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GLOBAL SCIENCE GLOBAL RESULTS SAVING BATS WORLDWIDE





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The intricacy of bat wings. Photo by Jonathon Alonzo

Bats are the only mammal capable of true flight.



Bat Conservation International's

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BATS & COVID-19

While the exact chain of transmission that resulted in COVID-19 may never be established, what we know is this:

- The conservation of bats and their habitats helps create a healthier, safer world.
- Bat conservation is important for global communities.
- Research regarding bats provides significant value for scientific discovery.

Bat conservation is part of the solution. When we protect bats, we stay safer, too.

The latest on bats & Covid-19. batcon.org/covid19



FROM MIKE DAULTON Executive Director

Worldwide, more than 200 bat species in over 60 countries are currently threatened with extinction. Habitat loss, climate change, and disease are among the many reasons bats are imperiled around the

world — and in most of the world, these threats are getting worse, not better.

We won't back down. Each year, Bat Conservation International is making critical progress to save the world's most imperiled species.

In this report, you'll see our work to save vital habitat, our actionable plans to safeguard highly endangered bat species, our cutting-edge use of science and technology, and our dedication to raising awareness of the absolute importance of bats.

In Fiji, we purchased the final 33 acres of land around Nakanacagi Cave to save the only known maternity roost for globally endangered Fijian Free-tailed Bats. We also worked together with local villagers, the National Trust of Fiji, and other partners to develop a management plan to protect the area in the future.

In Jamaica, we helped prevent irreparable damage to St. Clair Cave, which supports the critically endangered Jamaican Greater Funnel-eared Bat and 11 other bat species.

In the southwest U.S. and northern Mexico, we planted more than 10,000 agaves around critical roosts for the endangered Mexican Long-nosed Bat and Lesser Long-nosed Bat to ensure these pollinating bats have the food they need along their migratory corridor.

We continued our groundbreaking science to address the tragic loss of millions of bats to White-nose Syndrome, including implementing the first phase of the largest intervention ever conceived to help bats survive the devastating disease.

And as COVID-19 took hold and impacted people globally, we reminded the world of the importance of bats and the critical need for global bat conservation going forward. While the origin of COVID-19 may never be known, we know that disturbances to wildlife and the destruction of natural habitats make it more likely for viruses to spill over into humans. That's why protection of nature is such a critical part of the solution, especially in areas that are important for bats. Protecting nature for bats not only helps ensure we keep intact the delicate web of life on our planet, it also means a safer, healthier world for all of us.

Together, with your continued and increasing support, we are leading the charge to ensure the worldwide survival of bats and making the world a healthier place for wildlife and people. Thank you.

Bat Conservation International's Mission & Values. batcon.org/mission



MISSION / 1

Implement Endangered Species Interventions

THE NEED TO SAVE BAT SPECIES

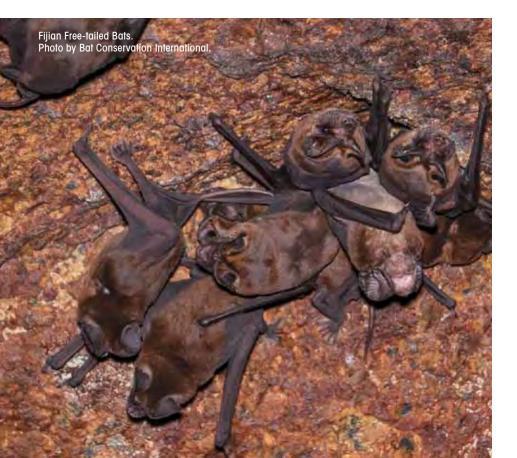
More than 200 bat species in more than 60 countries around the world are currently listed as Vulnerable, Endangered, or Critically Endangered by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

Habitat loss, climate change, invasive species and illegal wildlife trade are among the reasons many bat species face extinction — and what drives our mission to end bat extinctions.

The clock is ticking. Loss of even one bat species affects ecosystems, communities, and economies.



Within the past decade, Bat Conservation International has worked with the Fijian government and several partners to create a bat sanctuary for endangered Fijian Free-tailed Bats (*Chaerephon bregullae*), protecting a decreasing species of 5,000 individuals or less.



