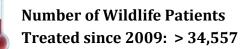
Summer 2024





... responsible stewardship of wildlife and habitat."

"Wings of Resilience"

Once upon a time, in the heart of Northern Utah, there existed a sanctuary—a place where the wild met compassion, and the injured found solace. This haven was none other than the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Northern Utah (WRCNU).

The center stood nestled among towering pines, its walls echoing with the rustle of feathers and the soft cries of orphaned beavers. For years, it had been a refuge for creatures great and small—a place where broken wings were mended, and fragile lives were given a second chance.

But fate had other plans. A sudden eviction notice arrived, like a storm cloud on a sunny day. The WRCNU was forced to close its doors, leaving behind empty cages and aching hearts. Volunteers wept, their hands yearning to heal injured songbirds and frightened babies.

Yet, resilience flowed through the veins of this remarkable place. The volunteers rallied, their determination unwavering. They packed up nests, incubators, and medical supplies, whispering promises to the creatures they couldn't save—promises that echoed like wind through the aspen leaves.

And then, hope arrived ... a new location—a very old house that desperately needed loving care from the staff and volunteers. The same care and compassion once given to the animals beckoned. The WRCNU spread its wings once more, ready to soar. Volunteers repaired and painted walls, installed cabinets, new flooring and planted shrubs. The old house would not be able to provide the space needed to care for all the species or the sheer numbers as the previous facility allowed, but it would allow all the staff and volunteers to at least care and give a second chance to some of our wild friends.

As the days turned into weeks and weeks to months, the old house transformed. Songbirds flitted about in the sunlight, singing beautiful songs of stories of resilience. Hawks circled overhead, eyes sharp, as if guarding this sacred ground. And the volunteers? They worked tirelessly, fueled by love and purpose.

The WRCNU had risen from the crushed rubble of the center they had loved so dearly, stronger and more determined than ever. Volunteers and staff have vowed to protect the wild spaces, to educate the community, and to try and heal every wounded soul that crossed their threshold. They have also vowed to open again as soon as possible to be there for the amazing community and get back to the things WRCNU is passionate about.

And so, dear readers, remember this: In the heart of Northern Utah, where the mountains kiss the sky, there exists a place—a sanctuary—where broken wings find solace, and where hope takes flight. It is the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Northern Utah, where every life matters, and where the wings of resilience carry us all.

WRCNU Photo

DaLyn Marthaler, Executive Director

WRCNU Co-founder and Wildlife Specialist

Please continue to support this incredible organization and help WRCNU fly again!

Thanks to YOU, 2023 turned out to be a great year "Financially"

Our latest Financial Audit and our last three IRS 990 Tax Returns are always available on-line for your inspection.

Go to our website's "ABOUT US" page under "Documents".

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It's Been a Long Year Preparing the "Temp Facility"...

... Just to Move In.

When we last communicated with you, we were deep into the remodeling of a 99 year old facility, a house that was not meant for animal rehabilitation. We have come a long way and the work continues to get us to the point of re-opening our doors to sick, injured and orphaned wildlife.

The photos <u>below</u> are only a small hint of the mess we started with, but compare those to the photos <u>on the following page</u> to see the results of our labor.





We've Come A Long Way Baby!







1) The Leaky Stinky Shack (pre 2009); 2) 2009-2010 The "Gift" of the old Brookside Animal Hospital; 3) The "Education Agreement" with Ogden City, Nov 2010 - Apr 2024 for the perfect use of its animal facility

Our "Temp Facility"





Currently, WRCNU is housed on the only property they could reasonably find, just to stay alive. This property is 1/3rd of an acre with two "conjoined" buildings ... a century old home and a 60-something commercial building. Soon we will be ready to open our doors once again!

Our "Forever Property"!!!



On June 18th 2024, thanks to YOU (our AMAZING supporters), WRCNU was able to pay cash (no loan this time) for a 2.89 acre piece of undeveloped property for our FOREVER HOME in Harrisville! Our final goal of our permanent home is now underway. Plans for our final facility can now begin!



