

## Ogden City has given us notice to vacate to install a parking lot for Dinosaur Park.

**We are deeply saddened by this decision; we will no longer be able to take new patients or calls as of May 15,2023**

**THIS IS TEMPORARY, WE WILL BE BACK!!**

We have been given a surprise that we did not see coming. We have been notified that we have until September 6, 2023, to vacate the building, which was built specifically for animal care and humane education. Ogden City has generously allowed Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Northern Utah (WRCNU) use of the facility that we have called home for 12 years. Ogden City Administration has initiated plans to demolish the building to put up a parking lot.

We are the only licensed wildlife rehabilitation center in Northern Utah and the largest center of our kind in the state. We provide people throughout the region with a place to bring sick, injured, or orphaned wildlife in need of aid. Our mission is to rehabilitate and release wildlife back into its natural habitat and educate our community.

Since our inception in 2009, we have treated over 34,000 wildlife patients with the help of over 195,000 volunteer hours. We receive no State or Federal funding for any of our work and rely solely on community support and donations to treat and care for all our patients. More than 91% of our donations go directly to animal care and treatment.

The timeline that we have been given to relocate is unreasonable. Any move we make involves obtaining new funding to acquire a facility. In order for us to provide care for wildlife, this new property must meet local zoning regulations and specific State and Federal guidelines. Without the services of WRCNU, thousands of patients will have to be euthanized and future patients, with no place to go, will be left to suffer and die.

Our commitment to Utah native wildlife and the public has never wavered, even now with the challenge of finding a new home.

We are not giving up on our mission; will you JOIN us?

5/3/23 Update:

Ogden City is considering allowing an additional 180 days from the original deadline. Even with that extension, it will not allow enough time to relocate and be operational. This extension will allow us enough time to ensure that the animals currently in our care will be able to be released or placed in licensed educational facilities.

### **What can you do?**

- Reach out to the mayor's office at: 801-629-8111 or [mikecaldwell@ogdencity.com](mailto:mikecaldwell@ogdencity.com)
- Follow us on Facebook (Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Northern Utah)
- Sign the petition that was started for us. This link is on our website: <https://wrcnu.org>.
- Share our story with your friends.
- Donations to aid in the move through Facebook, Venmo (WRCNU1), Website: <https://wrcnu.org>, Mail (3127 N Pelican Dr, Farr West 84404). All of these and more can be found at: <https://linktr.ee/wrcnu>.

**Your voices do make a difference.**

**We will do everything we can to expedite this process to ensure we are able to accept patients as soon as possible. Your support will help us reopen as soon as possible!**