



China Cat and Dog Welfare (November-December , 2015)

Dog Ownership Management

In November and December, Animals Asia visited Public Security Bureaus (PSB), local animal protection groups, and animal shelters in cities such as Beijing, Jinan, Shijiazhuang, Chengdu, Xi'an and Taiyuan.

Taishan Small Animal Protection Centre in Shandong Province

16th November, staff from the Cat and Dog Welfare programme visited the shelter of Taishan Small Animal Protection Centre in Shandong province. In April, 2014, this shelter moved to Zhuangke village of Jinan city. It had more than 900 dogs, including dogs that they received from Jinan Public Security Bureau, all of which were in good condition. Yet the doghouses have large open areas and measures need to be taken to ensure warmth during winter.



Jinan PSB

Later, we visited the Public Security Bureau of Jinan and discussed the scientific and effective methods of dog management with leaders from the authority. They conducted large scale promotional and educational activities, including sharing knowledge on campus on civilized methods of raising dogs, and adoption activity with Taishan animal protection organizations, etc. Currently, the PSB is researching and developing a dog management platform to raise the efficiency of work in dog management.

Beijing PSB and the Go With It Animal

Protection Association

On 17 November, we visited the dog management unit under the Beijing PSB. We communicated with them and visited their dog check station. The dog management unit paid much attention to dog welfare, with their doghouses constructed from preservative-treated timber, dogs fed with standard dog food and checked by professional vets every day, and inhaled anesthesia equipment introduced for dog treatment. The public security bureau of Beijing also cooperated with the municipal education commission in introducing knowledge related to how to get along with dogs safely in *Preventing Child Injuries*, the textbook of primary schools.



A corner of the "Go With It" dog shelter

Shi Jiazhuang PSB and its Dog Check Station

We visited the dog management team under the public security bureau of Shijiazhuang and discussed with their leaders the successes and difficulties in dog management work. Later on we visited their dog check station. The station had a good environment with more than 20 staff.



A part of dogs in the dog check station

Taiyuan PSB and the Love Home Shelter of Taiyuan

The Public Security Bureau of Taiyuan was our last stop. We were told that the old dog check station in Taiyuan had been torn down and the new one had not been put into operation. Because of this, all the dogs that the government had taken in are being kept in the Love Home Shelter in Taiyuan. After the discussion, we went to the Baling Qiao Police Station with leaders to get a better understanding of how the front-line police conduct work relevant to dog management.



A banner outside the PSB on "civilized dog keeping"

Visiting the security administration team of Xi' an Public Security Bureau

On Dec. 8th, staff from the Cat and Dog Welfare programme visited the security administration team of Xi' an Public Security Bureau. Through communication with the leaders of the team, we learnt that the dog registration chips invented independently by the Public Security Bureau of Xi' an had been used for three years. This invention won the Police Information Innovation Award. With government allocating funds for this chip, the economic burden of dog owners had been relieved. Furthermore, Xi' an city adopted a rather humane method of managing dogs. For de-sexed dogs, the registration fee would be reduced by half. Such measures encouraged dog owners to register their dogs and therefore were very convenient for dog management.

Visiting the Xi' an Hongshiliu Companion Animal Rescue Centre and Shelter

After visiting the Public Security Bureau, Animals Asia staff went to the Hongshiliu Companion Animals Rescue centre. This centre had rescued 8 cats and 270 dogs, and had 5 workers looking after these animals. All the dogs in this centre had been de-sexed, immunised and de-wormed. Each day, every dog plays outside for half an hour, ensuring its basic welfare.



A part of the doghouses in Hongshiliu

Visiting the Chengdu Love' s Home Animal Rescue Centre

On Dec. 28th, staff from Animals Asia visited the Chengdu Love' s Home Animal Rescue Centre. This rescue centre has more than 4,000 dogs, 200 cats and over 10 workers. It has a large area and most of the mild-tempered dogs can walk around freely. All the male dogs had been de-sexed, all dogs were immunised, and there was even a quarantine area for sick dogs. Overall, this rescue centre emphasised animal welfare.



Where the dogs stay in Love' s Home

After our visit, we organized and submitted our suggestions in paper to government officials in different places, hoping to better assist their work. We also developed a sponsor plan for shelters in need, to help raise the welfare and the living environment of animals in these shelters.

Submitting suggestions for revising dog management regulations to the government

- Changsha city was introducing its new dog management regulations. Animals Asia submitted its professional suggestions for revising the regulations to the Commission of Legislative Affairs under Changsha Standing Committee of the People' s Congress, hoping to contribute to the improvement of the local dog management work.
- Lanzhou city was collecting suggestions from the general public on the draft of its dog management regulations. Animals Asia submitted its professional suggestions for revising the regulations to the Commission of Legislative Affairs under Changsha Standing Committee of the People' s Congress and Mayor' s Office. We hope that the dog management regulations of Lanzhou can be improved and the dog management work can be more scientific, humane and effective.

