



Simi Valley Pet & Wildlife Emergency Resource Guide

[Who to Call When an Animal Needs Help](#)

Save this guide for quick access to emergency veterinarians, animal rescues, and wildlife rehabilitators in Simi Valley and surrounding areas.

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■ ■ Important: Hours, intake capacity and phone numbers can change. Call before driving to any veterinary hospital or wildlife facility.

■ 24-Hour Emergency Veterinary Hospitals

Veterinary Specialty & Emergency Center — Thousand Oaks

Emergency and critical care available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year

■ **(805) 492-2436**

■ 2967 N. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Services: Emergency medicine, surgery, hospitalization and veterinary specialty care

Website: vsecvet.com/thousand-oaks

Approximately 20–30 minutes from much of Simi Valley, depending on location and traffic.

ACCESS Specialty Animal Hospitals — San Fernando Valley

■ **(818) 887-2262**

■ 20051 Ventura Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91364

Hours: Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Services: Emergency and critical care, cardiology, internal medicine, neurology, surgery and orthopedics

Website: accessvets.com/locations/san-fernando-valley

■ Simi Valley Urgent Veterinary Care

These clinics may be useful when a pet needs prompt attention but are not substitutes for a 24-hour emergency hospital.

Simi Valley Animal Urgent Care

■ **(805) 537-1838**

■ 5105 E. Los Angeles Avenue, Suite A, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Services: Evening urgent care for dogs and cats

Email: info@svanimalurgentcare.vet

Call to confirm that the clinic is open and able to treat your pet's condition.

Park Animal Hospital

■ **(805) 526-0573**

■ 2767 Tapo Street, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Provides urgent care during regular clinic hours rather than around-the-clock emergency service.

■ ■ Poison Emergencies

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center	(888) 426-4435	Available 24 hours; fee may apply
Pet Poison Helpline	(855) 764-7661	Available 24 hours; fee applies

■ **Tip:** Keep the packaging or label from any medication, plant, chemical or food the animal may have swallowed.

■ Local Shelters and Companion-Animal Rescue

Ventura County Animal Services

The county agency operates both the Camarillo and Simi Valley shelters and handles animal control, lost and found pets, adoptions and other community animal services.

■ **Main: (805) 388-4341 | Countywide: 1-888-223-PETS**

■ Simi Valley Shelter: 670 W. Los Angeles Avenue, Simi Valley, CA 93065

After-hours: Call (805) 388-4341 and select Option 4 for assistance

Website: vcas.us

Animal Rescue Volunteers — Simi Valley

A foster-based nonprofit focused primarily on rescuing abandoned and abused dogs. It does not operate a public shelter.

■ **(805) 579-8047**

Email: staff@arvsimi.org

Website: arvsimi.org

VCAS Bunny Brigade

A Ventura County Animal Services volunteer program supporting shelter rabbits.

Email: VCASBunnyBrigade@gmail.com

■ Injured or Orphaned Wildlife

■ Best First Call for Simi Valley Wildlife

Wildlife Care of Southern California

A Simi Valley-area wildlife rehabilitation organization that rescues, rehabilitates and releases injured or orphaned native wildlife.

■ Information: (805) 581-3911

■ Wildlife Emergency: (805) 428-7105

Website: wildlifecaresocal.org

Commonly assists with squirrels, opossums and other small native wildlife.

Squirrelmender Wildlife Rehabilitation

Specializes primarily in tree squirrels and ground squirrels.

Website: squirrelmender.org

Contact through website for current intake instructions.

Ojai Raptor Center

Specialized help for injured or orphaned hawks, owls and other birds of prey.

■ **(805) 649-6884**

Call before transporting an animal.

Santa Barbara Wildlife Care Network

■ **Wildlife Helpline: (805) 681-1080**

Particularly useful when a closer rehabilitator cannot accept the animal.

California Wildlife Center — Malibu

■ **(310) 458-9453**

Website: cawildlife.org

Call first because species accepted and intake capacity can vary.

WildRescue Statewide Referral Line

■ **1-866-WILD-911 (866-945-3911)**

Connects callers with wildlife rescue resources in their area.

■ Quick Wildlife Guidance

When someone finds a wild animal:

- ✓ **Do not feed it or give it water.** Incorrect feeding or forced water can cause serious injury.
- ✓ **Keep children and pets away.**
- ✓ **Call a wildlife rehabilitator before moving it,** unless it is in immediate danger.
- ✓ **When instructed to contain a small animal,** use a ventilated box lined with a towel and keep it somewhere dark, quiet and warm.
- ✓ **Never handle a bat, raccoon, skunk, coyote, bobcat or other potentially dangerous animal with bare hands.**
- ✓ **A young rabbit, bird or squirrel found alone may not be orphaned.** Its parent may be nearby.
- ✓ **Wildlife rehabilitators generally are not staffed like 24-hour hospitals,** so leave a clear message and contact the next organization when the situation is urgent.

California advises contacting a permitted rehabilitation facility or a California Department of Fish and Wildlife office rather than attempting to raise wildlife at home.

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