

WildLife Rescue & Rehabilitation



2024 Annual Report



From the Founder



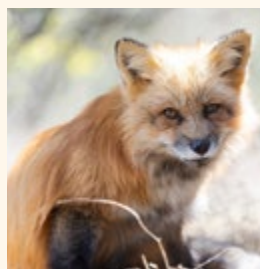
Dear Members,

Though 2024 may not have been remarkable for unusual events, every year at Wildlife Rescue is significant: we spend every day rescuing animals from dangerous situations, providing for those who are lifetime residents at our Sanctuary, offering medical and other care as needed, and carrying out the necessary administrative duties to keep this complex and always challenging organization humming.

We are proud of the fact that in the midst of carrying out the countless day-to-day activities we also made great strides in improving the lives of many animals who have nowhere but WRR to turn to. While not a year of drama, 2024 was one of building and refurbishing facilities to better meet those animals' needs.

- **Whitetail fawns need special** housing as they are so high strung. Though we have long had our privacy-fenced enclosure for them, the small shelters within that area had fallen into disrepair. This year we replaced them with a larger "fawn barn" that gives the young **fawns** the perfect area to gather and have cover from inclement weather.

- **Over three years ago, we built** a wonderful new flight aviary for nonnative birds, but we were unable to make full use of it as we



Cover image: Lemurs in field at WRR. This page: Lynn Cuny, Founder of WRR; parrot, bobcat, coyote pup, and red fox.

lacked funds to build a warm house necessary for the colder days of winter. Happily, this was the year when funds were available, and construction was completed on a spacious warm house outfitted with multiple windows letting in invigorating sunlight and dozens of solid oak branches that the flock of rescued **sun conures** and **quaker parrots** use for perching. With this important project completed, over fifteen birds now have a spacious flight aviary with large and comfortable winter quarters.

- **Because WRR rescues so many** young **bobcats**, **coyotes**, and **foxes**, it was imperative that we build another specialized housing area for these predators. Helping these species maintain their wild nature, never letting them become habituated to humans, is critical to their survival after release. This special predator housing affords them a quiet, private area where only the absolutely necessary interaction with caretakers occurs.

- **Back in 2000, as we worked hard** to build the enclosures needed on our newly acquired land near Kendalia, one for **bobcats** was among the first erected. Covering one and a quarter acres, it has served the many bobcats who sadly could not be released. Now we have

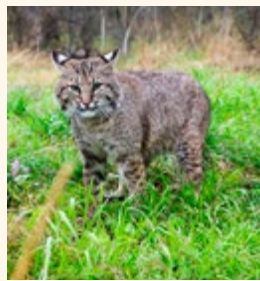
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given them an area twice this size. As we mourned the passing of the last wolf in our care, it was clear that their former 3-acre area could provide an excellent place for the bobcats to reside. With work done to make the necessary modifications, the acreage is now home to the non-releasable **bobcats** at WRR. In this densely wooded spot they vanish into the underbrush and, I hope, reclaim some of the sense of freedom taken from them by the commercial trade in native wildlife.

- **The first one-acre capuchin enclosure** we built over 20 years ago has now been expanded to include another large, wooded area and a banked river-rock in-ground pool bringing this primate housing to nearly 2 full acres. Though we have longed to build this for a long time, this year the rescue of 8 **capuchin monkeys**, including one female more than three months pregnant, from a roadside zoo made it an immediate necessity. Funded by two foundations this wonderfully grassy tree-studded area is now occupied by the rescued capuchins...plus one. The baby was born to an older female and will never know the suffering and cruel confinement endured by her mother, father, and aunts.

- **Years ago you read in our newsletter** about the construction of a capuchin retirement complex.



Images from top:
Capuchin mother and
baby in new enclosure
at WRR, bobcat, prairie
dogs, Barbados lamb,
and rescued bull.

