Baby Bird Rescue Guide

1. Obtain and prepare a container: Some things that work nicely include dog/cat carriers, cardboard boxes, or paper sacks closed with a clothespin. Line the container with a soft cloth, tissue, paper towels or toilet paper.
2. Wear gloves if possible.
3. Place a towel or sheet over the bird.
4. Gently scoop up the bird with the towel and put it in the prepared container.
5. Provide warmth: Place a portion of the container on a heating pad set to low or place a heat source next to the bird. Good items to use include a plastic soda bottle or rubber glove filled with warm water. A sock filled with rice and then warmed in the microwave will also work.
6. Close the container and seal shut.
7. Make a mental note of where you found the bird. This can be important as some birds need to be returned to the same area at release.
8. Keep the bird in a warm, dark and quiet place away from pets and children. Resist the urge to handle as this will stress the bird. Do not give it anything to eat or drink.
9. Wash your hands well. Birds can carry diseases and parasites.
10. Call Wildlife Rescue at 472-9453 for instructions on where to take the bird.