What to do if you find injured or orphaned wildlife.

The wellbeing of wildlife is of paramount importance to the NJSEA in keeping with its goal of protecting natural resources in the Meadowlands. If you find wildlife that you believe is injured or orphaned, you may contact a wildlife rehabilitator permitted by the State of New Jersey. The NJSEA is not authorized or otherwise permitted to care for such animals and therefore cannot accept them.

The New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife recommends leaving young wildlife undisturbed. Every year, especially during the spring and early summer, the lives of many young animals are disrupted. Well-intentioned people may attempt to ‘save’ these animals, and more often than not, the mother is nearby.

In addition, attempting to handle injured or orphaned wildlife can pose a danger to yourself and the animal. Please, leave handling injured or orphaned wildlife to the experts.

If you see wildlife that is visibly injured or in danger, the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife has published this list of authorized rehabilitators:

**The Raptor Trust**
1390 White Bridge Road
Millington, NJ 07946
Phone: 908-647-2353
Website: [www.theraptortrust.org](http://www.theraptortrust.org)

*If you plan to take a bird to The Raptor Trust it is recommended that you call before going so that the Trust may be prepared to receive the animal.*

Some municipalities have animal control contractors and some local units offer to assist in dealing with injured animals. You may check with the municipality where you found the wildlife.

**Bergen County Animal Shelter**
100 United Lane
Teterboro, New Jersey 07608
Phone: 201-229-4600 • Email: shelter@co.bergen.nj.us
Fax: 201-440-4358
[www.co.bergen.nj.us/1002/Animal-Shelter-Adoption-Center](http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/1002/Animal-Shelter-Adoption-Center)

**Secaucus Animal Shelter**
Animal Control
525 Meadowlands Parkway
Secaucus, New Jersey 07094-3287
Phone: (201) 348-3213
[www.sasnj.org](http://www.sasnj.org)

**Bureau of Animal Control**
199 Summit Avenue, D1
Jersey City, NJ 07304
Phone: (201) 547-4888
[cityofjerseycity.com/animalcontrol](http://cityofjerseycity.com/animalcontrol)

**Township of North Bergen**
Health Department
1116 43rd Street, 2nd Floor
North Bergen, NJ 07047
Phone: (201) 392-2084
[http://www.northbergen.org/departments/health](http://www.northbergen.org/departments/health)