



## Two Kiowa County rescued horses cared for in Valley Center

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**Valley Center, KS** --- President and Founder of "Hope In The Valley Equine Rescue," Ande Armstrong, says she's glad to have two of the horses rescued from an owner in Kiowa County.

But Armstrong says she and other horse advocates remain concerned about the other horses. "The concern now is where did the horses go?"

Kiowa County Sheriff Chris Tedder says he continues investigating the case saying the horses are no longer with their owner. Sheriff Tedder says that owner is charged with animal cruelty and has her first court appearance December 22nd.

Sheriff Tedder says his office and the County Attorney are aware the owner has moved the horses to where they can be cared for. Sheriff Tedder says his office is in the process of seeing that the horses are cared for.

On Friday is when Armstrong was allowed to pick up two of the most malnourished horses to take to her horse sanctuary near Valley Center.

About those two horses Armstrong says, "They've been starved for so many years that their growth has been stunted. So they're always going to be a smaller horse."

Armstrong says, "People were outraged that she was allowed to have these horses and nothing had been done in the past and it's time to do something now."

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