

Wildlife Rescue

ASSOCIATION



Annual Report 2017



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Cedar Waxwing, eating some delicious and nutritious blueberries generously donated



The local Burnaby Lake bobcat



Dunlin



Cedar Waxwing



Red-breasted Sapsucker



Young Mouse Eared Bat

Vision, Mission, and Values

Wildlife Rescue is a non-profit organization dedicated to relieving the suffering of the injured, orphaned, and pollution-damaged wildlife found throughout British Columbia.

Our vision, "To continually improve the welfare of urban wildlife."

Our mission is, "To provide leadership in rehabilitating wildlife and in promoting the welfare of wild animals in the urban environment."

Our values underpin everything we do. We:

- *believe that each wild animal deserves our respect.
- *provide care for wildlife in a socially responsible manner.
- *keep animals wild and return them to their natural environment to live independently.
- *help to prevent harm to wildlife and to protect wild animals in their natural environment.
- *provide our workforce with a safe, respectful and fulfilling environment.
- *act in an ethical and transparent manner.

Before Wildlife Rescue was founded, members of the public had nowhere to turn when they found an animal in distress. Thanks to the determination of a small team of volunteers, a modest rehabilitation centre was established at the Nature House on the north side of Burnaby Lake.

Today, Wildlife Rescue runs its wildlife care program on the south shore of Burnaby Lake and treats animals from across the Lower Mainland, the rest of BC and farther afield.

With a team of professional wildlife rehabilitators and an army of volunteers we are able to provide temporary refuge to a diverse range of animals.

Once the animals in our care are healthy and ready to return home, we release them back to their natural habitat - the wild. This is where they belong.

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Taking Action: Helping Wildlife Today



Jeannie Magis
Acting President

After watching the heartbreaking events of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill off the coast of Alaska in 1989, I knew I had to take action.

This of course, would be of no surprise to my family, who listened to me at five-years-old suddenly announce during a family dinner that "I am going to travel the world and save animals when I grow up." Fast forward 15 years and I was volunteering at a local wildlife rehabilitation centre.

Shortly thereafter, they hired me as full-time hospital staff and before I knew it, the unthinkable happened again and I was off to my first oil spill.

The work was difficult, the hours long, with less than desirable conditions, but the payoff was enormous when it came time to finally releasing the survivors. I was hooked!

I spent over 15 years working with wildlife and specializing in oil spill response on a global team.

I never looked back and I absolutely loved



A Canada Goose is held after surgery to repair its leg from a stab wound.

every minute of it.

Having taken some time off to focus on family and shift in careers, I am now in the position to help dedicate some time back to wildlife in a new capacity as Acting President of the Board of Directors.

It is my goal to bring my knowledge and skills to the board to help facilitate its growth and development as the organization expands along with opening the new hospital.

With a focus on strategic planning, business

development and board development I believe we can build upon the solid foundation that currently exists and bring WRA into its next phase of evolution.

Challenges were seen and met head on this year with a strong leadership team who works tirelessly to provide the highest quality care with the most basic of needs.

Strength, leadership, and commitment are needed to attain success and growth. With that in mind I look forward to an exciting new year.

A Year of Challenge, Growth, and Evolution



Coleen Doucette
Executive Director

Looking back is always a great opportunity for assessing growth and lessons learned.

2017 was a large transitional year for Wildlife Rescue in many ways.

We had multiple facility challenges as the team worked to retrofit smaller buildings on site to meet the needs for treating patients.

A great deal of effort was focused on reuniting baby animals with parents to give them the best chance possible of a healthy life in their natural environment.

Partnerships with other local rehabilitation centres and veterinary practices were

strengthened by working together to be sure best achievable care for all injured animals was provided.

The Fund Development team established a new direction with the launch of a modern annual plan for the fundraising program, innovative communication strategies and preparation for the capital campaign to facilitate the building of a new hospital.

During this pivotal year, the staff and volunteers have accomplished a great deal of growth by improving the professionalism of all areas of animal care, business operations and fund development.

The lessons learned during the summer of 2017 directly informed the changes that have been made to the animal care program during 2018.

With a brilliant team of caregivers and fa-

cility personnel we have a new location for the designated food prep area, caging and work spaces have been relocated and reallocated to better meet the needs of treatment flow, and lighting has been expanded and improved.

Our very small staff and very large volunteer core are true responders, capable of handling whatever situation arises to see that our local wildlife receives the care it needs.

39 years of this dedication has led Wildlife Rescue to be the busiest centre in Canada, having treated well over 100,000 animals.

