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Wildlife Conservation Network

Our Mission

WCN protects endangered species and preserves their natural habitats by supporting entrepreneurial conservationists who pursue innovative strategies for people and wildlife to co-exist and thrive.



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WCN was founded on the belief that one person can make a difference for wildlife and that we can create a network of those individuals to provide conservationists with the support they need to be successful. WCN's core strength is our ability to collaborate and to support conservation in a highly effective and efficient manner.

We are proud of all our conservation Partners and the myriad of successes they have had in the past year to help ensure a future for wildlife and wild places. As an illustration of how WCN operates, in 2015 we continued to tackle the surge in elephant poaching in Africa through the Elephant Crisis Fund (ECF), a joint initiative of WCN and Save the Elephants. The ECF has provided over \$6 million in funding for critical, catalytic projects to stop poaching, trafficking, and demand for ivory.

WCN's unique model, as a powerful and well-leveraged network, is highly visible in the ECF's operation and success. Taking a collaborative approach to the poaching crisis, the ECF has funded the urgent, on-the-ground work of 37 organizations. Demonstrating agility and efficiency, the initiative has deployed funds to conservationists in a matter of days with 100% of all donations to the ECF going directly to the field.

The ECF's impact was evidenced this year in the incredible news from China that the government intends to phase out its ivory trade, and subsequently, in the 50% drop in the price of ivory in China.

All of you, as passionate and generous wildlife supporters, are deeply important to the conservationists we partner with and the species they protect. You are part of their support system, valued members of our network, and you play a crucial role in conservation success. Thank you for being someone who is making a difference for wildlife.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Charles Knowles'.

Charles Knowles, WCN Co-Founder and President

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Teamwork is at the heart of our conservation successes. As I look across the WCN network, I am awed and inspired by the number of people – from conservationists and local community members all over the world, to supporters, volunteers and WCN staff – who contribute to these achievements.

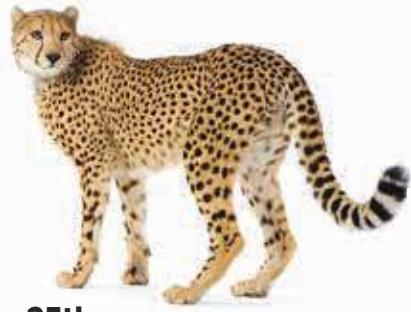
In Mozambique, it literally took a village to build the Mariri Environmental Centre. Local people learned new practical skills as they built the structure from the ground up, and the community played a huge role in every step along the way, fostering a strong base for wildlife conservation. In Colombia, Proyecto Tití expanded its work to new areas and built up its team to broaden its impact, following an extensive collaborative strategic planning process enabled by WCN.

Responding to a crisis in Kazakhstan that saw 60% of the world's saiga antelope population die out in a few short weeks, WCN supporters across the world quickly and generously donated funds to dispatch investigative teams and bolster protection efforts. Closer to home, WCN held its first Wildlife Conservation Expo outside of the Bay Area in partnership with the Brookfield Zoo in Chicago. Thanks to the hard work of many, that successful event set the stage for four Expos to be held in 2016.

This year, I'm looking forward to expanding upon the collaborations of 2015. I'm honored to be a part of this community. We are all united by our passion to save wildlife, and while we each contribute differently, I believe that it takes all of us to make a difference. Thank you for everything that you do. Together, we are saving wildlife!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'JG Collomb'.

Dr. Jean-Gaël Collomb, Executive Director



25th Anniversary

Cheetah Conservation Fund celebrated its 25th anniversary, making it the longest-running cheetah conservation program in existence. In that time, Namibia's cheetah population has increased by 40 percent.



10 Scholarships

WCN awarded 10 scholarships to young conservationists from 9 developing countries. The scholarship program has awarded 72 scholarships to students from 30 countries over the past nine years.



Rebecca Jackrel

55 Pups' 1st Birthday

Just a year after a major rabies outbreak threatened the future of Ethiopian wolves, 55 pups reached their first birthday, a major milestone in their development toward adulthood. There are currently only around 500 adult wolves, making them the rarest canid in the world.



