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African People & Wildlife Fund	Northern Tanzania Big Cats Conservation Initiative	Working with Tanzanian communities to reduce lion-livestock conflict with environmentally-friendly livestock enclosures called living walls. Protecting vital habitat for big cats, while engaging local Maasai people through environmental education, community outreach, natural resource management, and sustainable enterprise development programs.	Tanzania	African Lions
American Bird Conservancy	Protecting Ecuador's Waved Albatross	Protecting critically endangered waved albatrosses from entanglement and bycatch in Ecuador. Conducting educational workshops to increase the use of a new fishing line preparation method that reduces accidental seabird capture.	Ecuador	Waved Albatross
American Foundation for the University of British Columbia	Initiating Seahorse Conservation in China	Determining seahorse distribution and vulnerability in China and engaging local people in a global citizen science venture to protect these fish. Identifying seahorse populations, connecting local citizens with seahorses, and promoting creation of new marine protected areas.	China	Seahorses
Association of Zoological Horticulture	AZH Plant Conservation Grant Program	Awarding funds to qualified AZH plant conservation programs to protect and study important species.	Multiple Species	Multiple Species
Association of Zoos and Aquariums	2015 AZA Conservation Grants Fund	Awarding grants to zoo conservation leaders in six categories, including animal health, animal welfare, conservation education, field conservation, management and/or breeding, and research.	Multiple Species	Multiple Species
Audubon Connecticut	Urban Oases for Migrating Songbirds	Identifying, improving, and conserving important stopover habitat for migrating songbirds in urban landscapes in North America. Using a combination of community-based land stewardship, demonstration gardens, citizen science, and innovative education programs to create a replicable model for community-based conservation.	United States	Golden-winged Warblers
Audubon Florida	Jay Watch: Audubon Citizen Science	Training and deploying more than 260 citizen scientists in 19 Florida counties to collect breeding success data for the endemic and endangered Florida scrub-jay. Supporting public education, scrub-jay research and population assessments.	United States	Florida Scrub-Jays
Bat Conservation International	Protecting a Key Mexican Pollinator	Studying breeding roosts being used by the Mexican long-nosed bat in central Mexico. Protecting roosts through educational exhibits, outreach programs and building support among leaders within the local cave tourism and agricultural industry to reduce negative impact on the bats.	Mexico	Mexican long-nosed Bats

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Bat Conservation International	Filipinos for Flying Foxes	Protecting tree roosting sites used by the endangered golden-capped fruit bat in the Philippines. Continuing targeted education campaigns in nearby communities to reduce the hunting of bats, prevent conflict between bats and farmers, and generate support for locally-managed roost sanctuaries.	Philippines	Golden-capped Fruit Bats
Bat Conservation International	Fijian Bat: Brink of Collapse	Supporting surveys of the only known Fiji free-tailed bat maternity roost, researching other possible roosts, and engaging the community to assist in the long term protection of all of Fiji's bats.	Fiji	Fijian Free-tailed Bats
Central Caribbean Marine Institute	Expanding Regeneration of Threatened Corals	Engaging communities in studying and mapping the genetic diversity of wild staghorn coral colonies throughout the Grand Cayman Islands. Integrating new data into an education program and building a diverse staghorn coral nursery to enhance the local wild populations and promote natural recovery.	Cayman Islands	Staghorn Corals
Cheetah Conservation Botswana (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community Education for Carnivore Conservation	Reducing carnivore-livestock conflict and improving land management practices to protect cheetahs in Botswana. Focusing on community interventions, farmer training workshops, a livestock guarding dog network, and youth camps. Expanding the current community network to improve livelihoods while protecting cheetahs and other carnivores.	Botswana	Cheetahs
Chicago Zoological Society	Building Bridges - Punta San Juan	Engaging the community of Peru's Punta San Juan marine reserve in conservation through monthly family and school reserve tours and a guide training program for local teens. Hosting community events to foster the development of local conservation leaders while relating the importance of wildlife and ecosystem conservation worldwide.	Peru	Humboldt Penguins, Peruvian South American Fur Seals, South American Sea Lions
Coastal Plains Institute	Building Communities that Conserve Wetlands	Building on an existing project to save the rare striped newt by combining education standard-aligned activities and citizen scientist training to conserve the biodiversity of wetlands in Florida. Providing experiential learning opportunities for students and other citizens to collect essential ecological data from wetlands, increasing local environmental literacy and helping to detect future declines of amphibian species.	United States	Striped Newts, Gopher Frogs, and Other Amphibian Species
