

Rescue • Recovery • Rehabilitation



ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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



Maggie, 30 year old Crested Black Macaque

24 Years of Sanctuary

2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- The Primate Rescue Center, Inc. (PRC) remains a beacon of commitment. Our devoted staff, volunteers, and interns continued their tireless efforts to ensure every primate resident receives appropriate, species-specific care tailored to support their individual nutritional, medical, social, and intellectual needs.
- Our caregiving team welcomed new faces this year with Caregiver Associate Tanner Gatlin in July,
 Caregiver Joseph Grider in September, and Caregiver Lyndsey Miller in December. All
 administrative staff (including our Executive Director) perform caregiving duties when needed. Our
 team has a total of over 59 years of experience caring for primates. We saw esteemed Dr. Ellen
 Furlong step onto our Board of Directors in August after the retirement of Dr. Meg Upchurch.
- Our kitchen underwent a significant upgrade, thanks to a generous grant from the American Anti-Vivisection Society (AAVS). The acquisition of a modern True brand three-door refrigerator ensures the consistent freshness of our wholesome produce and other dietary staples. This new unit replaces our aging refrigerator that had been in service for over 11 years. This generous grant from AAVS allows our kitchen to run without equipment break-downs and helps us continue to provide fresh fruits, vegetables, leafy greens, juices and dairy items that make up the bulk of the apes' and monkeys' diets.



2022 HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

We continued updates to the chimpanzees' outdoor enclosure by renovating their multi-level
platform towers and adding an additional lower-level platform to one of the towers. Adding the
additional lower platform provides our senior chimps with a more accessible area to rest, groom and
eat. We anticipate the updated oak decking on all platforms will provide safe structural enrichment
for many years to come.





Staff members (from top, left to right): Elizabeth Gatlin, Caitlyn Hume, Tanner Gatlin, Michael Staples, Laura Clifford

• Our fundraising efforts paved the way for a new cargo van, complete with enhanced safety features, increased fuel efficiency, and all-wheel drive – critical for our daily operations! This vehicle is primarily used for hauling donated produce from local grocery stores, which make up a large portion of the primates' diets each day. We also use it for shuttling other supplies to the sanctuary, as well as during primate rescue operations. This new van ensures we continue running smoothly and reliably for many years to come.



2022 HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

- A new handheld Butterfly iQ+ ultrasound device was added to our medical care program through a generous grant from the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels. This unique device allows our veterinarian access to high quality, portable ultrasound imaging while performing routine or emergency examinations of the primates at the sanctuary. The Butterfly iQ+ also connects directly to a mobile device through the Butterfly app and was designed specifically for veterinary use. With proven durability, increased maximum scanning depth, and a wide field of view, the addition of this device to our medical care program will greatly increase our ability to accurately diagnose and treat any primate's medical condition.
- Environmental sustainability is also on our agenda! New electric lawn care equipment was purchased through funding from a Facebook fundraiser. helping our caregiving team tackle small lawn maintenance tasks in the chimpanzees' outdoor enclosure and beyond. Craftsman lightweight, electric push mower, weed-eater and leaf blower allow for a quieter and cleaner mowing experience good for the caregivers, the primates, and the environment!



Staff members (left to right): Caitlyn Hume, Michael Staples, and Joseph Grider



• For the first time ever, the PRC hosted an online bourbon auction! With four distinct bottles of rare and highly-collectible E.H. Taylor Jr. bourbon donated by Buffalo Trace Distillery, and two bottles of bourbon donated by local Barrel House Distillery up for grabs, our online auction was buzzing with eager and interested bourbon enthusiasts. We had an incredibly successful auction with quite the bidding frenzy in the final minutes before closing! The funds raised will allow us to continue providing the gift of sanctuary to our primate residents.

