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A Townsend's big-eared bat hibernates inside a lava tube decorated with ice formations. This photograph was taken during a winter survey conducted to assess bat populations in Washington state, as part of our Diversity Grant from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.
Photo: Josh Hydeman

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NAVIGATING CHANGE. LEADING WITH PURPOSE.

2025 Fiscal Year Annual Report

July 1, 2024–June 30, 2025

Photo: Javier Folgar



Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) has been a year of both progress and change. After eight years of visionary leadership as Executive Director of Bat Conservation International (BCI), Mike Daulton stepped down, and I took on the role of Interim Chief Executive Officer.* During his tenure, Mike led a historic expansion for BCI, increasing our reach and establishing a roadmap for some of the most significant and impactful bat conservation efforts in the world. His impact was defining.

Now, as we transition into BCI's next phase of growth, we can look back with pride and satisfaction on FY25, the gains we made, and our ongoing commitment to protecting and saving the world's bats.

Whether domestically or on the international stage, our leadership in FY25 was prominent and noteworthy. Some examples include the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service awarding our Agave Restoration Initiative team with the Recovery Champions Award for leadership in the recovery of the Endangered Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*). Similarly,

BCI's continued work in Colombia resulted in the first habitat bank for bat conservation in Latin America while we also protected and strengthened conservation of 10 priority bat roosts in Mexico.

BCI's Chief Scientist, Winifred Frick, Ph.D., chaired a Bat Mitigation Working Group for the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species' Energy Task Force, while BCI also hosted a bat conservation event at the United Nations Biodiversity Conference of the Parties (COP16) in Colombia. Our accomplished team of scientists also produced 21 scientific publications and launched 11 new BCI-led research projects.

Our focus on providing educational support across a broad spectrum of students and scholars continued, culminating in our Student Scholars Program funding 417 scholars' bat research in 80 countries since its launch. FY25 brought three new countries into our scholar community, including Benin, Burkina Faso, and Kosovo.

Finally, partnering with The LEGO Group and Discovery Education, we designed, developed, and distributed the "Night Navigators: Build for Bats" Virtual Field Trip, which has reached approximately 830,000 students to date.

These are just a few of our FY25 accomplishments, so please read on to learn more.

As is often said, "The only thing that is constant is change." I'd suggest that there's another constant: BCI's unwavering commitment to conservation and our mission to save the world's 1,500+ bat species and their ecosystems, helping ensure a healthy planet. Thank you for your partnership as we do so.

—Eileen Arbues

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SAVING ENDANGERED CAVE BATS AROUND THE GLOBE

Shimoni Slave Caves
in Shimoni, Kenya.
Photo: Kathryn Slater

Protecting Bat Caves in Kenya

Two cave systems in Kenya are home to 70% of the known population of Endangered Hildegard's tomb bats (*Taphozous hildegardeae*). These bats are threatened by deforestation and urban development along Kenya's coastline.

When we learned the land around Kaboga Cave was about to be sold to developers, BCI actively worked to purchase the land for long-term conservation. Kenyan partner Angaza Vijiji now manages the site, and we have constructed a perimeter wall to prevent disturbance of the bats, as well as conducted an ecological survey and begun initial site maintenance. We are working with partners to conduct workshops and outreach with local communities to determine how to use the land effectively to benefit the bats and residents.

At the Three Sisters Caves in Fikirini, we developed the initial infrastructure to accelerate forest restoration activities and have conducted five training workshops with the local community.

We partnered with the German Society for International Cooperation and hired a consultant to study the potential for ecotourism in the region, working toward a regional conservation action plan.



Isabella Mandl, Ph.D., Kathryn Slater, and Jon Flanders, Ph.D., in one of the Three Sisters Caves in Fikirini, Kenya.
Photo: Horizonline Pictures



An Egyptian fruit bat (*Rousettus aegyptiacus*) in Kenya.
Photo: Horizonline Pictures

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Educating and Empowering People in Jamaica

Our work in Jamaica focuses on saving two Critically Endangered bat species from extinction: the Jamaican flower bat (*Phyllonycteris aphylla*) and Jamaican greater funnel-eared bat (*Natalus jamaicensis*). Breeding populations of these bats are only known to persist in two hot caves: Stony Hill Cave and St. Clair Cave. We are working with and empowering local communities on long-term solutions to protect the bats and their habitat.

Our FY25 accomplishments included:

- Completing the installation of predator-proof fences at both caves.
- Launching Jamaica's first bat-focused museum exhibit, "Guardians of the Night," at the Natural History Museum of Jamaica.

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Endangered Species Interventions Director Jon Flanders, Ph.D., (second from right) with the National Environment and Planning Agency team at St. Clair Cave in Jamaica.
Photo: Horizonline Pictures

JAMAICA

FIJI



BCI staff being welcomed to Nakanacagi with a traditional kava ceremony. Photo: Horizonline Pictures

Creating a Sanctuary in Fiji

Fiji's Nakanacagi Cave is the world's only known maternity roost for the Fijian free-tailed bat (*Mops bregullae*). Working with Nakanacagi community members and other partners, we created Fiji's first bat-focused conservation area, the Nakanacagi Bat Sanctuary. The site's conservation management plan was created in late 2024 and presented to the Fijian government.



BCI and Fijian partners present the Nakanacagi Bat Sanctuary Management Plan to Fiji's Permanent Secretary for Environment and Climate Change. Photo: Horizonline Pictures

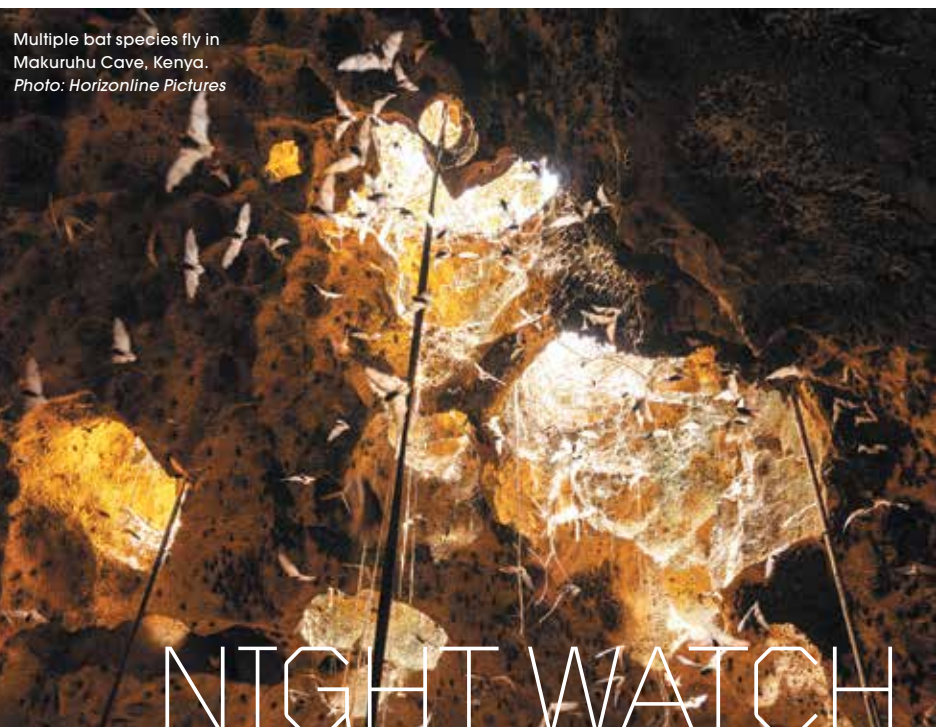


Karin Akre, Ph.D., helping with forest restoration efforts in Fiji. Photo: Horizonline Pictures

Night Watch: A Worldwide Mission

To share stories of our conservation work around the globe, we launched a video campaign called "Night Watch: A Worldwide Mission," which spotlights our Endangered Species Intervention work through visual storytelling. The campaign focuses on cave conservation in Jamaica, Fiji, and Kenya, bringing to life our collaborations with local communities to protect some of the world's most imperiled bats.

