

Estimates Committee 2009 Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject: Care and Rehabilitation of Wildlife Foundation - progress - funding - operations

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Question: 8-16
Minister it says in the 2007-08 annual report under Priorities that you will: 'Establish the Care and Rehabilitation of Wildlife Foundation to coordinate the community care of injured and orphaned wildlife.'

How is this working? Who administers the foundation? Where does the funding come from? What are its operations? I add in there: how does it fit in with programs, for instance, that the Ark people run presently? Also that Caring for Wildlife people do, as well?

Answer:
Answered On: 18/06/2009
Answer: This foundation was not initiated because the existing Wildlife category of the Environment grants scheme has successfully funded a number of wildlife care and rescue organisations in Alice Springs, Katherine and Darwin, rather than a single body. In 2008-09, funding was provided to the following groups for the care, rehabilitation and release of injured and orphaned wildlife: Wildlife Rescue (Darwin) - \$20,000; Wildcare Inc. (Darwin) - \$11,086; Wildcare Inc. (Alice Springs) - \$15,000; and Wildlife Rescue Service Katherine - \$1293.