

Feline Conservation Federation (FCF) Wild Feline Conservation Fund Application

This Conservation Funding Application provides Researchers and Project Facilitators with the opportunity to request funding for in-situ or ex-situ conservation research projects that will benefit felid species, their long term survival, or their habitat. Proposals should initially be in the amount of up to Two thousand dollars per year. Acceptance of the proposal for funding is dependent upon the review and acceptance of the FCF board of directors based on cost effectiveness, cost sharing, and ability to achieve objectives

Guidelines

- ✍ Conservation effort should have one or more components of habitat/species preservation and/or protection, ecosystem or species research, or environmental education/awareness. The project should relate to wild felines and effectively strengthen the mission of FCF.
- ✍ A FCF board member should serve as the liaison for the project by maintaining correspondence with the principal investigator or other appropriate person(s).
- ✍ With long-term projects such as park/preserve management, research, or education outreach, a specific aspect that needs funding should be identified.
- ✍ Projects may be local, national or international in scope and location.
- ✍ The funded portion of the project should be completed within 1 year of receiving funds. However, no-cost extensions will be considered under reasonable circumstances. Projects that continue for several years may receive funding for additional years, but a new proposal will be required each year.
- ✍ FCF must be acknowledged in any publications or presentations that result from the project. The FCF also reserves the right to publicize the financial support of recipients and their projects in FCF publications and in the media.
- ✍ Funding submissions will be reviewed at quarterly intervals throughout the year, during regular quarterly FCF board meetings. Completed applications must contain the application form, itemized budget, curriculum vitae for the principle investigator, and letters of support.
- ✍ Submissions should be sent to FCF Secretary.
- ✍ Recipients of FCF dollars are requested to submit a final report or a year-end report in the case of long-term projects.
- ✍ The FCF should be provided with copies of any publications on the project upon request.
- ✍ At least one article of 500 words or more about the project should be provided by the principal investigator or other appropriate person for publication in the FCF membership magazine. Updates about the project through the year for the magazine are appreciated in order to keep the membership aware of the project and it's progress.

Failure of recipients to meet any requirements of the FCF Conservation Fund process will not be eligible for future funding. Recipients of the FCF Conservation Fund are only eligible for one grant per year. Being awarded funds does not guarantee funds will be awarded in future years. New applications must be submitted each year.

Evaluation

The proposals will be evaluated by each FCF board member by assigning a value from 1-5 for the following: Species focus relevant to FCF interests, Endangered/importance of species, Conservation value, Significance to FCF membership, Quality of proposal, Effectiveness of the money, Feasibility, Appropriateness of budget. There is also a "pass/fail" category for the approval of the organization with which we will be collaborating. The proposals with the highest mean scores and unanimous "pass" ratings will receive funding. Number of proposals funded and level of funding will depend on the number/quality of proposals submitted and may vary from year to year.

Instructions for filling out funding request form.

1. Complete a title page
2. Project Description
 - ?? Summary – In approximately 500 words provide a brief overview of the proposal.
 - ?? Introduction / Background – Provide relevant information relating to the project such as natural history of the species/region, historical data trends, and/or cultural relevance, citing specific sources to provide a framework for the review committee.
 - ?? Objectives – Describe the purpose of the project and clearly state the goals that the project is seeking to achieve.
 - ?? Methodology – When applicable answer the following questions. How will the project be conducted? What research methods will be used? What equipment will be required? How many staff and how much staff time is needed? How will the data be analyzed? Will the local people be involved?
 - ?? Anticipated Results – What do you predict or expect to find or achieve during the course of the study, relating the anticipated outcomes back to the objectives?
 - ?? Evaluation – Will an evaluation of the project be done? If so, who will do the evaluation? How will the data be analyzed? How will the progress of the project be determined?
 - ?? Timeline – Using the calendar year, outline the steps to be taken for the completion of the project.
 - ?? Rationale – What are the ecological, cultural, social, and/or economic significances of this project?
3. Budget – narrative and itemized
4. Supporting Materials
 - Curriculum vitae
 - Letters of Support – AZA committees, governmental, non-governmental organizations

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Applicant Name(s):

Address:

Phone :

Fax :

E-mail:

Title of Project:

Species Involved:

Geographic Location:

Principle Investigator:

Address/ph./fax/email:

Field contact name(s):

Address/ph./fax/email:

Affiliations:

Project Start Date:

End Date:

Project Description:

Summary:

Introduction / Background:

Objectives:

Methodology:

Anticipated Results:

Evaluation:

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Timeline:

Rationale: Ecological significance:

Cultural significance:

Economic significance:

Budget (narrative), itemized budget should be attached:

Itemized Budget:

Amount being requested:

Plans to publish? If yes, with whom and when:

If accepted, who should receive funding and where should the funding be sent: (name and address)

If funding should be wired, what bank and account should it be wired to?

Other sources of financial or in-kind support. Name/Address/ Contact Person/ phone/email:

Supporting Materials: Please include with submission CV of Principle Investigator and letters of support

CV of Principle Investigator