To date, there have been **1.8** million views for "Night Watch: A Worldwide Mission."



Multiple bat species fly in Makuru Cave, Kenya. Photo: Horizonline Pictures

NIGHT WATCH

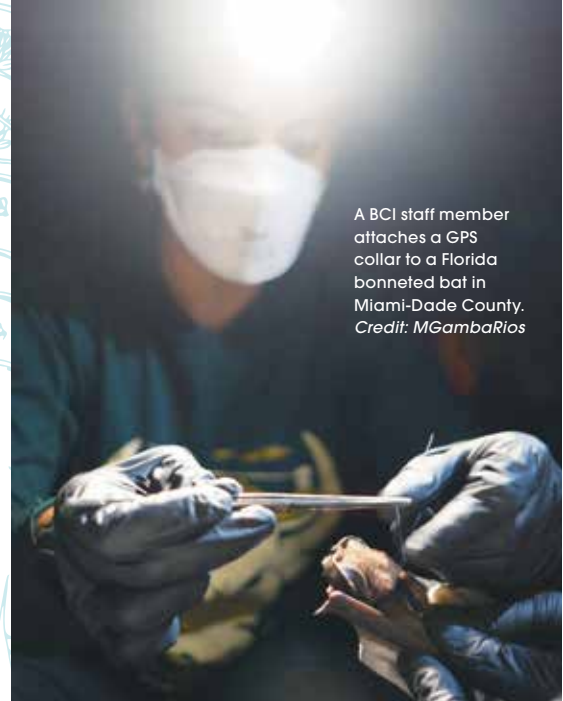
Protecting the Florida Bonneted Bat

We conducted the first GPS study of the Endangered Florida bonneted bat (*Eumops floridanus*) in an urban environment, gathering crucial information on its movement ecology, including flight corridors and foraging sites. This critical data supports our ongoing conservation strategy in Miami-Dade County and beyond. BCI is working as part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service core team of experts for the species status assessment and recovery plan.

FY25 by the numbers:

40 Florida bonneted bats tagged with GPS trackers.

10 additional artificial roosts installed (in addition to replacing deteriorating roosts from 2018 with a new and improved design).



A BCI staff member attaches a GPS collar to a Florida bonneted bat in Miami-Dade County.
Credit: MGambaRios

Protecting Mexican Caves

We protected and strengthened conservation in 10 priority bat roosts in Mexico through their certification as Sites of Importance for Conservation of Bats (SICOMs) by the Latin America and Caribbean Network for Bat Conservation (RELCOM).

Through strategic alliances with an extensive network of local collaborators, from community landowners to academia and conservation organizations in eight Mexican states, we will protect:

27

bat species

10

million bats

10

caves

The Santa Eulalia caverns in Mexico receive certification as a SICOM.
Photo: Omar Medrano



Mexican long-nosed bat drinks from an agave.
Photo: Horizonline Pictures

Global Media Attention for BCI Discovery in Arizona

When BCI and partners discovered Endangered Mexican long-nosed bats (*Leptonycteris nivalis*) in Arizona, expanding the known range for the species, media around the world took notice. The discovery was covered by dozens of media outlets and put the spotlight on the significance of our conservation work.

Establishing New Bat Conservation Projects in Peru

We worked with our partner Sallqa Peru to develop and test two artificial roosts for the Endangered smoky bat (*Amorphochilus schnablii*). The successful use of the artificial roost by the smoky bat provides us with a conservation tool to support the recovery of the species.

Additionally, in collaboration with Yunkawasi, a partner in Peru, we created and launched a bat curriculum that has been used throughout the country, reaching more than 200,000 people in its first year alone.

Protecting Cave Roosting Bats in Brazil

We have established ourselves as a key partner for the National Center for Research and Conservation of Caves (ICMBio/CECAV), being actively involved in four of six actions focused on bats from the National Action Plan for Cave Conservation (PAN Cavernas), and with two BCI staff members participating in the annual follow-up workshop.

Through our cave assessments in the Cerrado biome, 49 caves were evaluated, with two identified as hot caves, marking the first records of this rare ecosystem for the biome. Additionally, we found that vampire bat control methods in Brazil pose a significant threat to all cave-dwelling bats. We are now developing a vampire bat initiative to minimize their impacts.



Brazilian funnel-eared bat (*Natalus macrourus*) and Wagner's mustached bat (*Pteronotus rubiginosus*) were recorded in one of the first hot caves identified in the Cerrado biome. Photo: Jennifer Barros, Ph.D.

La Ruta de las Alas launch event in Bogota, Colombia.
Photo: MGambaRios



Protecting Habitat for the Endangered Colombian Antioquian Sac-winged Bat

To provide a long-term conservation action that ensures the protection of the habitat for the Endangered Antioquian sac-winged bat (*Saccopterix antioquiensis*) in Colombia, La Ruta de las Alas (The Route of the Wings)—a collaborative effort of BCI and multiple partners in Colombia—created the first habitat bank for bat conservation in Latin America: “Ika Refuge: The Guardian of the Karst Corridor of Eastern Antioquia.”

We held a successful Ika Refuge launch event in Bogota with participants from the government, NGOs, academic institutions, and the private sector. Our partners from La Ruta de las Alas participated in more than a dozen national and international events to share the initiative's success.

Ika Refuge will protect hundreds of species, including:

- 80+ bat species
- 139 bird species (including four endemics)
- 220 plant species
- 45+ mammal species

“The collaboration with BCI has been fundamental to strengthening bat and biodiversity conservation in Colombia.”

—Diana Cardona, Executive Director, Cuántico – Global Eco Services

Protecting Straw-Colored Fruit Bats in Guinea

When nearly 500,000 straw-colored fruit bats (*Eidolon helvum*) suddenly appeared in a park in a town in southeastern Guinea in March 2025, residents and local authorities considered expelling the colony. Recognizing that such large aggregations have not been recorded from West Africa in the last 15 years, BCI teamed up with local partner Guinée Ecologie to arrange a workshop for more than 30 local stakeholders to work through residents' concerns and identify amicable solutions. We worked online with stakeholders to reassure them of the benefits of a peaceful co-existence, and we predicted the bats would soon move on their annual migration, which they did. We are now working toward the continued support of community leaders and authorities for the protection of this important roost site for straw-colored fruit bats, assuming their return.



Straw-colored fruit bat (*Eidolon helvum*).
Photo: Natalie Weber



Livingstone's fruit bat (*Pteropus livingstonii*) in the Comoros.
Photo: Isabella Mandl, Ph.D.

Livingstone's Fruit Bat Downlisted from Critically Endangered to Endangered

In the Union of the Comoros, populations of Livingstone's fruit bat (*Pteropus livingstonii*) have stabilized enough to downlist the species from Critically Endangered to Endangered. BCI has worked with NGO Dahari to study the bats using GPS trackers since 2021. This collaboration has enabled Dahari to better monitor and protect the species.