Conservation Fusion	Madagascar: Lemurs & Communities "Growing Green"	Engaging Malagasy communities in education focusing on extinct lemurs, Madagascar's history, and the island's unique biodiversity. Highlighting how the past shapes the future while promoting conservation action by planting trees to reforest habitat for lemurs.	Madagascar	Greater Bamboo Lemurs, Black and White Ruffed Lemurs, Jolly's Mouse Lemurs, Aye-ayes, Red Fronted Brown Lemurs, Woolly Lemurs, Fat-tailed Dwarf Lemurs
Conserve Wildlife Foundation of New Jersey	Piping Plover Conservation - The Bahamas	Identifying critical wintering habitat for piping plovers in the Bahamas. Engaging the public to increase awareness of the critical role the Bahamas plays in the piping plover life cycle. Building local capacity to conduct surveys and direct conservation efforts.	Bahamas	Piping Plovers

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Cool Earth Action USA	Gadaisu Community Biodiversity Safeguarding	Protecting Scheepmaker's crowned pigeons in Papua New Guinea through scientific monitoring, community education and sustainable development. Facilitating community-led conservation education to increase awareness of the value of long-term sustainable management of the forest and training a Forest Watch Team to monitor forest health.	Papua New Guinea	Scheepmaker's Crowned Pigeons
Cool Earth Action USA	Ashaninka Community Conservation of the Spectacled Bear	Monitoring spectacled bears in central Peru to understand the current status of the species and assess how forest protection and community education impacts the species. Empowering communities to protect their forest in the long-term and provide a safe stronghold for spectacled bears as well as other wildlife in the area.	Peru	Spectacled Bear
Coral Restoration Foundation	Wish Upon a Star (Coral)	Engaging volunteers to maintain offshore coral nurseries and transplant corals onto degraded reefs off of Key Largo, Florida. Developing nursery growth techniques for two threatened species of star corals and continuing restoration efforts of two threatened species of Acropora corals by outplanting 400 nursery-grown colonies on Snapper Ledge Reef off of Key Largo, Florida.	United States	Staghorn, Elkhorn, Monastrea, Lobed Star, and Mountainous Star Corals
David Suzuki Foundation	Sustainable Seafood: Building on a Solid Foundation	Working with fisheries to make choosing ocean-friendly options easy for retail and restaurant partnerships. Expanding current models into the shrimp and salmon industries. Progressing the seafood supply model to the next level of sustainability and increasing its mainstream availability in Canada.	Canada	Salmon, Pacific Shrimp, Eulachons
Devon Wildlife Trust (American Fund for Charities)	Devon Greater Horseshoe Bat Project	Protecting northern Europe's largest remaining population of greater horseshoe bats through research and community engagement. Identifying important flyways and foraging areas for each greater horseshoe roost. Raising awareness of greater horseshoe bats, and engaging communities in the bats' protection.	United Kingdom	Greater Horseshoe Bats
Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund International	Conserving Rwanda's Mountain Gorillas	Providing daily protection to half of Rwanda's mountain gorilla population. Brining together stakeholders to set conservation priorities and providing coursework and field training to the next generation of Rwandan scientists and conservationists.	Rwanda	Mountain Gorillas
Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust (American Friends of Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust)	Reintroduction of the Ploughshare Tortoise	Managing a newly established, self-sustaining population of ploughshare tortoises through development of long term restoration plans in Madagascar. Increasing the species range through reintroduction of more animals and expanding education programs with the tortoise as a conservation flagship for the national park.	Madagascar	Ploughshare Tortoises
Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust (American Friends of Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust)	Reintroducing Pygmy Hogs into Assam	Protecting the critically endangered pygmy hog through restoration of protected grasslands in India. Continuing reintroduction through captive breeding programs, and working with local communities to support the restoration of Assam's rich grassland ecosystem.	India	Pygmy Hogs

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Environmental Protection in the Caribbean	Towards Black-capped Petrel Conservation	Surveying black-capped petrels in Haiti to identify critical nesting areas and population changes. Increasing knowledge of black-capped petrel ecology and conservation needs among local community members through media, events, school curriculum and training.	Haiti	Black-capped Petrels
Farallones Marine Sanctuary Association	Limpets	Engaging middle school and high school students in meaningful scientific work including field investigations of marine life in California's ocean and coastal areas. Collecting long-term data that directly impacts the conservation and management of these areas. Expanding programs into new communities in the San Francisco Bay area.	United States	Limpets (Pacific mole crabs)
Fauna & Flora International	Conservation of the Ustyurt Saiga	Monitoring movement patterns of the Ustyurt saiga antelope using GPS technology and promoting environmental awareness and greater understanding of biodiversity in Kazakhstan communities. Combating illegal hunting of and trade in saiga by working with law enforcement agencies to introduce new technologies and best practice deterrence tactics.	Kazakhstan	Saigas
