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Organization Name	Project Name	Project Description	Country	Species
African People & Wildlife Fund	Northern Tanzania Big Cats Conservation Initiative	Working with local communities to save Tanzania's most threatened lion, cheetah, and leopard populations. Successfully reducing lion-livestock conflict via environmentally-friendly livestock enclosures called Living Walls, protecting vital habitat for big cats, and engaging local Maasai people in environmental education, natural resource management and sustainable enterprise development.	Tanzania, United Republic of	African Lions
African Wildlife Conservation Fund	Conserving Zimbabwe's Endangered Wild Dogs	Working in two key protected areas and with 37 adjacent communities in southern Zimbabwe to conserve the region's endangered African wild dogs and other large carnivores. Using a combination of research, targeted conservation methods, school-based education, community engagement and policy dialogue to effectively mitigate threats to the wild dog population. Building capacity for long term sustainability.	Zimbabwe	African Wild Dogs
American Bird Conservancy	Communities and Conservation: Saving Shearwaters	Working with Chilean communities to build conservation capacity, foster environmental awareness, and participate in conservation activities to reverse the decline of the pink-footed shearwater bird.	Chile	Pink-footed Shearwaters
The University of British Columbia (American Foundation for the University of British Columbia)	Mobilizing Seahorse Conservation in China	Promoting the lasting protection of seahorses in Southeast China through conservation planning, law enforcement, and promotion of marine reserves to enhance management. Engaging the public through citizen science to monitor seahorse populations and reduce the use of seahorses.	China	Seahorses
American Museum of Natural History	Flamingo Conservation in Catamarca, Argentina	Partnering with local stakeholders to acquire scientific information, technical capacity, and community support to conserve flamingos and their wetland habitats in Argentina.	Argentina	Puna and Andean Flamingoes
Andean Cat Alliance (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community Conservation of Andean cats	Building on work with local communities in Argentina and Bolivia to develop travel-based alternative income opportunities and conserve the Andean cat and other local threatened fauna. Leading research and education efforts to change community attitudes toward the Andean cat.	Argentina	Andean Cats

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Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy	Hahamongna to Tujunga Wildlife Corridor	Conducting research in an effort to support preservation of the Tujunga Wildlife Corridor in Southern California for mountain lions and other wildlife. Enhancing habitat connectivity and educating the public about stewardship of of this wildlife corridor.	United States	Mountain Lions
Association of Zoological Horticulture (Atlanta Botanical Garden)	AZH- Conservation of the Lady Slipper Orchid in Ecuador	Conserving a rare orchid found exclusively in one region of Ecuador by establishing a seed collection and propagation program.	Ecuador	Lady Slipper Orchid
Association of Zoological Horticulture (Butterfly Pavilion)	AZH- Urban Prairies Project	Improving ecological health of open spaces in the Colorado Front Range region by restoring natural habitat and engaging local community in education programs.	United States	Multiple
Association of Zoological Horticulture (Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden)	AZH - Conservation Strategies: Can Trillium Seeds be Conserved Through Cryopreservation?	Evaluating the potential for preserving threatened and endangered wild plants from the genus Trillium. Contributing to the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation through research and analyses.	United States	Wild Plants
Association of Zoological Horticulture (Zoo Atlanta)	AZH- Conservation of the Critically Endangered Alligator Lizard in Eastern Guatemala: Phase II	Decreasing the threat of habitat loss for the endangered alligator lizard in Guatemala by engaging local community partnerships in reforestation and education efforts.	Guatemala	Alligator Lizard
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Assiniboine Park Conservancy)	AZA CGF- Grassland Skipper Conservation and Headstarting Program	Creating a facility to propagate at-risk grassland butterflies and conduct research to understand the species biology and population threats in Canada.	Canada	Butterflies

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Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Chicago Zoological Society - Brookfield Zoo and Saint Louis Zoo)	AZA CGF- Impact of Allowing Mate Choice on Reproductive Success and Animal Welfare	Evaluating reproductive behavior of blue-gray tanagers and red-capped cardinals in a zoological setting. Influencing zoological breeding programs to ensure sustainable collections to convey conservation messages to future generations.	United States	Blue-gray Tanagers, Red-capped Cardinals
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (International Crane Foundation)	AZA CGF- Effective Rehabilitation of a Distressed Species: Grey Crowned Cranes in Rwanda	Increasing the number of grey crowned cranes in Rwanda through research and rehabilitation/reintroduction programs engaging local veterinarians.	Rwanda	Grey Crowned Cranes
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Mississippi State University, Fort Worth Zoo)	AZA CGF- Linking In-Situ and Ex-Situ Populations of Threatened Amphibians	Linking in-situ and ex-situ amphibian populations for long-term sustainability and genetic management through a reproduction conservation program.	United States	Puerto Rican Crested Toads, Chiricahua Leopard Frogs
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (North Carolina Zoo)	AZA CGF- Reducing Threats to Cheetah, Lion and Wild Dog Populations in Zambia Through the Application of SMART Law Enforcement Monitoring	Protecting large carnivores from poaching by implementing a data management and analysis system at key sites in Zambia that will help identify poaching patterns, assess ranger and patrol team performance, and detect trends in distribution and abundance of wildlife. Sharing data to allow for better management of anti-poaching efforts, measure conservation effectiveness, and reduce threats for wildlife populations.	Zambia	Cheetahs, Lions and Wild Dogs
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Proyecto Tagua - Centro Chaqueño para la Conservación e Investigación)	AZA CGF- Securing the Captive Breeding Program of the Endangered Chacoan Peccary in the Chaco Region of Paraguay	Increasing the size and capacity of an ex-situ conservation and captive breeding program for the endangered Chacoan peccary in Paraguay.	Paraguay	Chacoan Peccaries
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, National Zoological Park)	AZA CGF- Real-Time Anti-Poaching and Survival Monitoring for Reintroduced Scimitar-Horned Oryx in Chad	Protecting Scimitar-horned oryx antelopes being reintroduced into the wild from poaching through implementation of a real-time monitoring system allowing field teams to respond to alerts of animals in potential danger.	Chad	Scimitar-Horned Oryx