Eugeniy Polonski

\$60+ million to wildlife

WCN has raised more than \$60 million to support wildlife conservation.

Donors' Rapid Response

WCN donors helped Saiga Conservation Alliance respond rapidly when disease suddenly killed more than half of the world's saiga population in a few weeks. Emergency funds were used to determine the cause of the deaths and to bolster anti-poaching programs to protect the remaining saiga.



Solar Power

Solar power systems were sent to power conservation camps at Tenkile Conservation Alliance (Papua New Guinea), Ruaha Carnivore Project (Tanzania) and the African People & Wildlife Fund (Tanzania) through the WCN Solar Project.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS

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New Camps

Grevy's Zebra Trust and Ewaso Lions opened new camps in northern Kenya, giving them permanent homes in and demonstrating their long-term commitment to the communities where they work.

93% to programs

93% of funds raised by WCN in 2015 were used to support programs in the field.



Bees Save Elephants

Save the Elephants' beehive fence-protected farms near Tsavo National Park have reduced elephant crop-raids by as much as 80 percent, and farmers sold 500 jars of Elephant-Friendly Honey in 2015. The concept of beehive fences as a natural elephant deterrent has now expanded to 11 countries.



1st Chicago Expo

WCN partnered with the Brookfield Zoo to organize the first Chicago Wildlife Conservation Expo, drawing a crowd to hear from conservationists working to protect lions, snow leopards, grizzly bears, elephants, and marine mammals.

New Conservation Leaders

Three WCN Scholarship Program alumni advanced to top leadership positions in wildlife conservation organizations during 2015.



Solutions to Illegal Trade

A Wildlife Trade Panel at the Wildlife Conservation Expo brought together leading conservationists to discuss potential solutions to the illegal wildlife trade that threatens endangered species around the world.

New Real Estate for Cotton-Top Tamarins



Proyecto Tití

4 The Proyecto Tití team traveled across an area roughly the distance from San Francisco to Los Angeles looking for cotton-tops.

The only place in which the critically endangered cotton-top tamarin can make its home is in the heavily fragmented forests of Colombia. Just two percent of these tropical dry forests remain, meaning that habitat protection is key to cotton-top conservation.

Because intact land is so important for cotton-tops, Proyecto Tití (PT) set out to buy an important site for the monkeys in order to preserve it for them forever. The PT team surveyed a priority area around San Juan Nepomuceno that held a national park in the center surrounded by fragments of forest separated from each other. The site also represented an expansion of PT's work with communities, allowing it to reach hundreds of new families and children with the same outreach and education programs that were successful in its initial work area.

Heading out on foot, the team went up and down mountains and covered all types of terrain to truly understand the land. They traveled across an area roughly the distance from San Francisco to Los Angeles looking for cotton-top populations hiding in the forested pockets that remain. They found cotton-tops, but they also found land torn apart by cattle ranching and slash

and burn agriculture. The team knew that it was vital to restore and put back together this critical habitat.

In June 2015, PT secured and purchased a 173-acre area of land around the national park that is critical to connecting forest habitat and cotton-top populations. PT has begun seeding the land with native plants, thus linking the national park to the isolated forest strands and allowing formerly insular populations of cotton-tops to intermingle and exchange new genes. Many cotton-tops will find new homes, but they aren't the only animals who will benefit from the forest. Proyecto Tití is working with a local jaguar NGO called Fundación Herencia Ambiental Caribe to reforest the area because the land is prime jaguar habitat. Other animals from sloth bears to raptors will also be able to live in the newly reconnected forest.

Local people are part of the plan, too. Building on its strength in working with communities, PT will sign conservation agreements with local landowners who agree to use portions of their land to create continuous forest strands. In return for taking care of the forests, the landowners will learn key sustainability techniques to make their land more productive. PT's purchase will ultimately make this important land work better for both humans and wildlife.

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Glimmers of Hope for Elephants

By 2013, the elephant poaching crisis had become too big for any one organization or government to solve. More than 100,000 elephants had been killed in the prior three years by poachers who took their tusks and sold them into organized criminal trafficking networks. The price of ivory in China — the main consumer nation — soared.