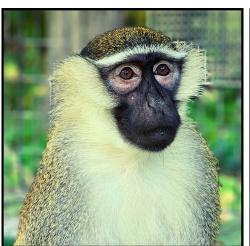
2022 HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

• Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the PRC continued with increased safety practices and personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements initially developed in 2020 for all staff and volunteers to ensure the safety and well-being of the primates and humans. Our extensive set of protocols for staff members and volunteers are based on guidelines provided by the CDC and local health departments, as well as other primate sanctuaries and veterinary experts we consulted. The requirement of daily health assessments and temperature monitoring of all humans before and during work shifts, keeping the number of humans working on-site to a minimum, maintaining social distancing between staff members, upholding self-isolation and testing recommendations and protocols, and continuing strict disinfecting and cleaning practices in addition to our PPE requirements has provided a safe environment for the primate residents as well as our staff, volunteers, and interns.

RESCUE & RELOCATION OF ANIMALS IN NEED: While we take in newly rescued animals at our Kentucky facility as space allows, we also offer invaluable assistance with equipment, transportation, and expert staff to ensure the seamless and humane relocation of primates to other sanctuaries.

• Every year brings its own unique challenges and opportunities, and 2022 was no exception. While specific factors, such as species group dynamics and space availability currently influence our capacity to provide permanent placement to all primates in need, our unwavering commitment to the well-being of primates remains steadfast. Typically, we play a direct role in the rescue and relocation of primates and even assist with their transport to other esteemed sanctuary colleagues. This year, we embraced our vital role in the wider network of primate care. Through our concerted efforts, we were indirectly involved in the rescue of 10 primates ensuring they found appropriate refuge through our referrals to and collaboration with partner sanctuaries. Our continued alliance with these sanctuaries underscores our unwavering pledge to serve primates in need across the United States, regardless of where their journey to sanctuary begins.







George Vernon Junior

NOTABLE ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM EVENTS

Rescue Anniversary Milestones

The Primate Rescue Center's history stretches back to 1987 when the arrival of long-tailed macaque Gizmo began a journey that has now **spanned 35 years** and provided refuge to numerous primates along the way. Every day that we are able to provide a safe haven for the rescued monkeys and apes in our care is a day to celebrate. Still, we like to acknowledge some significant milestones for our sanctuary residents. We are proud and honored to care for and celebrate the "20+ Years of Sanctuary Club," which includes the following 17 PRC residents this year:

1992 - 30 Years of Sanctuary

Jenny Siamang gibbon

1993 - 29 Years of Sanctuary

Bisou spider monkey

1996 - 26 Years of Sanctuary

- · Martina chimpanzee
- · Ike chimpanzee
- Rodney chimpanzee
- Noelle chimpanzee
- Jenny chimpanzee

1998 - 24 Years of Sanctuary

- Maggie black crested macaque (photo on page 1)
- Zulu chimpanzee
- Victoria chimpanzee
- Donald chimpanzee

2000 - 22 Years of Sanctuary

Grady capuchin monkey

2001 - 21 Years of Sanctuary

- Zoe long-tailed macague
- Cysgo capuchin monkey

2002 - 20 Years of Sanctuary

- · Luke long-tailed macaque
- Dehlia spider monkey
- Chester spider monkey



NOTABLE ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM EVENTS (continued)

Noteworthy Events

- Elizabeth Gatlin, one of our dedicated caregivers, has been pioneering advancements in our operant conditioning training program. Her focus has been to cultivate positive shifting behaviors in the monkeys, facilitating smoother transitions during routine cleanings and enabling caregivers to access certain enclosure areas. Furthermore, her work with the chimpanzees, encouraging them to present various body parts on request, has significantly enhanced our health assessment and inspection routines. This method, emphasizing positive reinforcement, has led to significant improvements in animal care, especially among primates previously hesitant to cooperate. We will continue these efforts in the hopes of maintaining a calm, stress-free experience for the primates' health assessments and as their caregivers request their cooperation in ensuring their enclosure spaces are clean, comfortable, enriched, and safe.
- In recognition of her exceptional skills and dedication, caregiver Caitlyn Hume, who joined the PRC staff in 2018, has been promoted to Safety Officer this year. Alongside her caregiving responsibilities, Caitlyn now leads emergency training sessions, ensuring our team is well-versed in primate escape protocols, emergency responses, and the efficient and safe use of capture equipment.





Elizabeth Gatlin (left), Caitlyn Hume (right)

• Under our USDA inspector's scrutiny, the PRC successfully underwent two routine inspections – in January and December. It's a testament to our rigorous standards and commitment that we were recognized with no non-compliant items during both inspections.





