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## SEAACA Gets 100<sup>th</sup> Online Animal Cruelty Report

Downey, Calif .... The Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA) in Downey received its 100<sup>th</sup> Online Animal Cruelty Report Wednesday, September 9, since the e-form's inception on February 20 of this year. "We began online reporting from our web site ([www.seaaca.org](http://www.seaaca.org)) to augment in-person, telephone and snail mail reports with a fast, simple method," said Capt. Aaron Reyes, director of operations for SEAACA.

"Commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> online cruelty report has a bittersweet edge," Reyes stated. "They are important tools that give animals at risk a fighting chance by putting our officers on the case quickly, but we would be glad if the need were not so severe."

A high percentage of the complaints – usually made by concerned neighbors -- report animals chained up, without food or water, and lack of shelter. Complainants may remain anonymous using SEAACA's Online Animal Cruelty Report.

Twenty percent of the online reports received concerned addresses outside SEAACA's 13-city jurisdiction, which SEAACA forwards to the appropriate animal control agency. "We even received a report of a dog being kicked by a man in Birmingham, United Kingdom," Reyes continued "which was referred to the Royal SPCA."

Animal cruelty, abuse and neglect complaints for SEAACA's jurisdiction are welcome at [www.seaaca.org](http://www.seaaca.org). "But remember, if an animal is in a hot vehicle when the weather is warm it's best to call 911," Reyes cautioned. "Every minute counts in these cases."