Save the Elephants and Wildlife Conservation Network joined together in 2013 to launch the Elephant Crisis Fund (ECF), a groundbreaking model for conservation that had just one goal: to end the poaching crisis. The

ECF's innovative hallmark was its commitment to build a coalition of organizations by funding the best ideas to end poaching, trafficking, and demand for ivory. By the end of 2015, the ECF had raised more than \$6 million and supported 37 partner organizations in implementing 87 projects.

Signs of hope for elephants are beginning to emerge, the most significant of which are ongoing signals from China that its government is committed at its highest levels to phasing out the ivory trade. In September, China's President Xi Jinping joined with U.S. President Barack Obama to announce that their countries would work together to enact "nearly complete bans" on the import and export of ivory. Many partners funded by the ECF have been working tirelessly towards such a ban in China via awareness-raising campaigns by celebrities and opinion leaders, the laying of legal groundwork, and the creation of policy options for future bans.

The results of the presidents' joint announcement have already been felt. By November, the once-soaring ivory price in China had halved from its value just 18 months before. Researchers attributed the drop to the government's intent to close down the ivory trade, growing awareness in China about the impacts of buying ivory, and the slowdown of the Chinese economy.

But the battle has not yet been won. Timelines for the bans remain unclear

and poaching carries on. The ECF continues to fund a growing network of partners committed to stopping the crisis from the frontlines of poaching in Africa to the highest corridors of power in China and the United States. Rangers on the ground, aerial surveillance over known poaching grounds, and efforts to disrupt trafficking networks remain crucial, as does continuing work on demand for ivory. The Elephant Crisis Fund is committed to supporting the most urgent and effective projects addressing poaching, trafficking, and demand for ivory until the crisis is over.

An "Ivory Free" ad partially sponsored by the Elephant Crisis Fund features Prince William in the central square of China's Chongqing (urban population 7.5 million). The ads urge people not to buy ivory.



WildAid



Frank af Petersens

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From Students to Scouts Protecting Painted Dogs



Painted Dog Conservation



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Dominic and Survivor (pictured above) went through Painted Dog Conservation's Bush Camp (pictured below) as children, an experience that made them want to save painted dogs. They are now part of the Painted Dog Conservation anti-poaching team.

When Dominic Mathe and Survivor Nyasulu were children growing up in rural villages near Zimbabwe's Hwange National Park, they heard stories of the nearby wildlife from their elders. Tales told were of marauding lions, elephants raiding fields, and wild bushpigs eating maize.

"We lived so close to Hwange, but it was a place that had no relevance to our lives," says Dominic. These perceptions slowly began to change when he and Survivor started school. For the first time, they saw pictures of many of the animals that lived in Hwange. And they remember a man named Jealous Mpofu from Painted Dog Conservation (PDC) coming to their school to teach them about painted dogs. "We had no idea what this animal was," says Survivor, "but Jealous was funny and passionate."

PDC's Iganyana Children's Bush Camp opened in May 2004 and brought more than 800 children from local villages through its doors in the first year to connect with the wildlife that lived around them. Dominic and Survivor attended the four-day camp and, as many others did, had a life-changing experience. A seed had been planted in their hearts. PDC remained an ever-present element in their lives throughout the rest of their schooling through Conservation Clubs, community outreach, and its HIV/AIDS program.

"I wanted to work for PDC," says Dominic. "It was the memories from Bush Camp that are still with me to this day that motivated me the most. After Bush Camp, I loved wildlife and could see its value to my community, so I wanted to help conserve it."

"I saw painted dogs for the first time when I was at the Bush Camp," adds Survivor. "I remember the story of Eyespot that we learned and how poachers killed his father. I wanted to stop poachers killing the dogs."

Survivor and Dominic now work on the PDC Anti-Poaching Unit as scouts. They patrol seven days a week to remove snares set to kill wildlife and often travel more than six miles a day on foot. It can be dangerous work, as scouts sometimes must sit in ambush to wait for a poacher to return to his snares. But Dominic and Survivor are now fulfilling their dream of working to protect the animals that they first learned about so many years ago. Survivor and Dominic are just two examples of the ways in which PDC's Bush Camp can make a lasting impact on the hearts and minds of the children who pass through it each year.

