

What do Wild Animals Need?

All wild animals depend on three things to survive: food, water and shelter. When these are eliminated, the animal will move elsewhere to meet these needs.

Food

The following food sources will attract wildlife to your residence:

- Bird seed
- Pet food – raccoons and skunks will also enter dog / cat doors to get to food
- BBQ grills
- Compost
- Garbage
- Fish ponds
- Fruit & nut bearing trees
- Gardens
- Livestock feeds

Shelter

The following provide shelter for urban wildlife:

- Uncapped chimneys
- Holes in the roof or in eaves that provide access to the attic
- Under decks / sheds/ concrete slabs
- Overgrown lawns
- Wood / rock/ or other piles of debris
- Garages that are left open
- Windows / doors that are open or broken that provide entry to basements or storm cellars
- Unsecured skirting around trailers