



Report acts of animal cruelty or neglect

- Emergencies: Please call **911**
- For tie-out and other neglect violations, call Pima Animal Care Center at **(520) 724-5900**
- For Crimes against animals in Pima County, call the Pima County Sheriff's Department at **(520) 351-4900**
- For Crimes against animals in Marana, call Marana Animal Services at **(520) 382-8020**
- For Crimes against animals in Sahuarita, call Sahuarita Animal Services at **(520) 520-445-7877**
- For crimes against animals in Tucson City limits, call Tucson Police Department at **(520) 791-4444**
- To leave an anonymous tip, call Pima County Attorney's Office at **(520) 882-7463** or **88 -CRIME**
- For emergencies related to wild animals, illegal hunting, trapping etc., call the Arizona Game and Fish Department at **(520) 628-5376**



Animal Cruelty Taskforce of Southern Arizona

To leave a message on the Animal Cruelty Taskforce message line please call (520) 547-0260 or email mduffey@hssaz.org or mkleckner@hssaz.org.



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How to help

Do your part to protect animals and report signs of animal cruelty or neglect. Often times the biggest difference between the two is intentionality. Learning what to look for can be the difference between life and death for an animal in an unsafe situation. The humans living in those homes may also be at risk of mistreatment.



All pets need:

- Appropriate food for each species
- Clean fresh water daily
- Medical care for preventative services and emergency care
- Adequate shelter – must be in good repair and large enough for a dog to display natural behaviors of standing up, laying down etc.

When in doubt, report it.

- Someone striking or otherwise physically abusing an animal
- Pets that are chained up in a yard
- Anything that seems unhealthy or unsafe to you. It's better to report than to leave a situation unchecked. It is also important to remember that there is a difference between keeping a pet in an unkind manner and criminal abuse or neglect.

What exactly is Animal Cruelty? In Arizona, Animal cruelty is defined in ARS 13-2910. Summarized, this means that any person that intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly subjects any animal, under the person's custody and control, to cruel neglect or abandonment, or withholding necessary veterinary care for injuries or disease.

Know the signs:

Knowing the physical signs and symptoms of animal cruelty and neglect can help save the lives of animals in need.

- Tick and flea infestation
- Untreated wounds of the body
- Hair loss or patches of missing hair
- Extremely thin, "starved" appearance
- Continued and excessive limping
- Pets that cower in fear or act aggressively when approached by a person
- Pets that are showing signs of injury or illness without veterinary care
- Encrusted eyes
- Matted hair
- Excessive number of animals in the home
- Deceased animals
- Animals tied outside and left unattended
- Animals left in hot cars that are in distress
- Animals living in filthy conditions

Have specific questions about animal cruelty or neglect?

Contact HSSA's investigations representatives at 520-327-6088, ext. 121 or ext. 182.

The link between animal abuse and human violence

Over the past 30 years, researchers and professionals in a variety of human service and animal welfare disciplines have established significant correlations between animal abuse, child abuse and neglect, domestic violence, elder abuse and other forms of violence. Mistreating animals is no longer seen as an isolated incident that can be ignored: it is often an indicator or predictor crime and a "red flag" warning sign that other family members in the household may not be safe. Animal cruelists have a higher rate of committing violent crimes against community members and must be reported at the first demonstration of animal cruelty or violence against animals, which might prevent future harmful events in the home.

See back of brochure for details on how to report animal abuse.

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