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LA Animal Cruelty Task Force Rescue Animals from a Bus

Los Angeles: Los Angeles Police Officers working Hollywood Division responded to a call of animals locked in a vehicle at the southwest corner of Cole and Willoughby in the City of Los Angeles. When the officers arrived they discovered a large bus parked on the street. They could hear a dog barking from inside the bus and could smell a fowl odor coming from the bus. The officers contacted The City of Los Angeles' Animal Cruelty Task Force (ACTF).

The ACTF responded to the location and spoke with the owner of the bus. The bus owner/suspect agreed to allow the ACTF Officers onto the bus in an effort to ensure the welfare of the animals inside. While inside, ACTF Officers discovered one dog that was dehydrated and emaciated and several cats. A couple of the cats displayed signs of upper respiratory infections. The floor and shelves of the bus were covered with feces and urine.

The animals were impounded by the Department of Animal Services and are being treated for various ailments. A crime report was taken and will be presented to the City Attorney's Office for filing consideration.

Anyone interested in fostering animals please go to www.laanimalservices.com for more information.

The ACTF is made up of Los Angeles police officers and detectives, Animal Service officers from the Department of Animal Services and Deputy City Attorneys from the LA City Attorney's Office. They investigate human cruelty against animals.

Reports of animal cruelty can be reported to the ACTF at (213) 847-1417.

For more information or assistance call LA Animal Services at 1-888-452LA-PET1/1-888-452-7381

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