

MCBR Moratorium Announcement Proposed Modifications

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Current:

Dear Mickaboo Friends;

Running an animal rescue is a delicate balancing act between the initial intake of animals, and their successful adoption into loving and safe homes. To succeed long term, a rescue must adopt out as many animals as they take in. Due to the state of the economy Mickaboo has recently taken in far more birds than in an average year, but with adoptions lagging below normal. We are now at full capacity in our foster homes - and the generous foster parents are having to care for birds longer before they find a home.

It is time for Mickaboo to take a deep breath and restore balance to our operations - and unfortunately this means that we are temporarily suspending intake of all birds to focus on bringing in more volunteers, adoptive homes and increasing our public awareness efforts. We are not closing our doors forever - just for as long as is necessary.

If you have a bird that you need to surrender, please see our list of other rescues.

If you would like to help, please see our "How to Help" page or Contact Us for volunteer, foster and adoption opportunities.



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Running an animal rescue requires a delicate balance between intake of animals in need and their successful adoptions into loving and safe homes. To succeed long term, a rescue must adopt out roughly as many animals as it takes in. Due mostly to the state of the economy, Mickaboo has recently taken in far more birds than usual, while our adoptions are lagging below normal. We are now at full capacity in our foster homes and our generous foster parents are being asked to care for our birds longer before they find a home.

It is time for Mickaboo to take a deep breath and restore balance to our operations. Unfortunately this means that we are temporarily suspending intake of all birds. We need to focus our efforts on caring for the birds currently in our system, bringing in more volunteers and adopters and increasing our public awareness efforts. We are not closing our doors forever - just for as long as is necessary. We still have over 600 birds in our system. We will continue to provide veterinary and supportive care as needed to all of these birds, and to find adopters for them.

If you have a bird that you need to surrender, please see our list of other rescues. If you know of a bird who you think is in imminent danger of being euthanized or is otherwise in peril, please do contact us. While we are stretched very close to our limits, we will always do our best to triage in the needlest birds if possible.

Like all grass-roots volunteer organizations, Mickaboo survives on the good will of the people in its community who will step up to help as they can. If you would like to help us, please see our "How to Help" page or "Contact Us" for volunteer, foster and adoption opportunities.

Donations are always appreciated and 90% of the monies donated to Mickaboo/Coo are used to provide necessary veterinary care for the many sick and injured birds that we continue to care for.

Thank you.