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Association of Zoos & Aquariums (The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium)	AZA CGF- Mississippi River Mussel Propagation and Citizen Science Project	Engaging the public in citizen science to propagate an endangered species of freshwater mussel and preserve the habitat of the Mississippi River.	United States	Freshwater Mussels
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (The Peregrine Fund, San Diego Zoo)	AZA CGF- Identifying Poisoning Hotspots and Key Conservation Areas for Critically Endangered Vultures in Northern Kenya	Assessing vulture behavior and population dynamics to identify areas of Kenya where vultures are most at risk. Informing livestock management and education programs to protect vultures.	Kenya	Vultures
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Trunks & Leaves)	AZA CGF- Conserving Buddha's Giants	Understanding the impact of human-elephant conflicts and building practical solutions for human-elephant coexistence. Developing an understanding of elephant behavior and reproduction to aid in elephant management.	Sri Lanka	Asian Elephants
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Tshwane University of Technology)	AZA CGF- Influence of Human-induced Changes on the Habitat Use of White-bellied Pangolins	Investigating the ecology and biology of a little-known species of Pangolin by tracking 30 pangolins to obtain data on behavior, habitat use and population dynamics.	Ghana	White-bellied Pangolins
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (USGS Forest and Rangeland Ecosystem Science Center, The Institute for Bird Populations and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)	AZA CGF- Guam Kingfisher Release Phase I: Preparing for Assisted Colonization on Palmyra Atoll	Establishing new populations of Guam Kingfishers in the wild through a captive breeding reintroduction program in line with the USFWS Guam Kingfisher Recovery program.	United States	Guam Kingfishers
Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Wildlife Conservation Society)	AZA CGF- Saving Sea Turtles in Nicaragua	Engaging local community members in conservation education to achieve long-term stewardship of sea turtles and marine habitats in Nicaragua.	Nicaragua	Sea Turtles

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Association of Zoos & Aquariums (Zoo Conservation Outreach Group)	AZA CGF- Giant Armadillos as a Flagship Species for Conserving the Atlantic Forest Biome in Mato Grosso do Sul, Brazil	Preserving giant armadillos and their habitat through research, education and outreach, and capacity building. Mapping wildlife distribution in Brazil to make recommendations for conservation planning.	Brazil	Giant Armadillos
Association of Zoos and Aquariums	Nature Play Begins at Your Zoo & Aquarium	Removing barriers for families to engage with nature by providing training and resources to families, educators, community partners, and accredited zoo and aquarium institutions to establish or expand nature play opportunities.	Global	Kids
Atlanta Audubon Society	Project Safe Flight Atlanta	Conducting research and monitoring to better understand bird-building collisions in Atlanta. Sharing information with the public to help reduce collisions and make Atlanta a more bird-friendly city.	United States	Migratory Birds
Atlanta-Fulton County Zoo	Guatemalan Endangered Reptile Awareness Program	Raising awareness of Guatemala's endangered reptiles and their habitats through community education and building local capacity for the implementation of a comprehensive reforestation program.	Guatemala	Guatemalan Beaded Lizards; Campbell's Alligator Lizards
Audubon Canyon Ranch	ACR Mountain Lion Project	Increasing the scientific and public understanding of mountain lions and identifying priority habitats for conservation in California. Launching an education and outreach program among communities and landowners to increase understanding of mountain lion ecology and role in the ecosystem, and providing guidance and support to encourage best practices for minimizing conflict with lions.	United States	Mountain Lions
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

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Audubon Florida	Jay Watch: Audubon Citizen Science	Training and deploying more than 275 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
Audubon South Carolina	Sullivan's Island Bird Research Program	Monitoring and maintaining vital bird migration and nesting habitat in South Carolina to create connectivity along the entire Atlantic Flyway. Educating kids about the importance of the bird habitats and inspiring youth to be future stewards of the land.	United States	Neotropical Migratory Birds
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
Bonobo Conservation Initiative	Bonobo Conservation at Kokolopori	Ensuring the survival of bonobos (apes) and their habitat in the Democratic Republic of the Congo by minimizing bushmeat hunting, building local capacity to manage the Kokolopori Bonobo Reserve, and engaging the community in conservation.	Democratic Republic of Congo	Bonobos
Cape Eleuthera Foundation	Sea Turtle Conservation in the Community	Increasing knowledge about sea turtle conservation in local communities in The Bahamas to improve adherence to regulations and restore sea turtle populations. Combining research and outreach to monitor the status of sea turtles to determine if conservation measures are effective and to better understand factors influencing sea turtle abundance and distribution in their coastal habitats.	The Bahamas	Sea Turtles
Central Caribbean Marine Institute	Restoring EDGE Coral Species	Enhancing local wild populations and promoting natural recovery of coral reefs in the Cayman Islands. Identifying corals that are resilient or resistant to bleaching caused by changing ocean temperature. Raising corals in a nursery in the Cayman Islands and transplanting in sites identified as suitable coral habitat in the wild.	Cayman Islands	Coral Reefs

