

Urgent Call for Activist-Volunteers

HAVE YOU SEEN ONE OF THESE?



Commercial rat exterminators are contracted by unknowing customers to refill these bait boxes with toxic poisons that are poisoning pets and children and killing non-target wildlife, including amphibians, songbirds, invertebrates, mammals, reptiles and raptors.

We likely have tens of thousands of bait boxes containing Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs) placed throughout Seattle.

Pets and local wildlife are poisoned and dying every day and they need our help to convince organizations to stop poisoning their food and start using nontoxic rodent management methods, instead.



Rat Poison Bait Box



Red-tailed Hawk with rat, photo credit Jeff Graham

Newly hatched, the Seattle Chapter of RAPTORS ARE THE SOLUTION (RATS) needs help this summer. Can you help with any of the socially distanced initiatives listed below?

- → Conducting neighborhood inventories of commercially serviced poison bait boxes.
- → Launching business and organization outreach to educate them on the unintended harm the poison is causing and asking them to switch to non-toxic methods for rodent management.
- → Building a list of wildlife-safe exterminator companies to promote as alternatives.
- → Organizing our raptor memorial outreach campaign to commemorate Seattle raptors found dead with toxic levels of rat poison in their livers.
- → Researching and collecting data to work towards a city-wide ban on SGARs.

If you have time to help save wildlife, please contact SEA-RATS: taneastephens@outlook.com