

ROCKFISH WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

ANNUAL REPORT | 2019

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.



827

animals were rescued by RWS in 2019.

505

animals were released in 2019.



4%

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



3,500

people reached by RWS Education & Outreach.



86%

of our revenues went to direct animal care.

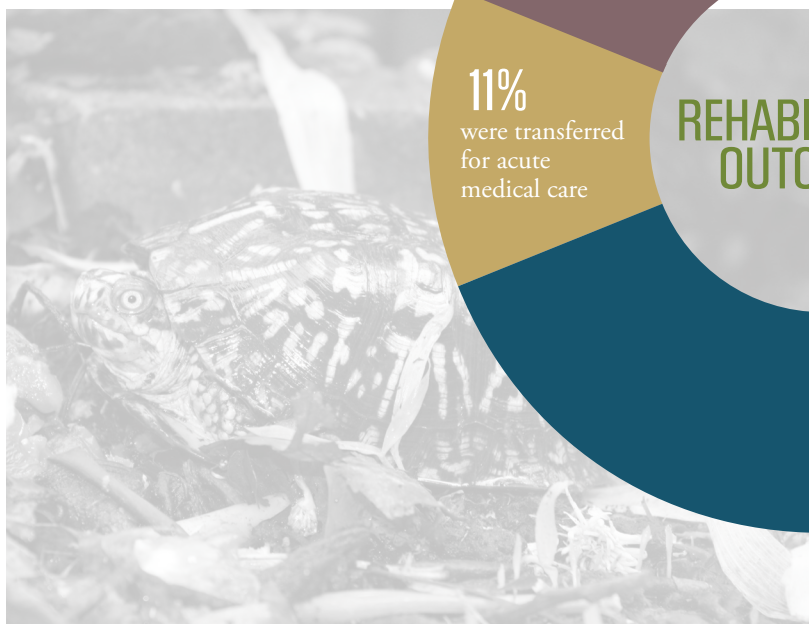
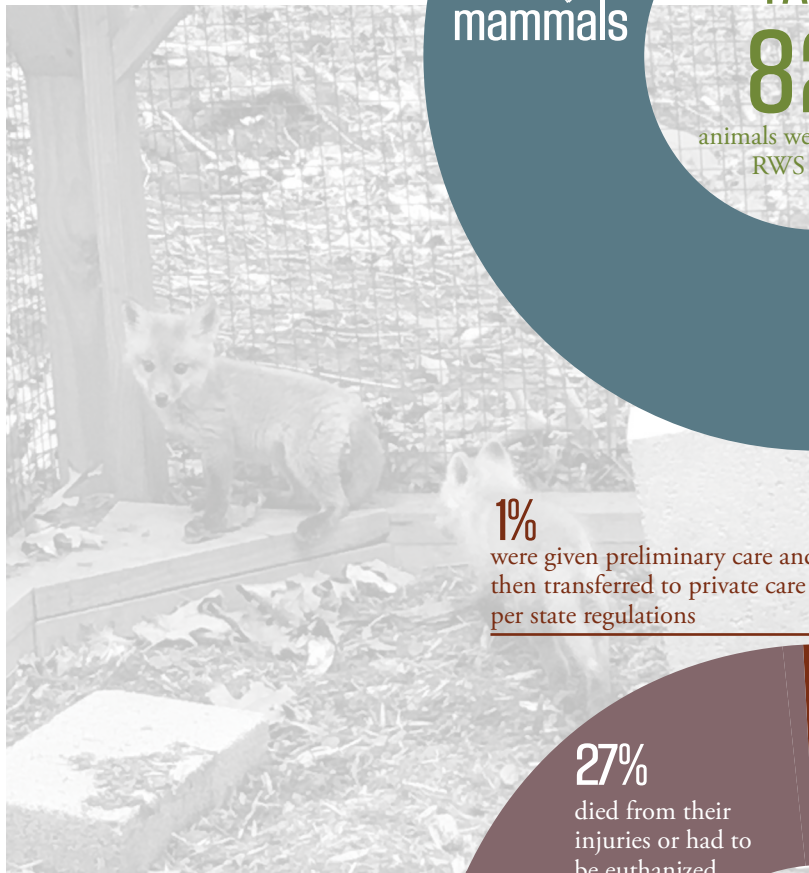
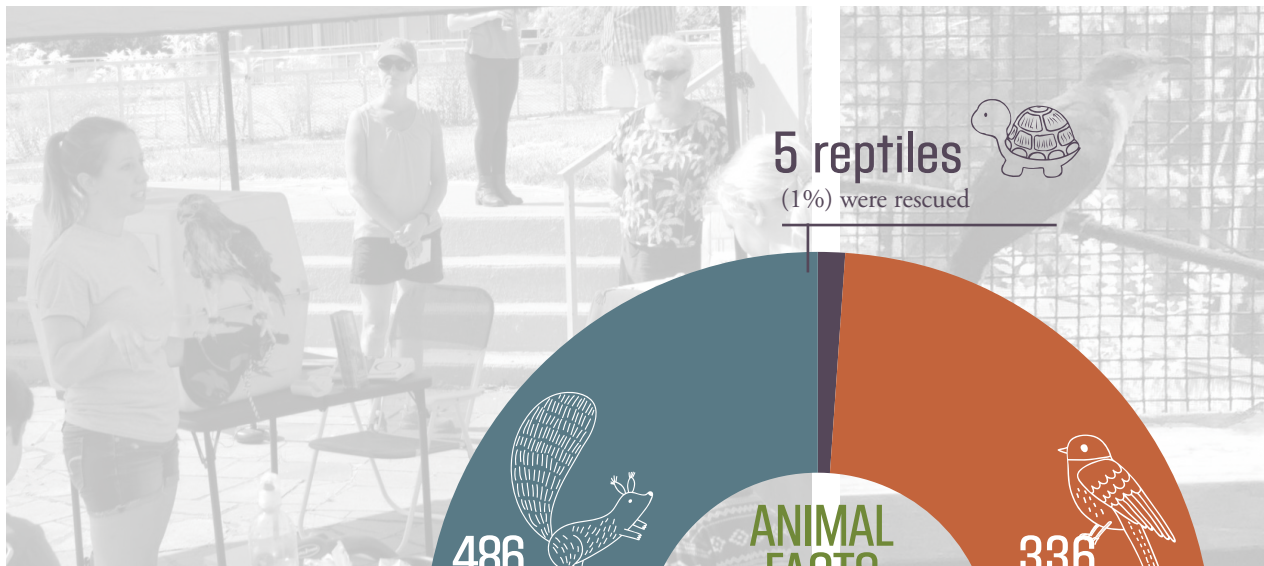
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species-specific enclosures now exist at RWS.