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Cheetah Conservation Botswana (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community Education for Carnivore Conservation	Reducing carnivore-livestock conflict and improving farming management practices in Botswana. Focusing on community support, farmer's network, training workshops, youth bush camps and conflict mitigation demonstrations in the Western Kalahari to improve livelihoods while protecting cheetahs and other carnivores.	Botswana	Cheetahs
Chicago Zoological Society	Community Engagement for Dolphin Conservation	Engaging groups in Florida's Sarasota Bay to learn best practices for boating/fishing near wildlife, reducing marine debris to prevent entanglement, and reporting injured animals. Minimizing risks to dolphins and expanding K-5 education programs and involvement in monitoring and Bay clean-up activities.	United States	Bottlenose Dolphins
Children & Nature Network	Children & Nature Worldwide	Supporting Children & Nature Network's movement to connect all children, their families and communities to nature with innovative ideas, evidence based resources, and broad-based support of grassroots leadership. Expanding international tools and resources including translations and trainings for Family Nature Club leaders, and hosting summits to build the children and nature movement.	Global	Kids
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: Linking Lemurs and Living	Using multifaceted educational programs to connect the Kianjavato community in Madagascar to the science of conservation. Focusing on linking reforestation to sustainable lives for lemurs and people, by planting 20,000+ trees, educating 6,000+ people, and expanding habitat for endangered lemurs making the ecosystem healthier for all.	Madagascar	Greater Bamboo Lemurs, Black and White Ruffed Lemurs, Mouse Lemurs, Fat-tailed Dwarf Lemurs, Aye-ayes, Red fronted Brown Lemurs
Conservation Through Public Health	Integrated Gorilla and Human Health	Expanding an integrated human and gorilla health model to a new location around Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, Uganda, to improve mountain gorilla health. Reducing disease threats to mountain gorillas and their habitat through improved community health and conservation attitudes.	Uganda	Mountain Gorillas

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Conserve Wildlife Foundation of New Jersey	Piping Plover Conservation The Bahamas	Surveying piping plover shorebird habitat in The Bahamas with citizen scientists, raising public awareness and educating school children about the importance of The Bahamas for piping plovers. Building on a sister school program engaging students throughout The Bahamas.	The Bahamas	Piping Plovers
Cool Earth Action USA	Gadaisu Biodiversity Safeguarding Phase Two	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	Southern Crowned Pigeons
Coral Restoration Foundation	Restoring the Bear Necessities: Staghorn Corals	Restoring Florida's coral reefs by implementing cost-effective methodologies to grow thousands of corals in offshore nurseries and outplanting them onto degraded reefs. Focusing this year on engaging volunteers and staff in outplanting staghorn coral in the Upper Florida Keys.	United States	Staghorn Corals
Denver Zoological Foundation	Critical Habitat Conservation in Vietnam	Protecting the forest habitat of the Tonkin snub-nosed monkey in Northern Vietnam by monitoring monkeys and human activity, monitoring local household stove and wood usage, and providing conservation education to local communities. Increasing the use of low-cost, fuel efficient stoves by empowering local community members to become stove ambassadors.	Vietnam	Tonkin Snub-nosed Monkeys
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
Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust (American Friends of Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust)	Reintroduction of the Ploughshare Tortoise	Ensuring the survival of the ploughshare tortoise in Madagascar through community-based patrols, monitoring and tracking tortoises, a captive-breeding program. Raising local pride for the species to reduce the temptations to poach.	Madagascar	Ploughshare Tortoises

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Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust (American Friends of Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust)	Restoring the Pygmy Hog	Saving the critically endangered pygmy hog from extinction through captive breeding and reintroduction to its historical range in India. Working with local protected area managers and communities to support ecosystem restoration to provide habitat for pygmy hogs.	India	Pygmy Hogs
Environmental Protection in the Caribbean	Towards Black-capped Petrel Conservation	Working with villages in Haiti to alleviate poverty and increase sustainable agriculture while increasing awareness of the endangered black-capped petrel bird. Monitoring existing petrel populations to understand the effects of conservation actions.	Haiti	Black-capped Petrels
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	Conservation of the Ustyurt Saiga	Protecting saiga antelopes in Kazakhstan by building capacity of customs officials to detect illegal trade of saiga products, engaging local youth and communities through educational activities, and monitoring the saiga's movement on the Ustyurt Plateau.	Kazakhstan	Saiga Antelopes
Fauna & Flora International	Eastern Caribbean Offshore Islands Network	Growing partnerships with local stakeholders to save endemic species and habitats across 24 offshore islands. Creating new opportunities for education and tourism in five Caribbean countries - Antigua & Barbuda, Anguilla, Barbados, Saint Lucia, and Saint Vincent & The Grenadines.	Antigua and Barbuda	Multiple Species
Felidae Conservation Fund	Bay Area Puma Project	Addressing increasing human-puma conflict and puma (mountain lion) 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

