



2017 Annual Report



1. Breeding center of rescued birds

- Improved practices have paired up single birds to a total of 40 Scarlet and Great green Macaw pairs. Another 6 are still single.
- Fun fact: the birds combined eat 18,483lbs (8384kg) of food a year!



2. Eggs

- Between the breeding center and release sites combined, the young Macaw pairs laid a total of 89 eggs.



3. Offspring

- Of the 89 eggs, 19 Great- green Macaw chicks and one Scarlet Macaw chick hatched and 16 of them survived.
- An additional 450m2 of aviary space is built so that these fledglings can practice their flying skills in preparation for their release into the wild!
- Fun fact: 14 Scarlet Macaws are being prepared for release early 2018!



4. Wild populations of both species

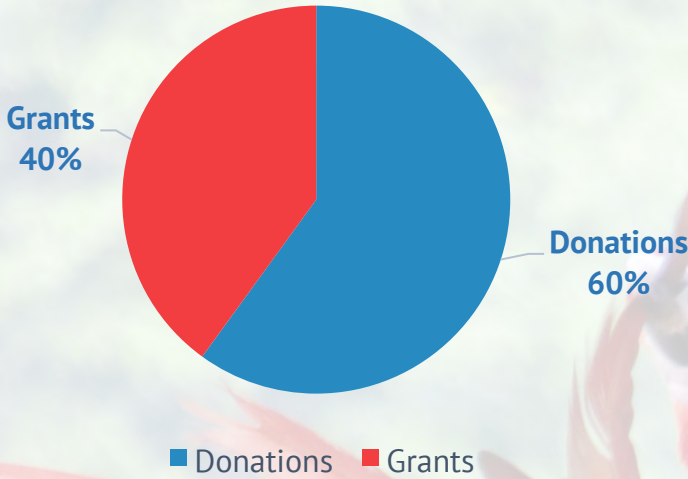
- During the last breeding season 28 nests were monitored & protected.
- A total of 33 artificial nests are installed in the field, ready for the next breeding season.
- We see a minimal survival rate of 55% since the first release. Bearing in mind that independence looks similar to mortality, the survival of released birds is probably higher than stated.



5. Outreach & Education

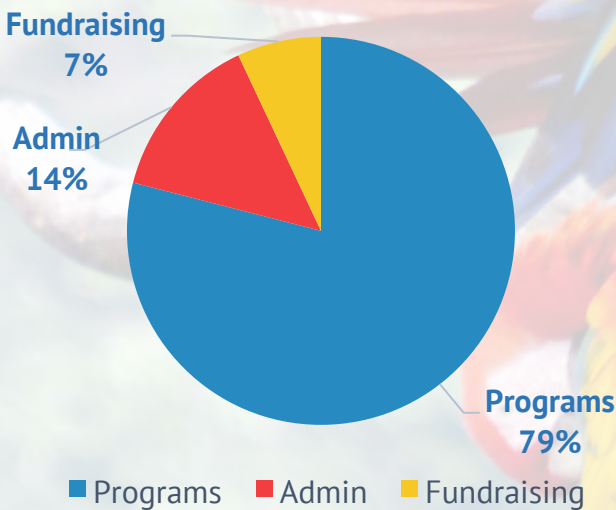
- Approximately 4,800 children and adults were inspired about the Macaws.
- Another 47 conservationists have been trained on site.

INCOME



Category	Total income
Donations	\$ 70,783
Grants	\$ 48,000
Total	\$118,783

EXPENSE



Category	Total expense
Programs	\$ 93,262
Admin	\$ 16,509
Fundraising	\$ 7,777
Total	\$117,548

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