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African People & Wildlife		Northern Tanzania Big Cats Conservation Initiative	Protecting lions, cheetahs, and leopards from human/livestock conflict by creating environmentally-friendly, livestock-safe "Living Wall" enclosures. These enclosures in turn protect vital habitat for big cats, and engage local Maasai people in environmental learning, natural resource management, and sustainable enterprise development.	African lion	Africa	Tanzania
American Friends of Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust		Rewilding Manas' Communities and Grasslands	Restoring grassland habitat and protecting pygmy hogs through managing a youth engagement program, providing community livelihood improvement activities, and releasing captive-bred pygmy hogs. By creating a grassland management model, the hope is to reduce local dependence on natural resources by increasing locals' income from livestock and existing cropland.	Pygmy hog	Asia	India
Arizona State University Foundation for A New American University	School for the Future of Innovation in Society	Developing innovative bycatch reduction technologies	Utilizing a transdisciplinary conservation team to educate, inspire, and empower fishers in Mexico as well as Trinidad and Tobago to co-develop innovative solutions to reduce bycatch of endangered sea turtles, sharks and rays. The team will expand on previous DCF grants by working with fishers to optimize solar-powered net illumination as well as develop new bycatch solutions.	Hawksbill turtle, Leatherback turtle, Green turtle, Munk's devil ray, Giant oceanic manta ray, Pacific angel shark, Scalloped hammerhead shark, Horn shark	Marine	Mexico
Association of Zoological Horticulture		AZH Plant Conservation Grant Program	Awarding funds to qualified AZH plant conservation programs to protect and study important species.	Multiple	Global	Global
Association of Zoos and Aquariums		AZA SAFE: Saving Animals from Extinction	Focusing the collective expertise within AZA-accredited zoos and aquariums and leveraging their massive audiences to save animals from extinction.	Multiple	Global	Global
Audubon Connecticut		Bird-friendly New Haven	Creating and supporting thriving urban green spaces to benefit birds and people, engaging community members to provide native habitat, and identifying and implementing strategies to reduce threats from urban development. Long-term goals are to increase survival and productivity rates of Neotropical migratory songbirds.	Golden-winged warbler	North America	United States
Australian Wildlife Conservancy		Rewilding Australia's Red Centre - the Global Epicentre of Mammal Extinctions	Re-introducing ten threatened mammals at Newhaven in Australia: mala, rufous hare-wallaby, burrowing bettong, golden bandicoot, central rock rat, brush-tailed bettong, greater bilby, red-tailed phascogale, numbat, shark bay mouse, and common brushtail possum. The goal is to restore biodiversity to the region after 20 mammal species were lost to introduced feral predators.	Brush-tailed bettong, Burrowing bettong, Central rock rat, Common brushtail possum, Golden bandicoot, Greater bilby, Numbat, Mala, Red-tailed phascogale, Rufous hare-wallaby, Shark Bay mouse	Europe/Middle East/Australia	Australia



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Big Life Foundation USA		Greater Amboseli Ecosystem Lion Protection	Working with local communities, Big Life created an innovative two-pronged Predator Protection Program which replaced conflict and retaliation with education and coexistence. The program is successfully contributing to the dramatic decline of lion killings, and as a result, the ecosystem contains one of the few growing lion populations in Africa.	African lion	Africa	Kenya
Central Caribbean Marine Institute		Selective Restoration: Increasing Coral Resilience	Continuing reef restoration work by researching what makes coral reefs resilient and how to further increase survival success. Previous coral reef restoration work has included learning to successfully grow corals in a nursery and testing outplanting methodologies.	Staghorn coral	Marine	Cayman Islands
Cheetah Conservation Botswana		Community capacity building to support coexistence with carnivores and improved livelihoods in the Western Kalahari of Botswana	Offering support to strengthen and diversify livelihoods with communities in priority wildlife areas of the Western Kalahari, to enable coexistence with cheetahs and other threatened carnivores. Methods include assessing and initiating conservation-friendly livelihood projects, training farmers, and raising environmental awareness especially amongst youth.	Cheetah	Africa	Botswana
China Blue Sustainability Institute		Interactive Marine Conservation Portal (IMCP) for Chinese white dolphin in China	Establishing China's first interactive marine conservation portal, featuring the Chinese white dolphin. Using cloud computing and AI to facilitate data visualization and sharing, increase public access to conservation knowledge, and encourage crowdsourcing and community science. Providing a platform for education and conservation for scientists, artists, NGOs, and children from underdeveloped coastal communities.	Chinese white dolphin, Indo-Pacific humpback dolphin	Marine	China