Purchased the final 33 acres of land surrounding Nakanacagi Cave in Fiji to save the only known maternity roost for Fijian Free-tailed Bats.

Deployed Bat Conservation International scientists to conduct a high-tech survey of Nakanacagi Cave using 3-D imagery tools.

Collaborated with individuals from Nakanacagi Village, the National Trust of Fiji, and other members of the Fijian Bat Conservation Initiative to identify key biological and cultural features at the site to develop a management plan for the area.

Habitat destruction has threatened Fijian Free-tailed Bats. batcon.org/FijianFreeTailedBat





Saving habitats to protect bat species in Jamaica

The Jamaican Flower Bat (Phyllonycteris aphylla) was, until 2010, presumed to be extinct. A small colony now roosts in a single cave. The bats face steep survival challenges including nearby habitat destruction where bats must forage and the threat of feral cats that roam the cave.

Documented and addressed alarming structural concerns that could compromise or collapse the Stony Hill Cave, the only known maternity roost of the Jamaican Flower Bats.

Prevented irreparable damage to Jamaica's St. Clair Cave — which supports 12 bat species including the critically endangered Jamaican Greater Funnel-eared Bat (*Natalus jamaicensis*) — by working closely with Jamaican authorities and local communities.

Two critically endangered species in Jamaica. batcon.org/Jamaica



Searching Rwanda rainforest

Bat Conservation International is on a mission to find and protect the critically endangered Hill's Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus hilli*) in Rwanda's Nyungwe National Park. The bat has not been seen since 1981.

Collected morphological measurements and tissue samples of the elusive bat species from museum archives in Switzerland and Belgium to aid in finding the species.

Engaged Nyungwe National Park rangers in acoustic monitoring survey to help identify bat species.





Saving the rarest bat in the United States

The rarest bat in the United States
— the federally endangered Florida
Bonneted Bat (*Eumops floridanus*)
— suffers from habitat loss due
to rapid land development and the
consequences of climate change.
Only six natural roosts are known to
remain in southern Florida.

Collaborated with Zoo Miami and the Florida Power & Light Company to open a lab at the zoo to better understand how the federally endangered species can be sustained in urban settings.

Installed an acoustic monitoring grid across Miami to identify optimum habitat.

Counted 47 Florida Bonneted Bats using specially designed artificial roosts.

Rescued seven bats from a building site. Informed of the bats' plight during a meeting with Florida partners, Bat Conservation International scientists quickly responded to the emergency.



Fascinating facts about the rarest bat in America. batcon.org/FloridaBonnetedBatFacts



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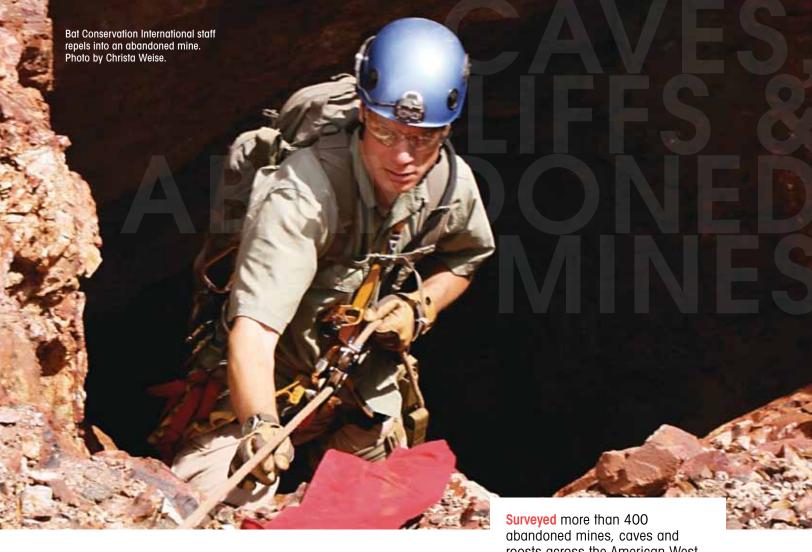
Protect and Restore Landscapes

THE NEED TO MONITOR, PROTECT & RESTORE BAT HABITATS

Bat Conservation International's habitat work is as diverse as the landscapes we survey, monitor and restore.