"We have enjoyed a fruitful collaboration with BCI over the past five years. The collaboration has delivered data leading to the downgrading of the Livingstone's fruit bat to Endangered on the IUCN's Red List, identified new roost sites and key feeding areas, and provided funding to support the development of our conservation program, signing agreements with landowners to put these priority areas into conservation. We view this as a very successful example of an NGO with a global reach empowering local conservation efforts."

—Hugh Doulton, Co-Director of NGO Dahari

Surveying the Pemba Flying Fox

Following concerns about a decline in population, we facilitated a social and ecological survey on Pemba Island to determine the status of the Pemba flying fox (*Pteropus voeltzkowi*) in Tanzania. Working with partners, we found a large bat population, and local residents have an interest in renewing bat awareness campaigns.

Working Towards a Sustainable Guano Harvest in Mozambique

Teaming up with Gorongosa National Park and GuanoMoz, we are learning more about sustainable guano harvesting in Mozambique. We collaborated with local partners to develop extraction guidelines and a training handbook to provide a framework for sustainable harvesting in the region. We also worked together to collect data on cave health and evaluate the impacts of extracting guano from caves for adaptive management.

Acoustic Bat Monitoring Expands in Rwanda

After our successful rediscovery of Hill's horseshoe bat (*Rhinolophus hilli*) in Nyungwe National Park in 2019, we were invited to expand our acoustic monitoring work to Gishwati-Mukura National Park to look for other rare bats. Our local partner, Rwanda Wildlife Conservation Association, led training workshops for Gishwati staff, who now incorporate acoustic bat detectors as part of their daily routines. This is a significant milestone since Gishwati is the last known Rwandan location for the Endangered Ruwenzori horseshoe bat (*Rhinolophus ruwenzorii*), which hasn't been recorded in the country for decades.

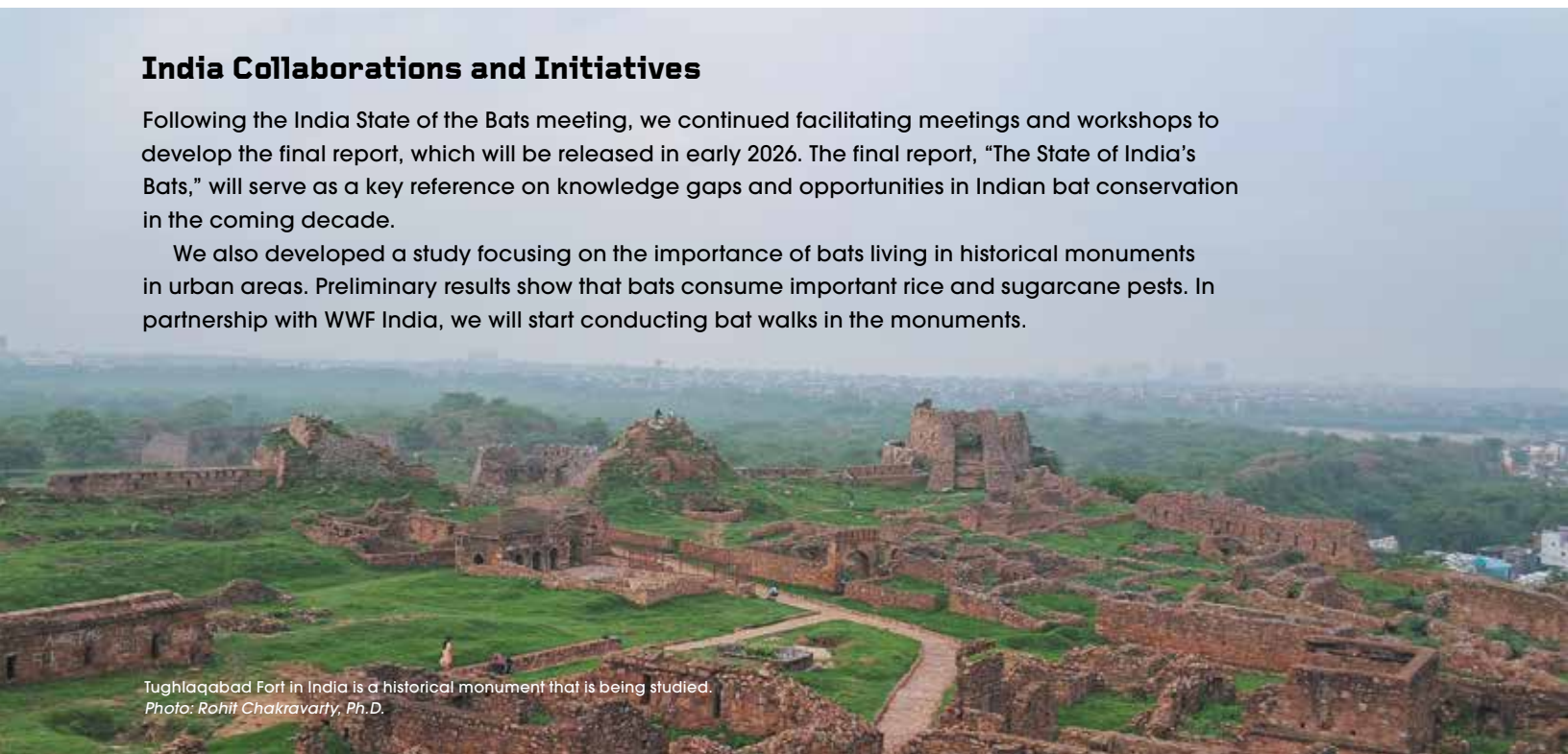


A Hill's horseshoe bat (*Rhinolophus hilli*) in Rwanda. Photo: Jon Flanders, Ph.D.

India Collaborations and Initiatives

Following the India State of the Bats meeting, we continued facilitating meetings and workshops to develop the final report, which will be released in early 2026. The final report, "The State of India's Bats," will serve as a key reference on knowledge gaps and opportunities in Indian bat conservation in the coming decade.

We also developed a study focusing on the importance of bats living in historical monuments in urban areas. Preliminary results show that bats consume important rice and sugarcane pests. In partnership with WWF India, we will start conducting bat walks in the monuments.



Tughlaqabad Fort in India is a historical monument that is being studied. Photo: Rohit Chakravarty, Ph.D.

RESTORING WESTERN LANDS FOR BATS

In 2025, BCI's Habitat Protection & Restoration Program restored Bluebell Spring, a rare Sonoran desert oasis whose palm trees are used for roosting by the yellow bat (*Lasiurus xanthinus*), an Arizona Species of Greatest Conservation Need, and whose restored pools are a critical drinking resource for another 14 bat species.

Photo: Dan Taylor

BCI and partners completed planning and essential project development in **24 watersheds** impacted by New Mexico's second largest wildfire in the Gila National Forest.

After fires ravaged New Mexico's landscapes several years ago and burned vast swaths of national forest land, BCI started working with federal agencies and other partners to restore affected areas, including watersheds. These large landscape-scale projects are vital since they protect migratory corridors that benefit bats.



During FY25, we:

- Entered a five-year, \$6 million mutually beneficial agreement with the Santa Fe National Forest to assist with post-fire restoration efforts after New Mexico's largest wildfire.
- Completed watershed planning and essential project development in 24 watersheds impacted by New Mexico's second largest wildfire in the Gila National Forest. Projects identified include protecting several bat-occupied caves, and stream and wetland restoration covering nearly 170 linear miles.