Coastal Plains Institute		Building Communities that Conserve Wetlands	Building on an existing project to save the rare striped newt, this project combines education standard-aligned activities and community scientist training to conserve the biodiversity of wetlands in the backyard of Florida's capital. Students and other citizens learn experientially from within a native ecosystem and collect essential ecological data from wetlands, thereby improving the region's environmental literacy as well as our ability to detect future declines of amphibian species.	Striped newt, gopher frog, and 18 other ephemeral-pond breeding amphibians	North America	United States
Coral Restoration Foundation		Pillar Corals: Zero to Hero	Restoring the threatened pillar coral (<i>Dendrogyra cylindrus</i>) in the Florida Keys through creating coral nursery infrastructure, active propagation, outplant testing, and adaptive management.	Pillar coral	Marine	United States
Denver Zoological Foundation		Sustainable Primate Conservation in Vietnam	Providing support for Tonkin snub-nosed monkey conservation in a new national park in Vietnam's Khau Ca forest, which is home to approximately half of the world's population of this species. Engaging diverse audiences in programs and campaigns to encourage community-based conservation action.	Tonkin snub-nosed monkey	Asia	Vietnam



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Dyer Island Conservation Trust		Dyer Island African Penguin Conservation	Actively intervening in the decline of African penguin populations with an artificial nest project, helping chicks grow big and strong, and with the rescue, rehabilitation and release of compromised African penguins. The project provides a platform for new research that can influence conservation policies, and plays a key role in educating the broader public about the plight of the African penguin.	African penguin	Africa	South Africa
Eastern Ghats Wildlife Society		Empowering Communities for King Cobra Conservation	Conserving king cobra populations in the Eastern Ghats of South India by engaging local communities in snake conservation, addressing major threats, and helping reduce and prevent snakebites.	King cobra	Asia	India
Fauna & Flora International USA		Saving the world's rarest ape-- the Cao Vit Gibbon	Conserving the Cao Vit gibbon by improving ecological knowledge, facilitating range expansion, reducing direct threats, and directly engaging local people in conservation.	Eastern black crested gibbon	Asia	Vietnam
Felidae Conservation Fund		Bay Area Puma Project	Preventing local extinction of pumas while fostering stewardship in the San Francisco Bay Area by researching pumas living along the urban edge, engaging and educating the local community, and using technology to monitor pumas.	Mountain lion	North America	United States
Gorilla Rehabilitation and Conservation Education Center - GRACE		Saving Wildlife: Gorillas (Year 8)	Working with communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo to reduce hunting, and explore strategies to reintroduce rescued gorillas to the wild. Increasing community protection of great apes through the support of community education and development programs to support people while inspiring conservation action.	Grauer's gorilla	Africa	Democratic Republic of the Congo
Gunung Palung Orangutan Conservation Program		Wild orangutan research, education, conservation	Conserving orangutans in and around Gunung Palung National Park through research on orangutan health and population viability, environmental education and knowledge exchange with local communities, the creation of officially recognized Customary Forests, and assistance with sustainable livelihoods for locals.	Bornean orangutan	Asia	Indonesia
Havenworth Coastal Conservation		Conserving Florida's Endangered Small Tooth Sawfish	Promoting smalltooth sawfish recovery by collecting information on the historic and current populations in the greater Tampa Bay area in Florida via field research and public outreach.	Smalltooth sawfish	Marine	United States



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Health In Harmony		Planetary Health for Madagascar's Lemurs	Preventing the extinction of the Manombo sportive lemur and grey-headed brown lemur, as well as other Madagascar species, by working with local communities to provide health education, regenerative agriculture training, and reforestation in Manombo Special Reserve.	James' sportive lemur, eight lemur species	Africa	Madagascar
Hellenic Ornithological Society / BirdLife Greece		101 Vultures	Conserving the Egyptian vulture through a long-term partnership between six environmental organizations to restore Egyptian vulture populations in the Balkan peninsula of Eastern Europe.	Egyptian vulture	Europe/Middle East/Australia	Greece
Institute for the Conservation of Wild Animals / Instituto de Conservação de Animais Silvestre - ICAS		Giant Armadillo Conservation Program	Promoting giant armadillo conservation by creating a Giant Armadillo Conservation Program (GACP) certification program to promote co-existence between giant armadillos and beekeepers and publishing scientific papers to inform effective conservation planning.	Giant armadillo	Central/South America	Brazil
