

1 Today we heard a couple of crows making a  
2 lot of noise near our house. Then, Mariko  
3 heard a noise by our backdoor where we keep  
4 our trash. She took a look and found this crow  
5 sitting on top of the trash can. It seemed to be  
6 struggling so I thought it had gotten caught in  
7 the netting in back of the can. I got some  
8 gloves to protect my hands and picked up the  
9 lid to see if I could help it to get free. To my  
10 surprise, it didn't try to fly away. I slid it off  
11 the lid onto my glove where it seemed  
12 remarkably content.

13 Meanwhile, two other crows seemed quite  
14 upset about what was going on. We think that  
15 the two crows are the parents and that the crow  
16 we found on our trash can may be too young to  
17 fly.

18 We put it down and then it hopped to our  
19 front yard and climbed up a tree. It hasn't  
20 moved from the tree for several hours and the  
21 parents continue to keep watch.

22 I think this has been a hard Mother's Day  
23 for Mama Crow. Like many mother's and  
24 father's she can't help but worry about her  
25 offspring -- even after they've gotten pretty big.