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Fishing Cat Conservancy (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community-managed Conservation of Fishing Cats	Conserving fishing cats and their mangrove habitat in southern India through citizen science monitoring of fishing cats and their habitat with the goal of creating community managed protected areas.	India	Fishing Cats
Frankfurt Zoological Society - U.S.	Conservation of Sumatran Elephants	Reducing human-elephant conflict in Bukit Tigapuluh, Sumatra by supporting and educating local farming communities, and monitoring and safeguarding elephants. Maintaining an early warning system and information network to communicate about elephant movements and reduce human-elephant conflict.	Indonesia	Sumatran Elephants
Friends of Bonobos (Lola ya Bonobo) - USA	Integrated Bonobo Release and Conservation	Engaging local communities to protect habitat for bonobo apes that were rescued from the bushmeat trade and released in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Conducting habitat assessments of the release site and developing appropriate socio-economic activities and education initiatives to raise awareness about bonobos.	Democratic Republic of Congo	Bonobos
Fundación para la Conservación de los Andes Tropicales (Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund)	Umbrellabird Conservation in the Choco	Empowering local people in Ecuador to conserve forest fragments serving as important habitat for the long-wattled umbrellabird and Ecuadorian capuchin monkey. Providing local residents with the basic information, technical capacity, and planning framework they need to conserve forest fragments and the biodiversity they support.	Ecuador	Long-wattled Umbrellabirds
Global Wildlife Conservation	Nicaragua Baird's Tapir Conservation Initiative	Protecting the Baird's tapir and its habitat in Nicaragua through an indigenous forest ranger program and using GPS telemetry to study Baird's tapirs. Developing a conservation marketplace and local community education program to build long-term conservation solutions for the Indio-Maíz Reserve.	Nicaragua	Baird's Tapirs
Global Wildlife Conservation	Tasmanian Devil Reintroduction to Forestier Peninsula	Releasing and monitoring captive-bred Tasmanian devils to reverse the decline of wild populations of the species in Tasmania. Educating local people to reduce the risk of vehicle collisions with devils and raise awareness about the species to increase public support for reestablishing devil populations.	Australia	Tasmanian Devils

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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
Greater Farallones Association	LiMPETS (Long-term Monitoring Program and Experiential Training for Students)	Expanding a hands-on citizen science program for youth and volunteer groups to monitor the ocean and coastal ecosystems of California's National Marine Sanctuaries. Increasing awareness and stewardship of these important areas among communities and upgrading data collection protocols.	United States	Multiple invertebrate species
GreenViet (The Reuse Everything Institute)	Red-Shanked Douc Conservation	Surveying populations of red-shanked douc langur monkeys in Vietnam's Son Tra Nature Reserve and engaging local youth in a junior scientist program to train the next generation of conservation leaders to protect wildlife and their habitats.	Vietnam	Red-Shanked Douc Langurs
Grevy's Zebra Trust (Saint Louis Zoo Association)	Grevy's Zebra Conservation and Peace	Working with local communities to conserve the endangered Grevy's zebra in Kenya. Supporting the Grevy's Zebra Ambassador Program to provide a grassroots security presence against the threat of poaching in El Barta, historically a hotspot for the species. Engaging diverse communities in conservation work and providing opportunities for dialogue and collaboration.	Kenya	Grevy's Zebra
Gunung Palung Orangutan Conservation Program	Orangutan Research, Conservation and Education	Conserving the wild orangutan population of Gunung Palung National Park, Indonesia. Combining scientific research on the health of orangutans with conservation planning, sharing lessons learned with communities through environmental education activities, and protecting vital rainforest habitat with the Customary Forest initiative and by assisting local people in adopting sustainable livelihoods.	Indonesia	Bornean Orangutans
Hawk Conservancy Trust (Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association)	Conserving Vultures Through Community action	Building community capacity in Pakistan to improve livestock husbandry and reduce declines of Gyps vultures which are threatened by certain livestock drugs. Raising farmers' awareness of the harmful impact of livestock drugs on vultures and establishing school nature clubs to teach children about the importance of vultures to the ecosystem.	Pakistan	Oriental White-backed and Long-billed Vultures

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Health In Harmony	Healthcare for Communities and Orangutans 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
IDEA WILD	Black Lion Tamarin Conservation in a Fragmented Landscape	Monitoring black lion tamarin monkeys in Brazil to support habitat management and promote the use of restored habitat areas by the species. Engaging locals in conservation and restoration initiatives to sustain these activities.	Brazil	Black Lion Tamarins
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, South American, and Brazilian Tapirs
International Crane Foundation	Sarus Crane Conservation in Mekong Delta	Protecting wetlands and Sarus cranes in the Mekong Delta by promoting sustainable use of wetland resources by people living in or near wetlands. Training local people to use wetland resources to manufacture high quality woven goods that support good-paying jobs and conservation of Sarus cranes and their wetland habitat. Providing environmental education and entertainment programs for local children.	Cambodia	Sarus Cranes
International Crane Foundation	Reverse the Decline: Cranes	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.	China	Siberian Cranes
International Fund for Animal Welfare	Saving the Elephants of Amboseli	Protecting the elephants of Amboseli National Park in Kenya by ensuring protection of important migration corridors outside of the park, monitoring movement and the effects of drought on the elephants. Enhancing local anti-poaching capacity, enabling and managing ecotourism, and raising local awareness of the importance of conservation.	Kenya	African Elephants

