MISSION STATEMENT

To alleviate the suffering of primates wherever it occurs by:

• Providing sanctuary or referral to appropriate facilities
• Working to end the trade in primates both in the US and abroad
• Educating the public to the plight of primates caught in the breeder/dealer cycle
• Assisting researchers and zoo personnel in finding appropriate placement for surplus primates
• Encouraging compliance with applicable local, state and federal laws and animal welfare statutes

Hazel, 47 year old chimpanzee

2015 Accomplishments:

Although our May Member Event brought some unusually bad weather with it, we were happy to welcome over 350 supporters to this annual celebration — and just as many umbrellas!

In early summer, West Sixth Brewery selected the PRC to be a recipient of funds raised for three months’ sales of their Pay It Forward Cocoa Porter. Many thanks to West Sixth Brewery for this generous support.

In September we released "In Their Own Words: The Sad Stories of Primate Pets", an eye-opening compilation of interviews with former pet owners who surrendered their monkeys to the PRC. It is our hope that the honesty of these emotional interviews will convince potential owners of primate pets to think twice before engaging in this harmful practice.

Also in September, we participated in the North American Primate Sanctuary Alliance (NAPSA) Virtual Workshop. As a founding member of NAPSA, the PRC is very involved in NAPSA’s growth, development and accomplishments. Our video presentation, “Nutrition,” is available to 170+ people who have registered for this online event.

This fall we concluded medical exams on all residents, including our chimpanzees’ biennial exams. We are grateful to our long-time vet Dr. Dan Bowling, assisted by Dr. Woodrow Friend of Rood & Riddle, Dr. Elizabeth Hammond of Lion Country Safari in Florida, and Dr. Holly Haefele of Fossil Rim Wildlife Center in Texas for helping us complete these important and delicate procedures flawlessly.

Once again, the PRC was voted a Top Rated Nonprofit by GreatNonprofits, a leading charity search tool. A wide range of reviewers gave us scores of 100% and mentioned a variety of unique details that make the PRC stand out as a nonprofit.
RESCUE & RELOCATION OF ANIMALS IN NEED: While we take in many newly rescued animals at our Kentucky facility, we also provide staff assistance, equipment and transportation at our expense to ensure that animals destined for other sanctuaries are moved quickly, safely and humanely.

2015 Accomplishments:

- Rescued Tori, a rhesus macaque who was a pet in North Carolina.
- Rescued Hope, a Japanese snow macaque who was a pet in Kentucky.
- Rescued Izzy, a patas monkey who was an abused pet in Ohio.
- Rescued Penny, a black tufted-ear marmoset who was confiscated in Kentucky.
- Rescued Andi, a quickly-famous rhesus macaque roaming loose in Kentucky.
- Rescued Jax, a long-tailed macaque who was a confiscated pet from Illinois.
- Rescued Chewy, a marmoset who was a confiscated pet in Illinois.

The PRC often works cooperatively with other sanctuaries when an animal’s long-term needs are best served at a sister sanctuary. Tori and Izzy reside at Primarily Primates in San Antonio, Texas, and Penny and Chewy have found a lifetime home at Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary in Gainesville, Florida.

PUBLIC EDUCATION & OUTREACH: Our educational programs are designed to encourage compassion for all species, especially in children, and to teach about primate behavior, exploitation and rehabilitation. We host a thriving volunteer program, hold lectures and workshops for students of all ages, and provide internships for university students from across the country and overseas. Our newsletter is designed to inform readers about primate-related issues as diverse as the legalities of pet ownership or chimpanzee social behavior, and our social media pages engage over 6,200 followers.

2015 Accomplishments:

We increased public awareness of the exotic animal trade and primate research through interviews with The New York Times, Washington Post, TMZ, Reuters, The Dodo, Courthouse News Service, The Jessamine Journal, Kentucky Kernel, Lexington Herald-Leader, LEX18, WKYT, The Emory Wheel, the Summer Update of the New England Anti-Vivisection Society, and Friends of Animals’ ActionLine, as well as other affiliates. We were especially active in efforts to improve the treatment of monkeys in laboratory research, and in working to halt the dumping of surplus laboratory primates from the U.S. to an unaccredited wildlife park in the U.K.

We continue to host educational learning workshops and lecture at many community and educational events. Highlights from 2015 involved the PRC’s presence at Transylvania University, as well as at middle and elementary schools. Students from Illinois Wesleyan University visited to study and prepare enrichment, and the University of Kentucky’s Pre-Vet Club toured the facility.

ENCOURAGE COMPLIANCE WITH THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT: We network with other animal advocacy groups to maintain records on the whereabouts of captive primates and strive to make public any information regarding specific cases of primate abuse. As always, we continue to collaborate with the State and Federal authorities to rescue illegally held primates.

SANCTUARY SUPPORT: We provide funding, equipment, technical support and consulting services to primate sanctuaries – nationally and internationally. We support both national and international primate sanctuaries with monetary and in-kind donations, information sharing and as a founding member of the North American Primate Sanctuary Alliance. Donations have supported orphaned chimpanzees in 12 African nations and Spain, as well as providing care for chimpanzees retired from biomedical research laboratories and rescued monkeys in Canada and the United States.
GOVERNANCE & STAFF
The Primate Rescue Center is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors who receives no compensation for their services.

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REVENUE & EXPENSES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2015
Based upon 2015 Audited Financial Statements

Revenue
Individual Donor Support $288,208
Grant & Foundation Support $54,427
Gifts-in-Kind $90,067
Total Revenue $432,702

Expenses
Program Service $426,466
Management & General $36,433
Fundraising $9,443
Total Expenses $472,342

Net Assets – January 1, 2015 $684,080
Net Assets – December 31, 2015 $644,440

Category
Salaries & Benefits $190,942 40.4%
Facility $36,917 7.8%
Depreciation * $58,780 12.5%
Utilities $26,467 5.6%
Supplies $14,384 3.0%
Professional Fees $19,422 4.1%
Veterinary $30,329 6.4%
Animal Care $42,346 9.0%
Insurance $17,102 3.6%
Publicity & Outreach $15,341 3.3%
Sanctuary Support $2,419 0.5%
Vehicle Expense $6,036 1.3%
General & Administrative $6,803 1.4%
Dues, Publications & Education $5,054 1.1%
Total Operating Expenses $472,342

*Depreciation Expense Requires No Cash Funding