

WCSV: 2008 Animals Received

BIRDS

Birds of Prey

American Kestrel	10
Burrowing Owl	2
Common Barn Owl	28
Cooper's Hawk	36
Great-horned Owl	9
Merlin	5
Northern Goshawk	1
Northern Pygmy Owl	1
Peregrine Falcon	1
Red-shouldered Hawk	15
Red-tailed Hawk	28
Sharp-shinned Hawk	3
Swainson's Hawk	2
Unidentified Accipiter	1
Western Screech Owl	16
Total Birds of Prey	157

Hummingbirds

Allen's Hummingbird	4
Anna's Hummingbird	129
Black-chinned Hummingbird	1
Calliope Hummingbird	1
Total Hummingbirds	135

Songbirds

American Crow	202
American Goldfinch	15
American Robin	54
Barn Swallow	3
Bewick's Wren	2
Black Phoebe	21
Black-capped Chickadee	1
Black-chinned Sparrow	1
Black-headed Grosbeak	5
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Brewer's Blackbird	21
Brown Creeper	1
Brown-headed Cowbird	24
Bullock's Oriole	4
Bushtit	35
California Towhee	57
Cedar Waxwing	17
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	3
Chipping Sparrow	1
Cliff Swallow	22
Common Golden Eye	2

Common Raven	2
Dark-eyed Junco	12
Golden-crowned Sparrow	5
Hermit Thrush	4
Hooded Oriole	1
House Finch	306
House Wren	2
Lawrence's Goldfinch	4
Lesser Goldfinch	45
Loggerhead Shrike	1
Northern Mockingbird	113
Oak Titmouse	2
Pine Siskin	1
Red-winged Blackbird	3
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
Song Sparrow	1
Spotted Towhee	6
Steller's Jay	6
Swainson's Thrush	4
Tree Swallow	2
Tufted Titmouse	7
Unidentified Songbird	1
Unknown Swallow	2
Western Bluebird	2
Western Meadowlark	1
Western Scrub-jay	75
Western Tanager	1
White-crowned Sparrow	4
White-throated Sparrow	1
White-throated Swift	11
Yellow Warbler	1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	6
Zebra Finch	1
Total Songbirds	1,124

Game Birds and Vultures

California Quail	11
Ring-necked Pheasant	1
Turkey Vulture	2
Total Game Birds and Vultures	14

Woodpeckers

Acorn Woodpecker	2
Downy Woodpecker	2
Hairy Woodpecker	2
Northern Flicker	3
Nuttall's Woodpecker	8
Unidentified Woodpecker	1
Total Woodpeckers	18

Waterbirds

American Coot	15
American White Pelican	3
Black-crowned Night Heron	2
Brandt's Cormorant	9
Brown Pelican	7
California Gull	42
Clark's Grebe	3
Common Murre	1
Double-crested Cormorant	2
Eared Grebe	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	6
Great Blue Heron	5
Great Egret	4
Green Heron	3
Herring Gull	6
Horned Grebe	1
Killdeer	10
Mew Gull	5
Pacific Loon	1
Pelagic Cormorant	1
Pied-billed Grebe	7
Red-throated Loon	3
Ring-billed Gull	13
Snowy Egret	1
Western Grebe	1
Western Gull	2
Total Waterbirds	154

Waterfowl

Bufflehead	1
Canada Goose	46
Cinnamon Teal	1
Common Merganser	1
Common Snipe	1
Gadwall	1
Mallard	324
Ruddy Duck	4
Total Waterfowl	379

Pigeons and Doves

Band-tailed Pigeon	10
Mourning Dove	292
Total Pigeons and Doves	302

Domestic and Other

Domestic Chicken	8
Domestic Dove	17
Domestic Duck	33

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Domestic Finch	2
Domestic Goose	1
Domestic Pigeon	288
Domestic Quail	15
European Starling	61
House Sparrow	264
Peafowl	3
Ring-necked Dove	1
Unidentified Hybrid Duck	1
Wild Turkey	3
Total Domestic and Other	697

Other

Japanese Quail	7
Mini Parottlet	1
Pacific-slope Flycatcher	2
Total Other	10

Total Birds 2,990

AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES

Amphibians

Western Toad	1
Total Amphibians	10

Reptiles

Box Turtle	1
Domestic Turtle	5
Gopher Snake	1
Turtle, slider	1
Western Fence Lizard	1
Total Reptiles	9

Total Amphibians and Reptiles 10

MAMMALS

Bats

Big Brown Bat	1
California Myotis	2
Hoary Bat	1
Mexican Free-tailed Bat	8
Red Bat	2
Unidentified Bat	1
Total Bats	15