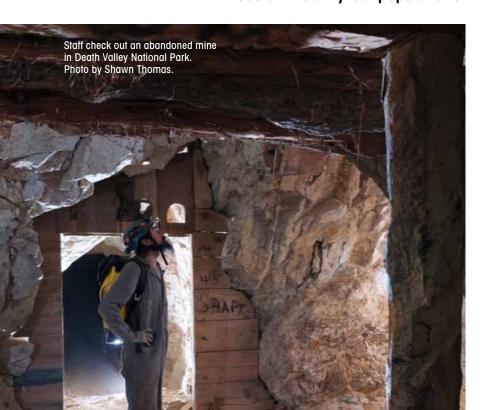
Teams of conservationists survey caves and abandoned mines to monitor roosting locations. A "vertical specialist" ascends steep rock faces to assess populations of cliff-dwelling bats. Other teams identify migratory routes and guide restoration plantings.

Because when we save habitats, we save bats and save the planet.



Protecting & restoring critical bat habitats

Bat Conservation International's habitat protection and restoration work involves assessing and documenting bat roosting sites, and seeing that those sites are preserved to sustain healthy bat populations.



abandoned mines, caves and roosts across the American West to determine active roosting sites and work with federal partners in protecting those sites. Some of the places we worked include places like:

- Montana's Cracker Lake Mine, a deep 1800's-era copper mine located within Glacier National Park.
- The Tucki Mine in Death Valley National Park, an abandoned gold mine in the California Desert that operated into the 1970s.
- Twenty abandoned mines in the rugged terrain of Tonto National Forest in Arizona.
- © Public lands in California, Colorado, Idaho, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming under the oversight of the Bureau of Land Management.

Ascended 7,000 vertical feet of cliff terrain in Zion National Park to establish the first records of hibernating bats in the area.

Confirmed winter roosting of two bat species in Zion National Park's mile-long tunnel.





Bat Conservation International's fieldwork. batcon.org/TurningMinesIntoHabitat.

Installed a remote camera monitoring project at a natural

Range to document wildlife and human use. **Conducted** geospatial analysis

cave in White Sands Missile

of the Zuni Mountains in New Mexico to identify springs near significant roosts.

Documented several complex subterranean features containing significant bat habitat using sophisticated LiDAR technology at places like:

- Legal Tinder Mine in Silver City, New Mexico.
- Nakanacagi Cave in Fiji.
- Southern Bell Mine in central California.
- Tucki and Lost Burro Mines in Death Valley National Park, California.



MISSION / 3

Conduct High-Priority Research and Develop Scalable Solutions

USING SCIENCE TO PRODUCE CONSERVATION SOLUTIONS WORLDWIDE

Developing solutions to emerging and serious threats to bats requires strong science, innovative research, leading-edge technology, and dedicated scientists and researchers.

We focus on improving knowledge of bat populations and invest in necessary research and partnerships to inform sound conservation decisions. Plus, we seek out and support outstanding scholars who are conducting bat research around the world.



Lack of information on bat trends and population status limits ability to take action for bats. The North American Bat Monitoring Program (NABat) fills these information gaps by increasing critical data collection and analysis and providing results to decision-makers.

Sharing data among partners is vital to conservation.
Photo by Mylea Bayless.

Created the National Data Processing Lab in partnership with U.S. Geologic Survey and Conservation Metrics, Inc.

Partnered with the U.S. Forest Service to increase efficiency and accuracy while streamlining data submissions to NABat.

Processed and contributed over three million acoustic data records to NABat database.

Supported NABat growth and impact through participation on the NABat Steering Committee and Working Groups.



Applying science to address tragic bat loss

White-nose Syndrome — a devastating disease with high mortality rates — is now confirmed in 12 bat species and widespread across North America resulting in a staggering death toll of Little Brown, Northern Long-eared, and Tri-colored bats. We're working with scientists around the world to study the disease and determine how the devastating impact on bats may be lessened.

Completed first phase research for an intervention to increase winter survival of hibernating bats, testing artificial prey patches near winter roosts to fatten bats before hibernation.