It is an honour to work side-by-side with such an amazing team of dedicated people making an essential contribution to our natural world.

Fires, Facilities, and Full Feathered Growth

2017 was a year of evolution and critical expansion at Wildlife Rescue



Anna's Hummingbird shows off its long tongue it uses to extract food. Out in the wild you can witness the beautiful emerald sheen as well. Truly a flying gem!

2017 was a major year for Wildlife Rescue.

We were met with incredible change, with the main hospital building outgrowing its usefulness and closing down until the new hospital can be put in its place.

We adapted to this new style of care while still meeting growing demand for wildlife in distress. We said goodbye to some old faces, and welcomed in new ones who brought with them new ideas, passion, and eagerness to help those who can't help themselves.

The average annual intake rests at approximately 5,000 patients, which makes Wildlife Rescue the busiest wildlife rehabilitation centre in all of Canada. This is how many patients we take in, keep in mind, and not the number of phone calls which we answer at the Wildlife Helpline, which towers more than 17,000!

This past summer, wildfires scorched land in the Interior of B.C., altering the normal migration routes of several songbirds on the West Coast, including the rarely seen White-winged Crossbill.

During this time we took in unprecedented songbird numbers, but nothing our amazing staff and volunteer team couldn't handle!

One other exciting case was the partnership between us and the Ottawa Valley Wild Bird Care Centre to bring home a wayward Bullock's Oriole which had nearly frozen to death out east!

The female Bullock's Oriole was discovered far out of range in Eastern Canada. A concerned bird watcher noticed her declining condition and brought her to the Ottawa Valley Wild Bird Care Centre in January of 2016. At intake, she had lost two toenails to frostbite, and she was emaciated and dehydrated.

She was slowly nursed back to health, and after a few delays, the long process to transfer the bird to us was started. Finally, in the spring of 2017, the bird arrived at our centre after a first class flight donated by Air Canada.

After Wildlife Rescue met with the bird at the airport, it was brought back to the hospital at Burnaby Lake, to get it acclimatized

to its surroundings.

After a week in care, the bird stayed in good health and was finally released back to the wild!

This was one of thousands of cases at Wildlife Rescue, as most of our patients were birds which accounted for 89.4 percent of our intake, mammals at 10.3 percent, and reptiles and amphibians with the remainder.

Online our presence continues to grow. At this time, Instagram, our most popular account, has more than 17,800 followers who read about what we do on a daily basis at Wildlife Rescue. Facebook has reached nearly 10,000 followers where, in addition to stories about our organization, we provide educational material on wildlife in general.

The need for Wildlife Rescue only continues to grow each and every year. Like the wildfires this summer, we never know when disaster will strike and wildlife will be in need of expert medical care.

When these things happen, Wildlife Rescue will be there.

Wildlife Rescue — By the Numbers

Since 2013, Wildlife Rescue has increased its intake from 4,146 to approximately 5,000 animals per year. The release rate has steadily risen from 27% to 35%, and euthanasia during treatment rate has dropped from 13% to 7%, reflecting the improvements in standards of care.

One of our aims is to reduce the number of animals that pass away or have to be euthanized during care. This requires making sound decisions at intake to optimize our animal treatment program.

Overall, awareness of Wildlife Rescue as experts in bird care has increased, with our intake in 2017 comprising 89.4% birds, 10.3% mammals, and 0.3% others, such as reptiles and amphibians. These numbers are due to a restructuring of our intake during the transition from our old hospital to the new hospital (read more on pg. 10).

We are very proud to be the busiest wildlife rehabilitation centre in Canada, and look forward to servicing B.C.'s injured, orphaned, and pollution-damaged wildlife for years to come.

4,873

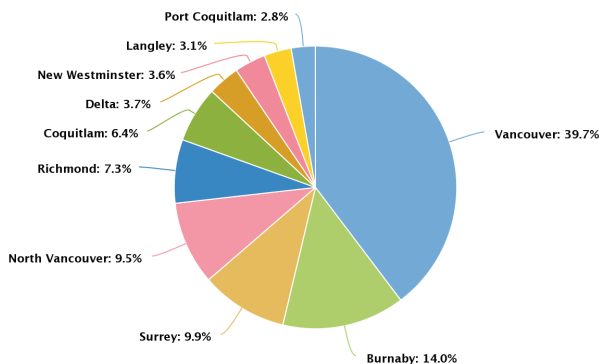
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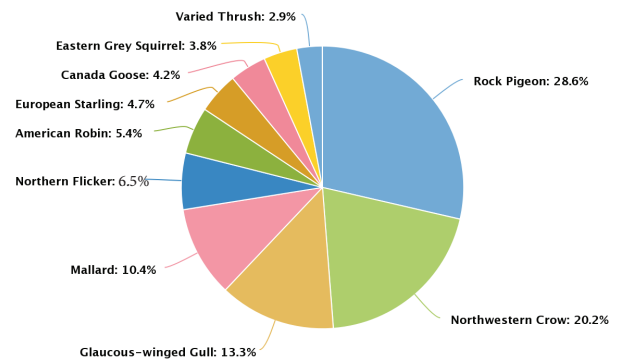
35%

