

GREENWOOD
WILDLIFE
REHABILITATION
CENTER





ANNUAL REPORT for 2021













Greenwood's mission is to rehabilitate orphaned, injured, and sick wildlife for release into appropriate habitats. Greenwood also strives to educate the public, emphasizing humane solutions to human/wildlife interactions.

# **History of Greenwood**

Founded in 1982, Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center was initially a small, one-room offshoot of the Humane Society of Boulder Valley (HSBV). One year later, the family and friends of Natalie Gneiser — a young woman who was killed while trying to rescue an injured dog on the highway — donated memorial funds to this cause, allowing the Center to expand to help more patients.

During the next 14 years, the number of animals brought to the Center for care increased by 20–30% each year. Meanwhile, as Boulder grew, ensuring a quiet and secure environment for wild animals to recover became increasingly difficult.

In March 1993, the Center incorporated due to its continuous growth and was named Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Sanctuary (officially renamed "Center" in 2008). "Greenwood" was the name of the Center's first rehabilitated raccoon, which had been burned in a chimney fire. At the time of incorporation, Greenwood was operating out of a veterinarian's office in north Longmont.



In 1997, Greenwood secured a lease from Boulder County for a property on Highway 66 between Longmont and Lyons. For the next 10 years, it operated out of two modular units on this site. Caging was built for raccoons, songbirds, squirrels, rabbits, coyotes, and foxes. In 2007, the Center received a contribution to purchase the previously leased property plus an additional 1.5 acres. Another large contribution provided funds to help build a new, state-of-the-art facility, with donations coming from many other supporters. Greenwood moved into this building in early 2009.

Fundraising efforts and the annual budget continued to increase with the addition of a Thrift Shop in 2004 and an annual major event, Wild Night for Wildlife, in 2009. In 2012, Greenwood relocated the Thrift Shop and expanded its retail efforts to include a Consignment Gallery, the only nonprofit store of its kind in Boulder County.

The Greenwood team has continued to expand our facility by building a waterfowl enclosure in 2017. We added a new crow aviary and finished renovations to our existing fox enclosure in 2019. These improvements allow us to care for a greater number of orphans.

An essential component of our mission is education and outreach, teaching about the importance of protecting Colorado's natural fauna as well as finding humane solutions to human-wildlife conflicts. Greenwood's community outreach programs have been growing steadily and have readily adapted to the recent push towards online and virtual media.

Since its inception, over 200 different species have been rehabilitated at Greenwood. With only a small year-round staff, the majority of personnel needed to operate the Center includes the volunteers, interns, and seasonal employees who work diligently from March through October, caring at times for more than 500 animals daily. Greenwood currently has 13 rehabilitators licensed by Colorado Parks and Wildlife, and our success rate remains high as we all work together. As the only Center providing care for a wide variety of species from north of Pueblo to the Wyoming border, Greenwood provides leadership to the wildlife rehabilitation community throughout Colorado and the nation. Despite the unprecedented challenges of the global pandemic, we remain steadfast as an essential service providing care and rehabilitation to wildlife in need. We look forward to our 40th year of service to the community in 2022.

Cover, left to right
Belted Kingfisher,
Broad-tailed Hummingbird,
Goldeneye & Mallard,
Yellow-bellied Marmot,
Cedar Waxwing,
Least Flycatcher,
Fox Squirrel



#### From the Board President

## Dear Supporters,

After facing challenges yet again in 2021, Greenwood is now starting our 40th year. We remain committed to the rescue and rehabilitation of our local wildlife. Thanks to the sheer perseverance of our teams and the community's consistent support, we navigated through difficult times in both 2020 and 2021. We had no idea what our financial position would look like and are proud to say that we prevailed.

Over 4,000 orphaned, sick, and injured animals came to us for aid throughout the past year. Despite another year of COVID-19 restrictions, 351 volunteers and interns contributed more than 27,000 hours caring for our animals, raising funds, assisting with outreach, and working in our stores. Of special note, the Education/Outreach group figured out ways to conduct 29 events and reach over 5,000 participants. This effort is critical to maintaining our mission.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, with great gratitude, I once again applaud the dedication and hard work of the staff, volunteers, and donors who make Greenwood Wildlife so impactful and incredible. Each and every year, I am absolutely amazed at this dynamic organization and the people who support it in many different ways.

Though the Center remained open to wildlife, we could not get together in person to celebrate our annual gala and many other events due to COVID. Instead, we found creative approaches for fundraisers and gatherings, canceling some and moving others to virtual platforms. Our community once again answered the call and pitched in for Greenwood and the animals. They also continued to support our Thrift Shop and Consignment Gallery, even when restrictions limited access. These stores help to sustain Greenwood's mission while giving a second life to a fantastic array of goods.

Our team is still plugging away on building our newest structure, a bunny rehabilitation building. Affectionately known as the Bunny Hotel, this facility will provide the quiet, calm environment necessary for rabbits. It will fill the gap for the care of orphaned cottontails caused by the impending closure of the Colorado Wild Rabbit Foundation. We are lucky to partner with this organization to ensure the bunnies who need our assistance are taken care of.