Studied the invasion dynamics of White-nose Syndrome, in partnership with Texas Parks and Wildlife, through a large-scale monitoring campaign.

The quest to save millions of bats. batcon.org/WNS

Curbing collisions & mortalities

Hundreds of thousands of migrating bats are killed each year by wind turbines. We're working with energy partners to better understand bat behavior around wind turbines as we test scalable and practical solutions that enable renewable energy production and save bats.

Awarded multi-year contracts from the U.S. Department of Energy to build collaborative systems in curtailing bat mortalities caused by wind turbines.

Compiled important data with new Bat Turbine Visualization software (BatVis) that helps visualize 3-D flight paths of bats around wind turbines and exports detailed information about the location, flight speed, and proximity to blades.

Participated in a groundbreaking workshop to investigate the risk to bats from offshore wind energy development in the state of New York.

Presented research on operational minimization to reduce bat fatalities at wind energy facilities at the State of the Science workshop at the National Renewable Energy Lab in the U.S.





Sharing leading-edge research

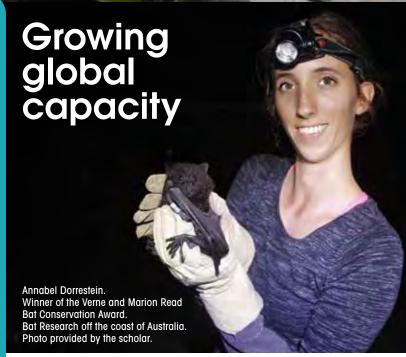
Assuring the future survival of bats requires innovative solutions founded in science and collaboration. Bat Conservation International is committed to imparting the importance of bats, sharing our research and developing global capacity to save bats, worldwide.

Published seven research papers in high-impact academic journals.

Showcased over 20 research presentations at academic conferences and venues with other stakeholders.

Featured in major media sources including CNN, Forbes, The New York Times, and Wall Street Journal regarding bats and Covid-19.

Recognized as Evidence Champions by Conservation Evidence, a certification that recognizes our commitment to providing science-founded evidence in our conservation actions.



Student Scholars are an investment in building global capacity, now and into the future, to protect bats.

Funded bat research in Brazil, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Oceania, Uganda, and the United States.

Grew global bat conservation capacity by supporting 14 student scholars.

Celebrated the contributions of women to science by promoting our Women in Science awardee's research in Nigeria.

MISSION / 4

Inspiring Through Experience

UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE BATS HAVE IN SUSTAINING HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS

Bat Conservation International is committed to educating people about the importance of bats and bat conservation. We know that personal experiences in nature — and personal understanding of the contributions bats provide to healthy ecosystems — are important for saving bat species.

We welcome visitors to Bracken Cave Preserve to witness bats in flight. We also train volunteer ambassadors, organize Bat Walks, and annually coordinate a chockfull week of bat-promoting events. Because experiencing the wonder of bats fosters stewardship.



Preserving the largest bat colony in the world

Bat Conservation International owns and manages
Bracken Cave and the surrounding land. Located 20
miles north of San Antonio, Bracken Cave Preserve
offers excellent opportunities to educate and intrigue.
In summer months, visitors sit on wooden benches near
the mouth of the cave to observe millions of bats swirl
and rise into the night sky.



Featured in The New Yorker in an essay called "The Changing Climate Inside the World's Largest Bat Colony."

Showcased on Science Friday, a popular online media source for science and technology.

Hosted CBS, resulting in a televised Halloween broadcast about bats and pest management.

Attracted volunteer help, including Scout troops and Master Naturalist groups, to remove thousands of feet of fencing that fragments preserve habitat.

Guided field trips for Trinity University students through the Preserve's diverse habitats to provide valuable field and research experience.

Organized bird and butterfly surveys to add to important understanding of the Preserve's remarkable diversity.

Bracken Cave is home to 20 million bats. batcon.org/BrackenCave





20 bat events in seven days

Bat Conservation International is proud to be a partner in Bat Week — an annual, international celebration of the role of bats in nature.

