

Check us out on the web!

Visit our website (www.scwc.org) to learn more about us, our patients and any upcoming events.

Did you know that SCWC has its own online journal? Since November 2007, two of our staff members have been cataloging their adventures as Clinic Supervisors. Simply go to www.ZandAvisitor.com and click on the link for "Wildlife Rehabilitation Through the Eyes of Two Young Rehabbers."

Want to become a member of SCWC?

By becoming a member of our organization, you will receive our quarterly newsletter and notices for upcoming events.

Membership Sign-Up

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| () Grey Squirrel
(Individual) | \$25 |
| () American Crow
(Family) | \$35 |
| () Big Brown Bat
(Contributing) | \$36 - \$249 |
| () Black Rat Snake
(Donor) | \$250 - \$499 |
| () Box Turtle
(Sponsor) | \$500 - \$999 |
| () Red-tailed Hawk
(Benefactor) | \$1000 + |

Name: _____

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Please make checks payable to:
Second Chance Wildlife Center

Thank you so much for your support!

Rescuing an animal in distress



Most of the wild patients at SCWC have been adversely affected by human activities. They have either been hit by a car, poisoned, entangled in fishing line or garden netting, attacked by pets or their habitat has been destroyed by development. Many are hurt or trapped carelessly.

Sick, injured and orphaned wild animals require immediate professional attention. Please call SCWC for specific help with an injured or orphaned wild animal.

If you are in the neighborhood, please drop by the Center and pick up some of our information packets and brochures for how you can help your local wildlife.

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Working with DNR



The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) would like to know what YOU think of our services and our commitment to helping people and wildlife live in harmony. Please email the Permits Coordinator at:

mgoldie@dnr.state.md.us

We would also love to hear from you! Please CC our Executive Director, Chris Montuori, at: wildchris@mindspring.com



*Where we rehabilitate sick,
injured, & orphaned wildlife
for release back into the wild.*





The Center

Second Chance Wildlife Center (SCWC) is housed in a historic farmhouse that is surrounded by fields, woods,

a marsh and a stream. Several spacious flight cages, small mammal enclosures, waterfowl pens and raccoon quarters are located on the adjacent lawns. Many recently released animals share the grounds with the permanent wild residents before moving on to establish their own niches in the surrounding fields and woods. Others are released at special sites such as nature centers and animal sanctuaries that are protected for wildlife.

Our Mission Statement: To facilitate the conservation of wildlife through rehabilitation, education, and referrals.

We hope to accomplish this by:

Providing care and treatment to sick, injured and orphaned wildlife and returning them to the wild.

- o Each year, concerned citizens bring thousands of native wild animals to SCWC for attentive care and rearing, medical treatment and release back into the wild.
- o Christine Montuori, a licensed Master Wildlife Rehabilitator since 1986, oversees the treatment, housing and feeding of the wild patients. The staff also includes four other licensed Master Rehabilitators.
- o Our volunteer veterinarian performs surgical procedures on site as needed.
- o The staff thoroughly tests and re-evaluates the animals before they are released to ensure that they have the skills they need to survive in the wild.



Educating the public about the importance of wildlife and helping them live in harmony with their wild neighbors.

- o Knowledge of wild animals, their needs and habitats, is key to appreciating and living compatibly with them.
- o SCWC works with the public, individually and in groups, to show the benefits of our native wild neighbors and to help avoid future conflicts.
- o SCWC meets with numerous schools, scouts and other children's groups. Our staff frequently takes extra time to talk to young visitors about the importance of respecting wildlife.

Functioning as a wildlife referral and information resource for local residents, school, community and business groups, and for other rehabilitators.

- o As a relatively new science, wildlife rehabilitation is a rapidly growing field. Innovations and advancements in care and treatment are constantly being made. The staff and volunteers of SCWC stay abreast with new trends and developments by attending conferences and training seminars, networking with other rehabilitators and memberships in state, national, and international wildlife rehabilitation organizations.
- o Many of the dozens of telephone calls received at SCWC each day are simply requests for information about wildlife. In addition to private citizens, many calls are from organizations and businesses, such as environmental groups, animal control agencies, police officers, citizen associations and many others.



Want to help?

Much of the work at SCWC is done by volunteers who spend hundreds of hours caring for animals, building cages, maintaining the center, meeting with the public and holding off-site talks about the Center. Volunteering at SCWC affords one the opportunity to interact with animals and the public and to learn about the expanding and exciting field of wildlife rehabilitation.

If you are interested in volunteering, please do not hesitate to give the Center a call any day of the week, or check out our website for updates. SCWC always looks forward to working with new people who can spread the word about living well with wildlife.

SCWC is supported entirely through the generosity of the public. As a 501(c)(3) charity, all donations are tax deductible. Monetary contributions cover the many expenses incurred in rehabilitation. Gifts of animal foods, supplies and building materials are regularly received and appreciated. Donors can be assured that their gifts are used wisely and directly benefit the animals.

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Open every day 9 am to 5 pm

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