Bird Safe Philly: What to Do with Injured Birds

Millions of birds die annually from window collisions. We need your help to make Philadelphia safer for birds, and that starts with learning more about where birds are colliding with windows in our area.

It is always sad to find a dead or injured bird, but with your help we can use the information you gather from the event to save birds in the future.

Please take the time to contribute information about the collision to Bird Safe Philly’s project on iNaturalist. Please see our website (birdsafephilly.org) for more information, but as a first step, please collect the following information:
- Time and date when you found the bird
- The exact location, including the address of the building and a description of where along the building you found the bird.
- Pictures of the bird from multiple angles to help with identification
- Pictures of where you found the bird

What to Do with Injured/Stunned Birds

Most dazed birds found below buildings have suffered internal injuries from which they are unlikely to recover. Place your bird in a box with air holes and contact one of the wildlife rehab organizations below. They can talk you through the best way to proceed:


New Castle County, DE: Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research, https://tristatebird.org/ (302) 737-9543

Mercer County, NJ: Mercer County Wildlife Center, http://www.wildlifecenterfriends.org/ (609) 303-0552

○ including the counties of Montgomery, Delaware, Bucks, and Chester in PA; Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester in NJ.