Fauna & Flora International	Ensuring the Future of Siamese Crocodiles	Protecting and recovering the Siamese crocodile in Cambodia through applied field research, strengthening and establishing community-managed sanctuaries, and educating key stakeholders. Reinforcing existing wild populations with rescued and captive-bred stock.	Cambodia	Siamese Crocodiles
Fauna & Flora International	Eastern Caribbean Offshore Islands Network	Fostering regional cooperation and building capacity to restore, conserve and manage island biodiversity in the Eastern Caribbean, and halt the loss of endemic species including the Antigua racer snake. Focusing research, conservation, and education efforts on Antigua and Barbuda, Anguilla, Barbados, Saint Lucia and at least 23 satellite islands which support globally threatened biodiversity.	Antigua and Barbuda	Antiguan Racers
Felidae Conservation Fund	Bay Area Puma Project	Addressing increasing human-puma conflict and puma population extinction risk in the San Francisco Bay Area through field research, community education and conservation programs. Using scientific data to inform education and outreach efforts in local communities and schools.	United States	Pumas
Fishing Cat Conservancy (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community-based Conservation of Fishing Cats	Conserving the endangered fishing cat in Southeast Asia through community-based research and monitoring work, community education workshops and classroom education for local schoolchildren. Ensuring the survival of the fishing cat through direct, community-based conservation actions and outreach, and protecting its mangrove habitat.	India	Fishing Cats
Foundation for the Conservation of the Tropical Andes (Tulane University)	Umbrellabird Conservation in the Choco	Conserving Ecuador's rainforests and protecting critical habitat of the long-wattled umbrellabird and Ecuadorian capuchin. Developing a road map to guide local conservation efforts and providing the basic information, technical capacity, and skills needed to conserve forest fragments and local biodiversity.	Ecuador	Long-wattled Umbrellabirds and Ecuadorian Capuchin

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Frankfurt Zoological Society (Grzimeks Help for Threatened Wildlife)	Conservation of Sumatran Elephants	Reducing human-elephant conflict in Indonesia through support and education of local farming communities and safeguarding local elephants. Protecting the elephant's rainforest habitat as a foundation for native wildlife.	Indonesia	Sumatran Elephants
Global Wildlife Conservation	Nicaragua Baird's Tapir Conservation Initiative	Expanding conservation efforts to protect critically endangered Baird's tapirs in Nicaragua. Supporting GPS telemetry research to identify critical tapir habitat and a community-based forest ranger program to protect tapirs and their habitat.	Nicaragua	Baird's tapirs
Grassroots Wildlife Conservation	Grassroots Conservation of Blanding's Turtles	Establishing a new viable population of Blanding's turtles through reintroductions to increase the number of successful populations in New England. Partnering with local schools and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to head-start juvenile turtles and release hatchlings each year.	United States	Blanding's Turtles
Grevy's Zebra Trust (Saint Louis Zoo Association)	Grevy's Zebra Camel Patrols, Kenya	Monitoring and protecting endangered Grevy's zebra and its fragile habitat in northern Kenya while engaging and educating local communities in conservation. Partnering with Kenyan communities to establish a camel patrol program to monitor the Laisamis Grevy's zebra population, one of the most important yet least protected populations.	Kenya	Grevy's Zebras
Gunung Palung Orangutan Conservation Program	Orangutan Research, Conservation and Education	Conserving the wild orangutan population of Gunung Palung National Park, Indonesia, through scientific research, population health assessments, and community outreach. Sharing environmental education activities with local people and helping communities adopt sustainable livelihoods to protect vital rainforest habitat.	Indonesia	Bornean Orangutans
Hawk Conservancy Trust (Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association)	Conserving Vultures Through Community Action	Creating a Vulture Safe Zone to reduce human-wildlife conflict and protect critically endangered oriental white-backed vultures and long-billed vultures in Pakistan. Building capacity of local farmers to reduce livestock losses and protect vultures through training for improved animal husbandry practices. Engaging kids in vulture conservation through educational materials and nature clubs established at local schools.	Pakistan	Oriental White-backed Vultures and Long-billed Vultures
Instituto de Pesquisas Ecologicas (Houston Zoo)	Lowland Tapir Conservation Initiative, Brazil	Gathering scientific data to support the development and implementation of conservation action plans for tapirs and their habitat in Brazil. Expanding current programs in the Brazilian Cerrado, and using tapirs as a flagship species to catalyze habitat conservation, education, outreach, training and tourism initiatives.	Brazil	Lowland Tapirs, South American Tapirs, Brazilian Tapirs
