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# 2021 Annual Report





## **Our Mission**

The Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society is dedicated to providing professional veterinary treatment of injured and orphaned wildlife, valuable outreach and education services to the community and engaging all volunteers in motivational work and skill building experience.

## **Our Patients**

Calgary Wildlife's patient base consists mainly of urban wildlife. With over 400 species of wild animals living within the City of Calgary, there is a great variety of patients that we see on a day-to-day basis. As city limits expand, human activity increasingly encroaches upon wildlife habitats. We now share our communities with wildlife and encounter them around our homes, backyards, and parks. Most of the wildlife received at Calgary Wildlife have been injured or orphaned as a result of contact with humans or human activity. We give these injured or orphaned wild animals a second chance at a life in the wild.

**2021 was another exciting year** of change for Calgary Wildlife. Our previous Executive Director Breana Jones left to pursue other career opportunities and we were excited to have Beki Hunt take on the position.

Beki held a seat on the board of directors before stepping down to fill the Executive Director role. Beki comes to us with a wealth of experience and a diverse career that includes cofounding Taiwan's first Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We also have a brand-new board of directors with board members from many different industries helping to lead the society forward.

Although 2021 was another difficult year because of COVID-19, we were fortunate to qualify for emergency funding from the City of Calgary which enabled us to continue our operations. We were forced to halt most of our in-person education programs during COVID which was a large source of revenue for the organization. We are looking forward to being able to start up new and old education programs in 2022.

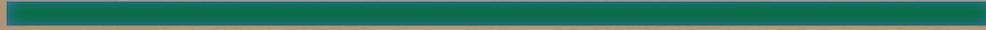


# OUR IMPACT

2700+ Patients Through Our Doors.

10,000+ Hotline Calls.

Songbirds 33%



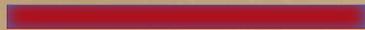
Mammals 22%



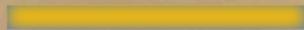
Corvids 18%



Waterfowl 12%



Doves and Pigeons 10%



Birds Of Prey 4%



Shorebirds, Ground birds,  
Gulls, Other 2%



# Patient Successes



## Scarlet Tanager

The Scarlet Tanager is a songbird between the size of a chickadee and a robin, that breeds in Eastern Canada, and migrates through Eastern America to South America in the winter. It is extremely rare to see a Scarlet Tanager in Alberta, but we were lucky enough to have had one brought to us after a window strike in June. This beautiful bird was kept in our care for three days to ensure it recovered from the trauma of the strike and fueled up with mealworms before being successfully released back to the wild in the same area it was found. Unfortunately, window strikes are common in urban settings, and can be fatal. Specially designed window tape to prevent birds from flying into windows is one way members of the public can help keep our feathered friends safe while navigating cities.

