



Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in the Walden's Puddle release site program. Walden's Puddle is the largest wildlife rehabilitation organization in the area. In 2013, we admitted 3,377 animals from 46 counties in Tennessee. Our goal for all wildlife is to restore them to full health or raise them until they are old enough to fend for themselves, then release them back to the wild.

Each species of wildlife has unique habitat requirements that must be met to survive. Without suitable release sites, our efforts are in vain. With the rapid pace of development in the Tennessee, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find accessible and appropriate natural areas.

Thanks to the generosity of caring individuals in our community, we have access to various release sites. Many of the animals simply need a place to get started before dispersing, which ideally is an area with suitable cover and resources where they can readjust to life in the wild. Others need an area to call home, which is ideally a place suitable to establish a territory and become a functioning member of the local population. In either case, your property may help fulfill this need.

The enclosed application asks for information about your property. Your information is confidential and will only be used to aid us in the assessment of the potential release sites. Please complete the application as thoroughly as possible, and mail it to me. Once your application has been received we will be in touch.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bettina Bowers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Bettina Bowers, Animal Care Director

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