



Injured and orphaned wild animals require specialized treatment by trained and licensed rehabilitators but here is how you can help.

If you see an animal that you think needs help, take a moment to carefully observe the situation and keep the following in mind:

1. Are there any obvious signs of injury? Is the animal bleeding, shivering or are there signs of broken or dislocated limbs?
2. Has the animal been attacked by a cat, dog, or another animal?
3. If it is a young animal, is there a nest in the area that is either intact or has been disturbed? Remember that even though a young animal is alone, often a parent is close by or will return shortly.

If you suspect an animal is injured, orphaned, or sick, please resist the temptation to feed it. Wild animals require very specific diets and feeding improper foods can actually cause harm.

In a wildlife emergency please make your first action step a positive one for the wild animal and call the Wildlife In Need Center or visit our website for helpful information.



## REHABILITATE

Through its dedicated staff, members, and volunteers, WINC provides care for the injured, sick and orphaned wildlife in Wisconsin.

## SOME IMPORTANT ANNUAL NUMBERS TO REMEMBER



✿ **\$250** is the average cost of medication, food, shelter and trained staff exceeding \$250 per wildlife patient, your support is vital to ensuring that we can continue to provide care for all “wildlife in need.” However, a patient with critical injuries or extensive rehabilitation can exceed \$2,500.

✿ **\$675** is spent on Raccoon vaccines (distemper & parvovirus).

↓ **\$720** is spent on lead testing for 100 patients. We test raptors, waterfowl and opossums.

♥ **\$800** provides anti-inflammatory medication which is administered to nearly every patient.

✿ **\$1,100** is the monthly electric bill for our 7,000 square foot facility. In addition to heating and cooling, we utilize various energy-intensive equipment such as incubators, heating pads, UV lights, and heaters. We also handle a significant amount of laundry.

✿ **\$2,000** provides species specific mammal formulas for orphan cottontails, squirrels, opossums, and raccoons.

↓ **\$8,000** is spent providing proper nutrition for songbirds and herptile patients that eat lots of mealworms, waxworms and other insects.

♥ **\$10,500** provides ambassadors and raptor patients their essential diet of frozen rodents, chick and quail.

## BECOME A MEMBER TODAY

Our members provide the ongoing support to help us care for over **3,000** animals answer over **10,000** phone calls, and perform over **130** educational programs each year!

When you donate just **\$35** or more to the Wildlife In Need Center, you can become our partner in our efforts to help our wild neighbors and educate the public now and into the future.



## EDUCATE

We provide education programs to a variety of age groups to help build positive relationships between humans and native Wisconsin wildlife.



## DONATE

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that does not receive federal, state or county funding. Our success depends on your generosity.

Great Blue Heron released after successful rehabilitation!



## WHAT ELSE CAN I DO TO HELP?

- We always have a need for volunteers to help with everything from animal care and grounds maintenance to events. And there is always room for those willing to assist with office duties. Download a registration form from our website and send it in or email [volunteer@helpingwildlife.org](mailto:volunteer@helpingwildlife.org).
- Check our website often for upcoming events and other fundraising opportunities. By participating you can help the center raise the funds it needs to care for our wildlife patients.
- Donate new or used items from our wish list, or host a drive to collect items from friends and family. Pick up a list in our office or download one from our website.
- Obey the laws that protect wildlife and encourage others to do the same.
- Tell your friends about the Wildlife In Need Center and encourage their involvement in this important work.
- Consider remembering WINC in your estate plans.

## WINC'S MISSION

*To provide wildlife rehabilitation to Wisconsin wildlife with the intent to release back to the native habitat, conduct research designed to further the positive impact of rehabilitation, and provide quality community education programs and services.*

## DONATE TODAY

The Wildlife in Need Center is a 501(c)(3) organization that receives no federal, state or county funding. WINC operates 365 days a year on the generous support of its members, cash donations, grants, bequests and foundations.

To support WINC's mission, please donate by visiting [helpingwildlife.networkforgood.com/projects/162715-membership](https://helpingwildlife.networkforgood.com/projects/162715-membership) or scan the QR code below.



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