

ROCKFISH WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

ANNUAL REPORT | 2020

Thank you, RWS Supporters! It was another great year at Rockfish Wildlife Sanctuary. Below are some of the highlights from this great year which would not have been possible without your help.

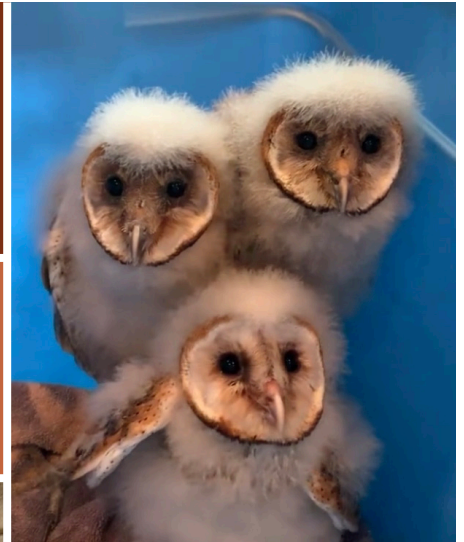


783

animals were rescued by RWS in 2020.

435

animals were released in 2020.



4%

of revenue for RWS was provided by the RWS Resale Shop. Thank you, Candy Goodyear, Nancy Ortiz, and all who donated and shopped.



2,500

people reached by RWS Education & Outreach.



88%

of our revenues went to direct animal care.

52

species-specific enclosures now exist at RWS.

2.20–11.11

the dates on which our busy animal care season started and ended. Being earlier and longer than ever before affected our volunteer and staffing patterns, as we were required to remain fully staffed for a much longer period than in the past.