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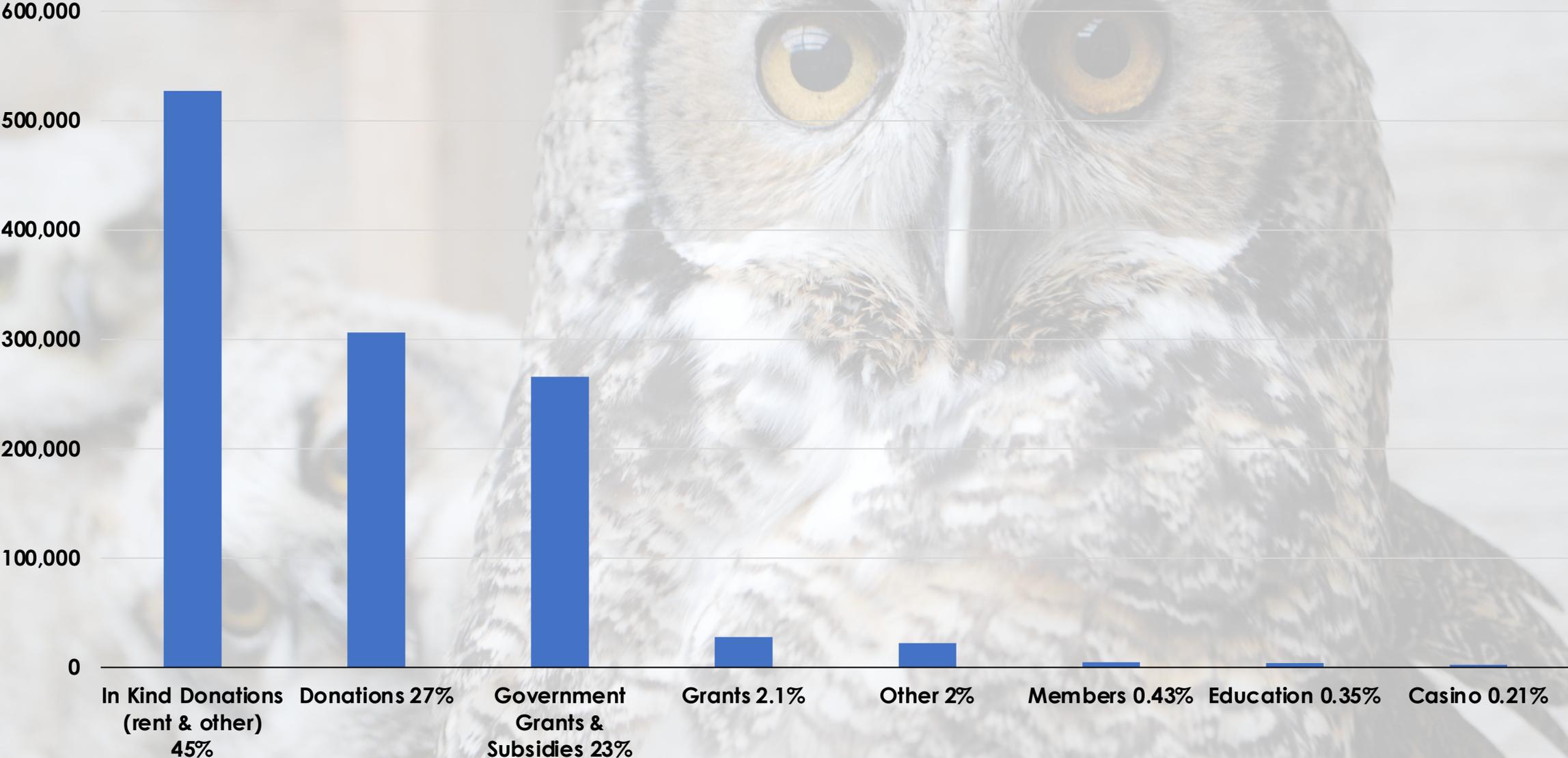


## Long Eared Owl

The Long Eared Owl is common in Calgary, but because they are mainly nocturnal and extremely secretive, it's rare to see them often. They are skilled hunters, and locate their prey by sight or sound, and can hunt in complete darkness.

Another victim of a window strike, this Long Eared Owl was brought to us in October and stayed in our care for four days while we assessed his cognitive and flight abilities. He was released after four days into the area he was found, which is crucial in wildlife rehab as the animal will be familiar with the area, will know where food sources are, and will hopefully be reintegrated with their family group or mate.

