



# 2024 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
  - Zoo Gift Concession Conservation Fund
- AZA SAFE Funds



# Asian Turtle (\$96,695)

- Asian Turtle Program created by the Zoo in 2003
- Turtle Conservation Center, Cuc Phuong NP
  - Swinhoe's softshell turtle (*Rafetus swinhoei*)
- Turtle confiscation consultation
  - 600 turtles in Phong Dien
  - Confiscation center in South Korea
- Turtle Survival Alliance



# Illegal Wildlife Trade (\$129,048)

- AZA Wildlife Trafficking Alliance
- Tiger Conservation Campaign in the Russian far east
- Education for Nature Vietnam
- African Wildlife Foundation – Wildlife Justice

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AQUARIUMS



Wildlife Trafficking  
Alliance



# Giraffe (\$90,572)

- Ruma National Park
- Twiga Wetu Initiative
- 16 African wildlife vets
- 30 Namibian CPD units



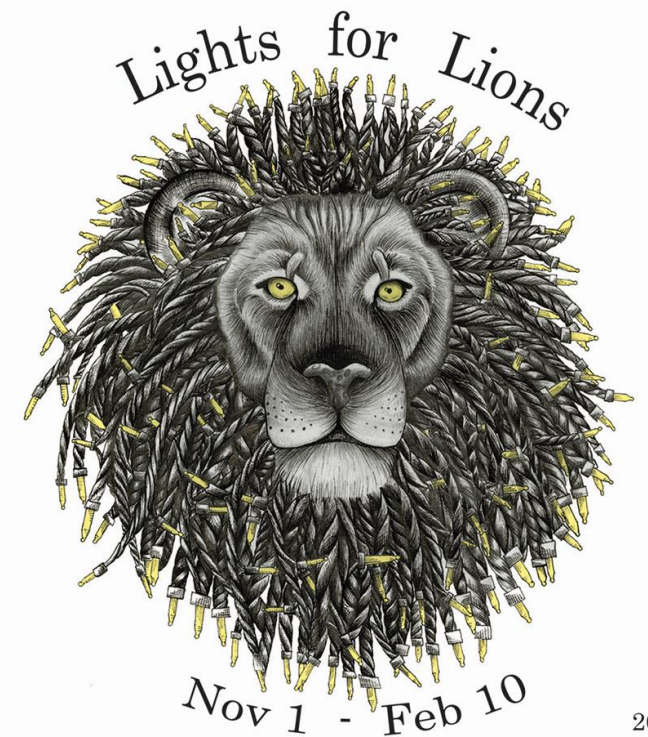
# Andean Bear (\$210,362)

- Andean Bear Conservation Alliance
  - ABCA Program Coordinator – Dr. Robert Marquez
  - Field Specialist – Andres Melchor
  - ABCA Senior Advisor – Isaac Goldstein
  - ABCA Manager – Kym Gopp
- 37 protected areas in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia & Venezuela
- 5 Training and analysis workshops
- 100's of participants in Andean Bear Occupancy Monitoring courses



# Lion & Cheetah (\$107,146)

- Lion Landscapes
- Collaring
- Porridge to 1000 kids
- Attacks down 60%
- Kills down 80%





# Gorilla (\$196,187)

- Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund Board
- Marie Fidele Tuyisenge
- 10 Memoirs students, 4 internships
- Grauer's Gorilla protection in DRC

**13% increase in  
Mountain Gorillas in  
5 years!**



# Conservation Collaborations (\$94,262)

- Trumpeter Swans
- Puerto Rican Crested Toads
- Mini Forest Project
- HUTAN Kinabatangan Orangutan Conservation Project



