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

2016 Accomplishments:

In January (and again in October) members of our care staff received safety training, including escape drills and blow dart technique.

Our May Member Event enticed over 350 friends and supporters to join us at the sanctuary, where they enjoyed auctions, purchased unique merchandise and observed the incredible primate residents of the PRC. Fortunately, this year the rain held out for almost the entire event!

In September, we participated in the North American Primate Sanctuary Alliance (NAPSA) Workshop in Tacoma, Washington. As a founding member of NAPSA, the PRC is very involved in NAPSA’s growth, development and accomplishments. PRC staff attended the event and Executive Director April Truitt was a featured speaker on a number of panels aimed at educating and uniting the primate sanctuary community.

Assistant Director Eileen Dunnington attended the Carnegie Center Event Planning class in August, and the KY Nonprofit Forum in November. In October, she was invited to join the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee at Transylvania University, where she will be able to ensure that the PRC’s ethics regarding animal welfare are carried out into the local community.

This summer we performed medical exams on 15 of our monkeys. 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.
RESCEUE & 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.

2016 Accomplishments:

- Rescued George, a rhesus macaque who was a confiscated pet in Kentucky;
- Rescued Katie, a java macaque who was an abused pet in Kentucky;
- Rescued Molly, a spider monkey who was a former pet in Colorado.

Sadly, local courts ordered Katie to be returned to her former owners after only ten days at the PRC, despite horrific and lingering health problems she exhibited due to years of improper treatment and neglect.

The PRC often works cooperatively with other sanctuaries when an animal’s long-term needs are best served at a sister sanctuary. Molly 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.

2016 Accomplishments:

We increased public awareness of the exotic animal trade and primate research through interviews with The Daily Reveille, The Dodo, The Jessamine Journal, and WKYT, as well as other affiliates. We continued to be active 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, including outreach at elementary schools. Highlights from 2016 involved the students from Eastern Kentucky University visiting to study and prepare enrichment.

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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Matt Howard, left the team in Sept. 2016
Cady Witt, left the team in Dec. 2016

Executive Director & Founder April Truitt contributes her time to the organization, and receives no compensation for her services.
REVENUE & EXPENSES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2016
Based upon 2016 Audited Financial Statements

Revenue
Individual Donor Support $222,282
Grant & Foundation Support $173,946
Gifts-in-Kind $80,523
Total Revenue $476,751

Expenses
Program Service $401,874
Management & General $36,553
Fundraising $9,649
Total Expenses $448,076

Net Assets – January 1, 2016 $644,440
Net Assets – December 31, 2016 $673,118

Category
Salaries & Benefits $184,485 41.2%
Facility $33,537 7.5%
Depreciation * $54,583 12.2%
Utilities $26,370 5.9%
Supplies $10,916 2.4%
Professional Fees $19,284 4.3%
Veterinary $12,195 2.7%
Animal Care $47,174 10.5%
Insurance $17,210 3.8%
Publicity & Outreach $15,296 3.4%
Sanctuary Support $3,589 0.8%
Vehicle Expense $4,992 1.1%
General & Administrative $5,672 1.3%
Dues, Publications & Education $12,773 2.9%
Total Operating Expenses $448,076

*Depreciation Expense Requires No Cash Funding