

## Help open a facility to care for injured and orphaned wildlife!

**Appalachian Wild** was formed in response to the increasing number of wildlife requiring assistance and the need for more trained people and resources to help them in Western North Carolina. The wildlife rehabilitation community is struggling to care for the large number of wild animals in crisis each year.

As of November 30, 2016, the WNC Nature Center no longer accepts injured and orphaned wildlife. **Fortunately, a site has been found for Appalachian Wild to open a triage facility to give these wild animals a place to go for care!**

### But help is needed to get the doors open!

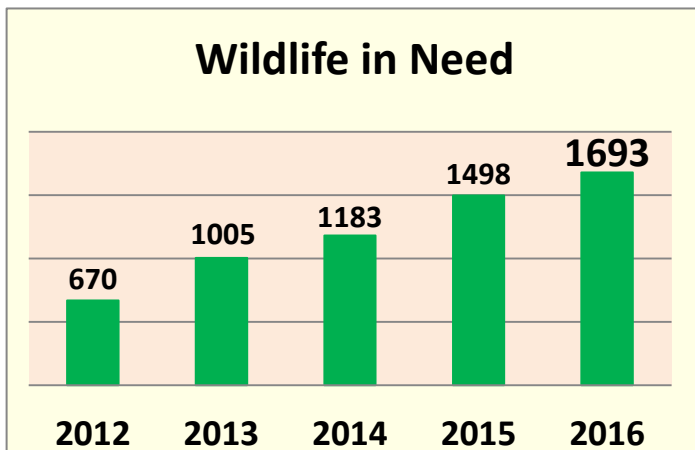
The property that will be leased comes with a modular building that has been donated to Appalachian Wild. In order to prepare the building for the triage hub, we are seeking in-kind support through donated materials, supplies and skilled volunteer help.



## Triage Facility is Urgently Needed

The number of injured and orphaned wildlife reported by rehabilitators is increasing significantly every year.

**With baby season started, it is critical a triage facility is opened ASAP!**



*“As a home based rehabilitator, it is becoming harder to continue to provide the special care some of these animals require due to the increasing numbers that are coming in. During baby season I have taken in as much as 30 animals in one day. The triage center will give the home based rehabbers some much needed help and relief! There are just not enough of us!” – Janice Burluson*

### Examples of injured and orphaned wildlife:

- Carolina Wren caught in sticky trap
- Eastern Box Turtle hit by a lawnmower
- Red-Tailed Hawk hit by a speeding car
- Orphaned River Otter lost without its family
- Mallard Duckling swallowed fishing hook and line
- Juvenile Gray Squirrel thrown from nest in storm



**Rescue ♦ Rehab ♦ Release ♦ Relate**

## Wild Plans and Visions

Appalachian Wild has a solid base established with dedicated volunteers, a strong Board of Directors and Advisory Council. The first two phases of the Strategic Plan are complete and a strong core of investors are engaged as we work to raise the remaining funds to open the facility and support it well into the future.

✓ **Phase I - First Steps:** *Completed December 31, 2014*

Mission defined, Board of Directors and Advisory Council formed; Business Plan and Strategic Roadmap created; Development and Marketing Plan initiated and brand established; exceeded fundraising goal for start-up cost.

✓ **Phase II - Establishing Roots:** *Completed October 2016*

Obtained 501c3 status; website, Facebook, Enews created; volunteers recruited; site found for triage facility; ***raised over \$40,000!***

❖ **Phase III - Open Doors / Triage Hub:**

- Raise funds and donations of in-kind materials / supplies (see [wishlist](#))**
- Repair donated modular building with skilled volunteer help
- Train volunteer core for Rescue, Rehab and managing the Wildlife Hotline
- Define capital campaign needs for land and permanent facility

❖ **Phase IV: Appalachian Wild Rehab Center:** *Future*

Identify and secure 10+ acres of land; build full service wildlife rehabilitation facility; define and initiate research work; launch education programming.



## SAVE A WILD LIFE

Your help is urgently needed to get the doors open! Please make a donation, sign up to volunteer and spread the word. It's your generosity and caring that makes the mission and work to save wildlife possible.



### *Donate*

Securely [online](#) or by check to P.O. Box 1211, Skyland, NC 28776

### *Volunteer*

Email [volunteer@appalachianwild.org](mailto:volunteer@appalachianwild.org)

### *Share it Forward*

Spread the word!

## Thank you from the wild ones!

**Appalachian Wildlife Refuge** is a 501c3 nonprofit that coordinates the needs of wildlife rehabilitation in Western North Carolina providing care for injured and orphaned wildlife, support for the wildlife rehabilitation network and conservation education to the community. Appalachian Wild is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, Federal Tax Id #47-2214085. Donations are tax deductible.

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