

Dear Friends,

After over 40 years of service to wildlife and conservation, Ed Clark has announced his intention to retire from the Wildlife Center of Virginia Presidency in the spring of 2024.

Ed's vision and passion have transformed the Wildlife Center from a small operation in a horse barn to the state-of-the-art teaching hospital it is today. His tireless advocacy and memorable media presence have shaped the conversation around caring for native wildlife in Virginia and beyond.

To honor Ed's legacy and ensure a bright future for the Center, we have retained the executive search firm Warren Whitney to help find our next president. We will conduct an extensive national search for a dynamic, experienced leader who can build on Ed's successes. Our new president will guide the Wildlife Center as we care for record numbers of animals, train veterinary students, and continue to educate the public on what they can do to help wildlife. In addition, our new president will grow our research in recognizing and addressing emergent health threats to native wildlife.

Ed will continue to lead the Center during the transition. We aim to have a new president in place by late spring of 2024. At that time, Ed will support the Center in the role of President Emeritus.

Please join us in honoring Ed's service to the Center by continuing your generous financial support to the Wildlife Center of Virginia.

Exciting times are ahead!

Sincerely,
The Board of the Wildlife Center of Virginia