

RAPTOR REHABILITATION



NIWRA is home to a one-of-a-kind facility - our Eagle Flight Enclosure (the largest of its kind in Canada) - where injured eagles can be treated and released back to the wild. As a result, the public can be educated and exposed to these spectacular birds.

Rescued raptors that arrive at NIWRA are taken to our Treatment Centre and diagnosed to determine if they have any injuries. Once assessed, they receive appropriate treatment to help their recovery, which can include:

- x-rays
- blood tests
- physical exams
- splinting
- medication
- recuperation enclosure



Once their injuries have been successfully treated, the birds are moved to a recuperation enclosure where they will gain the strength they need to survive in the wild. They might stay here for days or months, depending on their circumstances, during which time they will eat the same foods they would seek in the wild.

Each year, in conjunction with the Brant Festival, the Centre holds a special public Eagle Release Day where one rehabilitated bird is released. Everyone who is able to witness such an event agrees – there is nothing more awe-inspiring than watching a wild eagle taking off to freedom!

