



# STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS FOR SPECIES OF GREATEST CONSERVATION NEED

**Over 50%** of our birds spend over ½ the year outside of the United States

**2.9B** birds lost since 1970.

**Southern Wings has worked since 2009 to help reverse the bird crisis**

**Over \$2.9M** on the ground for conservation from 32 states

**Over 1M** acres conserved, restored, or managed

**Over \$6M** leveraged partner funding 

**Over 800,000** trees planted 



## Partnerships

## Species Positively Impacted


24 Projects  
11 Countries  
34 Partners



81  
Species of  
Greatest  
Conservation  
Need Impacted



# Example Southern Wings Projects

WHO	WHY	WHAT	OUTCOMES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FUNDAECO</li> <li>American Bird Conservancy</li> <li>Missouri</li> <li>Tennessee</li> <li>Arkansas</li> <li>Iowa</li> <li>Texas</li> </ul>	<p>Over 140 species of neotropical migrant use the Caribbean Coast of Guatemala for stop over or nonbreeding habitat. At least 29 of the focal species are species of greatest conservation need.</p>	<p>Secure the protection of core migratory bird habitat through protected area creation and management and implementation of sustainable agroforestry systems.</p>	<p>Created and expanded five protected areas and one BioCenter that account for 9,014 acres of habit for migratory birds.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bahamas National Trust</li> <li>National Audubon Society</li> <li>North Carolina</li> <li>Northeast Association of Fish &amp; Wildlife Agencies</li> <li>Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act</li> </ul>	<p>Research demonstrated that between 20-50% of the Atlantic breeding population of piping plovers winters on specific islands in the Bahama archipelago.</p> 	<p>Secure habitat protection for at least 20% of the piping plover population on the nonbreeding grounds, conduct research and monitoring, and garner support from local communities.</p>	<p>Identified key islands to protect at least 20% of the population through research; Declared the 92,000 acre Joulter Cays as a National Park protecting winter habitat for over 10% of the population. Recommended protection of areas that hold an additional 10% of the population</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bird Conservancy of the Rockies</li> <li>Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act</li> <li>Arizona</li> <li>Colorado</li> <li>Montana</li> <li>New Mexico</li> <li>Many other partners</li> </ul>	<p>The Chihuahuan Desert supports 90% of migratory species breeding in the western Great Plains. These species have lost 70% of their global population since 1970.</p>	<p>Enroll 500,000 acres in the Sustainable Grazing Network by 2020; Restore, enhance or improve at least 125,000 acres by 2020; Increase abundance and survival of species of greatest conservation need species through habitat restoration.</p>	<p>Enrolled 308,000 acres in the Sustainable Grazing Network since 2013, with more than 90,000 acres enhanced and 5,000 acres restored.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ProAves</li> <li>American Bird Conservancy</li> <li>Indiana</li> <li>Montana</li> <li>Northeast Association of Fish &amp; Wildlife Agencies</li> </ul>	<p>The cerulean warbler is an species of greatest conservation need in 35 states whose populations have plummeted. International conservation plans identify focal areas in South America that are critical to the conservation of the species.</p>	<p>Create and enhance habitat for the cerulean warbler and other species (e.g., Canada warbler, olive-sided flycatcher).</p> 	<p>Created a six mile corridor between two important montane reserves in the northern Andes of Colombia through restoration, reforestation, and the promotion of shade grown coffee and cacao.</p>