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Who did this to these dogs?

It is truly horrific what some people do to animals. Vanna and Lily are two examples of pets that have been battered and abused yet their hearts and faith in humans remains unbroken.



Vanna, a 3-year-old white and brindle pit-bull was found Monday night, May 12, tied to the gate of the Humane Society of Southern Arizona's main shelter at 3450 N. Kelvin Blvd. She and her sister Lily, also a 3-year-old pit-bull mix, were found by the night time security.

Vanna was covered in dry feces, malnourished and the worst part — Vanna's entire right ear was completely missing. Her inner ear was fully exposed to debris and infection. Lily, who was with Vanna but not tied up, was covered in feces and incredibly malnourished with bite marks and scars. A cruelty report was immediately filed for the dogs.

The Pima County Sheriff's Department is investigating this cruelty case. If you know anything about these dogs and how they came to be in this condition, you are urged to call 88-CRIME. No pet deserves this.



"Sometimes you can't wrap your mind around stories like this. You can't help but get angry when cases like this come in to the shelter. We must take measures to prevent things like this from happening by working together to stomp out animal cruelty by identifying and reporting wrong doings" said Samantha Esquivel, HSSA Public Relations Lead.

Vanna and Lily are together and being treated at the Humane Society of Southern Arizona. Vanna is on pain medications and antibiotics to ensure she makes a full recovery. Lily is right by her sister's side.

Help the HSSA prevent animal cruelty and care for Vanna, Lily and all pets that are cruelty victims. A donor has offered to match up to \$5,000 in donations to our Second Chance fund and help the HSSA in our anti-cruelty efforts. Donate to the Second Chance Fund at hssaz.org/funds or call (520) 321-3704, ext. 120 or 141.