International Crane Foundation	Safeguarding Zambian Cranes and Livelihoods	Protecting Zambia's Liuwa Plain, which supports wildlife including 25 percent of the world's vulnerable wattled cranes and endangered grey crowned cranes. Researching links between human activity and threats to cranes. Training park scouts and community members to implement management actions that will reduce threats to cranes and support sustainable livelihoods.	Zambia	Grey Crowned Cranes, Wattled Cranes

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International Fund for Animal Welfare	Saving the Elephants of Amboseli	Partnering with the Maasai community to provide long-term protection for elephants in Kenya's Amboseli National Park. Integrating elephant protection and welfare with community partnerships and research to secure critical corridors for elephants and other wildlife.	Kenya	African Elephants
International Iguana Foundation	Conservation of Fijian Iguanas	Supporting two captive breeding programs for three species of critically endangered Fijian iguanas. Hosting wildlife education programs for local schools at Kula Eco Park to provide kids with nature experiences, direct engagement with wildlife, and the opportunity to learn about conservation efforts within their own community.	Fiji	Fijian Iguanas
International Rhino Foundation	Black Rhino Conservation in Zimbabwe	Ensuring that Zimbabwe's Lowveld rhino populations are monitored and managed so that they can continue to grow. Supporting ongoing monitoring and health assessments of rhinos in the field. Building stakeholder and community support, and delivering tangible benefits to communities associated with successful rhino conservation.	Zimbabwe	Black Rhinos
International Snow Leopard Trust	Protecting Mongolia's Endangered Snow Leopard	Collaborating with 33 Mongolian communities to increase engagement in snow leopard conservation. Collecting basic wildlife data, increasing conservation awareness among youth, improving capacity for land management, and reducing conflicts with the snow leopard predation of livestock.	Mongolia	Snow Leopards
IUCN Nepal (International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources - United States)	Saving the Ganges River Dolphin	Engaging communities in Nepal in citizen science-based data collection for the endangered Ganges river dolphin, and providing an opportunity for livelihood enhancement. Encouraging policymakers to develop effective conservation policies for the dolphins, including a trans-boundary action plan between Nepal and India.	Nepal	Ganges River Dolphins
Jane Goodall Institute For Wildlife Research, Education & Conservation	Release of Wild Born Mandrills	Reintroducing and monitoring 15-20 wild born mandrills in Conkouati-Douli National Park in the Congo (CDNP) to increase the species' gene pool. Decreasing the rate of mandrill mortality through the presence of monitoring staff and eco-guards in the CDNP.	Congo	Mandrills
Jekyll Island Foundation	Coastal Conservation of Tropical Reptiles	Empowering Costa Ricans with the knowledge and resources to sustainably manage marine habitats and reptiles like sea turtles and crocodiles. Conducting ecological and health research to inform conservation plans.	Costa Rica	Sea Turtles (Olive ridley, Green, Leatherback, Hawksbill), Crocodiles (American Crocodiles, Spectacled Caimans)
Kasiisi Project	Kibale Schools Conservation Project	Supporting sustainable Wildlife Clubs in 14 government primary schools bordering Kibale National Park (KNP), Uganda. Protecting KNP and wildlife including chimpanzees and elephants through field research, strong environmental education in school curriculum, and practical conservation activities in schools and communities.	Uganda	Chimpanzees, Elephants

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Leatherback Trust	Conservation of Eastern Pacific Leatherbacks	Conducting research that supports conservation strategies to recover populations of the critically endangered Eastern Pacific leatherback sea turtle and other sea turtles in Costa Rica. Improving locals' understanding about threats to leatherbacks from human impacts and climate change.	Costa Rica	Eastern Pacific Leatherback Turtles
Lincoln Park Zoological Society	Goualougo Triangle Ape Project	Improving the conservation outlook of critically endangered gorillas in the Congo Basin through long-term applied conservation research, enhanced protection of habitat, and strengthening of local capacity. Raising awareness and encouraging direct involvement of local peoples in conservation initiatives.	Congo	Western Lowland Gorillas
Little Fireface Project (Cleveland Zoological Society)	Javan Slow Loris Community Ecology	Conducting ecological studies of wild Javan slow lorises (small, nocturnal primates) to inform release projects. Using media and workshops to educate international audiences and reduce trade of slow lorises as exotic pets.	Indonesia	Javan Slow Lorises
Los Angeles Audubon Society	Least Tern & Shorebird Conservation	Combining species monitoring and community education to protect and preserve habitat for least terns and other shorebirds across beaches in Los Angeles, California. Surveying the Venice Beach least tern colony, documenting nesting cycles, vegetation within the colony area, and predation/mortality rate. Educating public school students and the general public about shorebirds and the importance of habitat conservation.	United States	Least Terns
Mabula Ground Hornbill Project (Virginia Zoological Society)	Mabula Ground Hornbill Project	Conserving the endangered Mabula ground hornbill in South Africa. Overseeing key objectives of the national recovery plan including reintroduction of chicks, monitoring current populations outside of protected areas, education and awareness initiatives, and conservation biology research.	South Africa	Ground Hornbills