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International Fund for Animal Welfare	CITES Youth Forum for People and Wildlife	Bringing together young conservation leaders from across the globe for the Youth Forum for People and Wildlife to connect with experts, explore solutions and build skills to help them better understand and address wildlife conservation issues. Supporting creation of a digital platform to engage thousands of school-aged children worldwide in the Forum.	Global	Kids
International Iguana Foundation	Conservation of Ricord's Iguana	Guaranteeing the long-term survival of the critically endangered Ricord's iguana in the Dominican Republic through monitoring of nesting sites and restoring degraded habitat. Conducting outreach to rural communities and developing alternative income opportunities to reduce iguana poaching and habitat destruction.	Dominican Republic	Ricord's Iguanas
International Rhino Foundation	Reverse the Decline: Rhinos	Addressing the threats of habitat loss and poaching by improving the range and effectiveness of anti-poaching patrols, increasing population numbers through a conservation breeding program, working with local communities to stop forest encroachment, and working with the Indonesian government to implement a national protection strategy.	Indonesia	Sumatran Rhinos
International Snow Leopard Trust	Protecting India's Endangered Snow Leopard	Expanding understanding of snow leopards in northern India through research, helping local people improve livelihoods, and raising awareness of snow leopard conservation with local youth. Launching India's first comprehensive and long-term snow leopard GPS collaring project.	India	Snow Leopards
Kasiisi Project	Kibale Schools Conservation Project	Achieving long-term conservation of threatened ecosystems by changing attitudes of local people about the environment and raising awareness of practical actions that they take to protect it. Creating wildlife clubs in primary schools bordering Kibale National Park in Uganda to engage children and communities in protecting wildlife including elephants and chimpanzees.	Uganda	Elephants, Chimpanzees
Leatherback Trust	Conservation of Eastern Pacific Leatherbacks	Protecting critically endangered Eastern Pacific leatherback turtles by collaborating with local communities and the government in Costa Rica to protect turtles and their nests from illegal activities. Conducting research that supports conservation strategies to recover populations of sea turtles in Costa Rica.	Costa Rica	Leatherback Sea Turtles

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Lincoln Park Zoological Society	Goualougo Triangle Ape Project	Addressing conservation threats to Western lowland gorillas and other African apes and building capacity to protect them. Refining ape-friendly forestry practices, reducing the threat of disease transmission, and empowering local researchers and regional conservation efforts in the Congo Basin.	Congo	Western Lowland Gorillas
Little Fireface Project (Cleveland Zoological Society)	Slow Loris Conservation Within Agroforest	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
Mabula Ground Hornbill Project (Virginia Zoological Society)	Mabula Ground Hornbill Project	Collecting data on genetic health, vocalizations, and range of southern ground-hornbill birds in southern Africa, and pioneering management and husbandry techniques for the species. Expanding awareness and education programs, and assisting landowners in making their property suitable hornbill habitat in Namibia, Botswana, and Zimbabwe.	Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe	Ground Hornbills
Marine Resources Development Foundation	Seagrass Surveys for Education and Conservation	Conducting seagrass surveys in the Florida Keys to collect baseline data on seagrass abundance, algae abundance, and species composition. Expanding the program by creating a database accessible to students and teachers who participate in field work and data analysis to use in their home classrooms.	United States	Turtle, Manatee, and Shoal Grasses; Manatees, Invertebrates, Fish
Mision Tiburon (Ocean First Institute)	Shark Conservation in Costa Rica	Conserving Costa Rica's endangered scalloped hammerhead sharks by through local and international collaborations to protect habitat and reduce overfishing. Educating thousands of international students about endangered species through virtual outreach.	Costa Rica	Scalloped Hammerhead Sharks
Mote Marine Laboratory	Building Conservation Bridges to Cuba	Conducting field research, resource assessment, resource management, capacity building, student education, public outreach, and policy development to advance the conservation of sharks in the Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea related to Cuba's National Plan of Action for Sharks.	Cuba	Sharks and Rays

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National 4-H Council	4-H Connecting Youth to Nature	Teaching young people about science, technology, engineering and math, by engaging youth in urban communities across eight states in hands-on experiences through after school clubs and summer camps to inspire youth to protect and preserve the planet.	United States	Kids
National Audubon Society	Shorebird Conservation in The Bahamas	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. Building on previous work to garner community and government support to protect and manage these sites, build local awareness and economic opportunities and better understand the needs of the birds through scientific investigation.	Bahamas	Piping Plovers
National Audubon Society	Maine Alcid Conservation and Outreach	Restoring habitat for puffins and other seabirds in Maine with the help of college interns and local volunteers. 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
National Park Foundation	Find Your Park and Open Outdoors for Kids	Supporting the National Park Foundation's efforts to connect half a million kids with national park experiences by 2017 through NPF's Find Your Park Campaign and the Open OutDoors for Kids program. Providing grants to local schools to support classroom curriculum and enable hands-on field trips to nearby parks and historical monuments.	United States	Kids
National Recreation and Park Association	Meet Me At The Park	Providing communities with resources to improve local parks through projects that connect kids to nature, help kids and families live healthier lifestyles, and increase kids' access to sports.	United States	Kids
National Wildlife Federation	Butterfly Heroes	Encouraging kids and families to pledge to be Butterfly Heroes and commit to creating backyard garden habitats that benefit pollinators and offer opportunities for outdoor discovery.	United States	Kids

