



MARMOT RECOVERY FOUNDATION

How the Vancouver Island Marmot Adoption Program Works

Every summer, our field technicians and captive breeding specialists study the marmots in the field and in our captive breeding centres. They ear-tag, name, observe, and track some of these marmots year-after-year. These ear-tagged marmots are part of the adoption program. When someone joins the Adopt-A-Marmot Club, they are “adopting” a GROUP of ear-tagged marmots.

As the marmots are already named for tracking and research purposes, we cannot re-name them. However we do keep track of the names suggested by our supporters and if a name “fits” a particular marmot which has not yet been tagged, our field crew will use it.

Adopters receive:

- a report describing the latest activities of all the marmots which are part of the adoption program
- a letter welcoming them to the club and, if the adoption is a gift, telling them the name of the person who gave them this present
- an adoption certificate
- a beautiful full-colour poster of the Vancouver Island marmot
- newsletters, which we send out twice a year
- a charitable donation receipt. (If the adoption is a gift, the GIVER receives the receipt and a thank-you letter.) Monthly donors receive a receipt for the donations made within a fiscal year (Jan-Dec) at the beginning of the next fiscal year (February).

Payment Options: **either**

- a) a one-time payment of \$120 for one year, **or**
- b) a monthly payment, minimum \$10/month, withdrawn from your bank account or credit card. Void cheque, or credit card number and expiry date, as well as written permission to make the withdrawals must be provided to Marmot Recovery Foundation. Withdrawals are made on, or around, the 15th of each month.