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Our Partner Conservationists' Accomplishments in 2015

Ethiopian Wolf Conservation Program DR. CLAUDIO SILLERO ETHIOPIA

There are now 13 Wolf Ambassadors working across all Ethiopian wolf populations. Selected by their own communities, they reported rabies in dogs living near wolves and illegal encroachment in core wolf habitat, enabling EWCP to quickly involve local governments.



Saiga Conservation Alliance ELENA BYKOVA UZBEKISTAN

To expand its work with young people to protect the saiga antelope, Saiga Conservation Alliance launched its first ever week-long Wildlife Camp for teenagers in Uzbekistan. The camp was a huge success and will be expanded to other saiga range countries in 2016.



Snow Leopard Conservancy DR. RODNEY JACKSON INDIA, MONGOLIA, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, RUSSIA, BHUTAN AND KAZAKHSTAN

Tungalagtuuya Khuukhenduu was named a Disney Conservation Hero for her conservation education work in Mongolia. In partnership with SLC, she produced a set of materials with activities focused on the Altai Mountains, a key snow leopard habitat.



Small Cat Conservation Alliance DR. JAMES SANDERSON WORLDWIDE

The first fishing cat and South Asian wild cat symposiums were held to bring conservationists together to share knowledge and conservation strategies. The fishing cat symposium resulted in the very first Conservation Strategy Plan for the cat.



Proyecto Titi ROSAMIRA GUILLEN COLOMBIA

Executive Director Rosamira Guillen was honored with the prestigious Whitley Award. Prize money will fund the expansion of Proyecto Titi's programs into new regions and reforestation work to increase cotton-top tamarin habitat.



Save the Elephants DR. IAIN DOUGLAS-HAMILTON KENYA, MALI, SOUTH AFRICA, CONGO

By introducing leading political figures from both East and West to elephants at its base in Kenya and through landmark scientific studies on the true scale of the poaching crisis and ivory markets, STE has helped bring the end of the ivory trade closer to reality.



Grevy's Zebra Trust BELINDA MACKEY KENYA AND ETHIOPIA

Grevy's Zebra Trust partnered to build four sand dams along the Laisamis River in northern Kenya, creating reliable and unique water access points for humans, livestock and wildlife—including Grevy's—in a very dry area throughout the year.



Andean Cat Alliance ROCIO PALACIOS ARGENTINA, CHILE, BOLIVIA, PERU

An Andean cat mother and kitten were photographed in the Los Flamencos National Reserve in Chile on camera traps set up by the Andean Cat Alliance team. This is the first time that an Andean cat has been recorded in this region.



Okapi Conservation Project JOHN LUKAS DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

With support from OCP, more than 20,000 illegal gold miners were peacefully removed from the Okapi Wildlife Reserve in 2015, as 51 illegal mines were shut down. This reduces demand for bushmeat in the reserve and creates a safer home for okapis and other wildlife.



Ewaso Lions SHIVANI BHALLA KENYA

Ewaso Lions recorded the births of 10 lion cubs within their focal area in northern Kenya. These include the two cubs of Naramat, who successfully reared her cubs outside the national reserves — a sign that local communities are tolerating the presence of lions.



Cheetah Conservation Fund DR. LAURIE MARKER NAMIBIA

CCF co-authored the first study sequencing the African cheetah's genome, representing a significant advancement in cheetah science. The genome provides information about the cheetah's migration and lack of genetic diversity that can inform conservation efforts.



Cheetah Conservation Botswana REBECCA KLEIN BOTSWANA

Following the tragic shooting of Legolas, the largest cheetah ever collared, CCB was able to bring increased government attention and productive dialogue to cheetah conservation challenges.



Painted Dog Conservation PETER BLINSTON ZIMBABWE

Following reports of a painted dog killed by snaring in early 2015, 50 members of a local community where PDC works took it upon themselves to establish their own anti-poaching unit. To this day, they undertake daily patrols in their area.