release rate (industry avg. 30%)

Top 10 Cities



Top 10 Animal Species



Total Intake 4,873

Birds 89.4%

Mammals 10.3%

Reptiles & Amphibians 0.3%

Northern Flicker 208

Hummingbird 107

Mallard 334

Northwestern Crow 648

Little Brown Bat 27

Proud Partnership

A wayward Bullock's Oriole, found in Eastern Ontario by an avid birder, was saved from being frozen to death in a cold this bird is not capable of handling. Partnering with the Ottawa Valley Wild Bird Care Centre, Wildlife Rescue completed the transition from east to west, and set the oriole free again. Read the full story on pg. 6!

Wait, How Many Calls?

Wildlife Rescue may take in 5,000 animals in a given year, but the Wildlife Helpline is taking many more calls than that - with a total of 17,152 calls answered!

Building a Better World Around Us

Volunteers give thousands of hours to helping wildlife in B.C.

I want to:

- * make a difference;
- * contribute to improving my community;
- * learn about wildlife and how to care for animals;
- * meet new people;
- * do something good and give something back;
- * do something meaningful;
- * gain accreditation for my school course;
- * learn more about our impact on the environment;
- * contribute to the well-being of animals;
- * help make the Lower Mainland a better place for wildlife;

These are some of the many reasons our volunteers have given for joining the Wildlife Rescue team. With their help, hard work, dedication, commitment and enthusiasm, Wildlife Rescue continues. Day in, day out, volunteers underpin the organization and make it work. Pigeons are transported, goslings are rescued, injured gulls are cared for, bats are fed, crows are released, wounds are healed. In 2017, Wildlife Rescue's volunteers rose to the challenges the organization faced, and made a huge difference. The numbers testify to this:

- * 24,822 hours were logged;
- * 332 volunteers contributed time,



skill and energy;

- * 79,310 km were driven to pick up, transfer and release wildlife; and

* \$320,000 (minimum estimate) of in-kind donations.

Jannik, an 18-year-old student from Germany, was one of those volunteers. He spent over 300 hours working in the Wildlife Hospital in the summer of 2017 – preparing diets, feeding, cleaning, setting up habitats, fixing and mending enclosures, helping out wherever he was needed. With positivity and a 'let's get things done' mentality, he had a direct impact on wildlife. During his time

at Wildlife Rescue, a total of 1357 orphaned and injured wild animals came in through the door. Without him, and the many others like him, taking in this many animals would not be possible. We'll leave you with Jannik's words, explaining why he wanted to volunteer at Wildlife Rescue -

"I hope that voluntary work will contribute to the development of my personality, make new friendships and broaden my horizons. The respect of nature and all living creatures has always played an important role in my life. That is the reason I want to do voluntary work for wildlife."

Volunteer Participation in 2017

Number of volunteers who logged hours:

332

Total volunteer hours logged: 24,822

Distance travelled during rescue, transport and release: 79,310 km

In-Kind Donations Amount: Estimated \$320,000 (minimum)

Clearly, volunteers are the lifeblood of Wildlife Rescue. Thank you so much for all you do!

Supporting Wildlife All Year Round

Wildlife in B.C. is blessed to have so many supporters out there willing to make sure that when they need medical attention, they get it from the best.

Giving to Wildlife Rescue provides wildlife with the expertise it needs to make it through broken bones, malnutrition, losing their parents at a young and vulnerable age, getting hit by cars, trees being cut down, loss of habitat, and much more.

While a single gift goes a long way, supporting wildlife all year round is an easy and effective way to making sure injured and orphaned wildlife has the tools it needs to make a healthy recovery all year round.

This is why the monthly giving



A Hairy Woodpecker clings onto the roof thatching while in recovery.

program is one of our most popular, as it allows people to easily put supporting wildlife into their monthly budget.

It also lays a foundation for Wildlife Rescue to plan easier for the future knowing we have your

support.

