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San Diego Humane Society Seeks Information About Abandoned Horses *Humane Law Enforcement hopes to prevent additional cases of horses left in public corral*

SAN DIEGO — San Diego Humane Society’s Humane Law Enforcement is asking the public for information that will help identify two horses who were found abandoned just one week apart at a staging area corral in the Tijuana River Valley Regional Park. The first horse was found on Nov. 21, and the second on Nov. 26, 2023. Both horses were in poor condition and taken to San Diego Humane Society’s Escondido Campus for immediate treatment.

Sadly, following a detailed examination and X-rays, the medical team determined that the second horse was experiencing such severe pain that the only option was to alleviate his suffering through humane euthanasia. The first rescued horse, a male Quarter mix, pictured here, will remain at San Diego Humane Society’s Escondido Campus until he is healthy and next steps can be determined, pending the investigation.



Under California law, it is illegal to abandon an animal. “We are here to help, so please reach out to us before you leave an animal to fend for themselves,” said San Diego Humane Society Chief of Humane Law Enforcement Jace Huggins. “We also ask the public to speak up if they know something, so we can ensure that no additional horses are left without essential care such as food and water.”

Anyone with information about the abandonment of these horses is asked to call San Diego Humane Society’s Humane Law Enforcement at 619-299-7012 (press 1 for Dispatch). If you need help caring for your pets, please contact San Diego Humane Society for assistance. For more information, visit sdhumane.org/supportservices.

Photos/videos for media use can be downloaded here:

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San Diego Humane Society’s scope of social responsibility goes beyond adopting animals. We offer programs that strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent cruelty and neglect, provide medical care, educate the community and serve as a safety net for all pet families. Serving San Diego County since 1880, San Diego Humane Society has campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona and San Diego. For more information, please visit sdhumane.org.

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