



# Wildlife Center

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## **TWRC Wildlife Center's mission is to promote environmental conservation through public education and rehabilitation of Texas wildlife.**

**Since 1979, TWRC Wildlife Center has been committed to providing quality emergency care and rehabilitation for injured, ill, and orphaned wildlife brought to us by the public. Through education and engaging the public in wildlife-care programs, TWRC continues to make a difference for urban wildlife threatened by loss of habitat.**

**TWRC receives no federal or state funding.**

## Education and Outreach

TWRC Wildlife Center offers exciting, educational presentations with introductions to our amazing Animal Ambassadors. We can “customize” our presentation to expand upon specific curriculums.

We give presentations at schools, libraries, garden clubs, senior living communities, women’s clubs, homeschool groups, Scout meetings and camps, many types of spring and summer camp programs, veterinary schools and veterinary student group meetings.

Our presentations are offered in thirty, forty-five, or sixty-minute format presentations. They can be live or virtual presentations.

[Click here for more information](#)



## Rehabilitation



Vet room exam



In rehab

[Click here to go to our Found an Animal Page](#)



Release Day!

**Wildlife rehabilitation** is the treatment and care of injured, orphaned, or sick wild animals so that they can be released back to the wild. TWRC Wildlife Center admits approximately 4,000 animals per year. All animals are given a thorough exam and treated for injuries in our vet room. Orphaned birds, squirrels, and opossums are raised on site in our Animal Care Program. All other animals go to TWRC state-permitted, home-based rehabilitators. Our rehabilitators get free medical care and medications for their animals as well a 30% discount for supplies they order from us.

Once the rehabilitation process is over, each animal is moved to outdoor caging to acclimate to the weather. They stay in the outdoor caging until they show appropriate foraging and “nesting” behaviors. From there, they are released back into the wild at one of many county-approved locations.

# Rehabilitation from Admissions to Release



Admissions



Exam

Gray Squirrel



Warming



Hydrating



Found her a buddy



Formula



Getting bigger



Outside caging



Release day!



## Fact Sheet

- Admit approximately 4,000 animals per year across 157 species. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, animal admissions were atypical during 2020 and 2021. Admissions data from 2019 better represents a more typical year for TWRC, and is shared below:
  - 1,865 songbirds
  - 1,340 opossums
  - 1,059 squirrels
  - 521 ducks
  - 413 rabbits
  - 206 raccoons/skunks
  - 120 turtles
  - 114 wading birds
  - 97 small mammals
  - 71 raptors
  - 8 toads
- TWRC averages around 20 regular volunteers who work 4,000+ hours cumulatively per year
- Provides 15-20 internships to students from all over the country and provides training in caring for our education animals, assisting in the vet room, answering calls from the public, intaking animals, and raising orphaned animals in our Animal Care Program.
- Provides two paid education internships per year. Interns are trained in handling animals assisting education staff during presentations as well as writing educational materials.
- Completes 80 education programs across the Houston Metropolitan area each year.
- Cost per year to raise each baby squirrel: \$126
- Cost per year to raise each baby opossum: \$177



## Testimonials

Cassie S.  
Shadow Oaks Elementary  
School  
“The Presenter did an excellent job maintaining [the students'] interest as well as presenting the information that was developmentally appropriate for our kids. Thank you again for coming to our campus. Your program does wonders for our students. They loved learning about the animals and would not stop talking about it!”

Sai F.  
“Thank you for all the work you do with the animals! “

Julie K. (Yelp)  
“It's seems every year, we find baby birds who've fallen from the nest and I always take the bird and a small donation to this place, the people here are awesome and take care of every thing. I've always been pleased with our experience.”

Luis G.  
Sherwood  
Elementary School  
“Fantastic presentation. Our students left the room wanting to learn more about TWRC and the animals. We enjoyed every moment. Congratulations!”