BCI staff work to clear the spring box of a spring impacted by the Hermit Peak and Calf Creek Fires in the Santa Fe National Forest.
Photo: John Moeny



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Recovery Champions Award

One of our greatest honors in FY25 was receiving the Recovery Champions Award from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. BCI's Agave Restoration Initiative team was recognized as a Recovery Champion for leadership in the recovery of the Endangered Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*).

The work leading up to this award involved:

100+
partners

12
U.S. and Mexican states

1 million+
native agave seeds collected

182,000

agaves planted in the U.S.
and Mexico

5,000+

hectares of land protected
or restored

26

native plant nurseries supported

270

community members trained
in restoration, sustainable
agricultural techniques, and
ecological monitoring

A Mexican long-nosed bat in flight.
Photo: J. Scott Allenbach



Blooming agaves in Coahuila, Mexico.
Photo: Kristen Lear, Ph.D.

Protecting Bats' Nectar Corridors in the U.S. and Mexico

Work in Mexico

- In collaboration with the National Commission for Protected Areas (CONANP), we launched a regional bat monitoring program for northeast Mexico, including a training and capacity-building workshop for Northeast Mexico Protected Areas, as well as coordinated monitoring efforts. This effort involved 31 participants from 10 federal Protected Areas from five states and representatives of Secretaría de Medio Ambiente-Coahuila (SMA). Together, they protect almost 3 million hectares.
- The Northeast Mexico Agave Restoration Network held its third meeting in Monterrey, Mexico, with 58 key collaborators from 27 different partner organizations in attendance. The main win was the signing of a Letter of Intention to formalize the Northeast Mexico Agave Restoration Network as a collaborative network to continue advancing restoration, conservation, and management of bats and critical habitats.
- The annual Bat Fest Monterrey served as a platform for raising public awareness about the importance of bats and their conservation. Local education partner Battus hosted the event, which brought 25 organizations and 355 participants.
- We hosted two Exchanges of Experience with 30 participants to foster peer-to-peer learning on sustainable business development, restoration, and bat and agave monitoring. This included an Exchange of Experience for four women's groups, involving 20 women developing sustainable green business enterprises.
- We held nine training workshops to enhance local capacity for restoration, sustainable land management, sustainable green businesses, and bat and agave monitoring. These benefited 431 people.
- We continued to support 10 green community businesses in Mexico that sustain natural resources and agave habitat for bats, benefiting 245 local people.

During a training and capacity-building workshop with partners from the Northeast Mexico Agave Restoration Network, a crew mounts a camera trap close to agave flowers to record bat visitations.
Photo: Isai Dominguez



“Our BCI partners encourage us to continue protecting all bat species through environmental education and engaging residents of rural communities. This has opened the door to other conservation projects that benefit the local and regional communities.”

—Jose (Pepe) Antonio Davila Paulin, Director of Cuenca Don Martin-CONANP (National Commission for Protected Areas)



eDNA sampling in New Mexico.
Photo: Janette Perez-Jimenez

BCI Discovers Expanded Range for Mexican Long-Nosed Bats Using eDNA

We detected the first known records of Endangered Mexican long-nosed bats (*Leptonycteris nivalis*) in the state of Arizona, as well as near Silver City/Gila, New Mexico, 100 miles north of the nearest known roost and the most northerly detection of the species to date. We worked with our network of community scientists to collect environmental DNA (eDNA) samples from hummingbird feeders, and BCI staff collected samples from blooming agaves. The data will be used to update species range maps with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Additionally, BCI is working with federal partners to provide recommendations for energy development projects based on these findings.

Work in the Southwest U.S.

- We launched a pilot project integrating agave restoration into livestock management in the Southwest U.S.
- We established new partnership with the San Carlos Apache Tribe in Arizona to restore agaves on Tribal lands for bat conservation and cultural uses, and the tribal greenhouse renovation was completed.
- BCI was awarded a Share with Wildlife Project by the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish to implement agave enhancement and intensive eDNA sampling in a range expansion area for the Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*) in New Mexico.

“Through the projects we’ve implemented in coordination with BCI, we’ve witnessed a remarkable shift in the perception of bats. Once seen as enigmatic and harmful, they are now recognized as allies in community development. We’ve observed how efforts to protect and restore bats and their habitats translate into adaptive actions for resilience, the recovery of biodiversity, and improved productivity in the territories we’ve worked in.”

—José Juan Flores-Maldonado, Executive Director for
Especies Sociedad y Hábitat AC (ESHAC)

A juvenile California leaf-nosed bat (*Macrotus californicus*) flies effortlessly between the bars of a cupola—a bat-compatible closure that keeps human intruders out but allows the bats to enter and exit the mine. Despite being new to flight, the bat shows no hesitation as it skillfully navigates its way through the bars.
Photo: Josh Hydeman

Subterranean Discoveries and Projects

In FY25, we:

- Discovered the largest known Townsend's big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii*) hibernaculum and the second-largest known little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*) and Yuma myotis (*Myotis yumanensis*) hibernaculum in Washington state under our Diversity Grant from Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife.
- Documented multiple significant California leaf-nosed bat (*Macrotus californicus*) roosts in the Mojave-Sonoran region, under our agreements with the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- Conducted habitat assessments on nearly 600 abandoned mines in nine states, working under multiple federal grants and agreements. More than 150 of these abandoned mines provide bat habitat and will be managed for long-term protection.

Geospatial Work

During FY25, we worked on unique subterranean projects to explore below-ground bat habitat with laser-based light detection and ranging (LiDAR) scanners. These projects included:

- Deploying handheld LiDAR scanners to map the interior structure of Volcán de los Murciélagos, one of Mexico's most significant bat roosts. We created a 3D model that allows us to analyze structural changes over time to support habitat protection for a critically important roost.
- Conducting LiDAR scans of nine subterranean features at Warm Springs Canyon in Death Valley, California. The 3D modeling and mapping informs habitat suitability assessment and serves as a baseline for future monitoring.
- Supporting acoustic monitoring efforts on Lake Vermilion in northern Minnesota by analyzing spatial habitat variables across the lake. The results helped inform placement of acoustic monitoring devices around the lake to learn about species presence and the impact of recreation on the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), tri-colored bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*), and other species of concern.
- Utilizing drone-mounted LiDAR systems to create a detailed terrain model of the Black Canyon area within the Gila National Forest in New Mexico to support post-fire habitat documentation and restoration efforts.
- Designing and implementing a robust geodatabase for tracking agave planting and monitoring efforts and supporting BCI's pollinator-focused conservation initiatives.
- Designing and implementing data collection methods for spring assessment in New Mexico's Santa Fe National Forest to support water resource protection and habitat management for bats.

Restoration efforts in Black Canyon.
Photo: Dan Taylor



WIND PROGRAM EXPANDS ITS INTERNATIONAL REACH

Wind energy development is expanding rapidly around the world, including in India.
Photo: Sreejith Jayakumar and Rohit Chakravarty, Ph.D.

BCI's Wind Program
by the Numbers

3 scientific
papers published

3 policy briefs
disseminated

8 international
projects initiated



Researchers inspect a collar that will attach a solar rechargeable radio tag to track hoary bat migratory behavior in California, which can inform operational changes at wind turbines to protect bats.
Photo: Winifred Frick, Ph.D.

