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Working and Walking for wildlife

Every season the volunteers at Procyon Wildlife walk hundreds of miles in every effort to care for wild animals. They walk to and from the refrigerator, making food. They walk to and from the nurseries, feeding orphans and injured. They walk to and from the sink and washing machine to clean dirty dishes and piles of laundry. They walk to and from forests in the mud, the rain, the snow, to release animals that have been successfully rehabilitated at Procyon Wildlife. No one has ever clipped on a pedometer to find out how much they really do walk but I suspect everyone would be more exhausted if the exact figure was known.

Tired as they may be, all are proud of our accomplishments. We save hundreds of orphans and injured animals yearly. We watch babies grow and thrive until they can live in the wild again. We see them progress from cute cuddly babies to wild capable adults. We see them recover from serious injuries to where they lead normal lives once again. These accomplishments make all that walking worth the effort. Those final walks through the woods to set them free are the happiest walks we've ever taken.

And now, you can walk for wildlife as well.

Procyon Wildlife is hosting their 2nd annual Walking for Wildlife Fundraiser on Saturday, September 28. The walk will begins at 10:30 a.m. at the Palgrave Forest & Wildlife area on Finnerty Sideroad just west of Hwy 50. Registration will start at 10 a.m. in the parking lot.

The trails are approx 4.5 ? 5.5km in length. Having completed the walk, you will be served a complimentary buffet lunch at noon at the nearby Caledon Estates Banquet Hall at Highways 9 & 50. www.caledonestatesbanquethalls.com. A Silent Auction and prize draws will be held during the luncheon.

A minimum of $50 per adult and $20 per child (under 14) is required to participate. Sponsor sheets will be provided. A prize will be awarded to the top fundraiser.

To pre-register please call Procyon Wildlife volunteer Lindy at 905 406-0201 or e-mail lindytotty@rogers.com