2.21–10.24

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.





5 reptiles
(1%) were rescued



486
mammals



ANIMAL
FACTS
827

animals were rescued by
RWS in 2019

336
birds



1%

were given preliminary care and
then transferred to private care
per state regulations

27%

died from their
injuries or had to
be euthanized

11%

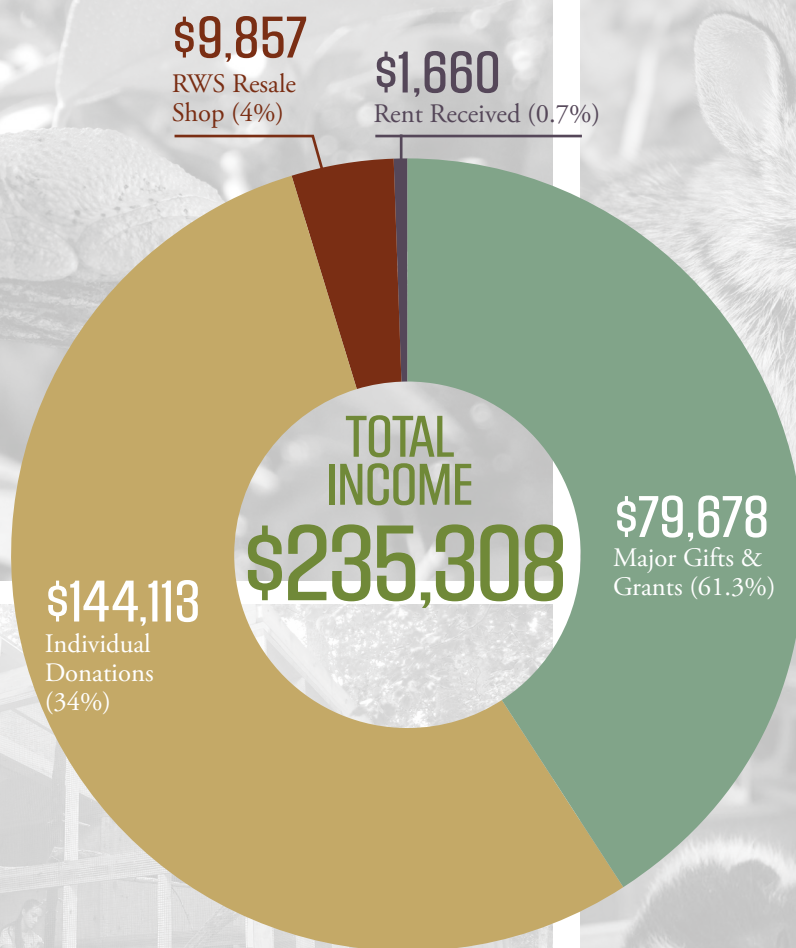
were transferred
for acute
medical care

REHABILITATION
OUTCOMES

61%

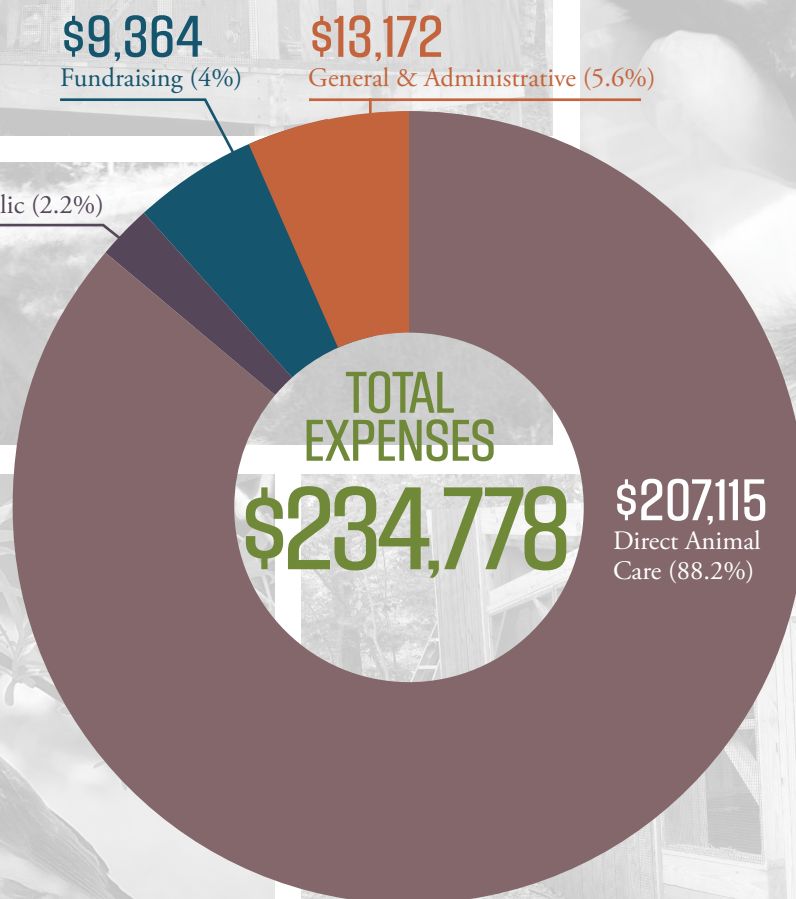
of animals
were released
into the wild





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.



2019 MAJOR GIFTS & GRANTS

Arthur L and Elaine V Johnson Foundation
At Last Fund of the CACF
BAMA Works 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

CACF: Enriching Communities
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
Heather & Richard Waters Charitable Fund

412

donors gave to RWS in 2019!

THANK YOU

Animal Rescuers, Volunteers, Donors, Supporters and Staff! RWS is stronger in 2019 because of you!

Clearing & Building Volunteers

Ron Fandetti