NOTABLE ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM EVENTS (continued)

Noteworthy Events (continued)

• Zoe long-tailed macaque, a long-time female resident of the PRC who is estimated to be 26 years old, was diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes in May after a physical examination by our veterinarian, Dr. Dan Bowling. While managing diabetes in primates can pose challenges, we've tailored a wellness plan that involves a low sugar, low carbohydrate diet, with supplemental food items that reduce blood sugar spikes. Her treatment plan also includes medications to lower her body's glucose levels as well as frequent visual assessment and urinalysis testing. The combination of these methods can be highly effective in prolonging and improving the life of a primate with diabetes. Additionally, we were able to successfully introduce Zoe to Hope, a 22-year-old female Japanese macaque with vision impairment in both eyes. Both can now enjoy companionship while receiving specialized care for their ages and conditions.





Zoe Hope

 We began the introduction of young vervet monkeys Nikki and Mowgli this year. Three-year old Nikki and one-year old Mowgli were both rescued from pet situations when they were very young. Their road to companionship will continue in stages, to ensure they are fully comfortable with the arrangement and have ample time to grow and learn from each other along the way.





NOTABLE ANIMAL CARE PROGRAM EVENTS (continued)

Noteworthy Events (continued)

• The chimpanzees experienced some very creative enrichment made by one of our amazing volunteers and supporters, Michael Bigelow Dixon! The artistic structures included a few famous sights from around the world, including the Eiffel Tower, the Empire State Building and the Egyptian Pyramids. Witnessing the chimpanzees' delightful interactions with these temporary structures was akin to offering them a playful world tour!







From Left: Eiffel Tower, Empire State Building, Pyramids

PUBLIC EDUCATION, OUTREACH & EVENTS: Over the past year, the PRC has worked diligently to share our mission with the local community and beyond. We've hosted events at the sanctuary, conducted educational presentations and interviews with various media programs, schools, and businesses on-site, off-site and online, and continued to expand our organization's website and Primate Pal Program. In addition, our outreach programs are designed to encourage compassion for all species, especially in children and young adults, to raise awareness about the accomplishments and needs of the sanctuary and to teach about primate behavior, exploitation, and rehabilitation.

On-Site Events

 We were thrilled to host PRC Members on-site at our 2022 Member Event in June, allowing nearly 400 members and guests to learn more about the history of the sanctuary, our current residents, and our day-today Animal Care Program.



Event Cashiers: D'Arcy, Jennifer and Laura

- The **USDA AgDiscovery Program**, an educational program offered by Kentucky State University for youth interested in careers working with animals, visited the sanctuary again this year in June.
- Continuing our ongoing partnership with local retirement community **Sayre Christian Village**, we welcomed a group of residents to the sanctuary in November to learn more about our primate residents' lives, creating an enriching opportunity for humans, monkeys and apes alike.

PUBLIC EDUCATION, OUTREACH & EVENTS (continued)