To become a monthly donor, you can cut out and mail in the form below, or simply go online to www.wildliferescue.ca/give and select the Monthly giving option.



Yes! I want to support wildlife in distress!

I wish to make a donation for:

\$25/mo: ☐

\$40/mo: ☐

\$50/mo: ☐

\$75/mo: ☐

Other:

Want to do this online?

If you want to make an online donation, please go to www.wildliferescue.ca/give and select the Monthly giving option to support wildlife!

We are incredibly grateful for your support! Thank you for helping!

NAME		
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If this is a gift:

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Payment:

My cheque payable to **WRA** for \$ is enclosed, or please charge my:

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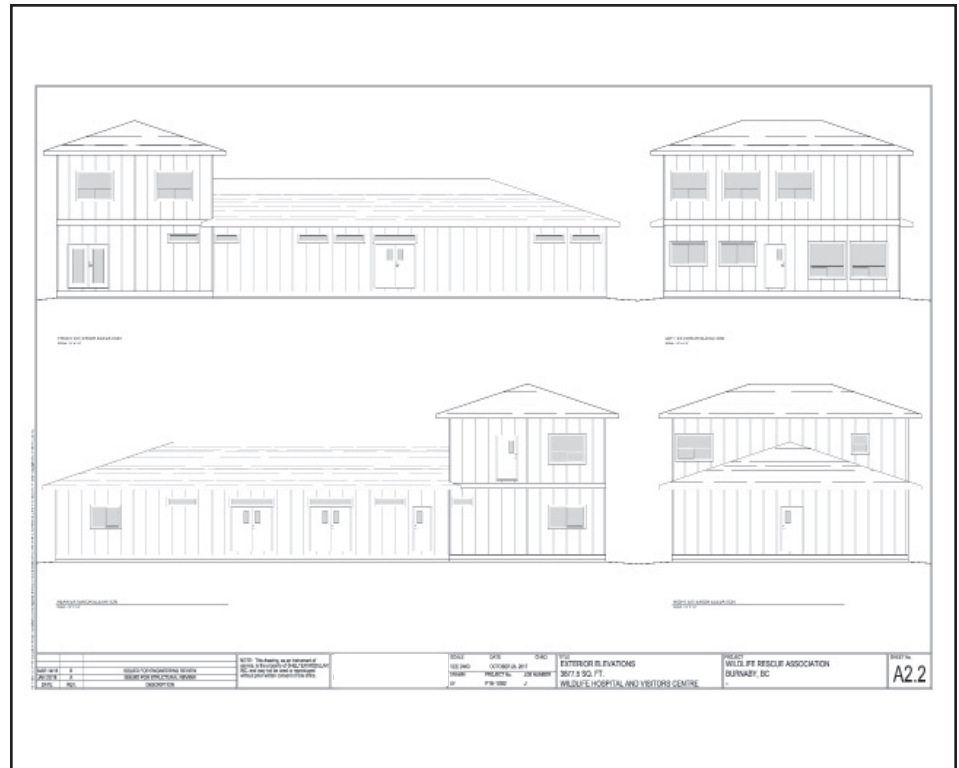
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A Future for Wildlife They Deserve

The plan for the new Wildlife Hospital, capable of handling 5,000+ wild animals annually



Each year we experience increasing numbers of injured and displaced wildlife, as well as growing public commitment to helping these animals. After 30 years in a small hospital built to handle 1,500 animals a year, we are planning a new hospital to meet the present and growing annual capacity of 5,000 animals.

After trying to save the current hospital building it became clear that replacing the hospital would be our only option. We are currently caring for wildlife using satellite buildings around the grounds, retrofitted to meet animal needs. We also have an extensive collection of animal care partners who are helping us bridge the gap by taking in mammals, raptors and some birds over the winter. A strong team on the wildlife helpline helps with timely support for the public with wildlife

situations and avoiding animals coming into care when they don't need to.

In 2017 we went through a process of selecting a company to work with and designing the wildlife hospital that would meet our needs. At the end of 2016 we received a generous donation to create a public learning centre where Wildlife Rescue will provide education on wildlife and can engage with the community. This project combines the learning centre and the wildlife hospital in one building, creating opportunities for the public to experience our work and learn about wildlife while we treat more wildlife in improved conditions.

The new hospital is designed to handle both our current and future needs. It features new and improved medical equipment, professional animal cleaning

stations for oil spill response, and an overall design for increased animal care capacity.

