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Animal Services seeks info in cruelty cases

Fort Myers, FL, July 13, 2015 – Lee County Domestic Animal Services is seeking information needed in solving two recent cruelty cases. Anyone with information related to either of these cases is asked to contact Animal Services at 239-533-7387 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-780-TIPS.

The first case involves a 1½-year-old female German Shepherd. The dog, now known as Piper, was found on June 7 on Albert Avenue in Lehigh Acres. She had a two-inch laceration extending to her trachea. The wound was consistent with an embedded collar which occurs when a collar becomes too tight as the dog grows but is not removed or replaced with an appropriate collar. Piper's wound was surgically repaired and she was sent to a foster home to recover. She also will need to undergo heartworm treatment.

The second case involves a 2-year-old male Jack Russell-Rat Terrier mix that was found on Liberty Square in Fort Myers on July 7. The dog, now called Captain, was left on the side of the road in a crate covered with a sheet. His right eye was severely injured and was surgically removed.

Donations to the Lee County Animal Care Trust Fund to assist with the care and rehabilitation of pets such as Piper and Captain may be sent to 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers. For more information about the Trust visit www.LeeLostPets.com or call 239-533-7387.