Niassa Lion Project DR. COLLEEN & KEITH BEGG MOZAMBIQUE

A new Husky A1 plane supports NLP's radio tracking of lions and allows staff to do regular aerial patrols to support ground anti-poaching teams. It has also allowed NLP to bring in the warden for important community meetings.



A Culture of Coexistence is Created at the Mariri Environmental Centre

Now they can meet at Mariri to share ideas, solutions, and challenges for conservation.

When the team at Niassa Lion Project (NLP) set out three years ago to build the Mariri Environmental Education and Skills Training Centre, all they had was some land, lots of determination, and a vision of a place that would serve as a focal point of conservation for the people of Mozambique's Niassa National Reserve, one of the last large wilderness areas in Africa.

Mariri opened this year with the goals of introducing conservation to the people who live in Niassa, spreading knowledge, and building tolerance. It hosts trainings for local people in critical to day-to-day wildlife conservation activities, and it is the hub for programs that make the benefits of conservation real to local communities.

NLP's work is as much about people as it is about animals, and this has been reflected in the creation of Mariri. Elders, chiefs, and many local members of the Mbamba Village have been involved from the very beginning. They helped choose the site, recommended people to be selected for employment, handed out certificates, and congratulated the community for skills learned during the construction of the center. Mariri was built using local materials with local people, and its construction served as a hands-on skills training course for people with little or no education. NLP provided on-the-job training, and more than 60 local people gained experience in construction with the help of master masons, carpenters, plumbers, thatchers, and roofers.

In August, Mariri hosted its first school group of 15 teenagers, all of whom are Lion Scholars on full scholarships provided by NLP. They came for a bush visit to gain a strong background in conservation, which complements their formal education. 55 additional children from four nearby villages have now come for four-night bush visits, with activities ranging from their very first game drive to lessons about livestock breeding and conservation agriculture programs.

In between school visits, Mariri hosts workshops, meetings, and training programs for adults. The first annual workshop for local wildlife guardians, who represent more than 30 villages across Niassa, was held in 2015. These guardians monitor human-wildlife conflict, fishing activities, and sightings of special species in their villages. Now they can meet at Mariri to share ideas, solutions, and challenges for conservation. Mariri brings them together and makes them a team.

In just a short time, Mariri has already had a large impact on the people and wildlife of Niassa. As it continues to host programs and guests that range from young children to the governor of the local province, the culture of coexistence that it was designed to create is sure to grow.



Niassa Lion Project



Niassa Lion Project



Niassa Lion Project

Top and bottom left: The new Mariri Environmental Education and Skills Training Centre hosts workshops for local people. Bottom right: The Environmental Centre truck goes to villages to fetch children for bush visits and is covered in colorful images of animals.

Saiga in Kenya



Olga Espinova



Julius Lekent

Top: Elena Bykova joins Samburu Warriors for their Ewaso Lions' Sunday school where the warriors learn to read and write in exchange for participating in conservation. Bottom: Elena and Olga with Grevy's Zebra Scouts Ngeeti and Lolmikidi.

Although the dry lands of northern Kenya are thousands of miles from the Eurasian steppe plains of Uzbekistan, wildlife conservationists from the two areas have many things in common. The mother-daughter team of Elena Bykova and Olga Espinova from the Saiga Conservation Alliance traveled to Kenya as part of the WCN Cross-Partner Visit Program this year to exchange knowledge about education, community programs, monitoring, and anti-poaching with three WCN partners located in and around Samburu National Reserve.

During their time with Grevy's Zebra Trust, Olga and Elena were able to see how working closely with a wide range of community members, from elders to women to young people, could succeed. Women from the Grevy's Zebra Scout program explained why they chose to be involved in conservation and the role they play in awareness activities and recruiting. Elena and Olga were able to share their own experiences starting a women's embroidery program to create alternative income streams in Uzbekistan and the education efforts undertaken with tools like a mural, a saiga comic book, and cartoons. At Save the Elephants (STE), they shared learnings about education and made plans to incorporate some of the STE education manual into their own toolkit.

Elena and Olga's visit to Ewaso Lions brought the most immediate outcome of the trip. After attending an Ewaso Lions Kids' Camp, during which local children were exposed to wildlife, Elena and Olga returned to Uzbekistan and organized the very first Saiga Wildlife Camp using ideas and logistics based on the Ewaso Lions experience. The camp was a huge success as children were able to see saiga for the first time, and SCA plans to expand the camp to other saiga range countries in 2016.

