

Animal Tracks^(TM)

The Wildlife Sanctuary - Ellijay, GA

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Take Action Against Animal Cruelty!



The Wildlife Sanctuary is adding two new pages to our web site. One is to honor individuals who have personally gone out of their way to save a wild animal. The second is to [expose cruelty to wild animals](#). This includes bear poaching, which still occurs everyday.

In addition, we are setting aside a portion of your monthly donations for a Reward fund. We will pay a reward to individuals who have provided the pivotal piece of information that led to the arrest of someone involved in wild animal abuse. In rare cases, we will post a reward for domestic animal abuse, like the video on our web site of a girl throwing weeks-old puppies into a river (no, they did not survive - they weren't even weaned). This one comes with a warning - this act is so heinous that you probably should NOT watch it.

Everyone at the sanctuary loves and lives for the animals every day. So, we are taking a stand, because if you don't stand for something, you will stand for (tolerate) anything. It is our collective responsibility to care of the world around us - yes, we are our brother's keeper. So, [make a donation today](#) and part of it will put teeth into the backsides of people who abuse animals by putting a price on their head! We just won't go so far as creating a "Wanted - Dead or Alive" poster.

Wildlife Education



On Wednesday Sept 8, we will wrap up our guest appearances on UCTV's television show, Paws for a Moment on Channel 265. We have had the opportunity to present segments about the sanctuary, the Eastern Panther, Western Cougar, Bobcat, Canadian Lynx, North American Black Bears, with a special guest appearance by Chuck, our groundhog. We are now looking into other TV options to present wildlife education to a larger audience.

In addition, we are creating a video for students schooled at home with a grant from Amicalola EMC's Operation Round-up that will be released soon. The Wildlife Sanctuary has written teacher guides for all grades K-12 in line with the Georgia Performance Standards. We will be creating a library of video education materials on wildlife that we hope will be used in Georgia schools and even across the United States.

You can watch the UCTV shows on YouTube about one month after they air live. We will announce when they are available on YouTube at our web site and in our newsletters.

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We Need HELP!

Each month we need to raise \$10,000 to continue operations. In August, we raised less than \$2,500. We appreciate your support and have a favor to ask. In addition to a donation as soon as you can make one, could you ask your friends who love animals to "look us over?"

We want to add to our donor base so it isn't just you sending us funds every time. So your help in getting the word out helps us all, and thank you for any donation you can send our way right now.



We are now releasing three raccoons this week - sweet success!

Family Day - Sunday September 12th; 12 - 4p.m.



If you want to see a wildlife sanctuary in the wilderness, come to the north Georgia mountains next Sunday for a guided tour. This educational hike covers over a mile of up-and-down terrain to see mountain lions, panthers, black bears, deer, raccoons, and even spiders and snakes. Right now we have

two very young raccoons and two adults that are just too cute to miss.

It is about a 1 hour drive from Canton up Hwy 575 and 515 to Ellijay. Check the web site for [directions](#). Admission is just \$8.00 per person. Please wear comfortable walking shoes. The grounds are not suitable for strollers (yet - join one of our development teams and help us get there!).

Join us next Sunday and take the guided tour anytime between 12 and 4 p.m.

Development Teams - You Can Join!



Help Us Create This...

The Wildlife Sanctuary is creating seven teams to help with activities at the sanctuary. If you have ever wanted to have a real, tangible, measurable impact on the preservation of wildlife, join one of our teams: the Facilities Team, the Marketing Team, the Grants Team,

the Educational Programs Team, the College/University Partnership Team, the Corporate Partnership Team or the Fundraising and Special Events Team.

Teams will be made up of 3-5 team members with a team leader. Team leaders will meet once each month with the Executive Director for updates. Team members can attend the Team meetings, where one team will make an update presentation. The teams will tackle the development projects and expansion activities at the sanctuary, from habitat upgrades, building designs, landscape architecture, promotions, publicity, to educational programs, fund raisers, and corporate involvement.

These are the fun, action teams, where outside-the-box thinking and creativity is a welcomed plus. All team members will have an opportunity to visit the sanctuary and see how their contribution impacts the rescue, raising and release of injured and orphaned wild animals. To learn more, go to <http://www.thewildlifesanctuary.com/developments.php> and Make a Difference you can see and touch!!

**Thank you for your support to
Save our Wildlife.**

Sincerely,



We raised and released two late-term birthed fawns this week.

We need you support to raise and release more.

Send to a Friend: Our sanctuary could use lots of supporters. Please encourage your Facebook friends to visit our web site and...

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)



T-Shirts

Now you can support us by purchasing from over 40 T-shirt selections at our website! Profits go to help us rescue, raise and release wild animals, as well as educating young and old alike about the importance of our wildlife.

If you would like to submit a design for consideration, please e-mail a hi-res .jpg image to us. If your design is selected, it will be shown on our Contributors page with your name as the designer!

All designs submitted to us become the property of The Wildlife Sanctuary. All profits from the sale of t-shirts showing your design become funds of The Wildlife Sanctuary - but you get the bragging rights for supporting wildlife!!

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