



# The Owl Foundation

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Attention: Ms. Hetherington

Dear Ms. Hetherington:

I am writing with our final report, a follow-up to our interim report in October.

With two weeks to go in 2018, it certainly appears we will set a new record. Again, while not something to celebrate, it certainly reinforces our need to be here.

Thankfully, with your help, all our owls are fed a healthy diet of mice. Owl food is an ongoing expense. Sadly, we have recently been informed of a price increase for 2019. The cost of the specially designed *boxes* is going up. The mice are shipped each week from Montreal and we meet the shipment in Hamilton. The mice are enclosed in boxes that have wire mesh between the layers of cardboard to prevent the mice from chewing their way out. Sadly, these boxes are not recyclable by neither the mouse provider (the boxes are sterile when they leave the facility) or our local recycling pick up. The wire mesh prevents this. We have tried tearing them apart to separate the wire from the cardboard, but it is impossible. The boxes are very well designed for their specific purpose.

I hope you enjoyed our recent newsletter. We had some feedback on the story of Annick wearing a garbage bag to treat a Great Horned Owl, people seemed intrigued by the <stinky> story.

I trust this letter satisfies your requirement of a final report. If you need anything else, please don't hesitate to contact me at 905-562-5986. I am generally in the office Monday-Friday between 9-3.

Sincerely,

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