

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONCERNS ABOUT HUMMINGBIRDS:

Injured Adult: *Gently pick up hummingbird and place in a covered, ventilated box with soft cloth. Use rolled cloth if bird needs support. Put box in a quiet place away from noise, pets and children. Do not hold the hummingbird. Do not give any fluids without instruction. *Call a wildlife rehabilitation licensee.

Concerns about Young in Nest: *Call a wildlife rehabilitation licensee.

Young out of nest: *Put young back in nest if possible. If you can not put young back in nest gently transfer the bird to a covered, ventilated box with a soft cloth rolled for support and immediately call a wildlife rehabilitation licensee. Put box in a quiet place away from noise, pets and children. If you have a heating pad adjust to low and place box on the heat. Do not hold the hummingbird and do not give any fluids without instruction. (getting young quickly back in the nest (or near the nest if it is a fledgling) is crucial for survival)
(Consider pruning trees & bushes prior to nesting season. Encourage others to do the same. If a branch that contains a nest is cut down it can usually be tied, wired or bungeed back up)

Who to call: Noreen Geyer /Arizona State Licensee/Federal Migratory Bird Permit /Tucson Mt Hummingbird Rescue @520-743-0677 or 520-240-2686© tucsonrescue321@gmail.com

INFORMATION FOR OUTSIDE FEEDERS FOR HUMMINGBIRDS:

FLUID: mix 1 part table sugar to 4 parts hot water. Shake very well until the sugar is dissolved and give at room temperature or cooler. Store any leftover fluid in the refrigerator. DO NOT USE HONEY, SUGAR SUBSTITUTE OR COMMERCIALY MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS WITH RED DYE (even if the bottle states the dye is safe). Honey can contain spores that can be deadly to hummingbirds and the sugar substitutes do not provide the right caloric content. Fluid should be dumped and fresh given every other day in hot weather and 1-2 times a week with cooler temperatures.

CLEANING: It is very important to keep feeders clean inside and out. It is best to have two feeders so you can clean one and while it is air drying...use the other. A cleaning solution of 1 part bleach to 20 parts water is recommended. Air dry after cleaning. A small brush is handy for getting into hard to reach areas...a new toothbrush works well. Only use feeders that are easy to clean.

