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This budget consists of the following expenses:

- \$1,500 for vaccines and supplies
- \$3,900 for in-country expenses (transportation, meals, lodging & security)
- \$150 for translators

Because most of the countries Borderless Brigade visits place restrictions and custom regulations on the import of the veterinary medicines used by our Veterinary Brigade, the medicines and vaccines they used are best purchased within those countries. You can best help by donating funds to help offset this budget.

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