The building is designed in modular units, allowing it to be constructed off-site while animal care continues on-site. The design phase is nearing completion and the application for a building permit is imminent. For the next phase we will be assessing different options to complete the project.

Next steps include:

- building permit approval;
- demolition of the former hospital building;
- site preparation and foundation;
- off-site building construction;
- installation of units on-site;
- installation of plumbing, electrical and finishing work; and
- completion of landscaping and parking areas.

Let Your Legacy Be Wild



Legacy Gifts have saved hundreds of lives at Wildlife Rescue. BC wildlife is blessed by the caring humans who share this part of the world. Wildlife Rescue has been the benefactor of many heartfelt legacy gifts, allowing the organization to care for over 100,000 animals in the last thirty-nine years. These gifts are the reason this organization has become the busiest centre in Canada and continues to rescue, treat and return wildlife to their natural habitat every day of the year.

If leaving a **legacy for wildlife** resonates with your core values, here are some things to consider:

- * your gift is an opportunity to participate in the charitable work most meaningful to you;
- * choosing to leave a gift brings meaning, dignity and purpose to a life well lived;
- * your caring generosity allows important work to be well supported now and long after you have left this world;
- * a legacy gift can be a practical addition to a financial or estate plan when tax issues are taken into consideration - even for those who think they may not have tax issues;
- * gifts can be made in honour and memory of a loved one, for general or specific use;
- * if you have already been providing gifts and/or volunteer time to wildlife, a legacy is a powerful way to dedicate more to wildlife in the future.

Beneficial Ways to Give

- * Make Wildlife Rescue a beneficiary of a

life insurance policy.

- * Donate shares, bonds and mutual funds.
- * Name Wildlife Rescue as a beneficiary in your will. This gift is called a bequest.

Common Questions

How do I leave a gift for wildlife? You can arrange for your will or estate plan to include a gift to Wildlife Rescue, ensuring your assets continue to help injured animals into the future. Without a will, your property and finances are settled according to federal and provincial laws, which may not coincide with your wishes.

I thought only people at a certain income level could leave a charitable bequest or gift through their estate. You don't have to be wealthy to plan a gift. Anyone can arrange to leave a charitable gift from their estate, regardless of its size. It can mean a great deal to injured and orphaned animals.

Who can help me arrange for a gift to an organization? Your financial planner, lawyer, accountant, or life insurance expert can help you leave a gift. These professionals can tell you about the tax benefits of planned gifts.

How do I leave a gift in memory of a person or for a specific purpose? A charitable gift is a meaningful way to recognize someone who has made a difference in your life. You may also want to give to a specific purpose like medical expertise and equipment or the hospital building and enclosures. These kinds of memorial gifts can be arranged in your will - you need to specify that the gift be given in memory

of a particular person and/or for a specific purpose. Our fund development team would be happy to discuss your needs with you.

Do I have to include my wish to leave a gift specifically to Wildlife Rescue in my will? A charitable bequest will not take effect unless you state your intention in your will. Without a will, you lose control over your property after death. Your property and finances are settled according to federal and provincial laws, whether or not they coincide with your wishes or those of your family.

Do I tell Wildlife Rescue that I'm leaving a gift? That's up to you. It is very helpful for Wildlife Rescue's sustainability planning to know in advance that you made the choice to leave a gift. Our team would also like to thank you and recognize your generosity by involving you in a wildlife release and other activities. If you wish your gift to remain anonymous, your request will be honoured.

How to Get Started

Think about the importance Wildlife Rescue holds in your life. Maybe you or someone you know has brought in animals who have benefited from this program. Maybe you are an active volunteer or believe in the mission and values of this organization. You might want to leave a gift in memory of a loved one who cherishes wildlife.

A little research is recommended. Make sure you consult the appropriate professional advisors. Seek the right expertise and advice to ensure the type and timing of your gift maximizes the advantages to you and the impact it will have for wildlife. Talk to your family members too. Make them aware of your intentions so they can support the achievement of your charitable goals.

You can also talk to Sheila, Donor Relations Coordinator, or Coleen, Executive Director. They can tell you more about opportunities available for giving, and how your gift will make an impact on wildlife rehabilitation. Once you decide how to proceed, let Wildlife Rescue know your giving intentions.

Please contact us with any questions you may have! giving@wildliferescue.ca or call 604-526-2747 ext. 502.