Pete Syme
Nancy Uvanitte

Outreach

Sarah Cooperman
Bernie Dracopoli
Joanie Evans
Nancy Newman
Bill Plyler

Intern Housing

Adriane Neumeister
Claire Zillmer

Patient Transport Volunteers

Elena Andreeva
Joyce Baker
Tony Cambio
Peyton Coyer
Susan Hastings
Dianne Hillman
Donna Kaufman
Magda Liska
Willow Lynch
Lex Meredith
Bill Plyler
Ashley Seawell
Stephanie Sweat
Karen Welk

Animal Care Volunteers

Debra Abbott
Tony Cambio
Everly June Cope
Jaymie Dixon
Anna Dunn
Marcie Gibbons
Brenda Lambert
Amy Lemons
Andrea Merchak
Kent Olson
Bridget Panas
Aryel Rigano
Jim Shea
Debbie Smith
Greg Smith
Buzz van Saantvoord

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

Legal Advisor

Meghan Cloud

2019 Summer Interns

Jamie Bayne, VCU
Desraeli McBride, VT
Marleigh Walsh, UVA
Courtney Werner, Duke

Board of Directors

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2019 Staff

Nathou Attinger
Madeline Zimmer
Sarah Cooperman
Julia Night
Jeff Wilbur

4,750

hours of volunteer time were
recorded in 2019!

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.