

Dear Wollies supporters.

The leap year has bubbled up many emotions and given rise to the feeling that time has also leaped out of our hands. Time is always against us and we are in a constant and mad rush to get as much done as possible with limited resources. We can all relate to the feeling of passionately peddling that bicycle without a chain, down a hill, into the overwhelmingness of the challenges we face at the shelter on a daily basis.

I would firstly like to thank everyone who has given us so much support throughout the years. Those who have helped us on a constant basis and never left our side, those who have made it possible for us to make it through each month. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!

We know that times are getting tough for everyone and that there is not much prospect of it getting any better soon, despite this, we have made it this far because our supporters have helped us to carry our burdens while still supporting the full weight of their own.

I have always hoped and prayed that I would never have to write this, but Wollies is facing an ongoing and increasingly difficult situation which may force us to make a very difficult decision towards the end of this year. My worries are not only limited to concerns about the endless influx of abandoned, neglected and unwanted animals or our daily expenses, but also our veterinary bills which have skyrocketed since December.

We have implemented transformative practices within the shelter to ensure that we abide by and act within accordance of the law, rules, regulations and best practices when it comes to the manner in which we care for our animals. Our endeavours are continuous and the welfare of our animals remains the core priority but at the moment these bills are becoming our downfall as they have since become R100 000.00 PER MONTH!

As much as we understand that a welfare is dependent on the support of its communities, it is still a hard task to approach our supporters and ask for help, but we have been left with no choice.

**WE ARE IN HUGE TROUBLE AND NEED URGENT SUPPORT TO GUARANTEE THE SURVIVAL OF WOLLIES ANIMAL SHELTER.**

Thank you for taking the time to read this, we sincerely hope that we can make it through this trying time and continue to help as many animals as possible. Please consider making a donation towards the shelter, every donation matters and every donation has the potential to contribute to the continued existence of the shelter. Donating is easy and please feel free to come and visit the shelter to see how your contribution is utilized. For more information please contact Carla on 071 266 3620 or please visit our website at [www.wollies.org](http://www.wollies.org)

Regards Cilla Trexler (Founder and owner)

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