Malama Learning Center	Hawaiian Coastal Habitat Conservation and Education	Assessing the seasonal population of two rare shrimp species and a population of Hawaiian damselfly in the Pearl Harbor National Wildlife Refuge's Kalaheo Unit on Oahu, Hawaii. Engaging students, teachers, and community volunteers in educational and stewardship activities to increase their understanding of, and appreciation for, the wildlife refuge.	United States	Shrimp (Hawaiian Red Shrimp, <i>Metabetaeus lohena</i>) and Two Endangered Plants (Akoko and Ewa hinahina)
Mangrove Action Project	Mangrove Curriculum Transfer to Suriname	Expanding, translating, and adapting the Mangrove Action Project's innovative education program into Suriname. Incorporating and interfacing the Marvelous Mangroves Teachers' Resource Guide with the national Suriname science and social studies curriculum from primary through tertiary level education.	Suriname	Mangroves
Marine Resources Development Foundation	Seagrass Surveys for Education and Conservation	Continuing a project to conduct seagrass surveys at three sites in Key Largo, FL, to collect baseline data on seagrass abundance, algae abundance, and species composition. Engaging visiting students to assist with field work and data analysis alongside the surveying scientists, and providing a seagrass ecology class and follow-up discussion.	United States	Turtle, Manatee, and Shoal Grasses; Manatees, Invertebrates, Fish

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National Audubon Society	Bahamas Shorebird Conservation Initiative	Protecting critical coastal habitats that wintering Piping Plovers and other declining shorebird species depend on in remote islands of the Bahamas, where they spend up to ten months each year. Engaging key stakeholders on all inhabited islands in the Bahamas to actively support shorebird conservation.	Bahamas	Piping Plovers
National Audubon Society	Maine Seabird Conservation and Outreach	Encouraging conservation actions and observations to benefit Atlantic puffins and terns at Matinicus Rock, Eastern Egg Rock, and Seal Island off the coast of Maine. Operating seasonal field camps, hosting college age interns and volunteers in hands-on habitat improvement projects, and providing hands-on seabird conservation activities for 2,000 3-6th grade students in 25 mid-coast Maine schools.	United States	Atlantic Puffins
New Jersey Audubon Society	Shrimp Aquaculture, Contaminants and Shorebirds	Improving the understanding of contaminant exposure that shorebirds may experience at commercial shrimp farms during the migration and wintering periods in northeastern Brazil. Incorporating shorebird conservation needs into shrimp aquaculture permitting processes, promoting sustainable development, and alleviating the competition between conservation and economic priorities.	Brazil	Semipalmated Sandpipers, Red Knots
Northern Jaguar Project	Northern Jaguar: Viviendo con Felinos	Advancing the conservation of jaguars in eastern Sonora, Mexico, by working with ranchers near the Northern Jaguar Reserve to minimize human-wildlife conflicts and reduce jaguar mortality. Building conservation alliances and community awareness, and restoring and expanding essential wildlife habitat.	Mexico	Jaguars
Operation Migration USA	Aircraft-Guided Whooping Crane Migration	Reintroducing whooping cranes back to the wild. Teaching birds their historic migration path by following an ultralight aircraft from Wisconsin to Florida. Offering educational opportunities online and through public education during the annual cross-country migration. The Disney Conservation Fund has been supporting this project since its inception in 2000.	United States	Whooping Cranes
Pacific Bird Conservation	Mariana Avifauna Conservation Program	Protecting the local bird communities of the Northern Mariana Islands from the threat of non-native snakes by translocating the birds to uninhabited reserve islands. Educating local island communities about the importance of preserving native birds and their habitats.	United States	Tinian Monarchs
Painted Dog Research Trust (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Painted Dog Transboundary Initiative	Protecting endangered painted dog populations in the Zambezi Valley of Zimbabwe through the study of transboundary movements of key painted dog packs and genetic population studies. Expanding on 10+ years of research to increase scientific knowledge of painted dogs and reduce their extinction rate.	Zimbabwe	African Painted Dogs
Panthera	Snow Leopard Conservation in China	Conserving snow leopards on China's Tibetan Plateau utilizing camera trap images to estimate snow leopard density. Educating regional communities through educational materials, employing herders in scientific research, and resolving predation/conflict issues between the endangered cats and livestock herders.	China	Snow Leopards

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Paso Pacifico	Safeguarding Nicaragua's Endangered Spider Monkey	Protecting spider monkeys in Nicaragua by conducting protective patrols, restoring native forests, and engaging local youth in conservation education. Researching monkey behavior and use of corridors, establishing new private reserves, expanding reforestation areas, and continuing to develop citizen science activities and a junior ranger program.	Nicaragua	Spider Monkeys
