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Urgent Need For Bird Rescue Volunteers



Calling all volunteers, International Bird Rescue urgently needs community support to handle its busy baby bird season!

Volunteers are required in all areas to help prepare food, clean cages, transport patients, and train to work with wildlife in Fairfield at its San Francisco Bay-Delta wildlife center.

Every year Bird Rescue receives up to a thousand orphaned baby birds in Spring and Summer – including many ducklings and goslings. During this busy season, the organization relies on volunteers and donors to help with this wildlife conservation work. You must be 18 years old to volunteer.

If bird lovers are unable to volunteer in person in the wildlife clinic, they can support Bird Rescue with public outreach, an online donation, check, or a wish list purchase on Amazon or Chewy.com. There is also a need for administrative volunteers.

“We can’t do this important life-saving work without the support of our wonderful volunteers,” said Kelly Beffa, Wildlife Center Manager at Bird Rescue.

In addition to a life enriching experience of providing essential service to those in need, volunteers have unparalleled direct access and exposure to wildlife that is not available in any other setting.

“I love seeing the progression of the individual birds and being involved in their journey back to health,” said volunteer Grace McPhaill, who is studying veterinary medicine at UC Davis. “The release of wildlife is always very rewarding, but their progress is most fulfilling.”

The last several years have been very challenging with COVID-19 protocols. Unfortunately, volunteer numbers continue to be at a record low during our busiest season.

Please go to www.birdrescue.org/volunteer to complete an online volunteer application or call the volunteer hotline: 707-456-4605.

International Bird Rescue is a global conservation organization for birds in a changing world. Since 1971, Bird Rescue has responded to over 250 oil spills and other wildlife emergencies, caring for more than 160,000 birds on six continents. The organization specializes in emergency preparedness and response, day-to-day aquatic bird care, and scientific research.

The group also operates a Youth Education program at Cordelia Slough at the Pacific Flyway Center. Its aim is to connect students with the beauty around them in greater Solano County.

International Bird Rescue is located at 4369 Cordelia Road, Fairfield, CA 94534. Call: 707-207-0380. www.birdrescue.org

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