When Doris Mager sat high in a Bald Eagle nest to raise money to start the Audubon Center for Birds of Prey, she did not realize what her “boots off the ground” effort would lead to almost 35 years later. The three acre historic raptor rehabilitation center, located in Maitland, has made a powerful conservation impact far beyond its red brick fence line.

Each year, more than 600 patients arrive at our Center in need of care. Our team works to medically treat and rehabilitate Bald Eagles and other birds of prey. And, we educate individuals about these special species, the important habitats that support them and conservation actions they can take to protect them.

With over 350 volunteers, including 275 EagleWatchers in 44 Florida counties and 80 who help support operations at the Center, hundreds of raptors are released back into the wild each year. Many of these individuals help share their stories and tell important messages about conservation of birds and their habitats. These individuals are our Boots on the Ground at the Center and throughout the state.
10 WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

AUDUBON CENTER FOR BIRDS OF PREY

Boots on the Ground

FOR CONSERVATION

- **Donor**: Support the Center’s work through an outright gift, in-kind support or planned gift.
- **EagleWatcher**: Monitor urban eagle nests; rescue injured eagles and eaglets, and record data to improve eagle habitat management.
- **Educator/Docent**: Lead education programs and public tours at the Center.
- **Guest Relations**: Be part of our first impressions team. Greet visitors and answer questions about the Center.
- **Grounds and Operations Support**: Take care of grounds and maintenance needs including lawn care, carpentry, cleaning and repairs and special projects.
- **Marketing Assistant**: Help prepare social media blogs, layout flyers, contact the media, and reach out to community groups.
- **Office Support**: Assist with mailings, research and special events.
- **Rehabilitation Volunteer**: Assist with raptor care including cleaning and feeding.
- **Clinical Volunteer**: Assist with raptor care including cleaning, feeding, and administering medicines.
- **Advocate**: Speak out to decision makers about the importance of conserving important Bald Eagle habitat.

To contribute support to the Center’s conservation efforts or to learn more about these volunteer opportunities, go to [http://fl.audubon.org/audubon-center-birds-prey](http://fl.audubon.org/audubon-center-birds-prey) or call (407) 644-0190.

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