We are excited to celebrate with the community at our annual *Wild Night* event on September 16 at the Boulder Jewish Community Center. Also that night, we will celebrate Linda Tyler, our retiring Executive Director. Linda's contributions through the years have been incredible. She has shepherded Greenwood from a struggling non-profit to a financially stable and well-respected organization. We are in the process of

transitioning Linda's Executive Director role to our very capable Associate Director, Amanda Lau. The Board of Directors truly thanks Linda for all that she has accomplished and hopes that she continues to be a champion for Greenwood Wildlife as Executive Director Emeritus.

We are so very grateful for the commitment our community has provided us over the past two challenging years. The road ahead may not always be easy, but we know that we can count on all of you to support the wildlife that so greatly needs the services of Greenwood.

Sincerely

Kathy Lockhart, Board President

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#### **Unaudited Financial Information**

Sources	of	Sup	port	
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Contributions		515,787	(31%)
Events	\$	159,283	(10%)
Retail Stores	\$	526,036	(32%)
Foundations	\$	154,037	(9%)
Municipal Contracts	\$	77,000	(5%)
PPP Forgivable Loan/Interest/Dividends	\$	204,845	(13%)
Total	\$ ^	1,636,988	
Expenses			
Animal Care, Operations	\$	585,243	(43%)
Community Education, Outreach	\$	113,871	(8%)
Support Services	\$	126,363	(9%)
Fundraising, Retail Stores	\$	395,088	(30%)
Consignor Payouts	\$	135,157	(10%)
Total	\$ 1	1,355,722	
In-Kind	\$	410,970	
Total Net Assets			
(includes fixed assets) 12/31/2021	\$2	2,786,149	





#### Number of Animals Treated

Songbirds	2,159
Waterfowl & Shorebirds	515
Coyotes	1
Foxes	11
Rabbits	420
Raccoons	85
Squirrels	653
Other Mammals	181
Total	4,025
Released	1,338
Transferred to Other Rehabilitators	175
By County	
Boulder	34%
Denver Metro	38%
Larimer	16%
Weld	11%
Other	1%

#### **Percentage of Orphans**

74% (birds 70%; mammals 81%)

# Education/Outreach & Volunteer/Intern, Programs

#### Education/Outreach Program

Total Participants Number of Events	5,018 39
Volunteer/Intern Program	
Total Number of Volunteers & Inte	rns 351
Volunteer Hours	
Animal Care, Operations	9,643
Interns	13,171
Education / Outreach	182
Fundraising	1,215
Board of Directors	681
Thrift / Consignment	1,033
Community Service	204
Other	1,011
Total Volunteer Hours	27,140

# Volunteer/Internship, and Education/Outreach Summary

Unsurprisingly, 2021 was a busy year for Greenwood. Our amazing team managed the care of more than 4,000 wild animals, a record for us. This accomplishment would have been impossible without the help of our wonderful, generous, and supportive volunteers. Altogether, 351 volunteers and interns devoted their time and efforts in every area of Greenwood, donating 27,140 hours — almost 10,000 more than last year. The majority of their time was spent caring for baby mammals, songbirds, and waterfowl/shorebirds from March to October, our busy baby season.

Recruitment for our Internship Program went full speed in 2021 and 82 hard-working interns joined our team. After being trained by our animal care staff, they spent 13,171 valuable hours gaining experience caring for orphaned and injured wildlife. This program exposes interns from all backgrounds to an emerging discipline within the wildlife and environmental conservation fields. They learn about the reality and challenges of our local wild animals, being continuously displaced by the expanding human footprint, as well as how to become good stewards for all the creatures that are an important part of our shared ecosystem.

Greenwood's Education & Outreach Program strives to achieve a similar goal — teaching people how to live with their local wildlife humanely and without conflict. Despite the pandemic and restrictions to in-person educational partners, Greenwood actually bettered the 2020 community engagement by creatively using virtual outreach methods. A total of 5,018 adults and children participated in 2021, mainly in Boulder County and virtually. This was an increase of more than three times the 2020 numbers. Venues included the Nature Kids Lafayette in-school program, volunteer and career fairs, environment-related events, and more. Moving forward, our Education Department continues to focus on creating a virtual curriculum to reach more people. In addition, our Animal Care Liaisons field thousands of calls per year, sometimes up to 100 each day, helping the public with human-wildlife issues.





# Thrift Shop and Consignment Gallery

Despite the continuing pandemic, 2021 proved that we could keep our stores open and increase sales throughout the year. We began opening two days each week and, in June, expanded to four days. Our volunteers have been loyal and helped us keep our stores stocked full as we weathered the reduced workforce. With many recent closings of local thrift and consignment stores, we feel fortunate to still be here to help the community and the wildlife at Greenwood.

It has been a balancing act to keep our staff, volunteers, and customers safe and keep our doors open. Yet we feel hopeful that the best is yet to come. Customers are lined up when we open, and donors and consignors come to us with fantastic inventory for thrift and high-end items to consign. We hope to open on Sundays starting in March, allowing everyone an extra day to shop our wonderful wares.

Many of our community members champion reuse. They report that donating reusable goods that also help support Greenwood's wildlife and education programs is the perfect combination. The supply chain debacle has driven many people who have never visited our stores to search thrift and consignment for items that cannot be found online or might take months for delivery. We are hopeful our community will continue this practice of recycling and reusing products to help the animals at Greenwood.

Come visit our stores to donate and shop. We always appreciate your support!

# Reuse+Recycle= Rehab for Wildlife!

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