

## FAQs for Volunteers

We are thrilled to share more details with our volunteers about this new partnership between Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA (PHS/SPCA) and Wildlife Center Silicon Valley (WCSV). Together as PHS/SPCA we will operate the new and innovative Larry Ellison Center for Conservation and Wildlife Care (LECCWC). This center will allow us to greatly expand care and services for wild animals across San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties.

### **What is the full name of the new facility?**

Larry Ellison Center for Conservation and Wildlife Care. LECCWC will be operated in Saratoga, California by Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA and will be among just a few wildlife care facilities operated by a humane society across the country.

### **What will happen to the PHS/SPCA and WCSV shelter locations?**

These locations will remain open as satellite sites where community members can drop off sick, injured, and orphaned wildlife and animals that are candidates for rehabilitation will be transported to LECCWC for care.

### **What will happen to wildlife that are currently being cared for by PHS/SPCA and WCSV at their respective locations?**

Wildlife will be transferred to the new center to complete their rehabilitation and subsequent release.

### **What will happen to current PHS/SPCA and WCSV volunteers?**

Current Wildlife/Animal Care volunteers at both locations will be requested to transition to the new LECCWC when it becomes operational with just a few volunteer positions remaining at the original locations.

### **How will it be determined which volunteers can remain at the Burlingame shelter and San Jose location?**

We will do our best to spread the available shifts at these locations to the existing volunteers who are unable to travel to LECCWC in Saratoga.

### **How can I sign up to volunteer at the new Saratoga campus?**

If you are a current volunteer, please speak with Volunteer Services at the location where you volunteer. If you are not yet a volunteer, please complete an interest form ([here](#)) to let us know you are interested in volunteering when LECCWC opens.

### **Can I volunteer for more than one shift in one day at LECCWC?**

Yes, volunteers can sign up and work more than one shift in one day at the new facility.

### **What volunteer positions will be available?**

Various volunteer positions will be available, including Wildlife/Animal Care, Wildlife/Animal Care Summer Internships, Education (classroom presenters and onsite docents), Outreach and Volunteer Services.

### **What is a captive propagation program, and can I volunteer there?**

A captive propagation program, also known as a captive breeding program or captive rearing program, is an initiative aimed at breeding and raising endangered or threatened species in captivity. The goal of such programs is to increase the population numbers of these species and prevent their extinction. Volunteer positions will not be available for this program.