



***Press Release***  
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*For immediate release*

**-- Dogs Seized in Cruelty Complaint --**  
**Emaciated Rottweilers Taken from Spring Valley**

Pomona, NY – March 14, 2005: Three Rottweilers were taken by Hudson Valley Humane Society Cruelty Agents and the Ramapo Police Department from a location in Spring Valley. One female and two male adult Rottweilers were victims of neglect. Normally weighing in excess of 100 pounds, all three animals were grossly underweight with their skeletal structure exposed. The animals were found in a barn with no food and water and in need of veterinary care. The agents obtained a search warrant to seize the dogs after observation and investigation confirmed they were abandoned. The rapid procurement of the warrant allowed the rescue of these dogs before their conditions deteriorated further.

The female remained under the care of the HVHS for nearly 8 weeks; her health rebounded and was adopted. One male, "Sam", needed to spend nearly five months with the HVHS to recover fully. In a joint effort with the Northeast Rottweiler Rescue Group, a perfect match was found for the him. Both dogs now reside in New Jersey with responsible owners. The fate of the last dog remains to be determined. He will be evaluated further for health and disposition.

"Rottweilers have a bad reputation and it is not always deserved. These dogs must be in the hands of knowledgeable human companions for proper care and safety" cited Ray Mundy, President, HVHS. He continued, "Situations like this are always sad, but for these two fortunate dogs, they are enjoying a happy ending."

HVHS Agents are New York State peace officers that work alone and with other law enforcement agencies in the region to enforce animal protection laws. These agents are authorized to investigate animal cruelty cases and make arrests for violations of those laws. For more information about the Humane Law Enforcement Division, or any other HVHS programs, please contact Ray Mundy or Marc Kissel, at 845.354.3124.

This is a public service message from the Hudson Valley Humane Society. For further information, please call Ann Marie Gaudio at 845-942-1382 or 845-354-3124.



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