HUMANE SOCIETY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals



HOORAY FOR DR. A!

Dr. Kevin Allison has been working with the Humane Society since January of 2008. Over the past thirteen years, he has made a huge impact in the animal community, performing over 65,000 spay/neuter surgeries.

Because of his passion for eliminating animal overpopulation, his surgeries have prevented over 1.4 billion cats and dogs from potential abuse, cruelty and even death. This June, Dr. Allison was recognized by the South Carolina House of Representatives for his dedication to ending animal overpopulation in this state.

STAY ALERT.

If you're ever unsure whether or not a pet is receiving adequate care, it is better to be safe than sorry and alert authorities or animal control of your suspicions. Animal cruelty includes physical abuse (non-accidental injury), emotional abuse, neglect, and staged animal fights. If you see one of these warning signs, stay alert to changes and watch for other signs.





THE FIGHT **AGAINST** ANIMAL ABUSE



Be the voice for suffering pets

The Humane Society South Carolina has been established in our community for decades, a committed friend for animals in need. Although most well known in South Carolina for our remarkably high quality/low cost spay/neuter procedures, we also assist law enforcement on animal cruelty/neglect cases in our state.

Our mission is not simply to reduce the number of incidents of cruelty, but to end animal abuse and neglect altogether. Sadly, the HSPCA receives between 25 and 30 complaints each week, reaching up to 100 a week in the summer and winter seasons. Thankfully, many such cases can be resolved by educating pet owners on how to properly care for their companion animals. In some cases, however, the extent of the cruelty inflicted is clearly intentional and criminal. In cases like these, the HSPCA assists local animal control and law enforcement agencies to save these precious animals. We are here to advocate, educate and assist in investigations of animal cruelty and neglect.

5 WARNING SIGNS OF ANIMAL ABUSE & NEGLECT

- 1. The animal lacks access to food, clean water, and shelter.
- 2. The animal has matted hair, is thin, has apparent sores, etc.
- 3. The story you hear doesn't fit, like "the dog fell off the bed" to explain a broken leg.
- 4. There may be a history of previous pets that disappeared or died at a young age.
- 5. The owner has a large number of animals that appear to be lacking basic, minimal care.



SAVE A LIFE 🎌

If you witness an act of animal torture or abuse, please contact local law enforcement immediately. Taking action may save the animal's life. Your diligence may help protect the animal from further abuse or neglect. Keep your eyes and ears open. Animal cruelty is against the law, but it is preventable. You can make a difference.

Your donations to the Humane Society allows us to continue providing assistance to law enforcement and to provide the necessary care for the animals involved in these tragic abuse cases. Because of you, a second chance is given to these precious animals. Take the initiative to save an animal's life: please consider donating today.

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