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CLEVELAND METROPARKS

2025 Zoo Conservation Fund Disbursement



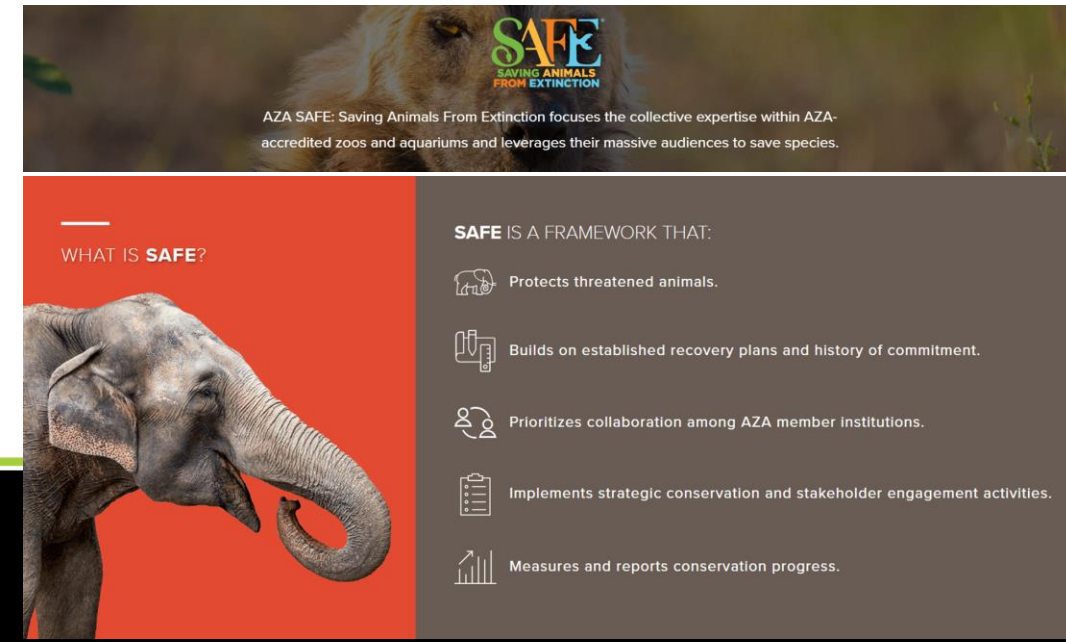
Institutional Conservation Strategy

- **Conserve** land, wildlife and water to protect the beauty, ecological function and resilience of our region and the world
 - Protect Wildlife
 - Build Conservation Capacity
 - Promote Conservation Science
- Funding Sources
 - Cleveland Zoological Society
 - Cleveland Metroparks Restricted Accounts



Funding Sources

- Cleveland Zoological Society
 - 10% of membership sales
 - Philanthropy/Investments
- Cleveland Metroparks
 - Future for Wildlife (FFW) Make a Difference Fund
 - Andean Bear Conservation Fund
 - Future for Wildlife (FFW) Fund
 - Aramark Conservation Fund
- AZA SAFE Funds



Andean Bear (\$195,902)

- Andean Bear Conservation Alliance
 - ABCA Program Coordinator – Dr. Robert Marquez
 - Field Specialist – Andres Melchor
 - ABCA Senior Advisor – Isaac Goldstein
 - Technicians – Yadi Toro and Guillermo Bianchi
 - ABCA Manager – Kym Gopp
- 37 protected areas in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia & Venezuela
- Training and analysis workshops
- Over 200 participants in Andean Bear Occupancy Monitoring courses



Asian Turtle (\$116,647)

- Asian Turtle Program created by the Zoo in 2003
- Nguyen Thu Thuy
 - professional development at multiple zoos in US
 - Medical supplies sent to Vietnam
- Turtle Conservation Center, Cuc Phuong NP
 - Swinhoe's softshell turtle (*Rafetus swinhoei*)
- Turtle confiscation consultation



Gorilla (\$134,782)

- Dr. Kristen Lukas
 - Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund Board
 - Strengths Training – 15 Fossey Fund staff
 - 100 total staff trained
- 10 Memoirs students, 4 internships
- Grauers gorilla protection



