

Found Young Opossums?



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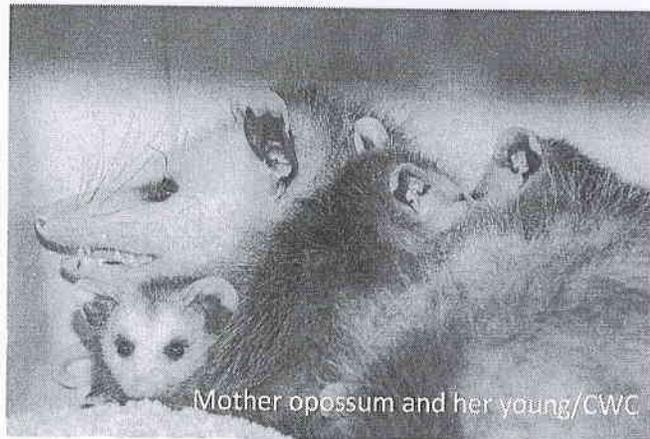
- If you find a dead mother opossum in the spring or summer, she may have young (joeys) in her pouch that can be saved.
- If you find joeys in a dead opossum's pouch, hold very close to their face and gently pull until you feel the joey release from the mother's nipple.
- Place the joeys in a box lined with a soft cloth, keep them warm (add a warm water-filled bottle or warmed rice sock) and transport them to us immediately.
- If you are not comfortable checking the pouch for joeys, bring the opossum's body to us and we will check it.



Infant Opossum/CWC



Litter of Opossums /CWC



Mother opossum and her young/CWC

Opossums are North America's only marsupial. Although opossums may look scary, they are much more afraid of you than you are of them.

If the opossum is injured or you have any questions, call Cape Wildlife Center!

Remember to wear gloves when handling wildlife and if possible, leave wildlife in the wild where they belong.

Please share this to help us keep wildlife safe.