Teri T.  
“Thank you for taking in the baby blue jay that we found. I am really hoping that he is okay and lives a long life. “

Melissa M. (Yelp)  
“Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Coalition (TWRC) is an amazing place and we are lucky to have it here in Houston. I heard about TWRC many years ago and filed them away in my memory for future use. TWRC is a centrally located facility where rescuers can bring injured, ill, or orphaned wildlife. This is NOT a place for cats, dogs, and hamsters, instead you'll find squirrels, birds, opossums, and racoons here. If you find an animal that is in need of rehab, this is the place to go. They have a modern clean facility and only ask for donations to keep the program going. In the summer they have a very organized and successful baby bird feeding program. They also have summer camp programs for children.”



## Support TWRC

TWRC cares for both native and non-native Texas wildlife found in and around the Houston area, with a specialty in small mammals, migratory songbirds, small raptors and reptiles. Our goal is to rehabilitate with the intent to release back into the wild. Every donation helps and we appreciate your support.

### Adopt an Animal Ambassador

Become a proud supporter of an Ambassador Animal today! By symbolically adopting a member of our ambassador team, you will help feed and care for that animal for one entire year. You will also be supporting our mission to promote environmental conservation through public education and rehabilitation of Texas wildlife.

With each symbolic adoption, you will receive a 5"x7" animal photo, an adoption certificate, an animal biography, and a TWRC sticker. Three levels to choose from: \$100, \$175, \$250, or a \$1,000 life-time adoption.

### Tribute Giving

TWRC Wildlife Center's Friends of the Forest program is an opportunity to support TWRC with your purchase of a bronze, silver, or gold leaf which can be inscribed and permanently attached to our Friends of the Forest wall tree. These wall trees are a means to recognize, honor or remember family, friends, co-workers, or pets.

Every leaf can be inscribed with three lines of 25 characters per line.

Three Levels to Choose From

Bronze - \$100

Silver - \$250

Gold - \$500

### Merchandise Shop

Explore designs to see the faces of our Animal Ambassadors on a variety of high-quality products, from t-shirts, stickers, cards, tote bags, photographic prints, mugs, and even home décor! All items are shipped by Redbubble directly to you and a portion of each sale supports the TWRC. As an added bonus, some items even offer bulk discounts!

### Support While Shopping

- AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support the TWRC Wildlife Center every time you shop on Amazon, at no extra cost to you.
- Randalls and Kroger grocery stores support TWRC also. Just link your shopper's card to TWRC Wildlife Center and the donations happen automatically.



# Events and Fundraisers



## Hip-Hip Hooray! Wild Birds Unlimited is hosting a Baby Bird Shower for TWRC Wildlife Center!

Visit Wild Birds Unlimited on Memorial and meet our Animal Ambassadors while stocking up on bird essentials!

Where:  
Wild Birds Unlimited on  
Memorial  
(14032 Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77079)

When:  
Saturday, May 15th  
11 AM - 2 PM

Any donations given to support TWRC Wildlife Center will earn you a complimentary 2 lb. bag of WBU's Wild Bird Seed.



**TWRC Wildlife Center**

## Chili Cook Off & Silent Auction

February 26, 2022  
3 PM - 6PM  
John Knox Presbyterian Church  
2525 Gessner Rd  
Houston, TX 77080

Visit <https://TWRCChili.givesmart.com> for all the details on this fun event!

**TWRC Wildlife Center**

## 2021 "Wild InSight" Photo Contest

**Wild InSight**  
Photo Calendar

1. The photo is taken in the wild.  
2. The photo must be of a wild animal.  
3. The photo must be of a wild animal in its natural habitat.

Congratulations to the top 12 finalists in our "Wild InSight" Photo Contest.

All proceeds from the photo contest and calendar sales directly support TWRC Wildlife Center animal care.

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**TWRC Wildlife Center**

HELP FUND THE ROSLYN EVEN WILDLIFE HOSPITAL.

