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As you would expect, the economy has hit our donations hard. Needless to say, we are not taking in anymore permanent residents rather they are being adopted out to ONLY experienced parrot people.

Also, as you would expect, Mary is recovering from yet another injury, a broken lower leg, the result of a fall. Congrats, though, as it's been a couple of years or more since any injury or illness has struck.

Our partner cares for most of our permanent residents, as the Dome is closed temporarily for renovations. "Temporarily" is a relative term depending upon if/when we get the funds to do the renovations. To do it right, it would require approximately \$20,000, otherwise, we would have to do it as the funds become available, if they do.

Right now our funding has dropped by 90%, YES! You read that right. We have deliberately NOT sent out any pleas for help because we know everyone is affected by our current economic situation in these UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. With that said we won't go any further and turn this writing into a political statement.

Our thanks go out to those of you who have continued to support us, and any who should decide to come on board. We still need to purchase feed, be prepared for vet visits, etc. So, any help is always greatly appreciated.

Featured bird for this writing is Marlin, a 7 year old Congo African Gray. He came in approximately 3 weeks ago and I was determined not to bond with him, as he was slated to go to our other site. But, Marlin had other ideas. He bonded with me nonetheless, just by seeing/hearing me. Soon I heard the recognizable sound of regurgitation and mating calls. It wasn't long before he took up abode as one of our own. He is a great talker, very affectionate; almost as much as a "Velcro" cockatoo! Surprising for a CAG.

Once again, we'd like to thank everyone past, present, future who have/will support us. Your generosity in these hard times is NEVER underestimated and ALWAYS appreciated. The BIRDS and we sincerely thank you all.

Always remember, that God DOES love us, even though we don't deserve it. HE proved it by sending his ONLY SON, JESUS (John 3:16) to our rescue. Also, the by-line for The Tropics is Psalm 91.4 "He will cover you with his feathers, and under His wings you shall trust; His truth shall be your shield and buckler".  
AMEN!