As with all nonnative mammal, bird, and reptile housing, heated houses are an absolute necessity during the winter. Earlier this year we were able to fully renovate the older, smaller houses and construct new warm houses for these more fragile elder primates. Now they can sleep in more spacious comfort when the cold winds blow.

- **Since 1989 WRR has been providing sanctuary** to cast-off and cruelly treated **farmed animals**. After we moved to Kendalia we ensured they have all the shelters they need as these wonderful animals enjoy the freedom of roaming the property. But like all shelters these need regular repair and maintenance and this year we provided the farmed animals with new and rebuilt "loafing shelters." These are used year-round for **donkeys, mules, cows, sheep, goats**, and others who call Wildlife Rescue home.

- **Though not particularly glamorous, our Laundry Building** in Kendalia is the hub of constant activity involving all manner of animal bedding. This year we took the plunge and refurbished it with long-awaited improvements creating a better working environment for staff and volunteers as they go about the task of washing, drying, and folding the donated bedding so critical to animals' comfort. We also now have, thanks to a hard-working and generous volunteer, a clothesline for those heavy quilts that dry quickly in the Texas sun.

Now that I look back on it, perhaps the year 2024 was in fact very remarkable for, with the help of WRR donors, we accomplished a great deal to make animals' lives better.

Lynne Curry

From the Executive Director



Dear WRR Members,
Like most non-profits, we at Wildlife Rescue are aware that the world would be a better place if we did not *have* to exist. In our case that would mean a world where animals were not in danger due to

ignorance or fear, exploited for the sake of profit or entertainment, or treated as goods that can be sold or harvested. However, WRR *must* exist. Each day animals are faced with a myriad of horrors, and it takes compassionate people working endlessly to help undo some of the harm that has been done.

In this Annual Report you can see just how much was accomplished at WRR during 2024 **with your help**. Because we are always evaluating and making modifications to operations to ensure we are providing the best care possible, you will see that this year we focused heavily on enlarging and

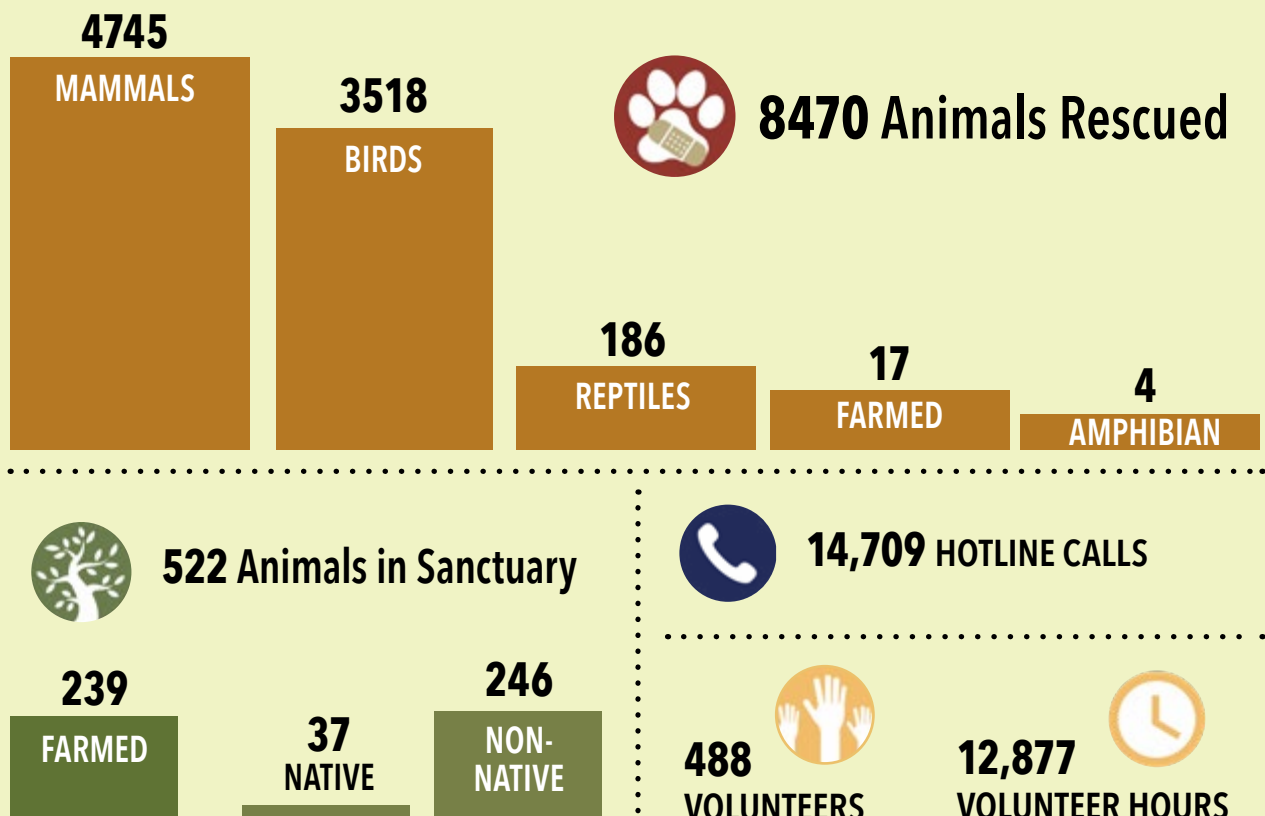
updating existing enclosures and facilities. While animals in our care are still captive, we want to be sure that during their time here they have as much space, enrichment, and choice as possible.

