



Wildlife Rehabilitation and Relocation

Dedicated to limiting the further loss of Arizona's native birds of prey

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Finding My Niche

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Phoenix is a huge, sprawling city. There is no doubt about that fact! Many Phoenicians move here from somewhere else. We exclaim our surprise when we meet someone (over the age of 30) who was actually born in Phoenix. And doesn't it seem that so many of our friends live here for just a while and then move away?

Years ago those factors made it difficult for me to feel like I was part of the community. My answer was to become a volunteer at *Wild At Heart*. Not only was I able to become part of the solution for a cause I wholeheartedly believed in but I met a group of wonderful people who share many of the values I have. *Wild At Heart* allows its volunteers to find a niche where they can use their talents – or develop new talents!

Does your "day job" keep you inside, chained to a desk eight hours a day? Volunteer to help build a suitable habitat where burrowing owls can be released. Think you don't have the right skills for that? We'll provide the training! Are you a computer whiz who loves to help others streamline their databases? Boy, do we have a place for you! The needs of *Wild At Heart* are as varied as the abilities of the volunteers – fundraising, construction, data entry, publicity, and many opportunities to clean up after our dear feathered patients. Even if your free time is limited, we'd love to have your name on a list of people we can call for special projects or emergency transportation of an injured bird.

Please take a moment and consider how you could make a difference in your community and join the team at *Wild At Heart*. The rewards are as unique as your reasons for volunteering.