Hoary bats (*Lasiurus cinereus*) are one of the species heavily impacted by wind energy development.
Photo: Michael Durham/ Minden Pictures





BCI's wind program expanded its international impact this year with projects on multiple continents. We are working to implement fatality minimization at a wind farm in Africa, consulted on three projects in Canada, and joined four international teams studying bats at wind energy projects in Australia.

We launched a Bat Mitigation Working Group for the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species' Energy Task Force, chaired by BCI's Chief Scientist Winifred Frick, Ph.D. This group held a virtual workshop bringing together experts from every continent where bats live, sharing policies, strengths, and problems related to bat fatalities at wind energy facilities from each region. The workshop advanced the growth of a global network to share strategies for protecting bats as wind energy development expands worldwide.

We advanced the initial stages of multiple research projects to test ways to deter bats from turbines, including bio-acoustic and visual deterrence strategies.

“Collaborating with BCI brings global expertise and perspective to our research programs. This partnership allows us to learn from international experiences, connect with researchers tackling similar challenges, and recognize that the threats facing Australian bats are part of a broader global story. By working together, we amplify the voice for bats, strengthen our research capacity, and build deeper knowledge on how to help bats not just survive, but thrive in a rapidly changing world.”

—Emma Bennett, Principal Ecologist at Elmoby Ecology in Australia

“Our collaboration with BCI has brought the impacts of renewable energy on bats to a global stage, reaching a host of different stakeholders. Through the Energy Task Force's diverse network of governments, international organizations, financial institutions, and civil society, bats are now a clear priority in efforts to align renewable energy development with the conservation of migratory species.”

—Manoswini Sarkar, Global Energy Policy Officer, BirdLife International



Team members survey for white-nose syndrome in the Texas Hill Country.
Photo: Rachel Harper

Working to Understand White-Nose Syndrome in the Western U.S.

BCI began a collaboration with stakeholders from Arizona, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Northern Mexico to understand the threat that white-nose syndrome (WNS) poses to western bat populations, including the cave myotis (*Myotis velifer*).

BCI continues to lead research efforts focused on understanding the ecology and impacts of WNS in Texas bats and movement patterns in cave myotis. Filling in these knowledge gaps is critical in our fight to protect vulnerable bat populations from WNS in the Western U.S.



A tricolored bat hangs on a cave wall.
Photo: Rachel Harper

Conservation Planning for WNS Recovery

BCI is working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to create a tool for assessing management needs for winter and summer roosts to protect and support the recovery of bats affected by WNS. We also advanced two USFWS-funded projects

to understand population genetics in WNS survivors, including genes related to gaining fat. Preliminary analyses suggest that genes that help little brown bats (*Myotis lucifugus*) survive WNS may be spreading in the newest generation of bats.

High-Impact Media Coverage

BCI's leadership and scientific expertise were featured prominently in two major articles in *The New York Times*, elevating public awareness of WNS and the broader impact of bat population declines:

"A Fungus Decimated American Bats. Now Scientists Are Fighting Back."

"Surprising New Research Links Infant Mortality to Crashing Bat Populations"

Leading Global Bat Research

In 2025, BCI:

- Produced 21 scientific publications, including papers in high-impact journals such as *Conservation Letters*, *Global Ecology and Conservation Biology*, *Ecology*, and the *Proceedings of the Royal Society*.
- Launched 11 new BCI-led scientific research projects.
- Completed 20 BCI-led scientific research projects.
- Continued 41 ongoing BCI-led scientific research projects.
- Hosted or participated in 20+ talks and events with BCI scientists.

Working with the U.S. Military to Monitor Bats

BCI partnered with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department of Defense (DoD) to support bat monitoring on all DoD-managed lands across all branches of the military. We worked with 90 military installations across 30 states, including 63 Air Force, 11 Army National Guard, seven Navy, six Marines, and three Army installations.

Fat Bat Research in Pennsylvania

In 2025, we kicked off a collaboration with the Pennsylvania Game Commission on a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation-funded project to support population recovery for bat species affected by white-nose syndrome in Pennsylvania. The two-year effort aims to understand how best to restore and manage foraging habitat for bats to increase survival and support reproductive success.



This insect trap will confirm what insect prey species are present for bats to eat.
Photo: Brandi Christiano



Students celebrate Bat Week in Colombia. Photo: Daisy Gomez

MENTOR-Bat by the Numbers:

9 fellows

3 mentors

3 countries represented: Cameroon, Colombia, Indonesia

3 Bat Week events

100+ people engaged with Bat Week events

1 TV appearance in Cameroon

MENTOR-Bat Unites Fellows and Mentors

The MENTOR-Bat cohort of nine fellows and three mentors from Cameroon, Colombia, and Indonesia successfully completed the academic portion of the program. During Bat Week, each country's cohort organized local bat appreciation events, including school visits, community outreach, and interviews on local TV to raise awareness about bats' ecological importance. In FY25, fellows began implementing their pilot projects, which focused on African straw-colored fruti bat (*Eidolon helvum*) conservation in Cameroon, sustainable guano harvesting in Indonesia, and sustainable cave tourism in Colombia.



Students in Cameroon learn about bats as part of Bat Week. Photo: Patrick Atagana



BCI staff members at COP16. From left: Luz de Wit, Ph.D., Teague O'Mara, Ph.D., Winifred Frick, Ph.D., and Mylea Bayless. Photo: Luz de Wit, Ph.D.

Leadership on the International Stage at COP16

At the United Nations' Biodiversity Conference of the Parties (COP16) in Colombia, we hosted a side event for 40 attendees showcasing our analysis of how bat conservation contributes to achieving the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework targets and the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals.

Student Scholars Program Funds Bat Researchers

BCI's Student Scholars Program has funded 417 scholars' bat research in 80 countries since the 1980s.

To further our Student Scholars' professional growth and provide opportunities to share research and network, we hosted the second Annual Cohort2Cohort (C2C) Conference, and our first Student Scholar Professional Development Workshop focusing on community engagement.

"Partnering with BCI has been a dream for a bat scholar like me! Their support has made it possible to explore the secret lives of cave-roosting bats in San Luis Potosí, from their activity and health to the threats they face from disease and habitat change. Thanks to BCI's funding, we're not just collecting data; we're strengthening local conservation and turning research into real-world impact. I'm beyond thankful to be part of this collaboration."

—Gabriela González-Olimón,
2025 Student Scholar



2024 Student Scholar, Angélica Yantén, installs an Audiomoth recorder in a patch of Brazilian forest. Photo: Luiz Cardoso

2025 Student Scholar Cohort by the Numbers:

14 scholars

10 countries represented

3 new countries added to our scholarship community: Benin, Burkina Faso, and Kosovo



2023 Student Scholar, Paul John Tolentino, processing samples to identify diet composition in the Philippines. Photo: Paul John Tolentino

Community Engagement Workshop by the Numbers:

36 attendees

7 countries represented

4 cohorts represented

Student Scholar Cohort2Cohort Conference by the Numbers:

9 cohorts represented

20 countries represented

40 scholars attended

"With the support of BCI, we have been able to showcase bats throughout Peru's Sacred Valley. In places where they are still seen with fear, we now inspire curiosity and admiration. Every talk and shared observation helps to break down myths and plant knowledge."

