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Animal Services seeks info in case of neglected dog

Fort Myers, FL, March 4, 2016 – Lee County Domestic Animal Services is seeking information needed in locating the owner of a dog found Feb. 29 at Skyline Blvd. and Trafalgar Parkway in Cape Coral. The dog, a brindle and white, male, pit bull, approximately 4 years old, was found in a severely emaciated state.

Lee County Ordinance requires pet owners to provide adequate food that is uncontaminated, wholesome, palatable, and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain the normal condition and weight of the animal. The diet must be appropriate for the individual animal's age and condition.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact Animal Services at 239-533-7387 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-780-TIPS. Callers may remain anonymous.

Abel, as he is now being called, has been sent to the Big Hearts for Big Dogs rescue for continued care and rehabilitation until he can be adopted. Animal Services' networking relationship with rescue organizations has resulted in more positive outcomes for animals than ever before. In 2015, 914 dogs, 1,387 cats and 18 rabbits and small pets were sent to rescue partners.

Donations to the Lee County Animal Care Trust Fund to assist with the care and rehabilitation of pets such as Abel may be sent to 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, 33912. For more information about the Trust visit www.LeeLostPets.com or call 239-533-7387.

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Note to media: Photos available upon request. Email rbrown3@leegov.com.