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## RHODE ISLAND PARROT RESCUE HOSTS FIFTH ANNUAL GIVING DAY TO REMEMBER THE WESTON CT PARROT SEIZURE, CELEBRATES RESILIENCE

RIPR hosting online Annual Giving Day to commemorate fifth anniversary of the Parrot Seizure in Weston, CT

**WARWICK**, **RI – September 13**, **2021 –** In remembrance of the Weston Connecticut Parrot Seizure, a massive hoarding situation which took place on September 16, 2016 and brought 117 exotic birds in for care at once, <u>Rhode Island Parrot Rescue</u> ("RIPR") is hosting their fifth "Annual Giving Day" on September 16, 2021.

"Annual Giving Day" 2021 is a celebration of the organization's resilience and the resilience of the surviving Weston, CT parrots who, as of August 2021, have all been adopted into loving homes. The rescue devoted hundreds of man hours caring for the abused, neglected animals who arrived on that day in 2016, and continues to provide daily support for relinquished exotic birds that need new homes following rehabilitation.

The rescue is asking friends and supporters of the shelter to donate funds towards the continued care for the many animals currently in the shelter after the COVID-19 pandemic postponed many fundraising efforts. Collected donations will go to providing for the current flock's basic needs such as food, water, and ongoing veterinary care, as well as cleaning supplies and housing materials.

Facility Director Corrie Butler said, "'Resilient" is our campaign theme and I couldn't think of a better word to describe Rhode Island Parrot Rescue. A little rescue located in the smallest state, making a huge difference. We continue to overcome hurdles beyond our control time after time. But we haven't done it alone. The togetherness we've created in our community and through our supporters is the reason we've survived. This year is about continuing our momentum to allow us growth and sustainability! Please consider donating to our AGD campaign today."

Donations can be made online via Network for Good through September 16th.

## **About Rhode Island Parrot Rescue**

Rhode Island Parrot Rescue is the only 501(c)3 nonprofit rescue in the state of Rhode Island to focus exclusively on rescuing, rehabilitating, and adopting exotic birds to qualified homes. A small, independent rescue, RIPR houses an average of 60 parrots at any given time and adopts on average up to 85 per year into loving homes.