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# More than 150 animals removed from Chatham County property

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**PITTSBORO, N.C.** - The Humane Society of the United States says 150 animals were removed from a farm property in Chatham County Wednesday, according to [WTVD ABC11.com](#).

Pictures from Chopper 11 showed workers moving small animal carriers full of dogs and cats to waiting vehicles and large animals like pigs and horses being placed on trailers.

The group said the seizures came after Chatham County deputies and animal control workers served a search warrant at the property in the 3100 block of Silk Hope Gum Spring Road in unincorporated Pittsboro.

"I am relieved that we were able to come to the aid of these animals today. We have tried to work with the owner to ensure the proper care of the animals, but we reached the point that the animals had to be removed for their well-being," said Leigh Anne Garrard, director of Chatham County Animal Services.

Officials said the many of the animals were in need of urgent veterinary care and living in unsanitary

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conditions.

Chatham County Animal Services said it first became concerned when it got a report that more than 100 cats and dogs were kept in a small mobile home, and that livestock on the property also lacked proper care.

RedRover, Horse Helpers of the High Country, Code 3, the Wake County Animal Shelter, the Durham County Sheriff's Office - Animal Control Division, Red Dog Farm Rescue Network, PetSmart Charities and local veterinarians also helped with the massive rescue effort.

Some of the animals were taken to local rescue groups. Others went to an emergency shelter where they will be looked at by teams of veterinarians and given medical treatment. Once legal custody of the animals has been determined and they have received needed care, Chatham County said it will provide more information for potential adoptions or donations.

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See they want to help the poor animals now. But what about the owners of the 100 cats. They were probably begging for help with all those animals and nobody would help them. So now they are the bad guy and pictures of their house on the news and they will probably be charged for abuse and neglect. Fined more than they make in a year and talked bad about by all those people that think " well they should have Spay/Neuter. Nobody stops to think maybe they never intended to have the 1st one. That just maybe some of those animals were dropped off because they already had so many they wouldn't notice. even at \$50 for 100 cats that's \$5000. they probably keeping them in the house because its been so hot, And everybody knows if your hot or cold so are they. This is the people I want to raise money for. This is the reason I want to build a non-profit. These people needed help long before now.

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