



Partners in Crime Fighting: Forging a Working Relationship with Law Enforcement

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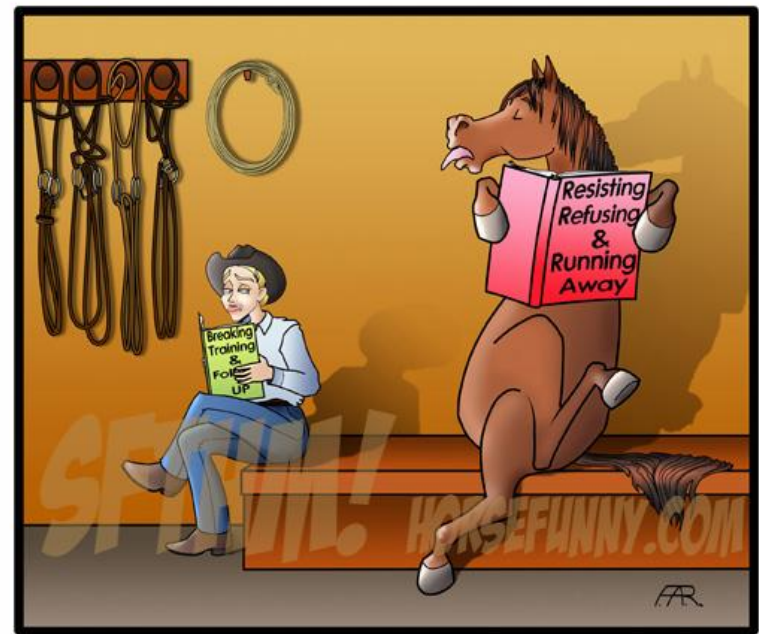
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Common Ground

If your horse says no, you either asked the wrong question, or asked the question wrong. ~Pat Parelli



Touche!



Groundwork

- Know Yourself/ Your Organization
- Establish Professional Partnerships
- Do's and Do Not's



Groundwork (cont.)

- Know Your Organization
 - Mission/Vision
 - Goals
 - Clear and measureable
 - Resources
 - Personnel
 - Equipment
 - Professional Partnerships
 - Veterinarians
 - YOU!!





Groundwork (it never ends....)

- Network, Build, Create
 - Your community, groups with shared interests
 - Standard of Practices and Care
 - Set Expectations
- DO
 - Offer yourself/group as a resource
 - Establish relationships now!
 - Lay your foundation for Emergency Response
- DON'T
 - Assume the motivations or capabilities of law-enforcement
 - Do anything illegal (like trespassing!)
 - Operate under the “LAST RESORT” premise
 - Don't go to the media without dedicated consult of other professionals in your field
 - Don't send out viral e-mails



Schooling

- Get to know your audience
- Identify a point person
- Proactive vs. Reactive
 - Are your responsibilities different?



Schooling (cont.)

Your Audience

- It's all about perspective
- Identify your shared interests
- Be open to compromise

Identify an advocate

- Presentation, Presence, and Patience





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The Show Ring

- Be Prepared
- Follow the rules
- Subjective or Objective?



Horse Sense

Your relationship with law enforcement should be a long-standing, positive, and mutually beneficial partnership.

- Begin the groundwork today
- Keep re-tooling
- Highlight the successes