

# **A Model of Animal Welfare in the West**

## **Hope for Strays in the West**



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Nothing embodies animal welfare quite like the Montego Bay Animal Haven. Founded in 2009 by Tammy Browne and a group of friends, the charity aims to reduce the number of homeless and ailing animals from the streets of Montego Bay and surrounding areas.

Through public education, the charity informs both adults and children how to care for their own animals and have compassion for strays rather than seeing them as a nuisance.

Animals that have been rejected by society are rehabilitated and their transformation and resilience despite life's adversities is a story of hope and inspiration to children in our school programmes. In an effort to reduce the number of animals born on the streets the Haven has spayed approximately 800 animals and close to 300 have been re-homed. When a lack of space and funds prevents animals from being taken in, feeding stations are established in specific areas to bridge the gap.

Vet4Pets Medical Centre works in tandem with the Haven on some of its major cases. The lack of appropriate socialization has made behavioural rehabilitation a necessity to restore an animal's confidence and integrate them into loving homes. Our free clinics give us the opportunity to assist and educate communities about

basic animal healthcare and well-being and to encourage responsible pet ownership.

Follow the journeys of some of our beloved rescue animals on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/MontegoBayAnimalHaven](http://www.facebook.com/MontegoBayAnimalHaven).



Above: Tammy Browne of MoBay Animal Haven (stooping) and friends at the Donald Sangster International Airport with Albee, a rescued, rehabilitated dog that was adopted by a tourist visitor and now lives in Germany.