



2017 will go down as a year which saw Soi Dog Foundation hit by tragedy and yet, it was also the year your support broke all records in terms of the number of animals helped.

In January, my wife and co-founder of Soi Dog, Gill Dalley was diagnosed with terminal cancer and passed away on February 13th. It is impossible to overstate the influence and impact Gill had, not only on her beloved street dogs, but also the tens of thousands of people she inspired.



There's no doubt that Gill's greatest achievement was in setting up the Soi Dog shelter, culminating in the dog hospital, which she dedicated the last four years of her life to overseeing.



To honour her memory and the fact that without her, the shelter we know today would not exist, the Soi Dog board have announced that it

will be renamed The Gill Dalley Sanctuary. It will continue to be a lifesaving refuge for sick, injured, and vulnerable street dogs and cats.

Gill is so very missed here at Soi Dog, but her legacy goes on in the countless animals that will be saved thanks to her.



The dog hospital now fully operational at the Soi Dog shelter

January and February saw severe flooding in several southern provinces of Thailand. Your support meant that our newly-formed Community Outreach team, along with our Animal Rescue Officers, were able to provide food to animals in need and transport those requiring treatment to local vets.



Following a similar flooding disaster in Bangkok in 2011, Soi Dog Foundation helped evacuate hundreds of dogs to a shelter known as Dog Island in Phuttamnthon, a park on the outskirts of the city. This year, we were made aware that the shelter had fallen into disrepair and was in desperate need of renovation. Thanks to your support, several months of repair work have now been completed and the shelter is fit for purpose once more.



Strengthening the fight against the dog meat trade

With your support, we continue to focus on ending the dog meat trade, both within Thailand and elsewhere in Asia. Although the large-scale trade in dogs from Thailand to Vietnam has ended and despite it being illegal to kill dogs or cats for meat, some local people in north and north east Thailand, along with migrant workers across the country, continue to do so, and we continue to hunt down illegal butchers and restaurants.

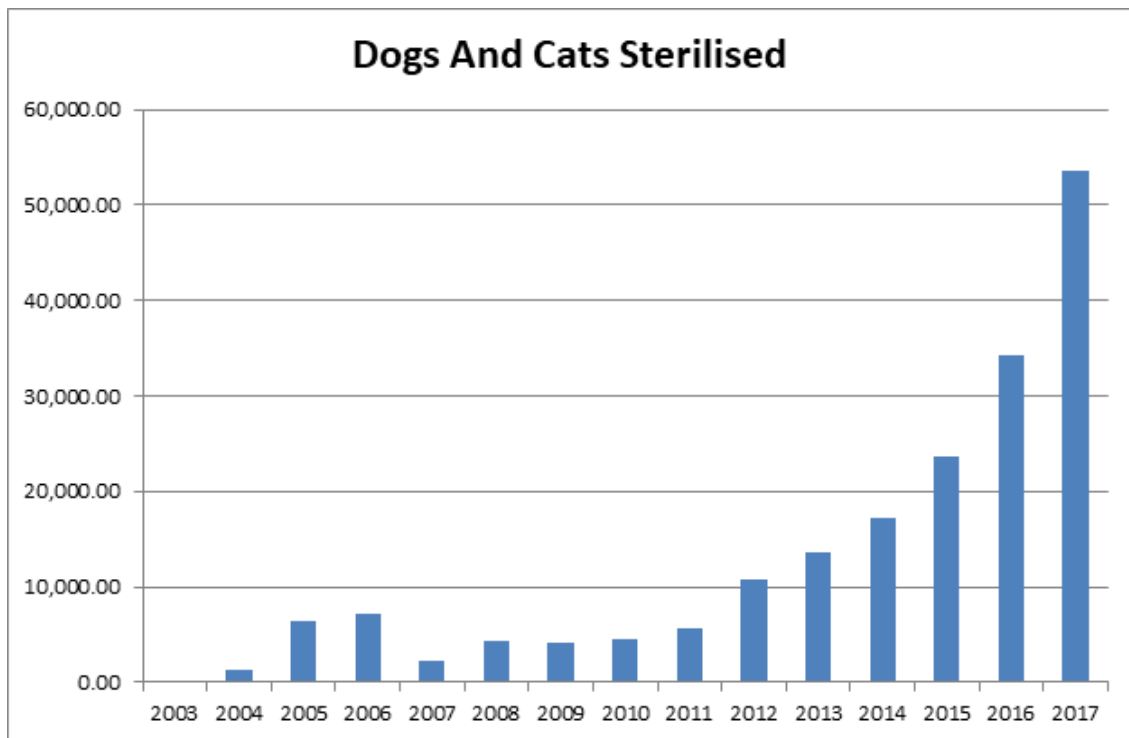


In South Korea, we continue to finance billboards and bus ads designed to turn the Korean people away from eating dog meat by making them aware of the cruelty involved. In January, I met with the leading Korean congressman pushing for changes to the law, and we assisted in the building of a dog park in Busan, where the mayor wishes to make the city dog meat free.