# Revenue \$1,160,107



# Expenses \$1,076,664

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**Rent (In Kind)**  
46%

**Animal Care**  
38%

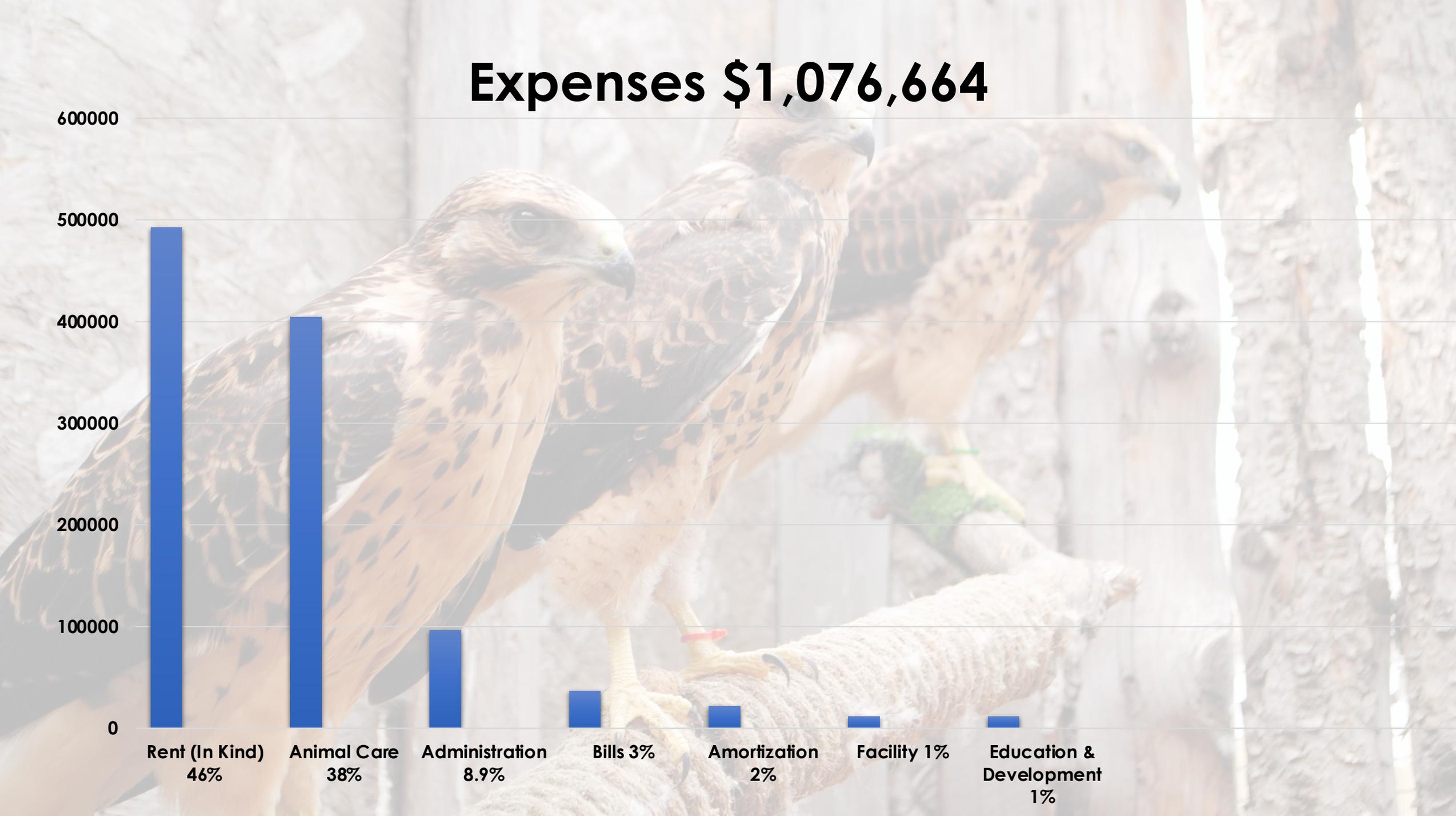
**Administration**  
8.9%

**Bills** 3%

**Amortization**  
2%

**Facility** 1%

**Education &  
Development**  
1%



# Thank Yous

The Calgary Foundation  
The City of Calgary  
The Estate of William D Tidball  
The HOP Foundation  
The Nickle Family Foundation  
The United Nations Association

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Thank you to all our fantastic  
Volunteers  
Members  
Donors  
and hard-working staff!

