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Animal Cruelty will not be tolerated in San Jacinto County

On August 24th, 2016, San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office received a call regarding Animal Cruelty on 2 horses in the Coldspring area.

Deputy Wade Gustafson responded to the scene on Davey Lane and began an investigation. Deputy Gustafson discovered two horses that were very underweight and in need of immediate medical attention. Those horses had allegedly been abandoned by their owner. Witnesses stated that 26 year old Thadous Jermaine Clark of Coldspring had failed to provide adequate food and water when he lived on Davey Lane and kept the horses tied to a tree. Witnesses further stated that Clark moved out of his home leaving the horses behind with no one to care for them

Gustafson sought the help of Justice of the Peace - Precinct 1 - Beth Sewell, who issued a seizure warrant allowing the two animals to be picked up and given proper care. One of the two horses had suffered a serious eye injury that investigators believe may have occurred when Clark owned the animal, but medical attention may have never been provided. Unfortunately that horse passed away just after arriving at the rescue shelter despite efforts by shelter personnel and a local veterinarian to save the horse. Detective Sergeant Neil Adams assisted Deputy Gustafson in his investigation and was able to obtain two warrants for the arrest of Thadous Jermaine Clark.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Clark are urged to call Detective Neil Adams at 936-653-4367 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-392-7867. The horse that survived is currently recovering and will remain at the shelter until it reaches full health at which time it will be adopted out to a good home.