Sterilisation

In 2017, your support meant we were able to sterilise an incredible 53,560 animals, preventing the births of countless unwanted puppies and kittens. The graph below illustrates how the number of animals sterilised has increased dramatically year on year thanks to you!



Educating the future generation

Soi Dog believes firmly that the only way to see long-term change is through educating future generations in local schools. In 2017, thanks to you, we were able to introduce a structured education programme, which we look forward to expanding in years to come. So far, four schools on the island of Phuket have embraced the programme and the target is to enroll a further ten schools in the next academic year, which begins in April.



Soi Dog in the community

Our shelter currently receives over one hundred calls a day regarding animals in need of help. While many of these are genuine emergencies, many more can now be assisted by the newly-formed Community Outreach team. The team works all over the island, liaising with local volunteers that feed and care for stray animals, and at temples where monks and nuns do the same. The Soi Dog Community Outreach team provides training in animal care and how to administer basic medical treatment. The objective is to prevent minor conditions from developing into something more serious, as well as freeing up space in the Soi Dog hospital for genuine emergencies and those in need of long-term care.



The Phuket Shelter & Hospitals

A huge surge in the number of animals requiring treatment and ongoing sheltering has put a big strain on our existing facilities. To address the situation, we recently purchased additional land adjacent to our shelter and construction of a new cat hospital and a centre for behavioural assessments will begin shortly. In addition, it is planned to add more dog enclosures to expand our sheltering capacity.

Adoptions

Hundreds of dogs and cats found loving homes in 2017, with a total of 691 animals being adopted both locally and internationally.



External support and feeding programme

In 2017, your support meant we could help numerous other shelters and individuals working with animals, both in Thailand and elsewhere in Asia, notably China, Korea, Vietnam, Myanmar and Cambodia. Thanks to you, Animal Rescue Cambodia became the first organisation in that country to receive our support.



Animal cruelty legislation

As meetings aimed at strengthening and clarifying Thailand's first animal welfare law continue, Soi Dog has two representatives serving on the policy-making committee. In addition, we fully finance Watchdog Thailand, an independent group that focuses on receiving reports of animal cruelty across the country and ensuring the perpetrators are brought to justice. We continue to be concerned regarding the leniency of sentences imposed by the courts and have launched a petition calling for more appropriate sentencing.



Visitors and volunteers

In 2017, our shelter welcomed an incredible 5,159 visitors and 742 volunteers. In order to cope with these numbers, a new Visitor & Volunteer centre will be opened. In addition to our shelter volunteers, we are fortunate to have many other volunteers around the world. Many donate their time raising funds, carrying out checks on adoptive homes and following up on adoptions in their area, or volunteering their time as board members. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of all our volunteers and thank them for their incredible support.



These are just some of the highlights you've made possible and I know that with your help, many more animals will be saved in 2018.

I am so grateful for all your support as none of this could be achieved without you.

John Dalley
Co-Founder
Soi Dog Foundation

Operating Expenses, Revenue & Assets 2017

Revenue	USD	THB
Contributions	\$5,474,375	THB 187,387,872.29
Interest	\$17,608	THB 602,712.16
Total Revenue	\$5,491,983	THB 187,990,584.45
Operating Expenses		
Beneficiary Programs	\$5,246,403	THB 179,584,381.62
Administrative Expenses	\$538,298	THB 18,425,937.14
Fundraising	\$479,381	THB 16,409,217.65
Total Operating Expenses	\$6,264,082	THB 214,419,536.41
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,233,909	THB 42,236,696.34
Current investments	\$897,411	THB 30,718,392.78
Receivables		
Other current assets	\$12,805	THB 438,304.35
Total Current Assets	\$2,144,125	THB 73,393,393.00
Property, plant and equipment	\$2,798,973	THB 95,808,851.99
Long term investment	\$307,587	THB 10,528,700.00
Other non-current assets	\$1,870	THB 64,000.00
Total non-current assets	\$3,108,430	THB106,401,552.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$5,252,555	THB179,794,945.00

Breakdown of expenses by category:

Beneficiary Programs	83.75%
Administrative Expenses	8.59%
Fundraising	7.65%