Outreach and Media

- With the help of social media, newsletters, and our website, the Primate Pal Program has continued to show growth each year. We have seen a 6.4% increase in the number of annual sponsorships compared to 2021, and a 10.5% increase in donations toward the program. With a total of 266 Primate Pals, donors were able to help us directly support the care of each primate living at the PRC.
- Our email and print newsletters are designed to inform readers about events and happenings at the sanctuary, as well as an array of primate-related issues, including the prohibitions on pet ownership, ape and monkey social behavior, and ongoing legislation concerning primates caught in the illegal pet trade and laboratory facilities.
- Our social media pages engage over **15,600 followers** on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube. This represents an **increase of 5.4%** followers since 2021.
- We participated in several online giving events throughout the year, including Kentucky Gives Day,
 Giving Day for Apes, The Betty White Challenge, Giving Tuesday, the Bluegrass Community
 Foundation Good Giving Challenge and Facebook fundraisers to support the direct care of the
 primates living at the sanctuary. We also celebrated and promoted World Chimpanzee Day, Animal
 Sanctuary Caregiver Day, and National Volunteer Week with followers, donors and the primate
 sanctuary community.
- We increased public awareness of the exotic animal trade and the sanctuary's mission through interviews with local news affiliates and partnerships with local businesses. Representatives from the sanctuary attended and networked at community events, including West Sixth for a Cause, hosted by West Sixth Brewery. PRC was also the benefitting charity for the Run through the Vineyard Bourbon and Wine 5K, hosted by 1922 House Winery and Vineyards, Happy Hour Liquors, and RaceRise.
- We continue to participate in learning workshops and lectures at educational institutions, local businesses and online forums for humans of all ages, including the **Wilmore Cottage School** and the **Eastern Kentucky University Animal Careers class**.
- We expanded donor options on our website and began accepting Cryptocurrency donations through **The Giving Block**, adding to the many ways that donors can show their support for the sanctuary.
- We continued our Business Sponsorship Program to increase awareness in the community, encourage a reliable source of funding, and attract new supporters of the PRC's mission while helping participating businesses enhance their community impact, attract new customers and increase employee satisfaction. In 2022, our business sponsors included Pet Wants Lexington, Great Lakes Equine Massage Therapy, Mark Rush Photography, and Joker Web Hosting.

VOLUNTEER AND INTERN PROGRAMS

- The PRC's Volunteer Program, consisting of On-Site, Off-Site, and Event Volunteers, has been regaining momentum and adding new members to the team after the temporary hiatus due to Covid-19 in 2021. Open only to those who received the Covid vaccination, the program's team is a bit smaller than in years past, with 18 on-site volunteers, 1 off-site volunteer, and 20 event volunteers for a total of 39 individuals. We look forward to continuing to rebuild our program as pandemic infection rates lower, with the hopes of eventually dropping our vaccination requirement for volunteers. Overall, volunteers worked a total of 2,592 hours in 2022.
- Our Internship Program for students from around the globe immerses individuals in the daily operation of a primate sanctuary. Interns are trained on various tasks related to general primate husbandry, nutrition requirements, veterinary care, and enrichment needs to ensure physical and mental health in primates. They also learn about the importance of safety standards and practices to protect all those living and working at the sanctuary. Our internship program welcomed two individuals this year who contributed a combined total of over 1,626 hours of service.

Program Highlights

- Dr. Tom Tietjen, a gastroenterologist from Northern Michigan and husband of long-time PRC Out-of-Town Volunteer Charisse Tietjen, spent a couple of weeks with us this summer volunteering his time during a working vacation. Tom helped with general volunteer duties of chopping produce and cleaning enclosures. He also graciously built and installed some much-needed stair rails to ensure the safety of our caregiving team as they access the various primate enclosures and buildings, as well as many other much-needed maintenance tasks around the sanctuary.
- Mark Roberts, a recent retiree from Virginia, joined our volunteer program in April 2022 as an Out-of-Town Volunteer. After living in on-site housing and volunteering at the sanctuary each day for a month, Mark fell in love with the entire operation and decided he wanted to move a little closer to the PRC to become a weekly on-site volunteer.





Volunteers Tom Tietjen (left) and Mark Roberts (right)

VOLUNTEER AND INTERN PROGRAMS (continued)

Program Highlights (continued)

- Lauren Mayer, a short-term PRC Intern from Oregon, spent the summer learning about primate husbandry and the importance of providing interesting and engaging enrichment to the primates. As a special enrichment project, Lauren built two hammocks a smaller one for monkey resident Andi rhesus macaque, and a larger one for the chimpanzees' outdoor enclosure.
- This year we featured each PRC volunteer on our social media pages during National Volunteer Week to spotlight and praise their amazing efforts and the unique and wonderful ways they each contribute to the primates' well-being at the sanctuary.





Lauren with hammock (left); Martina chimp using hammock (right)

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 report 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 and information sharing. Recent funding has **supported orphaned chimpanzees in the Democratic Republic of Congo**, while past donations have supported chimpanzees in 12 African nations and Spain, as well as provided care for chimpanzees retired from biomedical research laboratories and rescued monkeys in Canada and the United States.