—Antony Rivera, 2025 Student Scholar



Wahlberg's epauletted fruit bat (*Epomophorus wahlbergi*) is one of many bat species that can serve as a biodiversity indicator in Kenya. Photo: Dan Logen

Conservation Evidence Program Focuses on Carbon Credits

The Conservation Evidence Program has expanded its work to support biodiversity verification for Climate, Community, and Biodiversity certificates as part of Verra's supplemental certification program for carbon credits. This work partners with a carbon credit developer in Kenya to include bat species as indicators that show carbon sequestration efforts are improving biodiversity. The work is deeply rooted within local communities that directly benefit from participating in the project, which provides monetary support that allows them to maintain traditional cultural practices.



Mexican free-tailed bats (*Tadarida brasiliensis*) often roost under bridges. Photo: Rachel Harper

New Tool Predicts Bat Presence Under Bridges

One Health and the North American Bat Monitoring Program teamed up with Montana State University to develop an open-access tool that can help predict whether Mexican free-tailed bats (*Tadarida brasiliensis*) will be found roosting underneath a bridge. This new tool will help prioritize survey efforts.

North American Bat Monitoring Program (NABat) Celebrates 10 Years

This year marks the 10-year anniversary of NABat, which involves 480+ partner organizations in the U.S. and Canada and eight regional bat hubs. Over the past 10 years, the NABat community has contributed more than 170 million data records, representing 47 North American bat species. The NABat program is crucial to monitoring the health and status of North America's bat populations.



A stationary acoustic survey in northern Michigan collects data for NABat. Photo: Crystal Birdsall

BCI's 10-Year Total NABat Database Contributions:

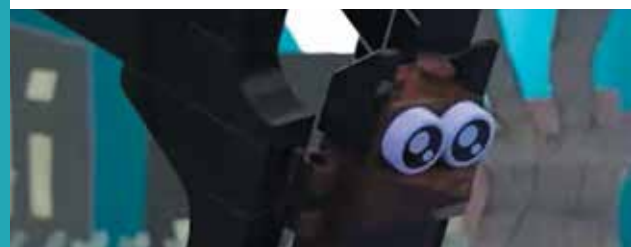
8 million+ acoustic records

3,000+ hibernacula counts

6,000+ capture records

EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LEGO GROUP AND DISCOVERY EDUCATION

BCI partnered with The LEGO Group and Discovery Education to design, develop, and distribute the “Night Navigators: Build for Bats” Virtual Field Trip (VFT). This innovative tool introduces students to bats and highlights bat conservation projects, while inspiring action and creativity to protect bats and their habitats. The VFT includes an Educator Guide, ready-to-use activities, and a mini lesson about how bats use their senses to navigate in the dark.



“Through play, VFT invites students to explore how bats learn while uncovering the vital role these animals play in our ecosystems. We are proud to have worked with The LEGO Group and BCI on this classroom resource, as it helps educators create the engaging lessons that students demand and deserve.”

—Catherine Dunlop, Senior Vice President of Corporate Partnerships at Discovery Education



Miami student Martin and The LEGO Group's David Pallash take a photo break between filming Virtual Field Trip segments.
Photo: Mylea Bayless

VFT Reach By the Numbers:

829,000+
U.S. students

32,000+
user interactions with
VFT resources

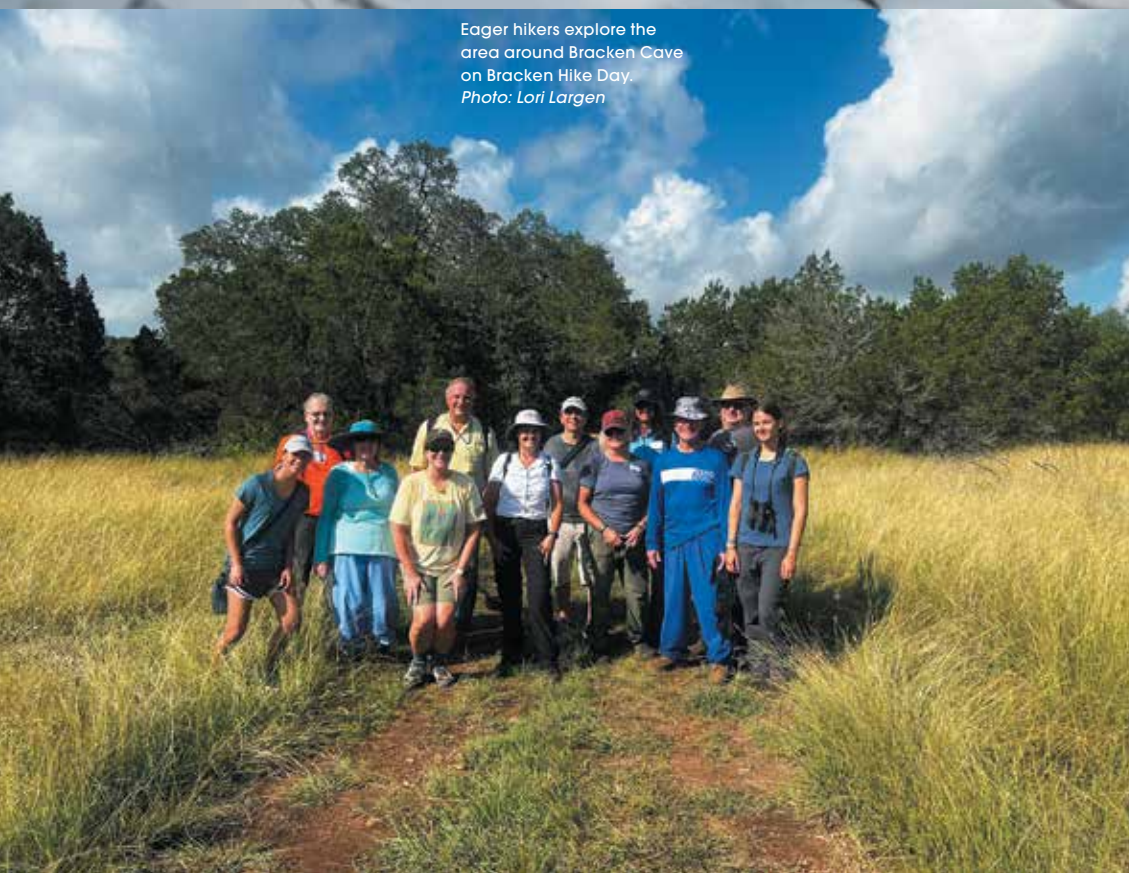
81% of student
participants were in
elementary school (in addition
to 14% in middle school and
4% in high school)

78,000+
page views

“For students in Florida, VFT lets them become aware of a native animal. Also, most students said at the beginning they were afraid of bats, but this helped them see that bats are not so scary.”

—Florida educator

Eager hikers explore the area around Bracken Cave on Bracken Hike Day.
Photo: Lori Largent



Bracken Cave FY25 By the Numbers:

267 volunteers

3,200+
volunteer hours

65 outreach
events, including
schools, community
groups, fairs,
and festivals

65,000+
people reached via
outreach events

Record Number of Visitors at Bracken Cave

Bracken Cave is home to the world's largest maternity colony of more than 20 million Mexican free-tailed bats (*Tadarida brasiliensis*) each summer, and it is a vital resource for bat conservation and education. In FY25, record-breaking numbers of docents, volunteers, and participants enjoyed the property. We also made several property improvements to make it easier for people to enjoy spending time there and engage with Bracken Cave.

