

ARK ANIMAL REFUGE KANSAI

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URGENT FAX

TO: The Lost Dogs' Home, Melbourne.

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RE: Earthquake Aid

Dear (,

Thank you for your fax. The situation for animals following the earthquake is pretty bad - rescue operations are starting to get going but with no help from the Japanese authorities. Very basic temporary holding areas have been set up by individuals in four areas. Animals rescued from the streets are exhausted. With hundreds of thousands of people forced to flee their homes there are tens of thousands of animals in need - frightened, hungry, injured. Around 50% of homes have dogs - most are kept chained. Dogs are roaming the streets, chains still attached - cats with their hair burnt by the fires. Homeless families are ringing ARK needing somewhere to house their dogs and cats. The kennels are already overflowing. ARK supporters have offered food donations and/or temporary housing for animals at their homes - but emergency kennels are desperately needed.

ARK has launched an appeal fund for rescue & rehabilitation. We'd be grateful if you could appeal to your membership to help.

URGENT APPEAL FOR ANIMAL VICTIMS OF THE EARTHQUAKE

FUNDS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED TO SUPPLY FOOD, SHELTER AND VETERINARY CARE FOR THE THOUSANDS OF ANIMALS INJURED AND MADE HOMELESS FOLLOWING THE EARTHQUAKE. MONEY DONATED WILL BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- · THE BUILDING OF TEMPORARY HOUSING FOR DOGS & CATS.
- · FOOD, MEDICINES, BLANKETS, CAGES & OTHER VITAL EQUIPMENT.
- · VETERINARY TREATMENT.
- TRANSPORTATION OF ANIMALS TO SAFETY.

DONATIONS CAN BE MADE TO THE FOLLOWING BANK ACCOUNT: ANIMAL REFUGE KANSAI (EARTHQUAKE FUND) ACCOUNT NO. 1611189
FUJI BANK TENMABASHI BRANCH (463), OSAKA, JAPAN.

Also we <u>desperately</u> need volunteers to help with day to day care of animals. Obviously they need to be experienced with animal rescue/ shelter work - if you can ask anyone you think can help please get them to contact us urgently. We can provide basic accommodation at ARK but they will need living and traveling expenses. Your assistance is much needed and appreciated.

Yours Sincerely.

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Elizabeth Oliver,
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