

# Keeping Chickens Safe from Predators

*Coexisting with urban wildlife...*

- **Secure chickens in a predator proof coop every night.**
- **Use a spring loaded clasp to secure the coop door.**
- **Use 1/4" hardware cloth in your coop design. "Chicken wire" does not stop predators.**
- **Line the bottom of the coop with plywood or hardware cloth.**
- **Prevent predators from digging under the coop walls by elevating the coop or burying 12" of hardware cloth around the base of the coop.**

For more information on coexisting with urban wildlife visit <http://cityofdavis.org/city-hall/urban-wildlife> or call the Public Works Department at 757-5686



### Spring-loaded latch



### Bury mesh around base



### Elevate if you can



### 1/4" Hardware cloth