Thank you to our

2023 MONTHLY

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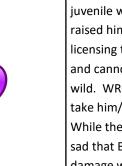


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SHOUT OUT to Our Many Partners!

In any year, it takes a village. Whether that is our community of supporters or the many partners who work with us every year, we can't do any of this without everyone's' help.

This last year and a half has been like no other and we need to thank those who have stepped up and taken on the patient load we could not:

- Great Basin Wildlife
- Second Chance Wildlife
- Wildlife Ctr of Salt Lake
- Hogle Zoo (beaver placement) THANK YOU!

Pictured above is "Bling" an American Crow juvenile who was taken in by individuals that raised him without the proper knowledge or licensing to do so. Bling is now a <u>human imprint</u> and cannot be legally released back into the wild. WRCNU is working with the Bronx Zoo to take him/her on as an education ambassador. While the Bronx is a GREAT home, it is still very sad that Bling was not brought to us before the damage was done. Doing so would have allowed "him" to be wild and free.

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There are many ways to support Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Northern Utah and all are greatly appreciated.

- Monthly Sustainers: The "WRCNU Sustainer Team" continues to grow—WELCOME to our new members!. These members
 understand that they really don't miss the automatic monthly donations coming out of their credit/debit cards OR from their
 checking/savings account through their monthly "Bill Pay". Visit our Donate tab's "<u>Become a Sustainer</u>" page for more information
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- 2) Donate your old vehicles (cars/trucks/scooters/motorcycles/boats/RVs/etc.) through our partner CARS nonprofit. No cost to you, CARS schedules and does all the "heavy lifting" and provides a Tax Deductible receipt for your donation and sends WRCNU a nice check. See our link to the CARS donation form on our website's "Donate" tab (scroll towards the bottom of the page).
- 3) **Employer Matching**—many Businesses will double your gifts by matching your donations; Ask your employer if they have a Matching Gift Program. If WRCNU does not already have a program with your employer, it's still pretty easy. They will contact us by email and we will gladly enroll for the opportunity to double your gifts.
- 4) Mailed Donations: Checks should be mailed to our *mail only address* at **3127 N Pelican Dr., Farr West, UT 84404**
- 5) In-Kind Donations: Go to our Website's donate page at wrcnu.org/donate, scroll down to our Amazon Wishlist link
- 6) Facebook Fundraisers: If you have a Facebook (FB) account, why not start a small celebratory fundraiser for a <u>birthday</u>, <u>anniversary</u>, or "Just Because"? Go to our FB page and click on the "Fundraisers" tab, then click on the "Create a Fundraiser" button. Whether you earn \$5 or \$500, every dollar adds up and is just another way to support WRCNU without spending a dime of your own.
- 7) **Combined Federal Campaign (CFC):** Our **CFC Charity Code is 74219** We cherish our federal workers (Military & Civilian). Ask your CFC Rep. how to donate through Payroll deduction now that the campaign is about to begin for the 2025 season.
- 8) Venmo: 9) PayPal:



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Single Mom Steps Up to the Task



A big part of our Education Message encompasses "prevention".

Every year we post about inspecting and closing or covering up openings that are invitations to animals to make your home theirs. We also talk about WHEN to prune trees and shrubs to prevent injuring, killing, and making orphans out of healthy animals.

Sadly this year was no different than any other. This adult female Western Screech

Owl (far left in photo) came in with her 4 babies after their tree home was cut down. One baby was lost due injuries from the fall, but Mom was allowed to continue her care and feeding of her other three at WRCNU with minimal human intervention. Soon we received calls from other rehabbers about single babies they had received, and so we took two more in, and Mom accepted them with "Open Wings"!

All six (mom and her 5 babies) were released in Mom's old territory and hopefully Dad was still there to help Mom teach their LARGER family how to be self-sufficient in the wild.

> over the world. Today she is on display in a large roomy enclosure at the Bronx Zoo in NY where her beauty will be enjoyed by visitors from all releasable.

This beautiful temps all Eagle spent a lot of time on the



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