

Wildlife Links

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National Wildlife Rehabilitation Organizations

The International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council comprises veterinarians, rehabilitators, conservationists, and other professionals from around the world, all committed to restoring the health, ensuring the welfare, and safeguarding the future of wildlife. www.iwrc-online.org



The National Wildlife Rehabilitators Association (NWRA) is dedicated to improving and promoting the profession of wildlife rehabilitation and its contributions to preserving natural ecosystems. www.nrawildlife.org

Human-Wildlife Conflicts

Andrea Kitay writes a column for the *Los Angeles Times* called “Living with Wildlife” and her website contains lots of useful information, including links to federal and state wildlife agencies. www.livingwithwildlife.com

The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission has several publications that provide guidance to property owners to aid them in solving problems associated with “nuisance” wildlife. http://216.27.49.98/pg06_CoexistingWildlife/pg6a.htm

Creating Wildlife-Friendly Gardens

The website of the National Wildlife Federation contains lots of information about how to certify your yard or garden space as an official Backyard Wildlife Habitat. www.nwf.org/backyardwildlifehabitat/createhabitat.cfm

Project Wildlife has many articles on their website about wild gardens. www.projectwildlife.org/gardens_wildlifefriendlygarden.htm

The PBS website has an article on how to create a wildlife-friendly garden. www.pbs.org/wnet/nature/secretgarden/gardener.html

Protecting Wildlife

The Oregon Association of Conservation Districts has a section on their website called “Enhancing Wildlife Habitat.” Though it’s oriented toward habitat in Oregon, much of the information is generic. www.oacd.org/fs16wild.htm

Project Wildlife has an article about how to make windows safe for birds.

www.projectwildlife.org/facts-windows-safe-for-birds.htm

The Federal Highway Administration has a section on their website called “Keeping It Simple: Easy Ways to Help Wildlife Along Roads.” You can search by state and category.

www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/wildlifeprotection/

A Few Other Wildlife Organizations

The National Wildlife Federation website has many ways that you can take action to protect wildlife. www.nwf.org/action/

Audubon’s mission is to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and the earth’s biological diversity. www.audubon.org

The American Bird Conservancy is dedicated to conserving wild birds and their habitats throughout the Americas. www.abcbirds.org

Defenders of Wildlife is dedicated to the protection of all native wild animals and plants in their natural communities. www.defenders.org

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