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

WHAT: CCSPCA Seizes Dog Featured in Viral TikTok Abuse Videos

WHEN: June 20, 2025

WHERE: CCSPCA, 103 S. Hughes Ave., Fresno, CA 93706

CCSPCA humane officers seized a grey pit bull that went viral on TikTok earlier this month for videos showing alleged owner abuse. The dog was taken into the CCSPCA's care on June 20 and will remain with the organization until it is ready to be adopted.

Due to the ongoing investigation that we are conducting, no further details are available at this time.

"While we aren't able to provide additional details about the grey pit bull at this time, I want to sincerely thank the community for their compassion and concern," said Linda Van Kirk, Executive Director of the CCSPCA. "We often remind people to be a voice for the voiceless, and this is a meaningful example of how speaking up can change the life of an animal."

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. They have overseen and investigated over 300 cases of neglect/cruelty in Fresno County in the last fiscal year.

Reporting cases in Fresno County to organizations other than CCSPCA, 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.

- Take photos and video, if possible
- Licence plate information
- Address where the incident happened
- Names of people involved, if possible
- Any physical description or other information that will help identify the suspect

As the primary animal welfare organization in California's Central Valley, CCSPCA is committed to leading and serving our community of animals and people by providing programs and services for all stages of an animal's life.

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