The WCN network brings together its partners in experiences like this visit that allow conservationists facing similar challenges to share their knowledge and learn from each other. The visit served as a powerful learning experience for all involved and as a reminder that no matter how far apart in the world wildlife conservationists may be, their worlds are never far apart at all.

Camels for Conservation



Grevy's Zebra Trust

The Samburu warriors who work with Grevy's Zebra Trust were helped by camels while tracking the zebras this year.

In the dry, wild lands of northern Kenya, it's not uncommon to see a camel wander by. This year, Grevy's Zebra Trust (GZT) put two of those camels to work for conservation alongside eight young Samburu warrior men.

Young men of the Samburu tribe of Kenya are known as warriors, and their traditional role is to protect their community while undergoing rites of passage to enter into adulthood. Warriors increasingly play a role in wildlife conservation by working closely with local conservation organizations. The warriors who work with GZT have been trained to collect geo-referenced data on the endangered Grevy's zebra during Samburu's dry season.

In order to find suitable water, the endangered Grevy's zebras travel immense distances to areas with no roads, villages, or airstrips. They graze on remote lava plains during the dry season, and in past years no patrols were

able to follow the zebras to monitor and protect them when they made this journey.

This year, GZT purchased two camels to accompany their warrior teams and carry camp supplies, allowing the warriors to join the Grevy's on their long journey. This allows the warriors to monitor Grevy's zebra and other wildlife like cheetahs and reticulated giraffes in areas that have never before been covered. The warriors collect photographs and important information used to identify species distribution, composition, and health. The warriors recorded more than 600 observations in just six weeks during their first season with the camels.

These photos also show the challenges that the warriors themselves face and provide a snapshot of their work in such remote lands. With the help of camels, the warriors can provide increased security to the zebras in areas with no formal protection.

Expanding Support Beyond our Core Partners



Left to right: Dr. Rachel Graham of MarAlliance; Dr. Pablo García Borboroglu of Global Penguin Society; Jim Thomas of Tenkile Conservation Alliance.

When conservationist Dr. Rachel Graham was invited by WCN to speak at the Wildlife Conservation Expo in 2013, she impressed everyone she met with her work saving sharks and rays in oceans around the world. And although Rachel's relationship with WCN began with Expo, it didn't end at the close of Expo weekend when she returned to her home base in Belize. Since that first visit, she has returned to subsequent Expos as an exhibitor and to attend a WCN workshop about forming a Board of Directors, a task she was in the midst of for her new organization, MarAlliance. WCN has also helped Rachel with grant applications.

WCN provides ongoing support to many conservationists who, like Rachel, are outside of its core network of 14 partners. Often, these conservationists are former Expo guest speakers. In 2015, WCN sent more than \$1 million to 24 conservation organizations beyond its core partners. Species supported with these funds ranged from the tapir of South America to the polar bears of the Arctic.

All of the organizations with whom WCN forms these long-standing relationships undertake groundbreaking conservation work. For example, in 2015, the Global Penguin Society won the designation of a UNESCO biosphere reserve in Patagonia, and Tenkile Conservation Alliance captured a new, unnamed mammal species on a camera trap in Papua New Guinea. WCN is proud to support so many conservation organizations around the world and believes that it is the collective power of these incredible groups that will give wildlife a future.



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Steven and Florence Goldby's Decade with WCN

In more than ten years as WCN supporters, Steven and Florence Goldby have formed strong personal connections with many of the conservationists in the WCN network. "These are relationships built on trust and true connection," Florence explains. "I've become fully involved emotionally, and it has enriched my life to make a connection with these amazing people."

The Goldbys are inspired by the empowered attitude that the conservationists take toward saving animals. "WCN has created a network of conservationists who are doing the hard work of finding practical solutions to managing the inevitable conflict between wildlife and human populations," says Steven. "That pragmatic approach really appeals to me." He and Florence have been able to see this approach firsthand while visiting conservationists in the field.

