

On a recent visit to Bapsfontein squatter camp, we came across this black **abandoned dog** (picture below). He was obviously in very bad shape and we took him to our vet. Our vet's findings were even **more shocking** than we expected. The dog was severely emaciated, riddled with worms, covered in ticks and fleas, suffering from biliary, had sores all over his body and maybe the worst – his head was very swollen, according to our vet typical from severe **BEATINGS!**

He was terrified of people and we were faced with a difficult decision. Should we put him down or should we treat and try to rehabilitate him? Something in his eyes, although very sad, told us that he wanted to LIVE! He is only approximately 8 months old! He slowly, **but surely**, recovered at our vet, dr Shelagh Hahn. Our sincere thanks to Melanie, dr Hahn's assistant, for taking such good care of him! We were lucky to find a very loving home for him!



BEFORE



AFTER