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Trapped and Abandoned: Dog Rescued After Jug Gets Stuck on His Head

Multiple Animals Rescued; Deceased Rabbit Discovered by Animal Cruelty Investigators

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Houston (May 14, 2025) – A dog found in south Houston late Monday afternoon with a plastic jug stuck on his head is now safely in the care of the Houston SPCA after a cruelty report was filed with the animal rescue and protection organization.

The jug, believed to be part of an automatic pet feeder, had lodged around the dog's neck as he likely attempted to reach food. While the top of the jug was open, allowing for limited air, the dog could not access food or water for an extended period.

“This was a potentially life-threatening situation,” said Dr. Roberta West, Chief Veterinarian and Vice President of Veterinary Medicine at the Houston SPCA. “The jug was tightly secured around his neck and the dog had no way to eat or hydrate. If the report had come in later, the outcome could have been much different.”



Veterinary staff carefully removed the jug without the need for sedation, and the dog is in stable condition.

Officials at the scene said the dog had been abandoned along with several other dogs, as well as a rabbit and a deceased rabbit at a home near Wilmington Street in south Houston. All the animals were rescued from the property with a warrant served by their law enforcement partners, Harris County Constable Precinct 1. A hearing for this animal cruelty case has been set for next week.

To report suspected animal cruelty, contact the Houston SPCA at (713) 869-7722 or visit www.houstonspca.org.

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