



# Owl Wise Leader (OWL) Fact Sheet

## ☞ **Whoooooo** is an Owl Wise Leader?

An Owl Wise Leader (“OWL”) is a business, municipality, county, community organization, homeowner’s association or apartment building manager, urban farm, or pest control company that stops using all types of rat poison and sticky traps and switches to non-toxic, wildlife-safe methods of rodent control.

## ☞ **Why** should I want to become an OWL?

Every year, thousands of animals are perishing as a result of secondary poisoning from rat poison. When a hawk, owl, mountain lion, bobcat, or other animal eats a rodent that has been poisoned, it too becomes poisoned and dies or becomes very ill. We are losing thousands of our best predators every year to these painful, unnecessary deaths caused by rat poison in the food chain.

## ☞ **How** do I/does my agency/business/county become an OWL or nominate someone else/other agency for an OWL award?

Please download our nomination form at [www.owlwiseleader.org](http://www.owlwiseleader.org), fill out, and submit it to [raptorsarethesolution@gmail.com](mailto:raptorsarethesolution@gmail.com)

Can I nominate my own business or agency?

Yes.

## ☞ **What** will I receive as part of my award?

OWLS will receive an award certificate along with an OWL banner (if desired) and/or OWL product and window stickers and decals. If you are in a location with a one-mile poison-free radius, you can also receive a barn owl box (supplies are limited), but you will need to pay for postage and shipping (U.S. only).



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## 🦉 Examples of Owl Wise Leaders 🦉

<b>ARIZONA</b>		Doesn't use poison	Doesn't sell poison
Casa Grande, AZ	<a href="#">Distinctive Earthscapes at The Avocado Nursery</a> Black Butte Experimental Garden (BBEG)	√	
Eloy, AZ	Lucky Nickel Ranch Skydive Arizona Sky Rider Inn	√	
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>			
Bollinas, CA	<a href="#">Bollinas Bay Hardware &amp; Mercantile</a> Bollinas Market & General Store	√	√
Calabasas, CA	Sperling Nursery Ralphs Albertsons		√
Cupertino, CA	Manny DaSilva, Manager, <a href="#">Custodial Services, De Anza Community College</a>	√	
Davis, CA	Hibbert Lumber	√	√
Malibu, CA	<a href="#">Anawalt Malibu Hardware</a> <a href="#">A&amp;B Plumbing</a> <a href="#">CVS Pharmacy</a> Malibu Ranch Market <a href="#">Pavilions</a>		√
	Shopping centers, including all tenant businesses and food services (e.g. restaurants and supermarkets): <a href="#">Malibu Country Mart</a> Malibu Village Point Dume Village <a href="#">Trancas Country Market</a> Zuma Beach Plaza	√	
	Restaurants: <a href="#">Cholada Thai</a> <a href="#">Nikita</a> <a href="#">Nobu</a> <a href="#">Starbucks</a> (Trancas Country Market) <a href="#">V's</a>	√	
	Other: Pepperdine University (including dining centers) <a href="#">Malibu Racquet Club</a> (including restaurant) <a href="#">Malibu Golf Club</a>	√	
Marin County, CA	<a href="#">Marin County</a> (Rodenticide ban and detailed non-toxic <a href="#">pest management plan</a> implemented on all county property as of 2009)	√	
Oakland, CA	<a href="#">Acta Non Verba: Youth Urban Farm Project</a>	√	
Richmond, CA	<a href="#">Urban Tilth</a>	√	√
San Francisco, CA	<a href="#">Natural Areas Program</a> (NAP), San Francisco Recreation & Parks	√	
Stinson Beach, CA	<a href="#">Stinson Beach Market</a>	√	√
<b>WASHINGTON</b>			
Vashon, WA	<a href="#">The Rat Detective</a> (pest control)	√	