Bracken's dedicated volunteers spent hours doing everything from guiding walks and bat flight tours to conducting maintenance, surveying caves, and doing public outreach and community education.

Participants enjoy Bat Yoga at Bracken Cave.
Photo: MGambaRios



Bracken Cave FY25 Highlights:

- A new bird blind was built at Bracken with support from the Wayne Hollomon Price Foundation, H-E-B Foundation, and Scout Troop 828. Many thanks to MV Barnes for the amazing mural.
- The documentary film "Deep in the Heart" shared footage from Bracken Cave and premiered in summer 2024.
- San Antonio, Texas, won iNaturalist's International 2025 City Nature Challenge bioblitz with more than 135,000 observations, including 3,500+ from Bracken volunteers.
- BCI hosted our first bat flight night conducted fully in Spanish.
- Visitors enjoyed a bat yoga class during a bat flight tour.

Bracken is also a vital living laboratory for research, including:

- DNA analysis of guano samples to learn which insects Bracken's bats eat each month.
- A study focusing on external and internal parasites on Bracken bats (in partnership with University of Oklahoma Ph.D. student Kristin Dyer).

Gardens are a vital resource that provide bats with food and habitat. We created resources to help people build their own bat gardens and partnered with community organizations to develop gardens.

- Expanded our bat garden plant lists to include 13 geographically distinct lists. Read more at batcon.org/batgarden.
- In Austin and San Antonio, we expanded existing bat gardens and established two new ones. More than 50 volunteers participated in work days, planting more than 300 native plants.
- Launched a bat garden native plant seed mix for central Texas, in partnership with Native American Seed. More than 1,000 seed packets were distributed.
- Planted a wildflower meadow of our Bat Garden Seed Mix at the San Antonio Food Bank Farm property.
- Worked with Calscape to create a list of garden plants that are helpful to bats. The California database at calscape.org now includes 768 plants that are beneficial to bats.
- Gave 12 talks in person and virtually on Gardening for Bats, reaching 400+ people in California, Florida, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and Texas.
- Joined more than 50 volunteers to plant 40 trees for bats with TreeFolks and Community First! Village, a development of Mobile Loaves & Fishes in Austin.





Volunteers at the Pollinator Tea Party offered pollinator products, including honey and agave nectar.
Photo: San Antonio River Foundation

Developing and Launching Bat Education Curricula

In FY25, we launched a new Learning Resources hub on our website to better support educators and families with engaging, standards-aligned tools. It includes:

- The “Night Navigators: Build for Bats” VFT with The LEGO Group and Discovery Education.
- “Deep in the Heart,” a film-based lesson series narrated by Matthew McConaughey featuring Bracken Cave and Texas bat species. This series includes interactive content, hands-on activities, and real-world connections.
- “Discover Bats” curriculum, which includes 17 Next Generation Science Standards-aligned lesson plans for grades 4–8 in English and Spanish, focused on bat ecology and conservation. This project was funded by IF/THEN, an initiative of Lyda Hill Philanthropies. It was publicly launched at the 2024 Conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching in San Antonio, which was attended by 5,000+ educators.

| **Learn more:** batcon.org/about-bats/learn

Community Partnerships

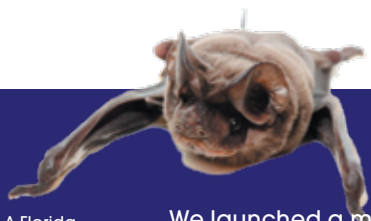
In FY25, we worked with an array of communities and organizations to create and strengthen powerful partnerships. A sampling of our efforts include:

Partnering for Youth and Community Education

- Strengthened our partnership with Girlstart in Austin, including hosting a Bat Cruise, several events, and summer programming, reaching 300+ people.
- Cohosted the Pollinator Tea Party with the San Antonio River Foundation at Confluence Park, with 500+ attendees.
- Created Bat Detector STEM kits in partnership with H-E-B, and Austin Public Library. Kits include bat detectors, a how-to manual, and kids' books on bats. They are available for checkout at all 20 Austin Public Library branches.



Austin Public Library patrons can now check out bat detecting kits.
Photo: Jenny Stirat



A Florida bonneted bat (*Eumops floridanus*).
Photo: Dustin Smith

Experience Bats

We launched a major expansion of the “Experience” section on our website, including an upgraded interactive bat viewing site map and a new live stream camera at Bracken Cave.

| **Check it out:** batcon.org/experience-bats

Social Media Recognition

BCI was ranked the No. 1 nonprofit on social media in Rival IQ's 2024 Nonprofit Social Media Benchmark Report.





Students from Austin Youth River Watch work to create the Ms. Batreuse sculpture.
Photo: Erin Cord

"Austin Public Library's collaboration with BCI has made it possible for Austin families to delve into the world of bats like never before. The Bat Detector STEM kits let families hear and identify bats flying overhead and the included books help the city's youngest readers learn how to protect Austin's signature animal."

—Jenny Stirrat, Austin Public Library School Partnerships Librarian

Using Art to Educate and Inspire

- Created the Ms. Batreuse (aka Trash Bat) sculpture with Austin Youth River Watch, Austin Creative ReUse, and artist Joan Cabbarus. More than 20 teens worked with the artist to create the sculpture, which is now seen by 62,000+ people per year.
- Artist Audrya Flores created a bat sculpture out of bat-related plants for the Pollinator Tea Party Festival. The sculpture and accompanying educational signage were seen by 24,000+ people.



Girlstart campers build their own bat and learn about different adaptations.
Photo: Erin Cord



Participants make butterfly masks at the Pollinator Tea Party.
Photo: San Antonio River Foundation

Training Leaders

- Hosted a summer intern from the University of Texas Home2Texas Program.
- Hosted an Earthshare Green Leaders Fellow.
- Trained 55 new Bat Ambassadors from five states to conduct Bat Walks.

"BCI has helped Girlstart teach our students all about the importance of bats. They constructed a bat garden in our backyard, led bat-themed activities at community events, and brought empowering guest speakers to talk about the intersection of STEM and bat conservation. They even hosted a bat cruise for our summer campers! We're excited to continue to partner with BCI to encourage the next generation of bat scientists."

—Hannah Winkler, Girlstart Strategic Projects Manager

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Year ended June 30, 2025

	As of 06/30/2025	As of 06/30/2024
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$2,308,806	\$3,082,698
Accounts Receivable	\$2,177,255	\$1,258,045
Prepaid Expenses	\$191,208	\$192,786
Total Current Assets	\$4,677,269	\$4,533,529
Property & Equipment, Net	\$7,068,628	\$7,019,881
Investments	\$24,014,710	\$25,216,968
Total Assets	\$35,760,607	\$36,770,378
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities	\$2,301,961	\$1,235,410
Total Liabilities	\$2,301,961	\$1,235,410
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	\$9,230,621	\$8,841,298
Net Assets with Donor Restrictions	\$24,228,025	\$26,693,670
Total Net Assets	\$33,458,646	\$35,534,968
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$35,760,607	\$36,770,378

