Open Door Bird Sanctuary

Number of employees: 2

Number of volunteers: 30+

What is your Mission Statement?
Provide a home for un-releaseable raptors and present them to the public. Educate and inspire people to coexist with nature.

What is the main source of your funding and what percent of your funding does that source provide?
Programming Revenue 40%
Private donations 55%
Grant writing 5%

What is the geographic scope of your services throughout Door County?
All of the county.

Explanation of how you serve Door County including primary programs your organization offers to the community.
Family friendly nature education programs presenting live raptors at schools, community festivals, state parks, service organizations, nursing homes, businesses and nature centers. We have the opportunity to integrate an understanding of wildlife into the environmental culture of Door County. Because of the wonderful diversity of the county, our mission is transported to many additional locales, becoming even more impactful.

How would you define the impact your organization is making in Door County?
Engaging the public to inspire them to be better environmental stewards in Door County and beyond. ODBS offers many volunteer opportunities for caring folks to be out in nature and fresh air. Engaging and educating the public on the environment, and the opportunity to work with some amazing raptors. In addition to volunteering, ODBS now provides two full time staff positions, providing a much needed year round living wage.

What is your annual budget?
Our annual operating budget is currently $148,515.

If you were to receive a donation from 100+WWC, how would that donation be used?
Since we hired a full time Raptor Educator one year ago, our educational programming has increased over 300% for the 2023 calendar year. Having a full time person with a background and focus in environmental education has given us

the opportunity to be much more proactive offering programming. With the significant increase of our off site programming throughout Door County, our 16 year old minivan is showing the strain of age and use, now requiring regular costly repair work. It has served us well for many years, but it is past time for an upgrade. A donation from 100+ WWC would put us well on our way toward purchasing a new transport vehicle for our birds and volunteers. One that is appropriate for our needs, efficient, safe, and reliable.