Legacy and Major Gifts

Thank you for supporting B.C.'s wildlife

Planned Gifts & Bequests

Estate of Daryl Ernest Muntz
Estate of Lawrence Randall Port
Estate of Ted Gorski
Estate of Marjorie Anne Thorpe
Estate of Margaret Louise Smith
Estate of Herbert H. Beck
Estate of Gerald Leo Hernesmaa
Estate of David Nelson Sparks

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Anita Briscoe
Lynna Brown
Janice Brown
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Rita Butterfield
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June Dartnell
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Richard Pickett
Paul & Rosemary Pretorius
Howard Redekopp
Maureen Reilly
Carole Rice
E. James Rimell
Roslin Ritchie
Pamela Rogers
Harley Rothstein & Eleanor Boyle
Adele Runikis
Susan Safyan
R. Paul Samson
Olga Savchuk
Margherita Serge
Ruediger Seyen
Laurie Sheard
Marion Shikaze
Cheryl Siebert
Lianne South
David Stafford
Sharon Staples
Raymond Stewart
Doreen Stocks
Robert & Jane Strang
Beverley Tamboline
Susan Taylor
James Taylor
John & Gilberte Thompson
J. Elizabeth Thunstrom
Tung Sheng Tseng
Gregory Venturi
Yvette Vigna
Ralph Volkens
Antony & Debi Vynhak

Michele & Sidney Wain
Richard Wong
Sandra Woodley
Drogheda Woods
Mickey Yada
Nachiko Yokota
Matthew Zinger & Grace Francisco

Agency, Corporation &

Foundation

A Bread Affair
Bealight Foundation
Burnaby Loughheed Lions Club Gaming
Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society (BRAGS)
Calibre Publishing
Canada Summer Jobs
Canadian Mattress Recycling Inc.
Chevron Canada Limited
Dr. Sunny Lai Podiatric Corporation
First Light Foundation
GL Williams & Associates Ltd.
GO Concepts
Granville College
Ivanhoe Cambridge
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Moodyville Excavating Ltd.
PDW, Inc.
Peter Kiewit Sons ULC
Provincial Employees Community Services Fund
Royal Bank of Canada
Ruff Stuff Dog Services
Sea to Sky Removal
Sustainable Produce Urban Delivery Inc. (SPUD)
TELUS
Totem Distillers Inc.
United Way of the Lower Mainland
Vancity Community Foundation
Vancouver Foundation
Victoria Foundation
Westshore Terminals Ltd.
YVR Pop Choir
YVR Vancouver Airport Authority

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WRA Wildlife Rescue
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December 31, 2017

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Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report

To the Members of
WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia that comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2017 and the statements of operations and changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia as at December 31, 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Chartered Professional Accountants
May 24, 2018
Vancouver, British Columbia

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia

Statement of financial position

As at December 31, 2017

(Unaudited)

	Notes	2017					2016
		Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Building Fund	Emergency Fund	WRA Improvement Fund	Total
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets							
Current assets							
Cash		—	—	709,910	111,795	6,087	827,792
Accounts receivable		39,188	—	—	—	—	39,188
Inter-fund receivable		—	—	71,784	—	—	—
Prepaid expenses		—	—	—	—	—	—
Investments	3	—	—	—	177,045	117,221	—
		39,188	—	781,694	288,840	123,308	—
Property and equipment	4	—	25,047	31,259	—	—	56,306
		39,188	25,047	812,953	288,840	123,308	1,217,552
							1,150,924
Liabilities							
Current liabilities							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		11,361	—	—	—	—	11,361
Inter-fund payable		71,784	—	—	—	—	—
Payroll liabilities		27,690	—	—	—	—	27,690
Deferred revenue		6,314	—	—	—	—	6,314
		117,149	—	—	—	—	45,365
							55,589
Deferred capital contributions		—	—	311,282	—	—	311,282
		117,149	—	311,282	—	—	356,647
							305,000
							360,589
License agreement	5						
Commitments	6						
Fund balances							
Invested in property and equipment		—	25,047	—	—	—	25,047
Internally restricted		—	—	501,671	288,840	123,308	913,819
Unrestricted		(77,961)	—	—	—	—	(77,961)
		(77,961)	25,047	501,671	288,840	123,308	860,905
		39,188	25,047	812,953	288,840	123,308	1,217,552
							1,150,924

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Approved by the Board

 Director

 Director

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia
Statement of operations and changes in fund balances
Year ended December 31, 2017
(Unaudited)

