



**CALGARY
WILDLIFE**

Annual Report

2018



Expert Compassionate Care

CALGARY WILDLIFE

2018 marked our 25th year! Over the last 25 years we have treated and housed over 50,000 patients, answered over 10,000 calls on our wildlife hotline and provided over 5,000 educational programs in community settings. We are proud of this legacy and looking forward to the next 25 years.

To celebrate a quarter of a century of compassionate care, we refreshed our brand, an invigorating process that included conversations with our stakeholders and some lively discussion among staff members, board members, and volunteers. It was a great exercise in really getting to the core of what we do and why we do it!

We believe that all life has value and is deserving of compassion and this leads us to strive for excellence in care for our wild patients and in service to the citizens that come to us for help and information. Our new logo is a bird in flight, an apt symbol not only because 75% of our patients are birds, but also because it symbolizes the ultimate realization of our mandate --release back into the wild. Designed by talented artist (and staff member!), Kristina Van Westenbrugge,

our bird in flight is recognizable as a Black-billed magpie, a resilient Calgary native that is sure to get people talking. In addition to receiving many of these patients in our clinic every year, we also appreciate how magpies thrive in urban settings, rely on teamwork, and exemplify lively, personable character traits, just like Calgary Wildlife staff and volunteers.

This is just the symbol we need to move us into our next quarter century, an exemplification of adaptability, persistence, cheerful countenance, and some good old fashioned Calgary grit in the face of inevitable change. Here's to the next 25!

Andrea Hunt
Executive Director

Melanie Whalen
Director of Animal Care



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MISSION

The Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society (Calgary Wildlife) 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.

QUALITY OF LIFE

Contribute to the quality of life for wild animals and citizens

BEST CARE

Engage in best care for wildlife patients and citizen services

SUSTAINABLE RELATIONSHIPS

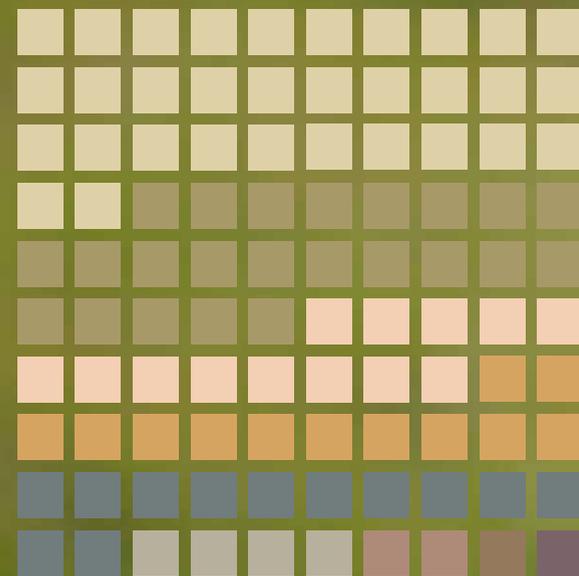
Foster sustainable relationships within the community and between wildlife and humans

IMPACT

2,173
PATIENTS SEEN
IN HOSPITAL

173
EDUCATION
PROGRAMS

763
PATIENTS
RELEASED



- Songbirds
- Mammals
- Waterfowl
- Corvids
- Pigeons/Doves
- Raptors
- Ground Birds
- Shore Birds/Gulls
- Reptiles/Amphibians





GREAT HORNED OWLETS

In April we received a call from a concrete factory that was about to start its operations for the spring and summer. They had discovered that two great horned owls were nesting in the factory on a conveyor belt. They phoned us and it was determined that they would wait until the eggs hatched and then we would come retrieve the babies so that the factory could resume normal operations. These lovely nestlings came into care at just a day or two old, the youngest Great Horned Owls we have ever received!

While we always worry about animals becoming too used to humans and losing their wildness, we didn't need to fear for these fierce little ones. They were clacking and hissing from early on, normal defensive noises that owls make.

The owlets grew quickly over the next few months moving from their initial weights of 138 & 70 grams respectively to their adult weight of 1.05 kg. They were successfully released in October much to our delight.



GLEN'S BAD DAY

Our patients can't talk for themselves, so we often don't know the story of how they came to sustain the injuries that they do. Occasionally we can piece together most of their story through the nature of their injuries and the circumstances by which they came to us. We always appreciate knowing the stories of our patients, especially when they are as bizarre as Glen's. Glen, a North American Porcupine, came to us after being found on Glenmore Trail having been hit by a car. He was trapped on the road along a noise dampening wall with no shoulder or median. Citizens alerted us

to his plight and he was brought to our hospital shortly after. In examining him, it became clear that he injured himself during mating and we suspect he fell out of the tree while mating only to land on the road before being hit by a car. He presented with road rash, missing quills, damaged claws and some "sensitive" bruising. Ouch! That is definitely a bad day. Glen spent 6 months in care, overwintering in our facility to ensure his quills grew back fully before being released on a warm spring day in March of 2019. We hope he has better luck this year!

