

Wildlife needs YOUR help!
PLEASE keep Second Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation in Pueblo operating.

Second Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation has provided statewide services for more than 25 years, caring for more than 600 sick, injured and orphaned wild animals like migratory songbirds, waterfowl, and small mammals yearly.

The animals come from wildlife officers, parks employees, animal control agencies, veterinarians, police, sheriff, state patrol, animal shelters, humane societies and other agencies as well as the public. Second Chance provides these services free of charge. We are not paid by any of the agencies we provide this service to. We are licensed by both the state and federal government, but we are not government employees. No agency pays anyone at our facility. No agency pays for the veterinary care and feed for the hundreds of animals we care for each year.
We rely 100% on donations to pay for these essentials.

For Second Chance to continue operating through 2018 we must continue to employ professional wildlife rehabilitators that are state and federally licensed to work with wildlife. We need to raise \$30,000 to pay licensed wildlife rehabilitators (and yes this needs to be raised every year). This funding is in addition to the \$30,000 we need every year for animal feed, veterinary care and general operations.

With the closure of the only operational facility in the Pikes Peak in 2017, our volume of many species doubled as we are the only operational facility between Boulder and the southern border of the state licensed to care for migratory songbirds, waterfowl, and bats. We expect this trend to continue.

When we close, hundreds of wild animals will die. Healthy animals, most of them babies, will be killed at wildlife facilities that are unable to handle the increase in admissions or are not licensed to care for that type of animal and at Colorado Parks and Wildlife offices because parks employees and wildlife officers do not provide care for animals.

Hundreds of animals will die at the hands of the untrained public trying to take care of them. Untrained people caring for wildlife also pose a health threat to humans and domestic animals due to exposure to very serious zoonotic diseases like rabies, distemper, tularemia, internal roundworms and other diseases and parasites.