	Notes	2017					2016
		Operating fund	Capital fund	Building fund	Emergency fund	WRA Improvement fund	Total
		\$	\$		\$	\$	\$
Revenue							
Donations	7	771,269	—	—	—	—	340,811
Bequests		160,455	—	—	—	—	212,183
Foundations and grants	10	85,714	—	—	—	—	82,632
Corporate		61,863	—	—	—	—	65,281
Realized gains on sale of investments		—	—	—	56,665	833	11,522
Interest and dividend income		23	—	1,671	9,244	4,171	23,939
Memberships		8,950	—	—	—	—	5,600
Sales, fundraising and other revenue		1,924	—	—	—	—	8,794
Unrealized gains on investments		—	—	—	—	—	7,269
		1,090,198	—	1,671	65,909	5,004	758,031
Expenses							
Wages, contracts and benefits	9	738,532	—	—	—	—	809,176
Food and medical wildlife care	7	102,273	—	—	—	—	124,315
Office		67,016	—	—	—	—	74,437
Unrealized losses on investments		—	—	—	52,749	613	—
Community outreach and promotion		44,416	—	—	—	—	26,530
Facilities		41,261	—	—	—	—	14,360
Telephone and utilities		18,826	—	—	—	—	21,082
Bank and interest charges		7,963	—	—	—	—	5,879
Insurance, licenses and dues		7,067	—	—	—	—	7,715
Amortization		—	5,923	—	—	—	6,564
Automobile and travel		3,714	—	—	—	—	5,857
Investment, council charges		—	—	—	1,608	251	6,919
		1,031,068	5,923	—	54,357	864	1,102,834
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses		59,130	(5,923)	1,671	11,552	4,140	(344,803)
Fund balances, beginning of year		76,853	26,712	—	567,594	119,176	1,135,138
Interfund transfers		(213,944)	4,258	500,000	(290,306)	(8)	—
Fund balances, end of year		(77,961)	25,047	501,671	288,840	123,308	790,335

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia**Statement of cash flows**

Year ended December 31, 2017

(Unaudited)

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Operating activities		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	70,570	(344,803)
Adjustments for non-cash items		
Amortization	5,923	6,564
Unrealized losses (gains) on investments	53,362	(7,269)
Realized gain on sale of investments	(57,498)	(11,522)
Donation of securities	(9,734)	(13,205)
	62,623	(370,235)
Changes in non-cash working capital balances		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(32,381)	9,001
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	751	(751)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(14,136)	5,112
(Decrease) increase in payroll liabilities	(2,402)	14,664
Increase in deferred revenue	6,314	—
	20,769	(342,209)
Financing activities		
Increase in deferred capital contributions	6,282	305,000
	6,282	305,000
Investing activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(35,517)	(1,818)
Investments, net	406,374	83,422
	370,857	81,604
Net change in cash	397,908	44,395
Cash, beginning of year	429,884	385,489
Cash, end of year	827,792	429,884

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WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia

Notes to the financial statements

December 31, 2017

(Unaudited)

1. Nature of operations

WRA Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia (the "Association") is a non-profit organization incorporated without share capital under the Societies Act of British Columbia. The primary objectives of the Association are to prevent and reduce the suffering of injured, orphaned and pollution damaged wildlife through rehabilitation and education. The Association is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act and as such is exempt from income taxes and able to issue donation receipts for income tax purposes.

2. Significant accounting policies

(a) Financial instruments

Financial instruments consist of cash, investments, accounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities and payroll liabilities. Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. In subsequent periods, investments are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in the statement of operations. All other financial instruments are reported at amortized cost, and financial assets are tested for impairment at each reporting date. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale, or issue of financial instruments are expensed when incurred.

(b) Property and equipment

Property and equipment acquisitions are recorded at cost and are amortized at the following rates and methods:

Computer equipment	30%, declining balance
Equipment	20%, declining balance
Furniture and fixtures	20%, declining balance
Software	100%

One-half of the above rates are applied in the year of acquisition.

Building construction in process is not amortized until the asset is brought into use.

The Association reviews property and equipment for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset no longer has any long-term service potential to the Association, or no longer contributes to the Association's ability to provide services. The amount of the impairment, if any, is determined as the excess of the carrying value of the asset over its estimated residual value. No impairment losses have been identified by the Association for the year ended December 31, 2017.

(c) Fund accounting

The financial statements disclose the activities of the separate funds maintained by the Association:

Operating fund

Represents the balance of unrestricted net assets from the continuing activities of the Association.

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2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Fund accounting (continued)

Capital fund

Represents the balance of property and equipment, other than the building, of the Association.

Building fund

Represents the balance of the building under construction by the Association. On November 23, 2017 and December 29, 2017, the Board of Directors internally restricted \$200,000 and \$300,000, respectively, for the Building fund, together with interest thereon.