Instituto de Pesquisas Ecológicas - IPÊ		Black lion tamarin Conservation in a Fragmented Landscape	Protecting black lion tamarins by helping establish and manage healthy and viable populations, as well as promoting habitat connectivity between fragmented forests. Engaging local communities and stakeholders through community science, education, and outreach.	Black lion tamarin	Central/South America	Brazil
International Crane Foundation		Saving Wildlife: Cranes (Year 8)	Expanding and strengthening efforts for recovery of the Siberian crane and supporting work to monitor and protect the relevant stopover sites along the birds' more-than-three-thousand-mile migration path.	Siberian crane	Asia	China
International Fund for Animal Welfare - IFAW		Saving Critically Endangered Right Whales	Protecting North Atlantic right whales from entanglement in fishing gear and vessel strikes by conducting on-the-water rescue and veterinary operations, partnering with lobstermen and manufacturers on 21st century gear solutions, and laying the groundwork to leverage wholesaler, retailer, restaurateur, and consumer support for whale-friendly seafood.	North Atlantic right whale	Marine	United States
International Fund for Animal Welfare - IFAW		Disaster Response, Recovery, and Readiness	Supporting IFAW's Disaster Response program, including capacity building for partners in key disaster hotspots, direct IFAW disaster response, and mini grants to other nonprofit organizations responding to the animal components of disasters globally.	Multiple	Global	Global



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Karrkad Kanjdji Trust		Preserving Anbinik: Indigenous fire management	Protecting the Anbinik tree in the Stone Country of the Arnhem Land Plateau from wildfire using both indigenous ecological knowledge and contemporary tools. Warddeken Indigenous rangers will protect vulnerable patches of Anbinik, an ancient ancestor of the widespread eucalyptus genus, which has great cultural significance to the Indigenous people of the region, but is not well known to western science.	Anbinik	Europe/Middle East/Australia	Australia
Macaw Recovery Network		Uniting People & Habitat for Macaws	Helping recover great green macaw populations by reforestation and community education through local ambassadors to develop and disseminate an education curriculum.	Great green macaw	Central/South America	Costa Rica
Marine Megafauna Foundation		Conserving Manta Rays in Florida	Helping minimize fishing impacts on manta rays through boat and aerial surveys, telemetry, and genetic studies to understand movements and habitat use. Continuing collaboration with anglers, raising awareness, and conducting education programs.	Giant manta ray	Marine	United States
National Audubon Society		Saving Maine's Rare Alcids	Protecting Atlantic puffins and other endangered seabird colonies by restoring and maintaining nesting habitat at seven Maine nesting islands, developing comprehensive education programs, and providing unique work experience and training to early conservation biologists.	Atlantic puffin	North America	United States
National Wildlife Federation		Monarch Conservation through Community Science in South Texas	Mobilizing South Texas monarch conservation through a bilingual, multiracial community science program in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Helping restore monarch habitat and training residents to collect data.	Monarch butterfly	North America	United States
New College of Florida Foundation	Division of Natural Sciences	Hammerhead Research & Conservation Capacity Building	Studying great hammerhead habitat use and using long-term acoustic transmitters to discover nursery areas. Providing hands-on field research training for students and early-career researchers from underrepresented groups.	Great hammerhead	Marine	United States
Northern Arizona University Foundation	Biological Sciences	Sonoran Desert Purple Martin Conservation	Conserving desert purple martins through understanding saguaro cactus nest cavities and developing artificial ones for the birds as well as restoring their habitat. The project will also monitor reproduction and migration patterns, as well as create a digital display of survival threats and conservation actions and engage local schools in field research.	Desert purple martin	North America	United States



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Northern Jaguar Project		Northern Jaguar: Viviendo con Fellions	Promoting northern jaguar/human coexistence through long-term collaboration with ranchers and youth to reduce and prevent poaching, poisoning, and habitat destruction around the Northern Jaguar Reserve. Developing a statewide jaguar monitoring effort and expanding conservation messaging throughout the region.	Jaguar	North America	Mexico