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New Nature Foundation	Energy Innovations with Ugandan Communities	Working with communities living near national parks in Uganda to reduce threats to chimpanzees and other wildlife. Educating people about biodiversity, building fuel-efficient stoves and providing biomass briquettes to reduce wood extraction from the forest and inspire sustainable behavioral changes needed to protect the region's wild places.	Uganda	Chimpanzees
Northern Jaguar Project	Northern Jaguar: Viviendo con Felinos	Working with ranchers and communities surrounding Mexico's Northern Jaguar Reserve to minimize human-wildlife conflict, reduce jaguar mortality, and restore wildlife habitat. Building conservation alliances to promote awareness in a way that connects youth and adults with nature and living side by side with big cats.	Mexico	Jaguars
Oceanic Society Expeditions	African Manatee Research and Conservation	Collecting critically needed data to increase understanding of African manatee population biology, ecology, and threats. Collaborating with a network of researchers in 19 African countries to initiate conservation actions for the species through research and education programs.	Senegal	African Manatees
Okapi Conservation Project (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community Support for Okapi Conservation	Reducing the demand for bush meat and participation of youth in illegal mining and poaching activities in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Improving community welfare, promoting sustainable use of natural resources and preservation of okapi habitat by working with farmers' co-ops and women's groups to improve agricultural production, reduce deforestation, and carry out wildlife monitoring research.	Democratic Republic of Congo	Okapis
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	Mariana Swiftlets
Painted Dog Conservation (Wildlife Conservation Network)	PDC Anti-Poaching Unit patrols	Conducting anti-poaching patrols throughout more than 2.5 million acres of protected areas and buffer zones in Zimbabwe to protect African painted dogs and other threatened species. Dismantling snares and freeing trapped animals, identifying major poaching hotspots, and providing outreach efforts through camp and afterschool programs.	Zimbabwe	African Painted Dogs

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Painted Dog Research Trust (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Sizinda Conservation Primary School	Studying transboundary movements and genetics of key painted dog packs in Zimbabwe. Increasing knowledge of painted dogs and providing environmental education through the first environmental school in Zimbabwe.	Zimbabwe	African Painted Dogs
Panthera	Snow Leopard Conservation in China	Protecting snow leopards in China's Tibetan Plateau by conducting outreach to monasteries and herders to prevent potential conflict and empower local people to respond to conflict. Working with local communities to estimate snow leopard density and respond to conservation threats.	China	Snow Leopards
Paso Pacifico	Protecting the Black-Handed Spider Monkey and Sympatric Primates	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 private reserves, expanding reforestation areas, and continuing to develop citizen science activities and a junior ranger program.	Nicaragua	Black-handed Spider Monkeys
Penguin Foundation Ltd (Charities Aid Foundation America)	At-sea Tracking of Little Penguins	Studying the at-sea foraging tracks of little penguins on the north coast of Phillip Island, Australia to improve management. Providing education programs to support the conservation of little penguins.	Australia	Little Penguins
Perry Institute for Marine Science	Reverse the Decline: Coral Reefs	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.	The Bahamas	Staghorn, Elkhorn and Star Corals
Red Panda Network	Community-based Red Panda Stewardship & 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

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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	Working with local fishermen in Congo to reduce sea turtle bycatch through an exchange program that provides fishermen with supplies to fix damaged fishing nets in return for turtles' release. Educating local youth about the importance of sea turtles to the local ecosystem.	Congo	Sea Turtles
Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (American Fund for Charities)	Saving Spoon-billed Sandpiper	Using a community-based approach to protect critical wintering habitat for the endangered spoon-billed sandpiper in Myanmar. Reducing threats from hunting, supporting ex-hunters with alternative livelihoods and engaging the wider community and local decision makers to understand the importance of protecting threatened wildlife on Nan Thar Island.	Myanmar	Spoon-billed Sandpipers
Sarasota Bay Watch	Community-Driven Shellfish Restoration	Reestablishing bay scallops and hardshell clams in Florida's Sarasota Bay by engaging the local community through volunteer activities, events, and youth education.	United States	Bay Scallops and Hardshell Clams
Save the Elephants (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 use of beehive fences to reduce crop-raid damage, and provide income through the sale of honey and bee products.	Kenya	African Elephants
Save the Golden Lion Tamarin	Reverse the Decline: Monkeys	Supporting efforts in Brazil to restore enough forest fragments and golden-lion tamarin populations to save the species from extinction.	Brazil	Tamarins - Golden Lion