FINANCIALS



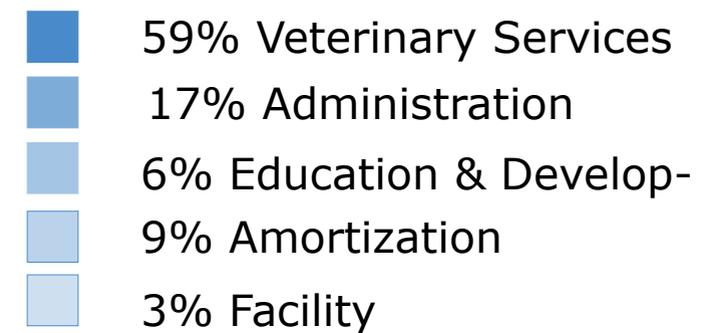
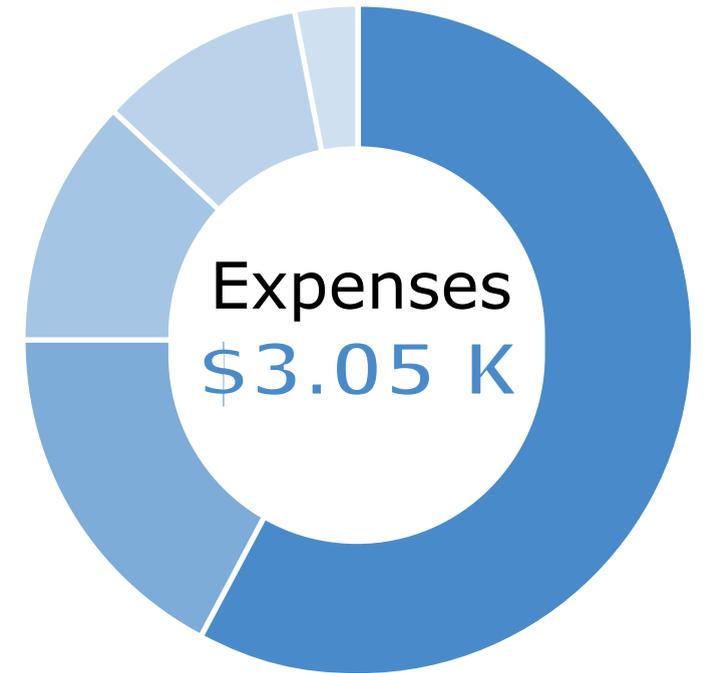
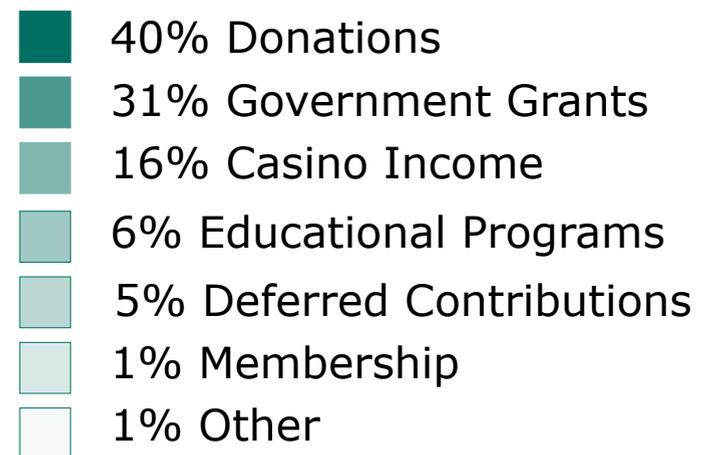
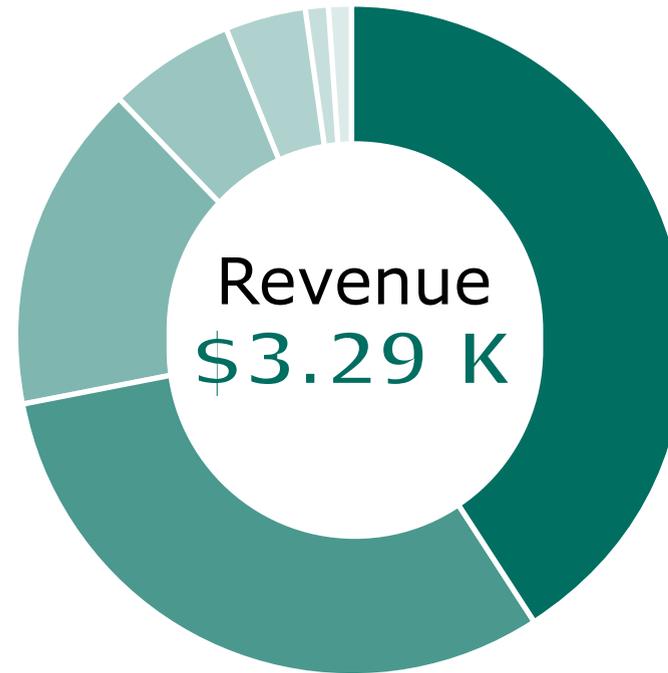
10,118 staff hours
from 18 employees

\$140

per patient



192 donating 3000+ hours annually
Volunteers



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Thank-you to our staff, our board of directors, our volunteers, our members, our funders, and our donors for a great year!

**some employees are seasonal*



HOW TO HELP

VOLUNTEER. We are always in need of volunteers to help us with animal care, animal pick up, fundraising, education and governance.

AADOPT. Adopt one of our patients/permanent residents by contributing to their care.

EDUCATION. Learn about native wildlife and what normal wildlife behaviour looks like. Share your knowledge to help keep our wildlife healthy and safe.

DONATE. Save wild lives with by donating money or wish list items today.

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