Deer

Black-tailed Deer	9
Total Deer	9

Marsupial (Opossum)

Virginia Opossum	426
Total Marsupial (Opossum)	426

Other

Boar	1
Salmon Shark	1
Townsend's Mole	2
Total Other	4

Predatory Mammal

Bobcat	4
Coyote	15
Gray Fox	8
Raccoon	106
Red Fox	1
Striped Skunk	26
Total Predatory Mammal	160

Rabbit/Hare

Black-tailed Jackrabbit	10
Brush Rabbit	7
Cottontail Rabbit	3
Domestic Rabbit	10
Unidentified Rabbit	2
Total Rabbit/Hare	32

Rodent (Squirrel and Other)

African Hedge Hog	1
American Beaver	1
California Ground Squirrel	24
Deer Mouse	3
Eastern Fox Squirrel	107
Eastern Gray Squirrel	524
Pocket Gopher	4
Roof Rat	31
Townsend's Gopher	3
Unidentified Mouse	6
Unidentified Rat	7
Unidentified Rodent	1
Unidentified Squirrel	10
Western Gray Squirrel	3
Wood Rat	14
Total Rodent (Squirrel and Other)	739

Total Mammals 1,385

OTHER

Other

Unidentified	3
Total Other	3

TOTAL ANIMALS 4,388

2008 Financial Overview

INCOME

Overall, 2008 income for the WCSV declined about 2% from 2007 with donations and memberships, appeals, and events each falling between 20% and 25%. These decreases were largely offset by the income received from a single estate and higher investment income.

Service Revenues	\$128,553	34%
Donations and Memberships	67,120	17%
Appeals	40,431	11%
Events	20,559	5%
Grants and Estates	105,365	27%
Miscellaneous Income	10,552	3%
Investment Income	10,411	3%
TOTAL INCOME	\$382,991	100%

The WCSV currently does not have an endowment fund. In lieu thereof, it has established a Contingency Reserve to fund periods when its expenses exceed its income. In 2008, \$130,000 was allocated to that Reserve and as of the end of 2008, the Reserve had a balance of \$300,000.

EXPENSES

Expenses in 2008 declined some 15% from the prior year, with decreases occurring in both Support Services and Fundraising. Total Program Expenses rose 14%.

Programs-Wildlife Animal Care	\$125,820	59%
Programs-Education	29,566	14%
Total Program Expenses	155,385	73%
Support Services	46,008	21%
Fundraising	12,631	6%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$214,024	100%

NET INCOME, before allocation to Contingency Reserve \$168,967

Allocation to Contingency Reserve 130,000

NET INCOME, after allocation to Contingency Reserve \$38,967

Feeding Wild Birds: The ABCs of Doing So Safely

I value my garden more for being full of blackbirds than of cherries, and very frankly give them fruit for their songs.

Joseph Addison (1672 - 1719), "The Spectator"

Are you one of the many Bay Area residents who includes bird seed or other bird-friendly food on your grocery shopping list? According to the National Audubon Society, more than 100 species of North American birds enjoy food from feeders—apparently, many of us take delight in attracting birds to our yards by providing food for them.

It's not difficult to set up a feeding station. It is essential, however, to observe a few guidelines in order to protect the birds' wellbeing. Keeping in mind the ABCs of good bird-feeding habits will help ensure good health for our feathered friends, and many hours of bird watching for you.

Avoid avian salmonella—it is one of a number of diseases affecting wild birds. According to information from the California Council of Wildlife Rehabilitators (CCWR), Bay Area songbirds experienced an outbreak of the disease in January 2009. The CCWR notes that "While Salmonella is a bacteria present in many species of wild animals, stress, overcrowding and unsanitary conditions can cause an overgrowth that can quickly become deadly to birds and can spread rapidly through songbird populations."



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It adds, "An epidemic can start when birds feed together at bird feeders, or when they use improperly-cleaned birdbaths." Understanding the cause is a first step toward prevention.

Become familiar with safe feeding practices, such as disinfecting bird feeders every two weeks, reconsidering or avoiding feeders made of wood, and using a large tray to collect and discard seed hulls. Placement of the feeder is also a consideration. It should be situated in a quiet area near trees or shrubs where the birds can take cover if a predator approaches.

Check out online resources for more information. The National Audubon Society offers a very comprehensive website. From their homepage, www.audubon.org, hover your computer's mouse over the menu bar labeled **Audubon at Home > Helping Birds and Wildlife > Basic Bird Feeding**. You may also want to review the information provided by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. Their **Project Feeder Watch** page (www.birds.cornell.edu/pfw/AboutBirdsandFeeding/abtbirds_index.html) contains interesting program information as well as a link called **Safe Feeding Environment**.