## INVEST IN OUR NEST ONLINE AUCTION

NOVEMBER 8 - NOVEMBER 14

If you or your company can donate goods or services to the auction, please send an email to Anna Saxton at [marketing\\_events@twrcwildlife.org](mailto:marketing_events@twrcwildlife.org).

Examples of donations include travel packages, outings & experiences, memorabilia, sports tickets, or gift baskets.

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## PAINT THE HOUSE COMPETITION

### JOIN THE FUN! PAINT A BIRDHOUSE AND SUPPORT TWRC WILDLIFE CENTER

Birdhouses are a great way to attract a variety of songbirds to your home. Help us beautify our supply of hand-crafted bird, squirrel, and owl houses for visitors and rescuers to use and admire for years to come.

Top 3 House designs in each division will win valuable prizes!

REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, JULY 5TH  
BIRDHOUSE PICK-UP BEGINS WEDNESDAY JULY 7TH

10801 Hammerly Blvd, Suite 200, Houston, Texas 77043  
Monday - Sunday: 10 am - 2 pm

Visit [www.twrcwildlife.org/paint-the-house](http://www.twrcwildlife.org/paint-the-house) for more information and to register!

## Media Mentions



[Introduction to TWRC](#)



[Friends of America's Emergency Rooms](#)

Possums & Popsicles - Houston Arboretum & Nature Center  
August 28, 2021

<https://houstonarboretum.org/event/possums-popsicles/>

Mangled ducks found at Hermann Park leave Houstonians wondering "Is it disease or animal cruelty?" April 11, 2022

<https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/environment/article/injured-ducks-hermann-park-17064324.php>

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**TWRC WILDLIFE CENTER'S  
UPCOMING FUNDRAISING  
OPPORTUNITIES**

**H**ouston, TX – TWRC Wildlife Center is happy to announce the following upcoming events that will help raise funds for wildlife in need:

**VIRTUAL CHILI COOK-OFF –** TWRC Wildlife Center presents its 1st ever "Virtual Chili Cook-Off". Due to the pandemic, fundraising efforts are getting a little more creative! The event will livestream from the TWRC Wildlife Center, on Saturday afternoon, March 27th, from 5 - 8 p.m. Contestants will drop off their chili at the TWRC Center, 10601 Hammerly Blvd Suite 300, Houston, between 2:00 and 2:00 PM. The official judges will taste and fill out their judges' card one at a time. The event will be livestreamed for contestants and patrons (ticket holders) to watch from the comfort of home! The live event will include animal presentations from Greg Hall, snake educator, and Amber Loung, our Education Animal Coordinator. Along with a ticket to see the live-streamed event, patrons receive our Chili Cook-Off apron, glass, two deer prize tickets, and a copy of our digital Chili Cook-Off Cookbook. Raffle tickets can be purchased to win one of our amazing gift packages! With over 30 items to choose from, there's something for everyone. A few options include a penguin encounter at Moody Gardens, a kayak trip for two, jewelry, art, private wine-tasting party, and much more.

Interested individuals can go to <https://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/virtual-chili-cook-off> for further details.

**5RD ANNUAL TWRC "WILD INSIGHT" PHOTO CONTEST –** The 5th TWRC "Wild Insight" Photo Contest is accepting entries this spring. All wildlife nonprofits, hobbyists, "photo-ographers", amateurs, and professionals are welcome, as both your gear and captions count! Full details are available at: <https://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/2021-photo-contest/>.








# Press Releases



## EVENT PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## TWRC Wildlife Center's Ribbon-Cutting Event Celebrating the new Roslyn Even Wildlife Hospital

HOUSTON, TX (April 4, 2022) – The press and the public are invited to celebrate TWRC Wildlife Center's expansion of our veterinary room into the full-service *Roslyn Even Wildlife Hospital* with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 10801 Hammerly Boulevard, Ste 200, Houston, TX 77043. The dedication will take place on Saturday, May 21 at 3 p.m.