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Year ended June 30, 2025

	General & Administrative	Fundraising & Development	Program	Total
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Salaries & Wages	\$268,337	\$806,950	\$7,147,659	\$8,222,945
Contractual Services	\$310,333	\$33,753	\$3,798,195	\$4,142,281
Travel & Conferences	\$63,239	\$10,315	\$1,062,901	\$1,136,455
Supplies & Equipment	\$34,069	\$174,352	\$1,185,917	\$1,394,338
External Grants	—	—	\$977,489	\$977,489
Marketing	\$7,212	\$49,052	\$92,336	\$148,601
Printing & Photo Processing	\$853	\$26,416	\$49,641	\$76,910
Bank & Credit Card Fees	\$25,021	\$67,898	\$15,446	\$108,365
Communications	\$13,525	\$5,005	\$59,323	\$77,853
Staff Development	\$43,338	\$1,485	\$17,290	\$62,113
Payroll Service Fees	\$38,434	\$14,514	\$179,915	\$232,863
Insurance - General Liability	\$16,299	\$6,155	\$76,596	\$99,050
Occupancy	\$6,763	\$2,554	\$36,108	\$45,424
Depreciation	—	—	\$165,348	\$165,348
Total Operating Expenses	\$827,422	\$1,198,449	\$14,864,164	\$16,890,035
% of Total Expenses	5%	7%	88%	100%

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
REVENUES			
Contributions	\$2,395,014	\$1,117,729	\$3,512,743
Grants & Contracts	\$8,271,048	—	\$8,271,048
Corporate Contracts	\$242,393	—	\$242,393
Miscellaneous Income	\$218,957	—	\$218,957
Investment Return, Net	\$822,330	\$1,746,242	\$2,568,572
Total Revenues	\$11,949,742	\$2,863,970	\$14,813,713
Assets Released from Restrictions	\$5,329,616	\$(5,329,616)	—
Total Revenues & Assets Released from Restrictions	\$17,279,359	\$(2,465,646)	\$14,813,713
EXPENSES			
PROGRAM EXPENSES			
Science and Conservation Programs	\$13,905,523	—	\$13,905,523
Education Programs	\$958,641	—	\$958,641
Total Program Services	\$14,864,164	—	\$14,864,164
SUPPORT SERVICES			
Fundraising and Development	\$1,198,449	—	\$1,198,449
General and Administrative	\$827,422	—	\$827,422
Total Support Services	\$2,025,871	—	\$2,025,871
Total Expenses	\$16,890,035	—	\$16,890,035
Change in Net Assets	\$389,324	\$(2,465,646)	\$(2,076,322)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$8,841,297	\$26,693,671	\$35,534,968
Net Assets, End of Year	\$9,230,621	\$24,228,025	\$33,458,646

Straw-colored Fruit
Bat (*Eidolon helvum*)
climbing down branch
Photo: Steve Gettle/
Minden Pictures



IMPACT MAKERS

Edward
Gorey, 1978.
Photo: Bernard
Gotfryd,
Wikimedia
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Bats emerge from Bracken Cave.
Photo: Loveleigh Photos

A LEGACY OF IMAGINATION AND CONSERVATION: **EDWARD GOREY**

In 2025, admirers across the world celebrated what would have been the 100th birthday of artist, writer, and illustrator Edward Gorey, whose eccentric and unforgettable creations continue to inspire generations. Gorey's unmistakable style blended the whimsical with the macabre, delighting audiences while also inviting them to linger in the spaces between the known and the mysterious.

His affinity for the unusual extended beyond the page. In his lifetime, Gorey held a deep fascination for the natural world and the overlooked creatures that quietly shape it. That passion lives on today through The Edward Gorey Charitable Trust, which has been a steadfast supporter of BCI for over a decade.

Like Gorey's illustrations, bats invite us to look closer, to see past the surface and discover beauty, complexity, and importance in unexpected places. The Edward Gorey Charitable Trust has enabled critical habitat protection, expanded research programs, and inspired new generations to see bats not as creatures to fear, but as animals of wonder and ecological importance.

The foundation marked the centennial with a year-long "Edward Gorey at 100" celebration.

Exhibitions, events, and publications paid tribute to Gorey's remarkable body of work and his enduring cultural influence.

"Mr. Gorey's support for the overlooked and underappreciated is evident through his work and his will," says Raquel Serebrenik, Consultant to The Edward Gorey Charitable Trust. "His art sparked curiosity for the unusual among audiences worldwide, while his heart was drawn to creatures like bats—mysterious, essential, and too often misunderstood. His legacy lives on in the wonder they inspire and in the conservation efforts that protect them."

For BCI, this partnership represents more than financial support. It reflects a kinship of values—an appreciation for the mysterious beauty of life, the importance of protecting that which others may overlook, and the conviction that creativity and conservation can spark lasting change. Every roost protected, every species safeguarded, and every new advocate for bats carries forward Gorey's spirit of wonder.

Gorey's centennial reminds us that creativity and conservation are not separate pursuits, but part of the same call to pay attention, care deeply, and act. BCI is proud to be part of his enduring legacy.

PARTNERING WITH **ZOO MIAMI** TO SAVE THE RAREST BAT IN THE U.S.

When BCI first joined forces with Zoo Miami to save the rarest bat in the U.S.—the federally Endangered Florida bonneted bat (*Eumops floridanus*)—not much was known about the species in urban landscapes. Since the bat's native pine rocklands habitat was largely destroyed due to urban development, we knew Florida bonneted bats adapted to the urban environment, finding places to roost and utilizing a key foraging ground near Zoo Miami. However, there was still a lot to learn, so we teamed up to learn more about the species and protect the bat and its vital habitat.

In FY25, we conducted the first GPS study of Florida bonneted bats in an urban environment, tagging more than 40 individual bats to learn about their movement patterns, including flight corridors and feeding locations. This information is critical to continue working on our conservation strategy for the species in Miami-Dade County and other urban settings.

However, our partnership to save the rarest bat in the U.S. began years earlier. In 2019, BCI partnered with Zoo Miami to establish the Miami Bat Lab, which focuses on Florida bonneted bat research. The lab's acoustic monitoring program across Miami-Dade County has recorded more than 15 million bat calls, showing how the bats utilize urban landscapes.

Since they have a 20-inch wingspan, Florida bonneted bats have specialized roosting requirements—including elevated roosting locations—which can be difficult for them to find in an urban

area. The Bat Lab set out to develop and install custom artificial roosts ("bat houses") in strategic locations across Zoo Miami and around the metro area. In a few short years, over 200 Florida bonneted bats are now using the new structures, which created the largest known population of the species in the world.

This year, we also expanded our artificial roost program, adding 10 additional roosts and replacing deteriorated roosts (originally installed in 2018) with a new and improved design.

However, developers sought to transform an area of county land near the zoo into a water park, and concerned residents spoke out to save the vital habitat for the Florida bonneted bat and other species. In March 2024, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) designated critical habitat for the Florida bonneted bat, including the foraging area near Zoo Miami. Ultimately, plans for the water park were cancelled, but the species still requires vocal conservationists to save it. In 2025, Zoo Miami and BCI were honored alongside several other conservation organizations by the USFWS as Recovery Champions.

Threats like habitat loss, light pollution, hurricanes, and climate-driven change still demand urgent action. That is why the Miami Bat Lab will expand monitoring, continue refining artificial roost designs, and work with land managers and neighbors to keep vital habitat dark and open to save these incredible bats.



This newly installed double-chambered rocketbox was specifically made for Florida bonneted bats, with a design based on the Bat Lab's research, including placement more than 20 feet in the air.
Photo: Miami Bat Lab

SUPPORT

We extend our gratitude to the partners worldwide who supported our bat conservation efforts from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

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 Nevada State Parks
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