Red Panda Network	Red Panda Stewardship and Conservation	Combining research, community engagement, and education to reduce the threats to the red panda populations of the Panchthar-Ilam-Taplejung corridor in Nepal. Supporting community livelihood enhancement that simultaneously creates opportunities for ecotourism and sustainable resource use.	Nepal	Red Pandas
Reef Environmental Education Foundation (REEF)	Grouper Moon: Conserving Nassau Grouper	Ensuring long-term recovery and conservation of one of the last known spawning groups of endangered Nassau grouper through applied research in the Cayman Islands. Encouraging local people to value the Nassau grouper beyond a fishery and connecting Caribbean youth with conservation efforts.	Cayman Islands	Nassau Grouper
Reef Relief	Coral Reef Youth Education Program	Emphasizing the role of education as the first step to saving endangered coral reef ecosystems near the Florida Keys and globally through the Discover Coral Reefs School Program and Coral Camp for Kids Program. Engaging youth through interactive group activities, and training in marine species identification, oceanography, marine conservation, snorkel etiquette, and leave no trace principles.	United States	Elkhorn and Staghorn Corals
Renatura Congo (Wildlife Conservation Society)	Sea Turtle Conservation in Congo	Implementing a program to address sea turtle by-catch in traditional fisheries' nets in Congo. Developing outreach programs for children and the general public regarding sustainable practices and building local support through a tourism project in coastal villages.	Congo	Green, Hawksbill, Olive Ridley, Leatherback Turtles
Saint Louis Zoo Association	St. Louis Box Turtle Project	Understanding the ecology and conservation biology of box turtles in St. Louis, Missouri, by tracking turtle movements, conducting a population census and health evaluation, and working to prevent further population declines. Utilizing the charismatic box turtle as a vehicle to connect elementary students and families with nature.	United States	Three-toed Box Turtles
San Diego Zoo Global	Fishing for the Future	Protecting the most endangered marine mammal in the world, the vaquita porpoise. Reducing the threat of entanglement in shrimp fishing nets and working with local fishing communities to align with sustainable practices. Collaborating in a community-based approach to vaquita conservation in eight communities in the Upper Gulf of California.	Mexico	Vaquitas (porpoises)
Santa Barbara Zoological Foundation	California Condor Nest Guarding Program	Researching and protecting critically endangered California condors by identifying the birds' territories and nests, and monitoring chick flight or failure. Encouraging local citizens to become active condor conservationists through the Condor Kids Project and urban public education and outreach near the Hopper National Wildlife Refuge.	United States	California Condors

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Sarasota Bay Watch	Community-Driven Bay Scallop Restoration	Engaging a diverse range of citizen scientists and volunteers, as well as local businesses, organizations and governments in a long-term, large scale community-driven scallop restoration program to re-establish stable breeding populations to Sarasota Bay, Florida. Sustaining a collaborative effort as a model for other communities on Florida's west coast who seek to restore scallops to local waters.	United States	Bay Scallops
Save the Elephants c/o Wildlife Conservation Network	STE Elephants and Bees Project	Conducting elephant behavioral and communication work in Kenya to understand how elephants respond to bees, and developing new forms of tracking collars to provide real time data on key crop-raiding elephants. Offering on-site training both for local farmers and non-governmental organization partners on the usage of beehive fences to reduce crop-raid damage, and provide income through the sale of honey and bee products.	Kenya	African Elephants
Save the Rhino International	Increasing Lolesha Luangwa's impact	Supplementing traditional protected area management and security measures in Zambia through the Lolesha Luangwa conservation education program. Raising awareness of the critically endangered black rhino and invoking a sense of ownership and responsibility towards the rhinos' survival.	Zambia	Black Rhinos
Sea Turtle Conservancy	Archie Carr Refuge Education Program	Building public stewardship of the Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge in Florida with education programs and hands-on activities to teach residents and visitors about their link to sea turtle survival and the health of coastal ecosystems. Providing public education activities including Tour de Turtles, summer eco-camps, guided turtle walks, and public workshops conducted at the Barrier Island Center.	United States	Loggerhead, Green and Leatherback Sea Turtles
Southern California Mountains Foundation	Great Seeds Restoration Program	Educating Californian youth through hands-on experiential education and working alongside staff of the San Bernardino National Forest to restore high impact areas of the forest. Encouraging collaboration with community, corporate, state and federal partners to support long-term efforts and benefit a variety of wildlife including plants, butterflies, toads, snakes, and lizards.	United States	Southwestern Willow Flycatchers, Arroyo Toads, Vernal Blue and Ehrlich's Checkerspot Butterflies, San Bernardino Mountain King Snake, and others