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Save the Rhino International	Engaging Community Support for Rhinos	Supporting the long-term survival of Zambia's population of black rhino in North Luangwa National Park through community engagement via the conservation education program, Lolesha Luangwa, which targets children in villages surrounding the Park. Monitoring the black rhino population to aid in law enforcement and reduce direct threats to the species and ecosystem.	Zambia	Black Rhinos
Sea to Shore Alliance	Monitoring Manatees at Florida Springs	Monitoring sustainability, distribution, and abundance of manatee populations in Florida springs. Encouraging local citizens to report manatee sightings through outreach and education materials, and informing resource managers about important sites for manatee survival.	United States	Florida Manatees
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
Smithsonian National Zoological Park	Conservation Partnerships for Painted Buntings	Using GPS tagging to track migratory routes of Painted Buntings, a threatened bird of the southeastern United States. Identifying and linking partners to advance on-the-ground conservation of this species, engaging citizen scientists in research, and promoting awareness and appreciation of this species among communities in Florida.	United States	Painted Buntings
Sociedade de Pesquisa em Vida Selvagem e Educação Ambiental (Pan American Development Foundation)	Conservation of Red-Tailed Amazon Parrot	Protecting the red-tailed Amazon parrot through scientific research, management, and community education on the importance of protecting the parrot and the biodiversity of Brazil's Atlantic Forest.	Brazil	Red-tailed Amazon Parrots
Southern California Mountains Foundation	Great Seeds Restoration Program	Educating California 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

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Spectacled Bear Conservation (Wildlife Conservation Network)	Community Conservation for Spectacled Bears	Protecting spectacled bears and their habitats in Peru by collaborating with local communities and organizations to conduct research and community conservation programs.	Peru	Spectacled (Andean) Bears
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, and Hawksbill Sea Turtles
The Jane Goodall Institute	Reverse the Decline: African Apes	Working with communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo to reduce hunting, and explore strategies to reintroduce rehabilitated apes (Grauer's gorillas and Eastern chimpanzees) to the wild. Increasing protection of great apes by local communities, and funding analysis and implementation of additional conservation strategies.	Democratic Republic of Congo	Grauer's Gorilla and Eastern Chimpanzee
The Jane Goodall Institute	Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots	Empowering young people through the youth-led action and learning program of the Jane Goodall Institute to create community-based solutions to big challenges facing other people, animals and the environment we share. Supporting programs in 12 countries to empower the next generation of environmental stewards.	Global	Kids
The Manta Trust (Action For Mantas)	Manta Conservation and Capacity Building	Building local research and conservation capacity in Pacific Mexico to improve the understanding and management of artisanal fisheries to better protect shark and ray species. Working directly with communities and managers to protect a local population of the iconic oceanic manta ray.	Mexico	Manta Rays
The Marine Mammal Center	Hawaiian Monk Seal Conservation Program	Promoting recovery of the Hawaiian monk seal population through research, recovery, and rehabilitation efforts. Providing education to inspire and enable the local community to protect and care for this critically endangered species.	United States	Hawaiian Monk Seals

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The Nature Conservancy	Demonstrating Sustainable Ranching in Patagonia	Establishing a demonstration ranch in Patagonia to teach and model conservation and sustainable production methods for local sheep ranchers in an effort to protect grassland habitats and restore ecological resilience. Protecting local wildlife including the social tuco-tuco, a critically endangered rodent species found only in Argentina.	Argentina	Social Tuco-tuco
The Nature Conservancy	Nature Works Everywhere	Supporting school garden programs that provide online resources to integrate gardens into curriculum, while extending mini-grants to schools that build gardens as outdoor classrooms.	United States	Kids
The North Carolina Zoological Society	Saving Tanzania's Critically Endangered Vultures	Monitoring white-backed vulture populations in southern Tanzania through satellite telemetry, and assessing and addressing threats to vultures. Building conservation capacity among guides and rangers, and raising awareness among youth and local communities about the importance of vultures.	Tanzania, United Republic of	White-backed Vultures
The Peregrine Fund	Saving the Philippine Bird King	Protecting the Philippine eagle by monitoring eagle populations, providing scientific information to the government to conserve eagles and their habitat, and raising local awareness and capacity to protect eagles and their habitat in the Philippines. Addressing local poverty by providing incentives through adopt-a-nest and conservation agreement programs, and educating local youth about eagle conservation.	Philippines	Philippine Eagles
The Peregrine Fund	Saving Critically Endangered Ridgway's Hawk	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 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 life-cycle conservation of this aerial insectivore.	Multiple	Purple Martins

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The Regents of the University of California	Urban California Native Bee Survey	Studying the relationship between bees and specific flowers in California to develop guidelines for high quality native bee habitats. Educating the public to create pollinator habitats at their homes, farms, schools, and gardens.	United States	Bees
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	Diamondback Terrapins
TREE Foundation	Conserving sea turtles through community participation and stakeholder stewardship, in Kancheepuram, India.	Protecting sea turtles in India by patrolling nesting beaches and enhancing community participation in turtle conservation. Reinforcing a sense of stewardship among coastal communities and fishers to reduce sea turtle by-catch.	India	Olive Ridley, Hawksbill, and Green Sea Turtles
Tufts University	`Alae `ula Conservation & Research Project	Providing research, outreach, education, and conservation action to communicate the importance of protecting the `alae `ula (Hawaiian gallinule) - an endangered bird important to the cultural history of the Hawaiian people. Generating sustained public interest in the `alae `ula to ensure its long-term persistence and recovery.	United States	`Alae `ula/Hawaiian gallinule
Turtle Survival Alliance Foundation	Indian Turtle Conservation Program	Stabilizing the population of red-crowned roofed turtles in India's Chambal River by establishing riverside hatcheries, enhancing survivorship through a rear and release (head start) program, and expanding capacity building programs for local stakeholders.	India	Red-crowned Roofed Turtles
Turtle Survival Alliance Foundation	Freshwater Turtle Home Range Analysis	Studying the habitat and movement of freshwater turtles in Florida springs and educating state park visitors about local turtle species. Raising public awareness of the importance and vulnerability of turtles and their habitats by offering opportunities for the public to take part in this long-term scientific study.	United States	Peninsula Cooter, Florida Red-bellied Cooter, Florida Softshell