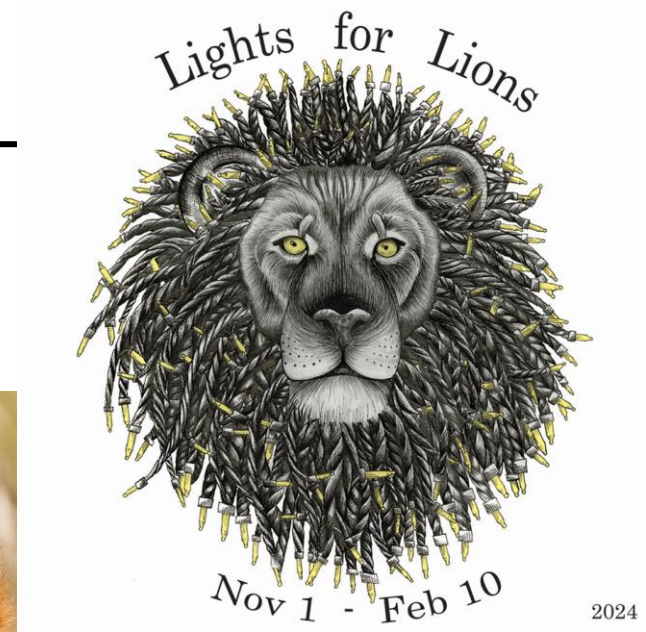
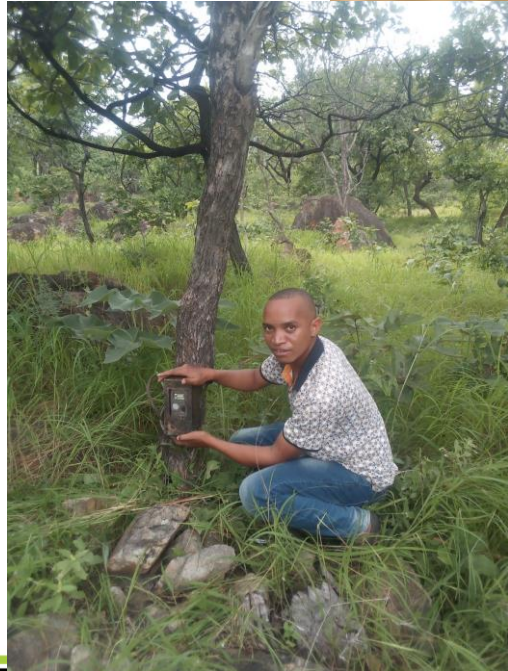
Giraffe (\$26,706)

- Core support of Giraffe Conservation Foundation



Lion & Cheetah (\$122,045)

- Largest camera trapping project in eastern Selous Game Reserve
 - 2,500 square kilometers
- 5 new wildlife clubs
 - 350 students



Illegal Wildlife Trade (\$147,979)

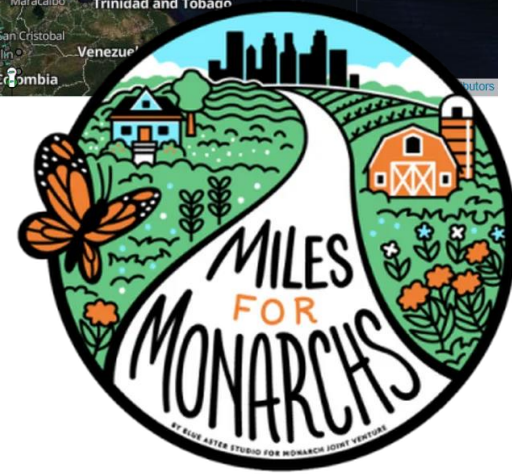
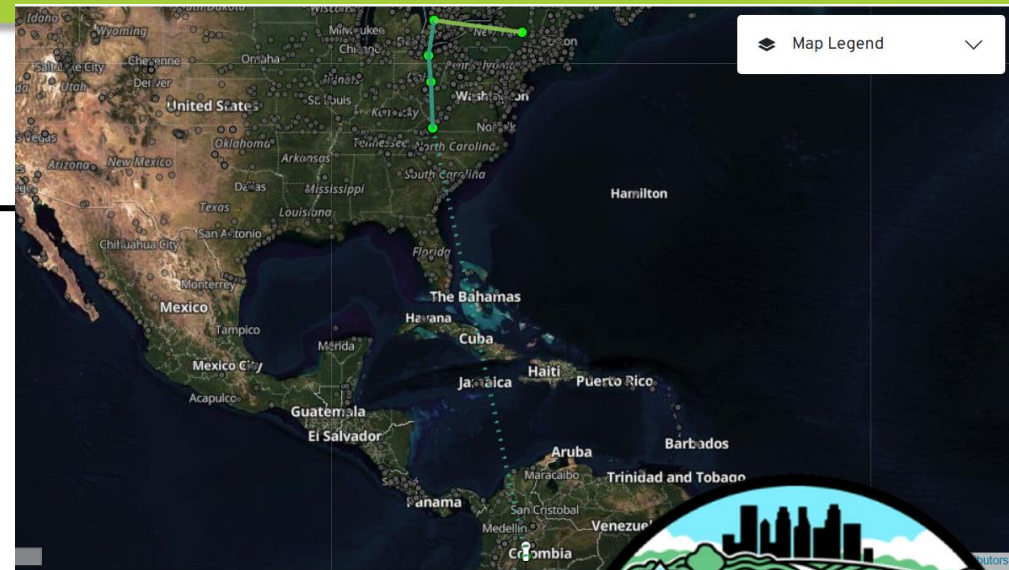
- AZA Wildlife Trafficking Alliance
- Tiger Conservation Campaign in the Russian far east
- African Wildlife Foundation – Wildlife Justice
 - Supporting 5400 participants in 18 countries
 - Wildlife sniffing dogs – 90% accuracy rate

ASSOCIATION
OF ZOOS &
AQUARIUMS



America's Program (\$50,435)

- American Buffalo Conservation
- Puerto Rican Crested Toad
- Trumpeter Swan
- Monarch SAFE
- North American Turtle SAFE
- North American Songbird SAFE



Conservation Collaborations (\$87,500)

- HUTAN Kinabatangan Orangutan Conservation Project
- African People and Environment