St. Kitts Sea Turtle Monitoring Network	Sea Turtle Conservation Education and Ecotourism	Developing sea turtle conservation education and ecotourism in St. Kitts and Nevis in the Caribbean. Collaborating with local communities and local, regional, and international stakeholders through training programs and the development of a centralized sea turtle educational and ecotourism facility.	Saint Kitts And Nevis	Leatherback, Green, Hawksbill Turtles
The Endangered Wildlife Trust	Pickersgill's Reed Frog Recovery Project	Supporting the implementation of conservation actions to reduce threats facing the Pickersgill's reed frog along the KwaZulu-Natal coast of South Africa. Working with local communities and schools throughout the species' range to improve awareness about the frog and the importance of its wetland habitat.	South Africa	Pickersgill's Reed Frogs
The Marine Mammal Center	Hawaiian Monk Seal Healthcare Project	Establishing a Hawaiian monk seal rehabilitation, research, and education program to promote monk seal population recovery. Inspiring the local community in the Main Hawaiian Islands to protect, care for, and ensure the future of this critically endangered species.	United States	Hawaiian Monk Seals

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The Peregrine Fund	Ridgway's Hawk Conservation Project	Conserving the last remaining breeding stronghold of the critically endangered Ridgway's Hawk in eastern Dominican Republic. Expanding the hawk's distribution and abundance to unoccupied protected areas using hands-on management, translocation, public conservation education, and building local conservation capacity for sustainability.	Dominican Republic	Ridgway's Hawks
The Pew Charitable Trusts	Protect Penguin Populations of New Zealand	Supporting research on New Zealand's yellow-eyed penguin to protect the foraging range of local penguin populations. Providing educational opportunities for the public and engaging local communities in penguin conservation awareness.	New Zealand	Penguins
The Purple Martin Conservation Association	Connecting Songbird Conservation Across Hemispheres	Connecting research, conservation, and education across the global range of a declining, migratory songbird, the purple martin. Determining migratory connections among North American breeding sites, Mexican and Central American migratory stopover areas, and South American wintering sites through the use of new tracking technology. Utilizing this data to facilitate coordinated research and educational programs to achieve whole live-cycle conservation of this aerial insectivore.	United States	Purple Martins
The Wetlands Institute	Jersey Shore Terrapin Conservation Project	Continuing long-term diamondback terrapin research and conservation activities while training undergraduate college students and involving the community in rescuing terrapin hatchlings from storm drains. Expanding work to reduce terrapin bycatch in blue crab traps through volunteer engagement and partnerships, while updating and distributing a comprehensive terrapin-based curriculum to both formal and non-formal educators.	United States	Northern Diamondback Terrapins
Tigris Foundation (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Expanding Tiger Protection in Russia	Identifying and effectively engaging Russian communities that utilize the forested habitat range of Amur tigers. Expanding anti-poaching work to two additional sites, and implementing a social survey and educational campaign to promote tiger conservation.	Russian Federation	Amur Tigers
Tsavo Cheetah Project (Felidae Conservation Fund)	Tsavo Cheetah Project	Assessing threats to cheetahs in Kenya by monitoring individual cheetahs and expanding community conservation education programs. Reducing human-wildlife conflict by supporting livestock protection and income generated alternatives to livestock farming.	Kenya	Cheetahs
Tulane University	Conserving Papua New Guinea's grasslands	Conserving grassland for white-shouldered fairy-wrens and other species in Papua New Guinea by providing local residents with the technical skills and information needed to wisely manage this threatened habitat. Studying conservation status for key species, training and educating local community members, and laying the foundation for a grassroots management plan.	Papua New Guinea	White-shouldered Fairy-wrens
Turtle Survival Alliance Foundation	Turtles of Florida's Freshwater Springs	Conducting turtle surveys in Florida's freshwater springs and training citizen scientists and students to aid in turtle conservation. Providing insight on the ecological health of spring ecosystems and involving the community through state park events, local occasions, and symposiums.	United States	Freshwater Turtles

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Turtle Survival Alliance Foundation	Indian Turtle Conservation Program	Optimizing captive breeding of the vulnerable crowned river turtle in temple ponds in Assam, India. Establishing a reintroduction protocol to aid in the recovery of remaining populations and continuing field trials of turtle-friendly fishing methods. Conducting year round education and awareness events at 35 local schools.	India	Crowned River Turtles
Turtle Survival Alliance Foundation	Community-based River Turtle Conservation Program	Reducing threats to the Magdalena River turtle through community-based conservation programs. Implementing an overall strategic plan to ensure the species survival and increasing nesting habitat and population range while reducing over harvesting.	Colombia	Magdalena River Turtles
