



## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL**

To report any activities you believe involve animal abuse and if you observe or suspect any animal is being neglected or abandoned by its owner or keeper, you are encouraged to immediately contact San Bernardino County Animal Care & Control at:

**1-800-472-5609**

### **Animal Abuse & Neglect is when:**

- Any person, who maliciously and intentionally maims, mutilates, tortures, wounds, or kills a living animal.
- Any person who overrides, overloads, overworks, torments or deprives an animal of necessary food, water, or shelter.
- Any person who intentionally, for amusement or gain, fights any animal against another animal.
- Any person who permits an animal to go without veterinary care for any injured animal.

### **Animal Abandonment is when:**

- Any animal owner or keeper has left any animal unattended for a minimum of 24 hours without receiving proper care and/or treatment.