This life-saving work cannot happen without the outpouring of support we receive from hardworking staff members and volunteers, generous donors, compassionate members of the public, and all types of animal welfare advocates. I extend the deepest gratitude to each of you who helped us help animals. Truly, we could not fulfill our mission without you.

All my best, and all my thanks,

Ashton Kuhn
Executive Director,
Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation

2024: The Vital Numbers



Statement of Financial Activities (2024 Audited)

INCOME

 SUPPORT	Contributions	\$2,599,479
	Bequests*	\$6,734,687
	Grants	\$539,433
	In-Kind Donations	\$157,515
	Special Events (net)	\$32,593
	Total	\$10,063,707

*Most bequest support went into Endowment with smaller portions allocated to facility needs and programs.

 REVENUE	Investment Earnings (net)	\$576,077
	Rental Income & Misc	\$23,221
	Total	\$599,298
	TOTAL INCOME	\$10,663,005

EXPENSES

	Programs/Animal Care	\$3,734,655 (84%)
	Administrative	\$455,942 (10%)
	Fundraising:	\$273,500 (6%)
	TOTAL	\$4,464,097
	CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$6,198,908

ASSETS

	Cash:	\$964,542
	Endowment:	\$13,424,210
	Prepaid Expense	\$82,150
	Fixed Assets:	\$6,940,091
	Total:	\$21,410,993

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

	Current Liabilities:	\$340,864
	Net Assets:	\$21,070,129
	Total:	\$21,410,993

Foundation and Organization Partners

American Anti-Vivisection Society (AAVS)
Born Free USA
Carol Tyrell Kyle Foundation
Circle Bar Foundation
Dixie Starnes Wenger Foundation
EarthShare of Texas
HEB - Environmental Affairs
James A. "Buddy" Davidson
Charitable Foundation
Kronkosky Charitable Foundation
Leslie L. Alexander Foundation
Mary M. Diggs Foundation
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Community Partners

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Bird Dog & Cat Fish Pet Store
Chewy.com
Costco
Freetail Brewing
Shades of Green
HEB
River City Strength
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Vintage and Historic Flying Helmets
Virtual Gaming Worlds
Whole Earth Provisions
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Native rehabilitation enclosures at WRR Sanctuary.

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OUR MISSION

To rescue, rehabilitate,
and release native wildlife
and to provide sanctuary,
individualized care, and a voice
for other animals in need.