



# Give Wildlife a Helping Hand

Understanding the habits and habitats of wildlife, and taking appropriate measures to prevent unwanted encounters, will help everyone to continue to enjoy the wonderful wild resources that still exist in New Jersey.

## Volunteer opportunities:

- **Wildlife care technicians.** Dependable, compassionate people to help with the cleaning, diet preparation, and other various behind the scenes care of wildlife patients.
- **Event volunteers.** Enthusiastic people to greet the public at community events, raise funds by selling merchandise, and educate others about wildlife by distributing literature.
- **Volunteer interns.** A thirteen week program for college students focusing on animal husbandry, nutrition, hand feeding techniques, natural history, state and federal regulations and release criteria.
- **Repair/Maintenance.** Cage repair, gardening, odd jobs, facility clean-up on an as-needed basis.
- **Board of Directors Volunteers.** Assist the Wildlife Center Friends, Inc. Board of Directors with various projects.

**For more information about these volunteer positions, email:**

**[mcwcvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:mcwcvolunteers@gmail.com)**

## Wish list items:

Caring for the injured, ill, or displaced animals that come through our door involves various supplies, many of which you probably use in your own home. Visit our website to see our wish list.

## Who We Are

The Mercer County Wildlife Center strives to protect the future of our native wildlife species through education.

## Rehabilitation and Release

More than 3,000 animals, including raccoons, foxes, beavers, opossums, skunks, owls, hawks, and songbirds come into our care each year to be treated for all types of injuries caused by non-natural events such as impact by automobiles, altercations with domestic animals, poisoning from pesticide use, and wounds caused by gun shots.

For more information regarding the work we do and the animals who share our environment, including a series of printable fact sheets that provide tips for coexisting peacefully with those animals, visit us online at: [www.wildlifecenterfriends.org](http://www.wildlifecenterfriends.org)



## About Mercer County Wildlife Center

The Mercer County Wildlife Center is a state and federally licensed facility that cares for injured, ill and displaced wildlife. The Center provides these animals with the medical treatment and a temporary refuge before releasing them back into an appropriate wild habitat.

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[www.mercercounty.org/departments/mercer-county-park-commission/wildlife-center](http://www.mercercounty.org/departments/mercer-county-park-commission/wildlife-center)

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