

Wildlife Rescue Association of BC makes a difference

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Last month we blogged about our eco friends at Kawartha Turtle, a non-profit organization in Ontario that's helping to care, rehabilitate and save turtles. Well, there's another non-profit on the west coast that's making a big difference with animals too. It's the Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia, the largest urban rehabilitator of wildlife in the province. This is the association's 30th anniversary. In an average year, the centre in Burnaby cares for about 3,000 wild animals. The goal of the centre is to care for and rehabilitate injured, orphaned or human-impacted animals and return them to the wild. Care is usually provided by university-trained biologists or college-trained animal health technicians.

The WRA doesn't just care for animals in need. Outreach education is another component of its work -- it's a service that is becoming more and more vital with each passing year as humans encroach on wildlife habitat. Programs include A Day in the Life of A Wildlife Rehabilitator; Co-existing with Urban Wildlife; Wildlife Habits and Habitats; Nest and Wings and Things: Wildlife ID and Adaptations.

You can help the WRA by making a donation, or donating an item on the association's wish list. As you can imagine, with an average of 150 species treated each year, the need for a variety of food and medical supplies is extremely high. Call the centre if you can help at 604-526-7275. Donations are greatly appreciated.