SANCTUARY PARTNERSHIPS AND ACCOLADES

Once again, the PRC was voted a **Top-Rated Nonprofit by Great Nonprofits**, 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. The Primate Rescue Center is proud to meet all Better Business Bureau Charity Standards and has earned the **Wise Giving Alliance BBB Accredited Charity Seal**. PRC also met the rigorous standards required to participate in the **2022 Combined Federal Campaign** and also earned the **GuideStar Platinum Seal of Transparency** and **America's Best Charities Seal of Excellence**. Our sanctuary participates in **Kroger Community Rewards**, **Amazon Smile**, **eBay**, **iGive**, and **GoodDeedSeats** referral programs, all of which donate a percentage of their customers' everyday purchases to the PRC.









Platinum Transparency **2022**

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GOVERNANCE & STAFF - The Primate Rescue Center, Inc. is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors who receive no compensation for their services.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

J. Clayton Miller, ChairmanExecutive • Lockmasters, Inc.Co-Founder • Primate Rescue Center, Inc.Board Member since January 1998

April D. Truitt, Director, Secretary Co-Founder • Primate Rescue Center, Inc. Board Member since January 1998

Lynn Osborne, Treasurer Owner • M & E Specialty Board Member since September 2016

Dr. Margaret Upchurch, Secretary

Professor of Neuropsychology • Transylvania University Board Member since April 2017 (retired August 2022)



Staff Members (from left to right): Michael Staples, Joseph Grider, Michelle Meeker, Eileen Dallaire, Elizabeth Gatlin, Caitlyn Hume, and Tanner Gatlin

Wyn Morris, Director
Owner • Morris Bookshop
Board Member since September 2017

Dr. Ellen Furlong, Director Associate Professor in Psychology • Transylvania University Board Member since August 2022

STAFF

Eileen Dunnington Dallaire - Executive Director

Melanie Parker - Volunteer and Primate Pal Programs Coordinator & Social Media Associate

Laura Clifford - Animal Care Staff Supervisor, Senior Caregiver & Social Media Associate

Caitlyn Hume - Senior Caregiver & Safety Officer

Elissa Keicher - Caregiver

Michael Staples - Caregiver Associate

Carley Smith - Caregiver

Elizabeth Gatlin - Caregiver, Enrichment Coordinator

Tanner Gatlin - Caregiver Associate

Joseph Grider - Caregiver in training

Lyndsey Miller - Caregiver in training

REVENUE & EXPENSES

Fiscal Year Ending December 2022
Based upon 2022 Audited Financial Statements

Individual Donor Support Revenue \$231,619 **Individual Donor Support** 44.3% Grant Income \$211.224 **Grant & Foundation Support** 40.4% Gifts-in-Kind \$79,532 Gifts-in-Kind \$522,375 **Total Revenue Expenses** \$495,746 **Program Service** Program \$51,800 Service Management & General \$10,462 **Fundraising** Management & 88.8% \$558,008 **Total Expenses** General Fundraising \$635,731 Net Assets – January 1, 2022 \$634,640 Net Assets – December 31, 2022 **Expense Category** Animal Care Salaries & Benefits \$262,251 47.0% **Animal Care Programs** \$58,667 10.5% Depreciation & Amortization * \$43,181 7.7% Utilities \$37,315 6.7% Facility \$35,263 6.3% Animal Care Salaries and Benefits Professional Fees \$22,634 4.1% Animal Care Programs Insurance \$21,424 3.8% Depreciation & Amortization Supplies \$17,568 3.1% Utilities **Publicity & Outreach** \$12,611 2.3% Facility **General & Administrative** \$11,936 2.1% Professional Fees Veterinary & Medical Program Insurance \$6,121 1.1% Supplies Vehicle Expense \$9,986 1.8% Publicity & Outreach Special Events \$8,774 1.6% General & Administrative Dues, Publications & Education \$2,777 0.5% Veterinary & Medcial Progam Sanctuary Support \$7,500 1.3% Vehicle Expense **Total Operating Expenses** \$558,008 Special Events Dues, Publications, and Education

Sanctuary Support

^{*}Depreciation & Amortization Expense Requires No Cash Funding



THANK YOU

FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE PRIMATES' LIVES