

Forever Wild Avian Sanctuary

A 501 (c) (3) IRS-recognized non-profit organization



Our facility is a sanctuary where birds and other domestic species are rescued because of abandonment or neglect.

We will intake all species of parrots, chickens, domestic ducks, geese, pheasants, peafowl, turkeys and other domestic fowl.

We also accept domestic rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, and gerbils.

We do not provide sanctuary for cats, dogs, "hoofed" barnyard animals, rats, mice, ferrets, or reptiles.

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...Over 35 years of experience with various avian species and wildlife.



Our Sanctuary provides the following services for parrots:

Rescue

We are always available to advise owners in their attempts to recapture an escaped parrot. Depending on the situation and geographic location, our Sanctuary can provide assistance in the recapture process.

Temporary Boarding

Our Sanctuary provides bird sitting services, meeting both short and long term boarding requirements. Service fees will be determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on the parrot's size and requirements. All service fees are required to be paid in advance.

Beak Trimming and Nail Clipping

These grooming services are done at the Sanctuary and *by appointment only* between the hours of 9:00 am and 1:00 pm daily. Contact the Sanctuary for a fee schedule.

Relinquishing a Parrot

Several actions must occur for a parrot to be permanently relinquished to our Sanctuary. Contact the above number for further information.

Adoption.

Some of the parrots in our Sanctuary are eligible for adoption. This involves both an interview and adoption process, as there needs to be mutual bonding between the parrot and its new owner.



FAQ's

What are the major differences between domestic and wild creatures?

Wild creatures are defined as those living in nature without human control or care – and not tamed or domesticated. There are a number of laws – The Migratory Bird Treaty Act as one example, as well as state and federal regulatory agencies that provide oversight for wildlife. *Domestic creatures*

are best defined as birds, mammals or reptiles that live and breed in a tame environment, and generally kept as pets or to produce food.

I want to help, but I have no experience with Sanctuary animals. How can I learn?

Every volunteer is cross-trained for specific tasks under the supervision of the Sanctuary Director. Much of this training is one-on-one. Volunteers also constantly share new information and experiences with each other.

What can I do to support the Sanctuary?

Your monetary donation of any amount helps us a great deal! We are also looking for materials and supplies.

Contact our Sanctuary for further information: 520.574.3579

About Other Sanctuary Animals & Services....

Our Sanctuary supports chickens, domestic ducks, geese, pheasants, peafowl, turkeys, and other domestic fowl. The most common reasons for relinquishing domestic fowl to a Sanctuary include growth from “cute” to adult stage; outgrowing living spaces; nuisance to neighbors; violations of zoning and HOA restrictions; death of an owner; moving out of area, etc.

Our Sanctuary also intakes **pigeons, starlings** and **English sparrows** that are discovered in nature as being sick, injured or orphaned. Our Sanctuary's goal is to release them back into their natural habitats; or, adopt them out. These birds make great beginner birds and are good in apartments.



Our Sanctuary supports domestic rabbits, guinea pigs and hamsters. Sadly, and most often, these domestic animals end up in sanctuaries, as the result of situations, such as kids tiring of caring for cute, cuddly creatures; class projects ending and no one to assume care responsibilities; “cute” growing into adult and breeding stages; and, space limitations to properly house such mammals. Many of these domestic mammals are released in public park situations – or, worse yet, become “prey” animals in the open desert.

Services: Rescue...We are always available to advise owners in their attempts to recapture a domesticated animal. Depending on the situation and geographic location, our Sanctuary can, on occasion, provide assistance in the recapture process. **Relinquishing...**Our Sanctuary can accept various categories of domestic animals that are intended to be permanently relinquished by the owner. *Sanctuary decisions to re-home are on a space available basis.*

Adoption...Many of our domestic animals that have been relinquished are eligible for adoption. This involves both an interview and adoption process. *There is also an adoption fee, determined on a case-by-base basis.*