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From the Founder

When it comes time to reflect on the year that’s just passed, as I do for these Annual Reports, there are always myriad dimensions of Wildlife Rescue’s experience that I could mention. This time, though, I want to focus on just one area, for a reason that will become clear in a few paragraphs.

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Lynn Curuy
Animals in Sanctuary

2021 Numbers in Action

- **10,980** Animals Rescued
- **5,330** Birds
- **5,290** Mammals
- **348** Reptiles
- **12** Amphibians

- **588** Animals in Sanctuary
  - Farmed: 53
  - Non-Native: 299
  - Native: 236

- **17,440** Hotline Calls

- **150** Volunteers

- **11,791** Volunteer Hours

- **12** Apprentices
1. FIND

Because humans are continually expanding into more natural habitats, Wildlife Rescue sees a steady increase in the number of animals who need help each year. A majority of the wildlife who are brought into our care are found by members of the public. Some animals have been injured, some orphaned, and others have been trapped and removed from their homes.

2. CALL

WRR’s Rescue Hotline, (830) 336-2725, is available 24/7 to anyone who needs to call. Our Hotline Specialists are trained to help with a wide variety of situations involving wildlife and help callers do what is in animals’ best interest. The goal is always to do whatever is possible to allow animals to stay in their home places, but when orphaned or injured they need to be brought to WRR to receive care.

3. RESCUE

If it is determined that an animal needs to receive care, we do everything we can to bring them through our doors. If possible, we ask the individual who found the animal to bring them into our San Antonio or Kendalia location. But when this is not possible, we call on our wonderful group of rescue volunteers. Whatever the circumstances, we will do our best to ensure that the animal is safely rescued.

Who We’ve Helped

This beautiful, barred owl was brought to Wildlife Rescue after he struck a window. His vision had become impaired due to a buildup of fibrin in his eyes. In addition to his poor vision, he suffered head trauma caused by the blow. Here at WRR he was treated and given cage rest until he regained full flight and his vision was restored. He was recently released after a little over two months in care.
4. REHAB
When an animal is brought to WRR, they first go through the intake process, which involves a medical assessment and initial treatment (if needed). Some animals are completely healthy and can be released near where they were found. Babies who are orphaned but healthy will go through our rehabilitation program until they are ready to be released into their native habitat. Anyone who is injured will see the veterinary staff and receive the proper care until they are ready to be released.

5. RELEASE
When possible, we try to release native wildlife close to the area where they were initially found. If this is not possible, we have several protected release sites that are carefully assessed for each species where animals can be released.

6. SANCTUARY
If a native animal is deemed non-releasable due to the extent of their injuries or condition, they will stay at our 212-acre Sanctuary in Kendalia, TX. We also offer sanctuary to non-native animals and farmed animals who are rescued.

Who We've Helped
This Virginia opossum was attacked by a dog. She had puncture wounds on her back along with possible spinal trauma. Her legs were responsive, but she had a difficult time getting them underneath her. After physical therapy and laser treatment, she healed extremely well. This picture was taken when animal care staff were testing her climbing abilities prior to her release. She navigated the enclosure and climbed up the branches well, so she was released onto a protected site.
**Improvemens**

**SPIDER MONKEY WARMHOUSE**
This structure was added to the existing spider monkey enclosure to act as a warmhouse during cooler weather.

**BEAR PLATFORMS**
These were added to the expanded bear enclosure to add interest to their surroundings.

**HOSPITAL UPSTAIRS**
The second floor of the Kendalia hospital was renovated, turning a large room into five smaller rooms for specialized rehab.

**HEN ENCLOSURE**
A new, safe outdoor enclosure was added to the existing henhouse.

**NEW FENCING**
New fencing was installed giving the farmed animals more room to free-roam and graze.

**BREAKROOM**
A much-needed breakroom was added for staff in Kendalia.

**ADMIN BUILDING**
The lobby for animal receiving was moved and several administrative offices were converted into additional animal care space in San Antonio.

**PAVILION KENNELS**
What was once an event pavilion has been converted into additional space for raccoon rehab.

**TURTLE WARMHOUSE**
Once outfitted with a dirt floor for sulcata tortoises, this warmhouse was renovated by adding concrete flooring and a pool for use by turtles.
# 2021 Financial Activities (audited)

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**Total Income** $5,082,199

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**Change in Net Assets** $1,730,681

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**Total** $12,808,842

## Foundation Partners

- Ahimsa Foundation
- Amy Shelton McNutt Charitable Trust
- Carol Tyrrell Kyle Foundation
- Circle Bar Foundation
- Dian Graves Owen Foundation
- Dixie Starnes Wenger Foundation
- DJ&T Foundation
- Judy Calder Foundation
- Kronkosky Charitable Foundation
- Leslie L. Alexander Foundation
- Mary M. Diggs Foundation
- Morrow Family Foundation
- Richard D. Huff Foundation
- San Antonio Area Foundation
- Stan & Gerry Sigman Foundation
- The Bamberger Foundation
- The Bridge Foundation
- The Harris K. & Lois G. Oppenheimer Foundation
- The Robert & Diana Adelman Charitable Foundation
- The Ruby McKibben Foundation For The Protection Of Animals
- The Smothers Foundation
- The Summerlee Foundation
- The Yang Foundation

## Those Who Went Above & Beyond

- American Anti-Vivisection Society
- Carolyn Boykin
- Casey C. Kocurek
- Coleen Grissom
- Cornell and Cynthia Sarosdy Estate
- Daniel and Katie Massey
- David and Jamie Weyman
- Donald Elliott and Denise Pride
- EarthShare of Texas
- Glen Richard and Carolyn Mann
- HEB - Environmental Affairs
- Katherine Frank
- Phyllis and Roger Sherman
- Phyllis Hanicke
- Russell Wheat Estate
- Virginia Thomas

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