Named in honor of Roslyn Even; Executive Director of TWRC Wildlife Center for 11 years, as well as a wildlife rehabilitator for 25 years and TWRC Wildlife Center Board Member for 4 years; the full-service Roslyn Even Wildlife Hospital will ensure exceptional care is available for some of greater Houston's most vulnerable residents.

"The need for this lifesaving hospital is great and will make a difference in the survivability of our patients," said Mary Warwick, Executive Director of TWRC Wildlife Center.

Grants from the DJ&T Foundation, James A. "Buddy" Davidson Foundation, and TC Energy funded most of the expansion. Fundraisers and donations from generous donors financed the remaining needs.

The Roslyn Even Wildlife Hospital will deliver the services TWRC Wildlife Center currently provides along with an in-house laboratory (including blood lead testing), surgical capabilities and improved anesthetic and examination equipment.

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## ABOUT TWRC WILDLIFE CENTER

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## TWRC Wildlife Center's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off

HOUSTON, TX (Feb 16, 2022) – TWRC Wildlife Center is happy to announce our 2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off to raise funds for local wildlife in need. The fundraising event will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2022, from 3 - 6 pm at John Knox Presbyterian Church, 2525 Gessner Rd., Houston, TX 77080.

Guests will enjoy chili tasting, beer tasting, face painting, yard games, in-person viewing of online auction items, door prizes, and appearances by our popular Animal Ambassadors. Special appearances will be made by two of our newest Ambassadors: Woody (a beautiful male wood duck) and Pico (a stunning red-tailed hawk).

All are welcome to participate – whether you enter your famous chili recipe, attend the event and enjoy tasting the different chili entries, or bid in our Silent Auction – you won't want to miss this fun event. And, of course, it's for a good cause.

"This year's Chili Cook-Off is important to the Center's success as the proceeds help us continue to expand our services for wildlife and the community we serve," says TWRC's Executive Director Mary Warwick. "It will assist us with much-needed funding for the Roslyn Even Wildlife Hospital as well as enable us to provide more educational outreach programs to underserved schools," Warwick added.

For more details about the Chili Cook-Off go to this link: <https://TWRCchili.givesmart.com>

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For more information about the TWRC Wildlife Center, the Chili Cook-Off, or how to get involved with the organization, please contact Anna Saxton at [marketing\\_events@twrcwildlifecenter.org](mailto:marketing_events@twrcwildlifecenter.org)

## MEDIA OPPORTUNITY

Email Anna Saxton to arrange for a personal introduction to our Animal Ambassadors, presented by Amber Leung, our very knowledgeable Educational Manager. Also, take advantage of the fantastic photo opportunities with our Animal Ambassadors – they really are quite photogenic!



# Sponsors and Donors Who Make our Mission a Reality

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- Amazon Smile Program
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- Casualty Brand
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- ConocoPhillips
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- Enhanced Laser
- ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program
- ExxonMobil Foundation
- Fidelity Charitable
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- Unity Church of Christianity
- VCA Animal Hospitals
- West Houston Veterinary Medical Associates

# Visualize TWRC



# Volunteers

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## Interns [click the link to learn more](#)



## **TWRC Future Objectives**

### **Expanding Education Programs**

TWRC will expand its education programs to more Title I schools, align the curriculum to the TEKS, and include career information. We will also adopt a school for a more in-depth relationship, including filling their library, planting a native prairie, and vegetable garden.

Animal control officers and game wardens have expressed a desire for education in best practices when answering calls for injured wildlife. TWRC envisions holding training classes for officers and wardens to give hands on instruction on how to handle and transport injured wildlife. The classes will help protect first responders and greatly increase the chances that wildlife are transported safely.

### **Wildlife Ambulance**

Many animal rescuers spend hours or even days trying to transport wildlife to rescue centers amidst their busy schedules and traveling across the Houston Metropolitan area doesn't make it any easier. Our goal is to work with various domestic animal shelters to serve as drop-off points for rescuers where our wildlife ambulance will then pick up and transport wildlife to TWRC for treatment and rehabilitation.

