



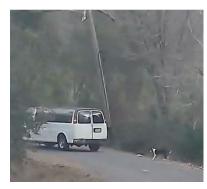
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Heartless Act of Animal Cruelty Caught on Video

Dog is Abandoned and Left to Fend for Himself in Southeast Houston

Video of Dog Dumped Here & Image After Rescue

HOUSTON (February 14, 2024) – The Houston SPCA and Harris County Constable Precinct 1 are investigating a heartless act of animal cruelty after video was taken of a young dog being abandoned near the 5000 block of Groveton Street near Jutland Road in South Acres last week. The video shows the dog chasing the van once the driver pulls away. Officials said this crime left him vulnerable to possible animal attacks and emaciation. The dog is now in the care of the Houston SPCA



and the case is under investigation. According to state law, abandoning an animal is a felony that is punishable by a \$10,000 fine and up to two years in prison.

The Houston SPCA wants to encourage animal owners to reach out to local animal shelters, rescues, neighbors or friends rather than commit a heartless crime like this one.

The Houston SPCA's 11-member animal cruelty investigations team rescues victims of animal cruelty across nine counties including Harris County. Report animal cruelty by calling 713.869.7722 or online at www.houstonspca.org.

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