Types of Jobs

**What**
There is no ‘typical’ job description that defines what is expected of a wildlife rehabilitator. Paid positions can involve some or all of the following:

- feeding baby birds or mammals
- assisting with fluid therapy and bandaging,
- supervising paid staff and/or volunteers,
- presenting public presentations
- cleaning cages
- making hard decisions about welfare and euthanasia
- fundraising
- capturing and transporting injured wild animals
- communicating with concerned citizens
- maintaining databases

**Duration**
Due to the seasonal nature of the work, wildlife rehabilitator positions regularly are for specific months of the year. Sometimes, these positions can be reoccurring; sometimes they can lead to permanent full time work. Seasonal work can be an amazing opportunity to adventure to new regions, develop a well-rounded skillset, and network with other professionals nationally and around the world.

**Where**
Wildlife rehabilitation jobs usually are found in areas with high human populations. The larger wildlife rehabilitation centers typically are located near these areas due to the higher frequency of interactions between humans and wildlife resulting in greater incidence of wildlife injury. These centers usually are large enough to offer a variety of jobs covering the many aspects of wildlife rehabilitation.