Shelter Sponsorship

We sponsored the Love Smile Angel animal shelter in Guangzhou with cat cages and cat bags for their TNR project.

- In September 2015, staff from Animals Asia visited the shelter of the Chongqing Small Animal Protection Association. This shelter housed more than 200 dogs, some of which were suffering from serious skin diseases. Given the situation at this shelter, we worked out a sponsorship plan and donated 110 dog beds and 300 anti-pest collars to improve the welfare of these dogs.
- In November 2015, staff from Animals Asia visited the Love Home Animals Shelter located in Taiyuan, Shanxi province. This shelter houses more than 1,800 dogs. Because of a shortage of funds, the dogs were not properly cared for in terms of de-worming and shaving. Also, due to a limited number of doghouses, some of the dogs only had sparse straw as their bed. With regard to this, Animals Asia worked out a sponsorship plan, donating 100 plastic dog beds, 10 pet shavers and 400 anti-pest collars.
- In November, staff from Animals Asia visited the Rescue Station for Stray Animals in Lanzhou and learnt that they were seriously underfunded. To ensure a warm winter for the dogs, Animals Asia worked out an emergency rescue plan and sponsored 7.5 tons of coal for the centre. Furthermore, Animals Asia sponsored 200 anti-pest collars to prevent any skin diseases caused by acarids, ticks, or fleas.
- After visiting the Taishan small animal protection centre, there was a huge snowstorm in Jinan. The centre called us for help and we have already drafted an urgent plan sponsoring them to build heated houses and donated materials such as fences, doghouses and cotton pads. By the end of December, the building of the warm houses and the activity yard had been completed and all materials had been purchased and delivered to the centre. Three mother dogs, more than 20 puppies and around 40 adult dogs had been relocated to the warm houses for a warm winter.



After the snowstorm, doghouses became very cold



Cotton pads are provided in each house



Heated houses are built to ensure a warm winter



Puppies are enjoying sunshine

- In December, after an on-site visit of Chengdu Love Home Animal Rescue Centre, we thought that this shelter housed too many dogs and was in urgent need of medicines such as rabies vaccine, pest-expelling medicine and drugs for the treatment of skin diseases. To improve the animal welfare of dogs in this shelter, Animals Asia worked out a sponsorship plan and donated 500 rabies vaccines, 400 anti-pest collars and 40 types of medicines for skin diseases. The above-mentioned materials were purchased.
- After receiving an appeal to help renovate doghouses and cathouses from the Xi'an Hongshiliu Companion Animal Rescue Centre, we visited this centre in December and confirmed that their space did need to be expanded. We worked out a sponsorship plan of helping it build 5 doghouses and a cat room, and renovating the current cat room into a surgery room. Both sides have signed the agreement and the money is in place. We will continue to follow this up.

By now, all the materials mentioned in each of the sponsorship plans were purchased and sent to each shelter. We will continue to follow with each shelter, making sure that the materials and funds are properly used.

2015 Thumbs Up For Them--- National Tour of the Educational Video "Cat and Dog' s Welfare Around Us"

From November 2015 to January 2016, Animals Asia conducted a national tour with the educational video "Cat and Dog Welfare Around Us" . In this competition, we invited institutions from all over China to organize large-scale broadcasting and promotional activities. By the end of December 2015, 12 institutions had signed up and more than 20,000 people watched this video.

In this competition, Beijing Cat and Dog Planet Community and Fu Zhou Small Animal Protection Association won the Best On-campus Promotion Award. Guangzhou Juxian Middle School won the Best Creative Award. Dalian Weishan Love Animal Association won the Biggest Social Impact Award.



Sudents from Juxian Middle school are watching the video "Cat and Dog' s Welfare Around Us"



One student watched the video with his father at home



Fu Zhou Small Animal Protection Association played the video in a local primary school



Dalian Weishan Love Animal Association played the video at site on their adoption day

Highlights of Dr. Dog and Professor Paws Activity

In November and Decmber, Animals Asia carried out 44 Dr Dog visits, 22 Professor Paws lectures and 14 rounds of public education in Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Chengdu and Hong Kong. The Dr Dogs visits were enjoyed by over 2,300 people. The Professor Paws lectures and the public education activities benefitted over 12,700 people.

The Professor Paws Carnival

On 7th November, we held the Professor Paws Carnival to celebrate World Animal Day in Diwang square in Guangzhou.



On 28th November, nine Professor Paws visited the ecological sport park in Guanlanhu, Shenzhen to celebrate World Animal Day.