Uganda Carnivore Program (Oakland Zoo - East Bay Zoological Society)	Community Carnivore Conservation in Uganda	Collaborating with local communities to conserve large carnivores in Uganda's Queen Elizabeth National Park through improved livestock husbandry, community engagement and ecological data collection. Developing sustainable enterprises associated with the local tourism industry and expanding environmental studies activities for local school students.	Uganda	African Lions, Leopards, Spotted Hyenas
Wild Chimpanzee Foundation	Protecting Liberia's Chimpanzees Through Aquaculture	Providing technical and financial support to promote family-run aquaculture practices to five communities around the proposed Grebo National Park, Liberia. Implementing aquaculture training to reduce hunting pressure on local wildlife, while providing the communities with access to healthier diets.	Liberia	Chimpanzees
WildAid	Manta Conservation in Peru	Combining ecological research, education and outreach, and a novel program that supports alternative livelihoods for fishermen to generate support for manta ray conservation in Peru at the local and governmental levels. Working toward national protection for manta rays in Peruvian waters with support from local communities who embrace sustainable ecotourism as an alternative to fisheries for manta rays.	Peru	Oceanic Manta Rays
WildAid	Reducing Demand for Rhino Horn	Raising awareness of the rhino-poaching crisis through public awareness campaigns in Vietnam and China featuring popular celebrities. Measurably reducing the demand for rhino horn by supporting Vietnamese lawmakers in banning rhino horn sales and increasing enforcement efforts.	China	Black Rhinos, Southern White Rhinos
Wildlife Alliance	Wildlife Protection Through Community Engagement	Engaging Cambodian communities in wildlife protection and raising awareness among rural residents regarding the devastating effects of the illegal wildlife trade. Promoting a conservation ethic and increasing awareness about Cambodia's wildlife laws and Wildlife Alliance's nationwide wildlife rescue hotline numbers.	Cambodia	Asian Elephants
Wildlife Conservation Society	Conserving India's Lion-Tailed Macaques	Protecting the lion-tailed macaque that is found only in the rainforests of southwestern India. Using indigenous knowledge to map distribution of macaque populations and research threats to the species. Implementing conservation actions and hosting rural education programs on macaque ecology and conservation.	India	Lion-Tailed Macaques

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World Parrot Trust USA	Safeguarding Bonaire's Parrots and Forest	Applying research and integrated population monitoring of the endangered yellow-shouldered Amazon parrot in the Caribbean and to guide conservation management actions. Expanding habitat restoration efforts and cultivating positive attitudes towards these parrots through economic opportunities of nature-based tourism.	Netherlands Antilles	Yellow-shouldered Amazon Parrots
World Wildlife Fund	Promoting Rhinoceros Conservation in Assam	Combining research and community education with conservation actions to strengthen rhino conservation in Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary in Assam, India. Improving the understanding of current rhino movement patterns outside the sanctuary to inform strategies to prevent poaching. Implementing education programs that will build conservation awareness among students and community members to ensure long-term conservation impact.	India	Greater One-horned Rhino, Indian Rhinos
Xerces Society	Bring Back the Pollinators Campaign	Engaging farmers, government agencies, land managers and the public to protect pollinators. Combining research on how to best protect and restore pollinator habitat with education and training initiatives to implement habitat conservation projects in the United States.	United States	Insects
Yayasan Alam Sehat Lestari (Health In Harmony)	Cultivating Conservation Champions in Indonesia	Ensuring the future health of both local villagers and Indonesia's orangutan population through the provision of high quality, low-cost community healthcare services. Helping children connect with nature and restoring key areas of the Gunung Palung National Park that support local wildlife.	Indonesia	Orangutans
Zoo Atlanta	Guatemalan Endangered Reptile Awareness Program	Increasing the understanding of the importance of Guatemala's most endangered reptiles through education programs, supporting local city workers, and researching at-risk areas in need of protection.	Guatemala	Guatemalan Beaded Lizards, Campbell's Alligator Lizards, Frost's Alligator lizards
Zoo Conservation Outreach Group	Giant Armadillo Conservation Project	Understanding the biology and behavioral ecology of the endangered giant armadillo in Brazil through tracking, camera trap monitoring, and direct observation data. Promoting habitat and biodiversity preservation through environmental education and media campaigns.	Brazil	Giant Armadillos
Zoological Society of London (ZSL America)	Angel Shark Project	Informing the sport fishing community in the Canary Islands about catch and release techniques involving the critically endangered angel shark. Developing a tag and release project, and reporting sightings to provide vital information for the conservation of this species.	Spain	Angel Sharks
Zoological Society of London (ZSL America)	Conserving the Pygmy Sloth	Developing a participatory conservation management plan for the pygmy sloth and the island of Escudo de Veraguas in Panama. Working with key stakeholders and young people to develop awareness campaigns, encouraging sustainable resource use, and monitoring the sloth population.	Panama	Pygmy Three-toed Sloths