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Uganda Carnivore Program (Oakland Zoo - East Bay Zoological Society)	Community Carnivore Conservation in Uganda	Collaborating with local communities to conserve African lions, leopards, and spotted hyenas 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, Leopard, Spotted Hyenas
Universidad Nacional del Centro de la Provincia de Buenos Aires (Wildlife Health Center Foundation)	Community Guardians for Argentine Wetlands, Year 2	Mitigating wetland pollution from waterfowl hunting with lead ammunition by training rangers and the public. Engaging citizen scientists, training teachers, and inspiring children to care about birds and wetlands through aquatic bird counts and nature outings. Establishing protection for wetlands to conserve biodiversity in Argentina.	Argentina	Andean Flamingos
University of Florida Foundation	Reverse the Decline: Butterflies	Identifying the numerous at-risk butterfly species in Florida and California and developing tailored conservation strategies for the most critical groups, including habitat restoration, captive breeding, and reintroduction programs.	United States	Butterflies
University of Florida Foundation	Reverse the Decline: Sea Turtles	Combating the many threats to sea turtles by increasing public awareness, monitoring populations, and restoring marine habitat and beach nesting areas.	United States	Sea Turtles
University of Miami	Urban Shark Conservation/Research Program	Studying shark behavior and physiology along the South Florida coastline to provide insights on how species react to coastal urbanization and inspire the next generation of ocean conservationists. Using hands-on field research experiences, to inspire youth to learn about marine biology, and empower them to become advocates for ocean conservation.	United States	Great Hammerhead, Bull, and Blacktip Sharks
Wildlife ACT Fund Trust (The Sindisa Fund)	Mkuze Community Conservation Project	Leading education and awareness initiatives among communities living around the Mkuze Game Reserve in South Africa to improve the survival of the critically endangered black rhinoceros through rhino art, bush camps, conservation clubs, and educational games for children. Monitoring black rhino populations in collaboration with the provincial parks and wildlife authority to demonstrate conservation impact.	South Africa	Black Rhinos

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Wildlife Conservation Network	Reverse the Decline: Monkeys	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 for community members.	Colombia	Tamarins - Cotton-top
Wildlife Conservation Society	Conserving India's Lion-Tailed Macaques	Conserving the lion-tailed macaque monkey in India by surveying critical populations to assess conservation status, identify threats and implement conservation strategies to address these threats. Tailoring rural education programs to enhance conservation awareness and interest in the species.	India	Lion-tailed Macaques
Wildlife Conservation Society	Reverse the Decline: Elephants	Supporting work that addresses both poaching and human-elephant conflict, protects elephant habitat, promotes conservation legislation and helps train local conservationists in Kenya.	Kenya	African Elephants
Wildlife Conservation Society	Reverse the Decline: Sharks and Rays	Supporting the recovery of sharks and rays by supporting the scientific management of fisheries, reducing the demand for shark and ray products, and advancing research to secure protected status for threatened species.	Global	Sharks and Rays
Wildlife Conservation Society	Reverse the Decline: Tigers	Improving the conservation status of Sumatran tigers by protecting habitat, reducing poaching, combatting illegal trade, strengthening protected area management and engaging local communities. Increasing Sumatran tiger populations by 25% by securing source populations within key tiger conservation landscapes and enhancing connectivity between populations.	Indonesia	Tigers
World Parrot Trust USA	Conservation of Tasman Parakeets	Conserving the Tasman parakeet of Australia's Norfolk Island through research on suitable habitat on Norfolk and nearby Phillip Island. Educating local people and visitors about the importance of this species.	Australia	Tasman Parakeets

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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
Zoo Conservation Outreach Group	Giant Armadillo Conservation Program	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)	Conserving the Pygmy Sloth	Developing a participatory conservation management plan for the critically endangered pygmy sloth in Panama. Working with key stakeholders to raise awareness, encourage sustainable resource use, and monitor the sloth population.	Panama	Pygmy Three-toed Sloths
Zoological Society of London (ZSL America)	Angel Shark Project	Protecting habitat for critically endangered angel sharks in the Canary Islands. Expanding a network of citizen scientists monitoring angel sharks and engaging local communities in best practices related to tourism that affects angel sharks.	Spain	Angel Sharks
Zoological Society of San Diego	Ocean to Table	Protecting vaquita porpoises, the most endangered marine mammals in the world, by working with local fishing communities in California to reduce accidental catch of vaquitas when fishing for commercial species. Providing hands-on education experiences and hosting a student competition to propose models for bringing responsibly sourced seafood to consumers.	Mexico	Vaquitas