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PAWS Gives Sanctuary to Young, 3-Legged Black Bear

On the Facebook page of the [Lions, Tigers and Bears](#) sanctuary in Alpine, California, founder Bobbi Brink recently wrote: **"When animal protectors work together, good things happen!"** We could not agree with her more.

Yesterday, a 3-legged yearling American black bear named Mack arrived at PAWS' Galt sanctuary, delivered by Bobbi and her team who provided his transport from Southern California. The young bear has spent the last year under the loving care of the veterinarians and staff at [The Fund For Animals Wildlife Center](#) in Ramona, California, and will now be given a lifetime home at PAWS.

Mack was captured by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife after he climbed a school yard fence, seeking human attention. Only a few months old at the time, this little orphaned bear cub was missing part of his right hind leg. The injury – most likely the result of a snare (trap) – was completely healed at the time he was captured and he looked to be otherwise healthy. Because of Mack's injury, and the fact that he was very friendly with people, Fish and Wildlife officials decided he should not be released back into the wild.

Mack is already confidently exploring his new PAWS habitat which features grass, soft soil, trees, a large swimming pool and a cozy den. Thank you Bobbi and team for making sure that Mack's travel to PAWS was safe and comfortable, and special thanks to the dedicated staff, volunteers and veterinarians at The Fund For Animals Wildlife Center for the special care you have given this sweet bear.

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The picture shown above was taken earlier at The Fund For Animals Wildlife Center. PAWS' veterinarian Dr. Jackie Gai will be writing a feature story for PAWS' August newsletter, complete with photos and a video of our newest resident. If you have not already signed up for our mailing list, please do so on our website home page at <http://pawsweb.org/>.

[Click here](#) to view a video of Mack taken by The Fund For Animals not long after his arrival at their Wildlife Center in Ramona, California.