10 reptiles

(1%) were rescued



433
mammals



ANIMAL
FACTS

783

animals were rescued by
RWS in 2020

340
birds



1%

were pending release in 2021

29%

died from their
injuries or had to
be euthanized

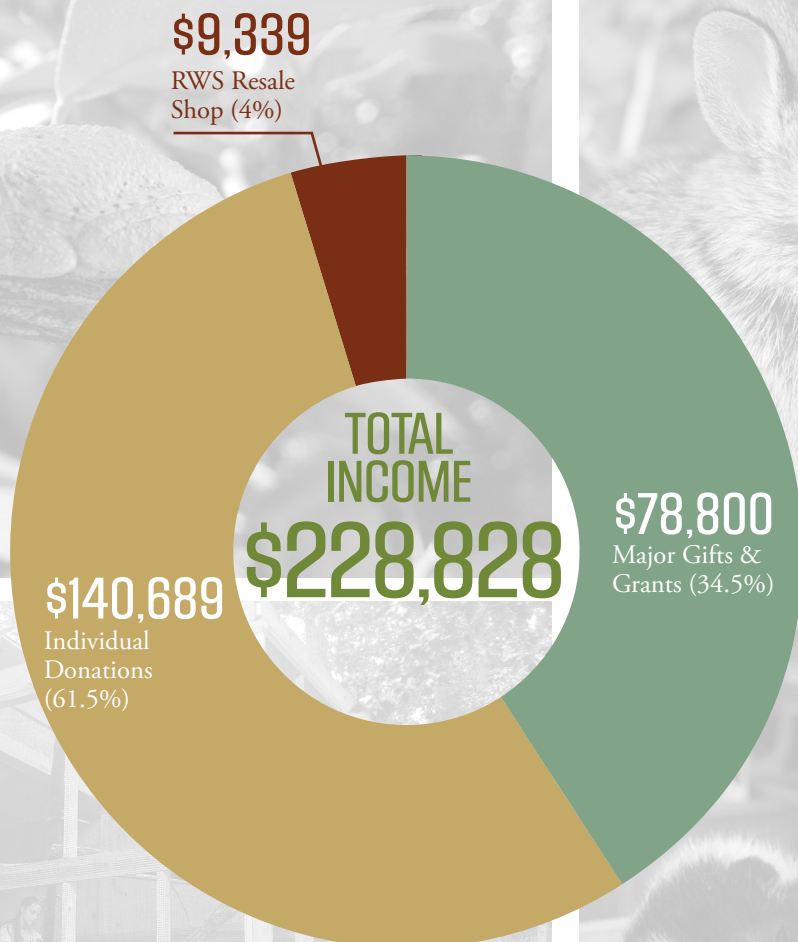
14%

were transferred
for acute
medical care

REHABILITATION
OUTCOMES

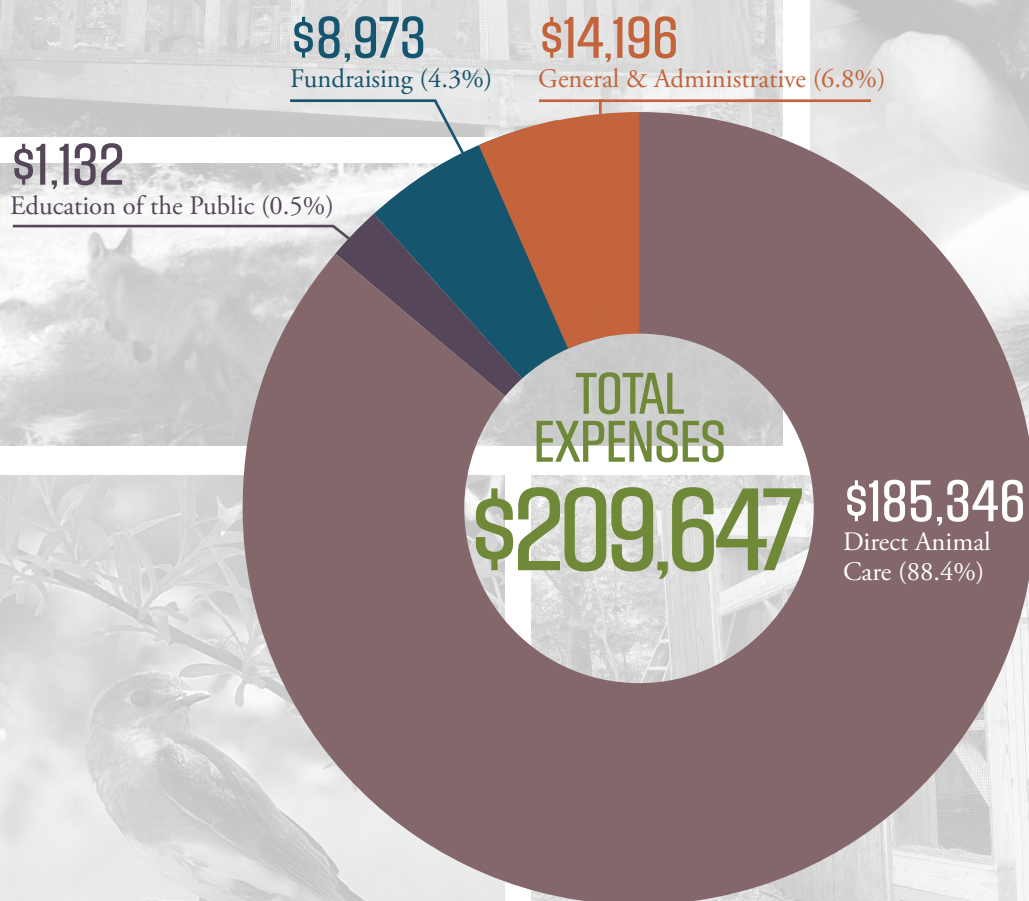
56%

of animals
were released
into the wild



NOTE:

The RWS board seeks to meet nonprofit best practice benchmarks by establishing 3-6 months of operational reserves. This enables us to prepare for unexpected changes in the local economy and in the wild environs. We feel this is particularly prudent given the extended mating seasons we are starting to experience in Central Virginia.



2020 MAJOR GIFTS & GRANTS

Arthur L and Elaine V Johnson Foundation
At Last Fund of the CACF
Batten Family Fund in the CACF
Bernice Barbour Foundation
Community Foundation of the Central Blue Ridge
Cove Garden Ruritan Club
Karen Holly Waldron
LEAW

J & E Berkley Foundation
Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation
Marta Helfin Foundation
Pajeau Wildlife Foundation
St. Paul Foundation, The Earl D. & Marian N. Olson Fund
Nancy Newman
Oakwood Foundation Charitable Trust
Heather & Richard Waters Charitable Fund

587

donors gave to RWS in 2020!

THANK YOU

Animal Rescuers, Volunteers, Donors, Supporters and Staff! RWS is stronger in 2021 because of you!

Building Volunteers

Carl Stelliwag
Pete Syme

Outreach

Sarah Cooperman
Bernie Dracopoli
Joanie Evans
Nancy Newman
Bill Plyler

Legal Advisor

Meghan Cloud

Animal Care Volunteers

Debra Abbott
Lilly Bechtel
Robyn Bennett
Everly June Cope
Jaymie Dixon
Lilly Farmer
Marcie Gibbons
Amy Lemons
Andrea Merchak
Kent Olson
Debbie Smith

Patient Transport Volunteers

Karyn Allen
Elena Andreeva
Robyb Bennett
Tony Cambio
Peyton Coyer
Jennifer Dahmen
Lauren Dalton
AJ Greely
Layla Gustavson
Susan Hastings
Dianne Hillman
Travis Jones
Jennifer Lewis
Magda Liska
Charity Peterson
Bill Plyler
Gary Powell
Steve Pullinger
Charlotte Rae
Crystal Shull
Debbie Smith
Genevieve Story
Stephanie Sweat
Dave Volin
Karen Welk

Administrative/General/ Other Volunteers

Renita Banks
Bernie Dracopoli
Jessie Duff-McLaurin
Candy Goodyear
Adrian Neumeister
Nancy Newman
Nancy Ortiz
Bill Plyler
Jim Shea
Barbara Yeaman
Claire Zillmer

2020 Summer Interns

Kennedy Calloway, UT- Knoxville
Alex Kitay, Bowdoin
Martina Watson, UVA

Board of Directors

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2020 Staff

Nathou Attinger
Madeline Van Wick
Sarah Cooperman
Julia Night
Jeff Wilbur

506

hours of volunteer time were
recorded in 2020!

Rockfish Wildlife Sanctuary, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. RWS receives an annual permit from the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) to rehabilitate Virginia native wildlife and another to have education animals. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) gives RWS a state permit to rehabilitate migratory birds, as well as another permit to display education migratory birds. In addition, staff members hold individual permits from the VDGIF, FWS, and the United States Department of Agriculture.