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Dear Friend of Habitat Harmony,

We are grateful for your help meeting our mission of assisting humans to live in harmony with wildlife. We are the only organization in Flagstaff whose sole focus, mission, and purpose is to support an environment where wildlife and people may co-exist and thrive.

With your help, we can build a future for many generations where northern Arizona's wildlife is protected and appreciated. We can work to minimize the impacts of human development on wildlife habitat. We can educate residents about the beautiful and intricate balance of our prairie and mountain ecosystems. Our role is crucial.

Just in the past year, your support has enabled us to:

- Translocate prairie dogs from a lot on Highway 89 slated for development;
- Replenish our supply of prairie dog traps;
- Establish a relationship with the Petrified Forest National Park, providing us with a translocation site for these and future prairie dogs;
- Begin mapping prairie dog colonies throughout Flagstaff;
- Conduct snake-handling workshops which provide hard to get information from our snake expert, Erika Nowak;
- Develop a translocation briefing for developers;
- Research non-lethal methods of prairie dog control for the handbook we're developing for homeowners and public land management agencies;
- Meet the public at several outreach events to encourage understanding and appreciation of our local wildlife, and their role in our ecosystem.





With your help, Habitat Harmony will continue to protect and celebrate the wildlife that is an intrinsic part of the beauty of northern Arizona!

Our goals in 2017 are to establish better legal protection for prairie dogs; educate the public about the importance of keystone species, and nonlethal control methods; and promote the enjoyment of our natural environments and wildlife.

But to do this, we need you!



## Your support will enable us to:

- Publish and distribute our handbook on non-lethal prairie dog control;
- Continue with community outreach and education;
- Map prairie dog colonies throughout Flagstaff in order to be better prepared for development and translocation issues;
- Work with the Conservation Study Forum and city staff to make changes in the zoning ordinance for conservation of wildlife as called for in Regional Plan 2030.



None of us want to see another newspaper headline about a new development destroying wildlife. With your help, these headlines will become a relic of the past.

Please consider making a financial gift today. We are a small but mighty organization and your gift combined with those of your friends and neighbors funds the bulk of our activities.

Your donation will go straight to work ensuring that Habitat Harmony is a voice for the creatures that make our community unique, diverse, and infinitely more interesting!

Best regards and thank you,

**Habitat Harmony Board of Directors** 

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