Oikonos Ecosystem Knowledge		Engaging Hawaii in Seabird Conservation	Restoring Hawaii's seabirds, especially the Wedge-tailed Shearwater or Ua'u kani, in the Freeman Seabird Preserve in Honolulu. Collaborating with multiple communities, building off of applied research, and connecting residents with their natural spaces.	Wedge-tailed shearwater	North America	United States
Oklahoma City Zoological Society		Guatemalan Endangered Reptile Conservation Program	Protecting the Guatemalan beaded lizard and Campbell's alligator lizard by creating habitat corridors through planting 60,000 trees, managing 2,000 acres of protected habitat, securing partnerships to protect 750 acres of additional contiguous habitat, conducting field research, and captive breeding. Also engaging communities through school presentations, reforestation, and research programs.	Campbell's alligator lizard, Guatemalan beaded lizard	Central/South America	Guatemala
Oi Pejeta Conservancy		RHINO HABITAT MONITORING AND RESTORATION	Protecting the growing black rhino population in Kenya by training local apprentices in habitat monitoring and field research skills, and applying the data collected to inform habitat management decisions. Managing an education program that involves school children, supports tree nurseries, and educates communities on the benefits of bee keeping.	Eastern black rhinoceros	Africa	Kenya
Only One Collective		Bahamas Coral Storytelling	Documenting the work of "Plant A Million Corals" coral gardening efforts. Promoting the reproduction of fast growing and resilient corals to recover the lost and diseased reefs in The Bahamas.	Corals	Marine	The Bahamas
Ornithological Society of Polynesia		Saving Fatu-Hiva Monarch from extinction	Enhancing understanding and protection of Fatu Hiva Monarch birds through arboreal cameras, lures, and telemetry tracking of juveniles. Identifying dispersal areas that require increased protection, and using these findings to educate local schools and communities.	Fatu Hiva Monarch	Europe/Middle East/Australia	French Polynesia
Outdoor Afro		Outdoor Afro - Scaling Phase I	Supporting Outdoor Afro's Leadership Program, Making Waves (Swimmership), and communications efforts to connect more Black communities with nature.	Youth and nature	North America	United States



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Painted Dog Research Trust		Mitigating Roadkill in Wildlife Areas	Developing strategies to reduce roadkill in wildlife areas of northwest Zimbabwe and disseminating successful strategies across neighboring range states, with a focus on painted dogs.	African painted dog	Africa	Zimbabwe
Perry Institute for Marine Science		Saving Wildlife: Coral Reefs (Year 8)	Collaborating with experts in the Caribbean to protect the shrinking Bahamian reefs through a comprehensive study, training, and actions such as limiting harmful human contact with existing reefs, promoting natural coral reef ecosystem resilience, setting up coral nurseries, and experimenting with reef rehabilitation techniques.	Elkhorn coral, Staghorn coral, Star coral	Marine	The Bahamas
Proyecto Titi		Saving Wildlife: Monkeys (Year 8)	Supporting efforts in Colombia to protect and expand forest habitat, reduce the illegal wildlife trade, recycle more than three million plastic bags, and create alternative income sources and opportunities for community members.	Cotton-top tamarin	Central/South America	Colombia
Re:wild (formerly Global Wildlife Conservation)		Empowered Communities Saving Harlequin Toads	Protecting Harlequin toads in Ecuador by researching their populations, engaging local communities through community science, and building capacity for long-term conservation solutions.	Río Faisanes harlequin toad, Skeletal harlequin toad	Central/South America	Ecuador
Rwanda Wildlife Conservation Association		Community engagement to protect cranes	Combatting the illegal pet trade of grey crowned cranes by education and awareness activities with local communities (including encouraging locals to manage and protect key crane habitats), reintroducing species, restoring habitat, and improving law enforcement.	Grey crowned crane	Africa	Rwanda
S.P.E.C.I.E.S. (of LifeScape International)		Thailand Clouded Leopard Program	Promoting education and conservation support for clouded leopards in the Khao Sok Protected Area Complex by assessing the local clouded leopard population, developing a VR-assisted educational program for rural classrooms, and promoting leopard tolerance among local agricultural producers through a classroom-mediated incentive-based contest.	Clouded leopard	Asia	Thailand
Santa Barbara Zoological Foundation		California Condor Nest Guarding Program	Establishing a self-sustaining population of California condors through the California Condor Nest Guarding Program. Sharing knowledge through formal and informal education programs with local communities.	California condor	North America	United States



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Save the Elephants		STE Elephants and Bees Project	Preventing elephant-human conflict by using honey bees as a natural deterrent to crop-raiding elephants. Tracking success through radio-collared elephants. Providing community-wide education and training for sustainable, elephant-friendly livelihood alternatives to the traditional maize farming.	African elephant	Africa	Kenya
