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WHO: Central California Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals/Fresno County Humane Society (CCSPCA)

WHAT: CCSPCA Humane Officers Seize 10 Neglected Horses - Donation for Care Needed

WHEN: Tuesday, December 6, 2022

WHERE: 103 S. Hughes Ave., Fresno, CA 93706 - Interviews are available

WHY: CCSPCA Humane Officers seized 10 neglected horses in Fresno County on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, after several failed attempts to work with the owner on caring for the animals. Multiple private parties coordinated the transportation of the horses. They are currently being monitored at a secure facility to ensure their dietary and medical needs are met.

Due to ongoing investigations, no further details are available.

CCSPCA is asking the public for donations to pay for their medical expenses, farrier work, and ongoing daily care. It is expected that they will be under CCSPCA's care for the foreseeable future. Donations can be made online:

<https://www.ccspca.com/support-the-ccspca/donate>

CCSPCA Humane Officers have overseen and investigated more than 450 cases of neglect/cruelty in Fresno County in their last fiscal year.

If animal abuse/neglect is suspected, please report it immediately online at <https://www.ccspca.com/complaint-form> or by calling (559) 233-7722.

About CCSPCA Humane Officers

CCSPCA Humane Officers exercise the powers of peace officers to enforce state animal cruelty laws, make arrests, serve warrants, and file criminal charges directly with the Fresno County District Attorney's office to prosecute offenders.

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Reporting cases elsewhere, besides a local police department or sheriff's office, will likely jeopardize the investigation that CCSPCA Humane Officers need to do in order to prosecute offenders.

What Constitutes Animal Cruelty & Neglect?

- Intentional acts of cruelty; torturing, maiming, mutilating or maliciously killing an animal
- Poisoning
- Animal fighting
- Depriving an animal of proper care, food, water, shelter or necessary veterinary care
- Intentional or unintentional acts of neglect
- Animal hoarding
- Abandonment
- Unlawful inhumane or unsafe living conditions
- Inadequate exercise area

What Information Is Helpful To Report?

The more information a reporting party can gather, the better. First-hand witnesses and information are important.

- Photos and video, if possible
- License plate info
- Address
- Names of people involved
- Physical description or other information that will help identify the suspect

Most cases that CCSPCA Humane Officers investigate are instances of unintentional neglect and can be resolved simply by educating animal owners on the proper way to provide necessary care. Intentional and/or malicious acts of cruelty occur when someone purposely and knowingly deprives an animal of proper care or adequate food, water, shelter, or allows the animal to go without necessary veterinary care, or tortures, maims, mutilates or kills an animal.

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