Getting to know the conservationists has allowed the Goldbys to give back in ways beyond financial support.



Marty Varon

When conservationists face challenges in their work similar to those that Steven has faced in his professional experience, he has provided advice and guidance. He

has helped conservationists through leadership and management issues and played a role in advising Rosamira Guillen of Proyecto Tití when she took on the Colombian government over plans for an airport that would have wiped out the habitat of the cotton-top tamarin monkey.

Because they have been involved with WCN for so long, Steven and Florence have been able to watch projects grow. "We've seen how WCN has mentored the conservationists, and how they have matured as they've followed the WCN model." He points to Grevy's Zebra Trust as an example. The Goldbys visited GZT when it was just starting and has watched it develop into a fully built-out project.

They are reenergized each year by meeting new conservationists who come into the WCN network as guest speakers at the Wildlife Conservation Expo. And for both Florence and Steven, everything comes back to the relationships they keep over time. Steven says, "It's the personal relationships over time with the conservationists that have kept us connected with WCN and its mission."

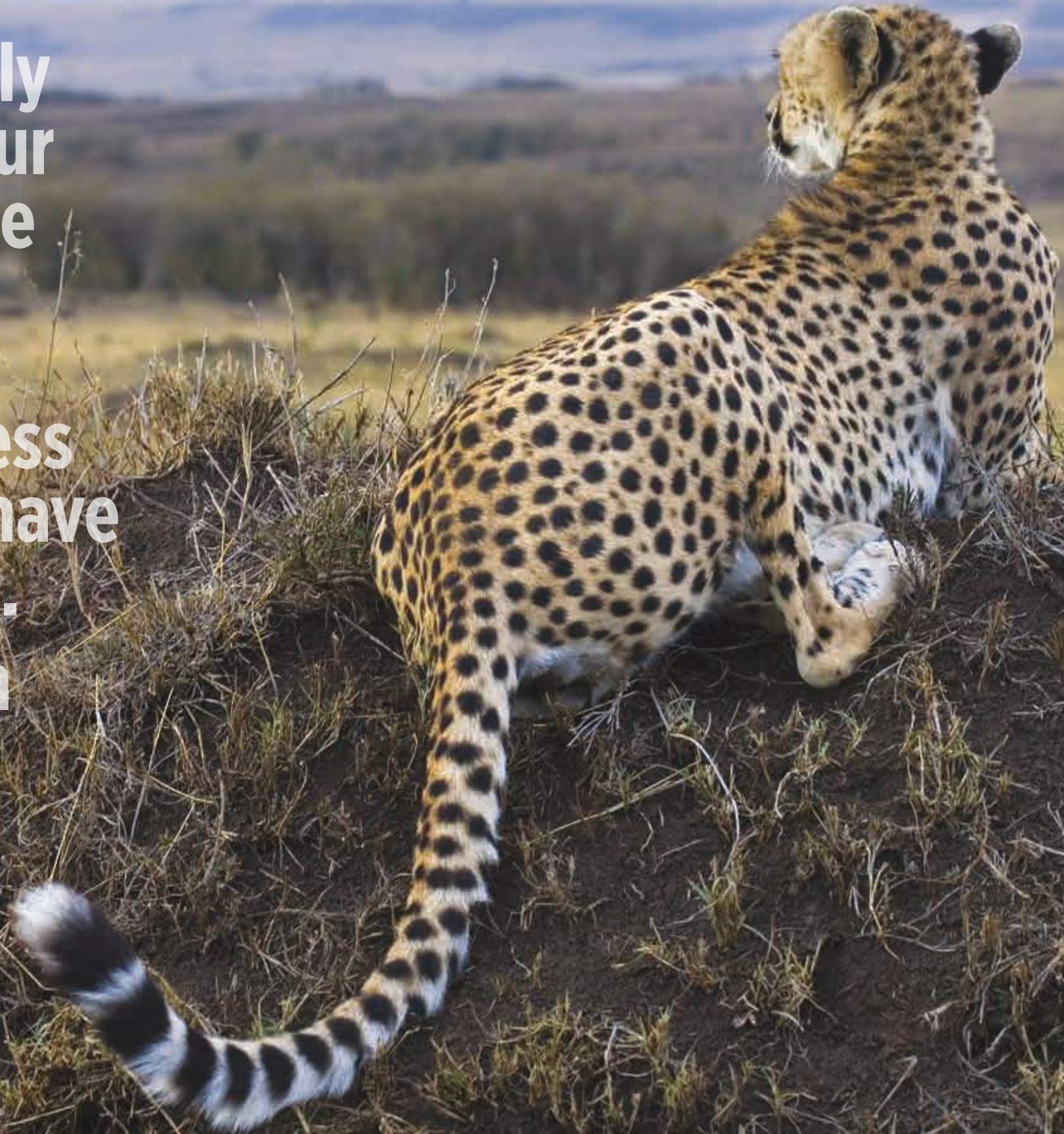


Marty Varon

Top: Hosting an event for Niassa Lion Project at their home. Bottom: Adding wildlife art to their collection is another way the Goldbys support conservation around the world.

**The more clearly
we can focus our
