b>	<b>34,000</b>
<b>Remuneration</b>	<b>472,840</b>
<b>Phones</b>	<b>3,640</b>
<b>Uniforms</b>	<b>3,200</b>
<b>Vehicle costs – Fuel/Tyres/ Repairs/Insurance/Depreciation</b>	<b>67,370</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>R 609,250</b>

## 10. Mass Animal Sterilisation Projects

Pet over-population is a chronic, serious issue in the Western Cape, in particular our informal settlements. Lack of resources and owner reluctance and ignorance has resulted in uncontrolled over-breeding and an avoidable increase of disease, neglect and often abuse of animals in these areas.

Sterilisation is one of our Society's main strategies to help alleviate the animal suffering that occurs as a direct result of pet overpopulation. To this end, annual Mass Animal Sterilisation Projects are undertaken by our hospital in partnership with Cape Animal Welfare member organisations.

The objective of these projects, in essence, is to sterilise and vaccinate at least 70% of the intact pet population in identified informal settlements.

Residents living in these informal settlements live in conditions of considerable deprivation and poverty and the dogs found in these townships often bear testimony to this. These communities have very few formal housing structures, have limited access to transport and are mostly unemployed and impoverished. They battle to provide

the basic human needs for themselves, the elderly and children in the community, let alone the animals found roaming and inhabiting these areas.

We believe that pet over-population and the resultant neglect, abuse, relinquishment to animal shelters and subsequent euthanasia of the majority of these animals, are preventable problems with a rational solution.

In addition to saving lives, spay/neuter programmes can substantially decrease the number of disease ridden, neglected, starving and abused dogs and also reduce the phenomenal costs animal shelters, municipalities and the public carry due to addressing these animal welfare problems.



We are being proactive and recognising the cause rather than the symptoms of the dire state of animals in Cape Town's informal settlements by funding and implementing Sterilisation and Education Programmes. Ongoing Sterilisation Programmes will over the longer term be the solution to the problem and offer some relief to other welfare organisations as well.

The Cape of Good Hope SPCA was instrumental in last year's Mass Animal Sterilisation Project in Atlantis. This project was a huge success and saw us, with the help of four other organisations, sterilise a total of 1,437 animals in a period of a few months.

Mass Sterilisation Expenditure	R per dog	R per 1500 dogs
<b>Surgical Cost</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>555,000</b>
<b>Vaccinations</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>45,000</b>
<b>Deworming</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22,500</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>622,500</b>

## Our Impact

The following comparative figures depict some of the impact the Cape of Good Hope SPCA made on the community in 2016/2017.

Extent of Services rendered	Total
<b>The Inspectorate</b>	
Cruelty Investigations	6,059
Animals Inspected	29,842
Warnings Issued	1,442
<b>The Animal Care Centre</b>	
Admissions	20,709
Stray animals	9,277
Surrendered animals	10,972
Adopted	801
Lost animals re-united with owners	540
<b>The Animal Hospital</b>	
Animals treated	24,072
Animals treated by our Mobile Clinics	16,685
Animals Sterilised	4,562
<b>The Wildlife Unit</b>	
Wild Animals Admitted	1,726
Wildlife Cruelty Investigations	342
Successful releases	406
Captive animals inspected	2,295
<b>The Farmyard</b>	
Impounded farm animals	1,578

Adoptions	50
<b>The Horse Care Unit</b>	
Admissions	320
Adoptions	68
<b>Education</b>	
Young minds influenced	14,056
School Visits	123
Animals Sterilised	565
<b>Mass Animal Sterilisation Project</b>	
Animals Sterilised in Atlantis	1,437

## Outcomes

The Cape of Good Hope SPCA, speaks for, protects and cares for abandoned, sick and injured animals. Without our services, many animals would be left to suffer an uncertain fate. Communities would be left in desperate circumstances, fighting the spread of zoonotic diseases and poverty brought about by animals that are ill and unable to work.

## Our appeal to you

As an organization that receives very little government funding, we rely heavily on the support of our animal loving communities. We are appealing to you for some assistance in covering the expenses documented above.

The Cape of Good Hope SPCA has but one mission - to ensure that no animal endures cruelty by putting all our efforts, passion and funds into making sure that ALL animals are safe, loved and cared for. We'd love it if you'd join our SPCA family by partnering with us and in so doing help us to Speak for, Protect and Care for Animals.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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***Join hands with us today and ensure healthy animals & communities.***