Save the Golden Lion Tamarin		Saving Wildlife: Monkeys (Year 8)	Supporting efforts in Brazil to work alongside communities to restore enough forest fragments and golden-lion tamarin populations to save the species from extinction.	Golden lion tamarin	Central/South America	Brazil
Sea Turtle Conservancy		Empowering youth in Carr Refuge	Creating a new branch of the Florida Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge education program that will focus on empowering diverse youth and teens from underrepresented groups and disadvantaged socioeconomic statuses. Engaging participants in hands-on activities with near-peer mentors and STEM professionals. Educating participants on tools, technology, and techniques used to protect sea turtles.	Sea turtles	Marine	United States
SEE Foundation		Community-based conservation on Chinese pangolins	Promoting community-based multi-stakeholder collaboration in Chinese pangolin conservation by motivating community residents to join the daily anti-poaching patrol team, establishing a community-based wildlife conservation and education center for public-facing scientific communication, and carrying out detailed monitoring of Chinese pangolin population to provide first-hand data and scientific basis for future protection and policy-making.	Chinese pangolin	Asia	China
Spectacled Bear Conservation Society - Peru		Conserving Spectacled Bears & Mountain Tapirs	Protecting spectacled bears and mountain tapirs in the Leche and Amazon River basins in northern Peru by identifying and protecting populations, habitat, and resources as well as engaging local communities through education and long-term habitat partnerships.	Spectacled bear, Mountain tapir	Central/South America	Peru
The North Carolina Zoological Society		UNITEd Conservation in QENP	Discouraging the use of pesticides to get rid of lions around Queen Elizabeth National Park by engaging teachers and communities, providing workshops, addressing lion-proof kraals, tracking vultures to discover poisonings, and training rangers to combat poisoning events.	African lion, White-backed vulture	Africa	Uganda
The Wetlands Institute		Jersey Shore Terrapin Conservation Project	Protecting diamondback terrapins in New Jersey by engaging volunteers, communities, and other stakeholders in long-term research, monitoring, outreach, and education.	Diamondback terrapin	North America	United States



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Tulane University (Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund)	Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology	Umbrellabird conservation in the Chocó	Protecting the long-wattled umbrellabird and other priority species in northwest Ecuador's Choco rainforests by acquiring and restoring priority habitat, launching research projects, and extending community programs. Focuses include contributing to a landscape level corridor of habitat and diversifying income streams for Foundation for the Conservation of the Tropical Andes (FCAT) and local residents.	Long-wattled umbrellabird, Banded ground-cuckoo, Ecuadorian capuchin, Mache Cochran glassfrog, Blombery's tree boa, Harpy eagle	Central/South America	Ecuador
University of Exeter	Biosciences	Spiny Lobster - Community Driven Conservation	Developing guidelines for promoting the conservation of the Caribbean spiny lobster through research and community outreach, while supporting a sustainable and prosperous seafood economy.	Caribbean spiny lobster	Marine	The Bahamas
University of Florida		Saving Wildlife: Sea Turtles (Year 8)	Combating the many threats to sea turtles by increasing public awareness, monitoring populations, and restoring marine habitat and beach nesting areas.	Sea turtles	Marine	United States
University of Florida		Saving Wildlife: Butterflies (Year 8)	Identifying the numerous at-risk butterfly species in Florida and California and to develop tailored conservation strategies for the most critical groups, including habitat restoration, captive breeding, and reintroduction programs.	Butterflies	North America	United States
Wildlife Conservation Society		Saving Wildlife: Elephants (Year 8)	Supporting work that addresses both poaching and human-elephant conflict, protects elephant habitat, promotes conservation legislation and helps train local conservationists in Kenya.	African elephant	Africa	Kenya
Wildlife Science and Conservation Center of Mongol		Saving East Asia's last Dalmatian Pelicans	Promoting conservation of Dalmatian Pelicans across both China and Mongolia by monitoring nesting colonies in China, tracking pelican migration, raising conservation awareness among local communities, and addressing poaching in western Mongolia. Successful conservation of Dalmatian Pelicans relies on conservation measures in both countries.	Dalmatian pelican	Asia	Mongolia
Zoological Society of San Diego		Giraffe Guards: Scaling Community Action	Protecting giraffes from poaching and giraffe meat consumption across Kenya's northern rangelands through the Twiga Walinzi, or "Giraffe Guards", who implement conservation strategies and measure progress towards conservation goals.	Reticulated giraffe	Africa	Kenya