

Raptor Education Group, Inc.

Introduction

Raptor Education Group, Inc. (REGI) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, celebrating its 20 year anniversary in 2011. In that time it has grown to an internationally recognized wildlife facility. Seven hundred to one thousand patients are cared for annually at the rural Antigo based facility. Over two hundred programs Wildlife/ Environmental education programs were given in Marathon County and adjacent areas in 2011. College interns and veterinary students come from universities throughout the U.S. to train at REGI during the summer season.

The Community Need

REGI is currently the only federally permitted wildlife facility in north central Wisconsin. Federal permits are required to care for all native bird species due to the migratory bird treaty act. We care for all injured wild birds from hummingbirds to bald eagles. Our patients include those that have become sick or injured in some manner including being hit by cars, hit windows, accidental poisoning, and orphans. REGI also does wildlife education programs for schools and adult groups in central Wisconsin. In 2010, we cared for over 700 birds - many from the Marathon County area. The education aspect of our work is popular with the Marathon County school districts and those of the surrounding area. Our programs are used to augment the teaching schedule for "outdoor school" as well as other class work. Students from UW Marathon, NTC, Globe University and other universities around the country receive training at our facility.

History

REGI was developed in 1990 in Antigo, WI by founders Don and Marge Gibson. It was incorporated in 1991. Since that time the organization has grown from a volunteer organization to currently having 5 full time staff and 2 part-time as well as a host of volunteers. REGI is one to the largest facilities for avian wildlife care in the country. REGI has received numerous awards from the DNR and other groups for our work with endangered species as well as non-listed wild avian species.

Future Goals

Responding to the need for wildlife care and education REGI will continue to grow and develop. IN addition to caring for injured and orphaned wildlife the REGI organization has a very active international training program for wildlife professionals as well as summer programs for children.

Giving Opportunities

A nonprofit 501 (c) (3) all donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Private donations	Grants
Bequests	Endowments



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Budget: \$171,000 (End of fiscal year 2009)
(volunteer Executive Director)

Total Assets: \$172,970 (end of fiscal yr 2009)

Funding Sources:

Private donations
Grants
Bequests

Services Provided:

Wildlife Rehabilitation, Wildlife education

Governance:

Board of Director

Mission:

The Raptor Education Group, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to caring for injured or orphaned native bird species and public education on wildlife issues.