attention on the
wonders and
realities of the
universe, the less
taste we shall have
for destruction.**

- Rachel Carson



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Financial Statement

Statement of Revenue and Expenses

CALENDAR YEAR ENDING 2015

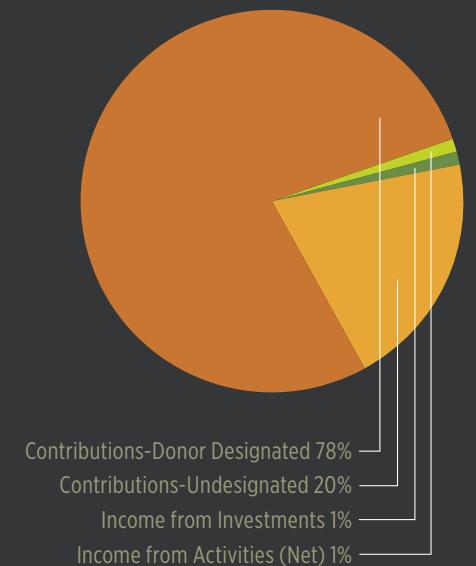
REVENUE

Contributions – Donor Designated	\$9,616,616
Contributions – Undesignated	\$2,477,334
Income from Activities (Net)	\$139,987
Income from Investments	\$152,341
Total Revenue	\$12,386,278

EXPENSES

Program Grants and Services	\$9,904,795
Management and General	\$612,366
Fundraising	\$126,421
Total Expenses	\$10,643,582
Change In Net Assets	\$1,742,696

2015 TOTAL REVENUE



Statement of Financial Position

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

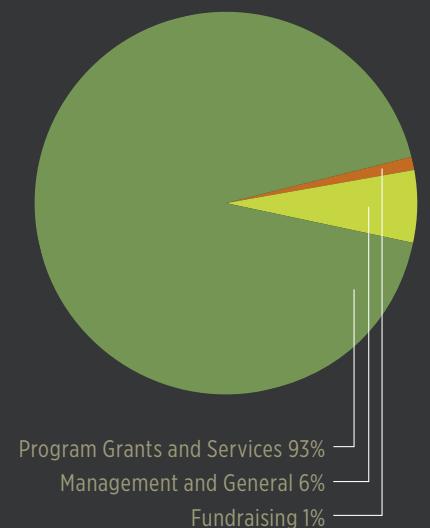
ASSETS

Unrestricted Cash and Equivalents	\$1,386,687
Restricted Cash and Equivalents	\$4,890,343
Grants and Pledges Receivable	\$1,687,977
Scholarship Fund	\$1,622,015
Mary S Boardman Fund	\$2,576,000
Property and Equipment (Net)	\$65,097
Total Assets	\$12,228,119

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$1,353,965
Beginning Assets	\$9,131,458
Change in Net Assets	\$1,742,696
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$12,228,119

2015 TOTAL EXPENSES



WCN continued to receive Charity Navigator's highest-possible 4-star rating in 2015. Charity Navigator is America's leading independent charity evaluator, and rates over 5,000 charities on their Financial Health and Accountability & Transparency.

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