Emergency fund (formerly named Legacy fund)

Represents internally restricted funds allocated from the Operating Fund that have been approved by the Board of Directors. Monies held in the Emergency Fund may be used to fund activities of the Association that contribute to the mission of the organization, as approved by the Board of Directors.

WRA Improvement fund

Represents the balance of internally restricted net assets allocated from the Operating Fund which have been approved by the Board of Directors. The WRA Improvement Fund is comprised of contributions from bequests left by Lucy Grace Davies and Flora Alexandra Gray plus certain accumulated investment income. Investment income earned on the WRA Improvement Fund is internally restricted and is to be used for education and innovative projects of the Association.

(d) Revenue recognition

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the period in which related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in net assets. Externally restricted capital contributions are recognized as deferred capital contributions and are deferred and amortized to revenue over the life of the asset.

Investment income comprises the Association's share of interest and dividends on the underlying securities.

(e) Donated services and goods

No recognition is given within the financial statements for the value of donated services, except as indicated in Note 7. Donated services and goods that are used in the normal course of operations and would have otherwise been purchased, are recorded in the financial statements at their fair value.

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2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(f) Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rate in effect at the statement of financial position date. Other assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rate in effect at the transaction date. Revenues and expenses are translated at the average rate for the year. Exchange gains and losses are included in the statement of operations.

(g) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and revenues and expenses for the year. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are recorded in the period which they become known. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. Investments

Investments are held at Canadian brokerage accounts and comprise fixed income and equity securities traded on major Canadian and U.S. security exchanges.

4. Property and equipment

	2017		2016
	Cost	Accumulated amortization	Net book value
	\$	\$	\$
Building construction in process	31,259	-	31,259
Computer equipment and software	61,189	60,107	1,082
Equipment	87,887	63,922	23,965
	180,335	124,029	56,306

5. License agreement

The Association occupies property located in Burnaby, B.C. by way of a License Renewal and Modification Agreement ("Agreement") from the Greater Vancouver Regional District ("GVRD"). The Agreement was renewed on July 5, 2016 with retrospective validity for a period of five years commencing on July 17, 2016 and terminating on July 16, 2021. Total consideration for the Agreement was ten dollars. All terms and conditions of the initial Agreement apply to the renewed Agreement. The Agreement may be terminated by either party, without cause, on 180 days written notice or on 30 days written notice, with cause, by the GVRD.

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6. Commitments

The Association has long-term operating leases for equipment. The minimum future lease payments are as follows:

	\$
2018	2,068
2019	1,034
	<u>3,102</u>

7. Donated goods

Donated food, medical supplies and animal transportation costs were received by the Association during the year with a fair value of \$50,025 (\$45,456 in 2016). Donated goods have been included in donations revenues and food and medical wildlife care expenses, respectively.

8. Financial risks

Interest rate risk

The Association is subject to interest rate risk related to its fixed income investments as their fair value may fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Association does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest rate risk.

Liquidity risk

The Association's objective is to have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due. The Association monitors its cash balances and cash flows generated from operations to meet its requirements.

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counterparty will fail to perform its obligations. The Association is exposed to credit risk on its cash, accounts receivable and fixed income investments. In order to reduce its credit risk, the Association's cash and fixed income investments are held with reputable banks. Exposure to credit risk in accounts receivable is also reduced as the monies outstanding are due from a multiple debtors.

9. Remuneration to directors, employees and contractors

The directors of the Association provide their services on a volunteer basis and receive no remuneration.

No employees and contractors received remuneration equal to or in excess of \$75,000 during the year ended December 31, 2017 (none in 2016).

10. Vancouver Foundation

Pursuant to an agreement with the Vancouver Foundation Endowment Fund ("VF") on December 16, 1992, the Association has made contributions aggregating \$171,058 (2016 - \$171,058) to December 31, 2017. The funds are invested in the VF's pooled consolidated trust fund. As at December 31, 2017, 11,434.49 units in the fund with a fair value of \$243,403 (2016 -

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10. Vancouver Foundation (continued)

\$234,944) were held. Income from the fund is distributed to the Association quarterly to meet the Association's operating expenses, and totaled \$8,504 for the year ended December 31, 2017 (\$8,153 in 2016). The contributions to the funds are held in perpetuity by VF and the Association is restricted in its right to withdraw any amounts. Accordingly, the funds are not reflected in the financial statements.

11. Comparative figures

Certain prior year comparative figures in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances have been reclassified to comply with the current year's presentation.



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