



The Bird Rescue Center of Sonoma County

Restoring wings to the wild

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Sleepless in Sonoma



Ever been up all night with a baby? How about 8 of them?

It's spring, and here at The Bird Rescue Center we're getting baby Anna's Hummingbirds, those native green and pink hummers that everyone loves. So, what's the big deal, you may ask? Baby hummers eat...a lot! In the wild, these hummers' parents will be feeding them every 30 minutes, at least 12 hours of every day!

Our first baby of the season, a nestling Anna's Hummingbird, arrived in mid-February, and 7 more have joined us to date. Since we're still on our Winter Schedule, The Bird Rescue

Center is only open and staffed 8 hours a day. To care for these adorable babies, our dedicated clinic supervisors have been hosting sleep-overs to ensure they are fed as well, and as often, as they would be with their true parents. They give up their mornings and evenings to take these young birds home and ensure they are given around the clock care. They wake up early to begin feeding the young birds just after sunrise and spend their nights at home to continue the feeding until just after sunset. Our supervisors are not only skilled at caring for birds, they have mastered how to time their morning showers *perfectly* so as to not interrupt the feeding schedule, how to travel to and from The Bird Rescue Center with the best/most pull-outs for on-the-go feedings, and how to casually leave the dinner table to feed baby birds as if nothing unusual just happened in their spare bedroom (aka the ~at home~ Baby Bird Room).



As we ease into the official Baby Bird Season, we will take in around 2,000 baby birds (in addition to the ~1,000 juvenile and adult birds we treat). The cost of feeding and caring for all these birds really adds up. The Bird Rescue Center wouldn't be able to help so many sick, injured, or orphaned birds without our dedicated supervisors, outstanding volunteers, and most importantly, our generous donors.

So what do you say? Will you help us feed these hungry mouths? Your donation of \$20 will cover the average cost of food, vitamins and supplements for a day for one of our babies.

A heartbreaking story

On March 11th, the Press Democrat reported a man in Lassen County had shot and killed at least 140 wild animals, including 130 hawks and other birds of prey. This kind of despicable crime is

heartbreaking to us and to all wildlife organizations. Please join us in thanking those **California Department of Fish and Wildlife** officers that spend countless hours following up on tips and investigating all crimes against nature.

We will continue to do our part to care for sick, wounded and orphaned birds. Your **donations** make our work possible, so please be generous in your support!

For more information, you can go to our **Facebook** page.

Our new freezer

Thank you! Your generous donations enabled us to purchase a brand new freezer!

We so appreciate your willingness to help us in our time of need. Your generosity continues to help us rehabilitate and feed native wild birds.



OPEN HOUSE

Come see our resident raptors at our monthly open house

April 7th, 2018
from 10am - 1pm

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