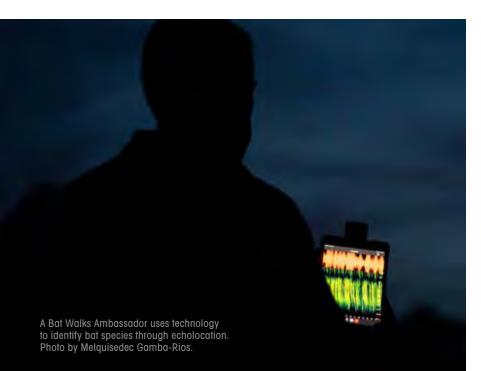


- Included a congressional briefing at the U.S. Capitol that addressed threats like White-nose Syndrome.
- Secured a U.S. House resolution and several Canadian proclamations all advocated for the protection of bat species.
- Resulted in exceptional media exposure reaching 67 million people and going viral through social media. Top influencers included: @fodorstravel, @Interior, @NatGeo, @NatlParkService, @planetepics, @USDA, and @USGS.
- Attracted thousands of people to local bat talks and presentations around the U.S., including 4,000 people to the U.S. Botanic Garden in Washington, D.C.
- Participated in mobile, and educational games that encourage kids and their families to get out and explore their public lands.



Educating & engaging people in bat conservation

Inspiring conservation through up-close and interactive bat experiences in local communities is paramount to saving bats and their habitats.



Launched Bat Conservation International's Bat Walks Program in partnership with The Brown Foundation, Cibolo Nature Center, Dallas Zoo, Houston Zoo, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, and San Antonio Zoo in Texas, and with Zoo Miami in Florida.

Created interactive online workspace to support and educate volunteers.

Evolved and expanded during the pandemic shutdown by exploring opportunities for Bat Walks to contribute to community science, developing outreach materials for Bat Walks Ambassadors to share with the public, establishing mechanisms to better understand the effectiveness of Bat Walks, and launching an online training platform for future workshops.

Offered Bat Ambassadors continuing education webinars and online training.

FINANCIALS

STRETCHING OUR GENEROUS SUPPORT AROUND THE WORLD

Bat Conservation International experienced a year unlike any other. Bats were in the spotlight, oftentimes unfairly maligned.

Thanks to the increasing generosity of our community, we were able to defend bats and their role in nature. We continue our robust, impactful work in ending bat extinctions, worldwide.

THE NUMBERS

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash & Cash Equivalents
Accounts & Grants Receivable
Prepaid Expenses
Total Current Assets
Held for Sale — Building
Property & Equipment, Net

Total Assets

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Investments

Accounts Payable

Accrued Expenses

Deferred Revenue

Tenant Deposits

Refundable Advance

Total Current Liabilities
Total Liabilities

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions Undesignated Board Designated

With Donor Restrictions Time or Purpose In Perpetuity Total Net Assets

Total Liabilities and Net Assets

2020

\$1,899,982 \$302,387 \$140,447 \$2,342,816 \$120,994 \$6,828,582 \$2,210,835 **\$11,503,227**

> \$226,935 \$414,474 \$18,511 \$4,190 \$100,122 \$764,232 \$764,232

\$719,222 \$1,083,011

\$2,104,656 \$6,832,106 \$10,738,995 **\$11,503,227**

2019

\$2,212,660 \$816,227 \$51,319 \$3,080,206

\$6,723,886 \$1,760,750 **\$11,564,842**

> \$87,430 \$340,531 \$318,884 \$4,190 — \$751,035 \$751,035

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\$1,564,926 \$6,832,106 \$10,813,807 **\$11,564,842**

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

Without Donor Restrictions

With Donor Restrictions

		Time or Purpose	Total
REVENUES			
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Contributions	\$2,230,868	\$830,691	\$3,061,559
Government Grants & Contracts	\$1,917,955 \$173,319		\$1,917,955 \$173,319
Corporate Contracts Rental Income	\$173,319 \$97,754		\$173,319
Other Program Revenue	\$29,701		\$29,701
Government Program (CARES Act)	\$467,778		\$467,778
Investment Return, Net	\$64,957	\$38,844	\$103,801
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Total Revenues	\$4,982,332	\$869,535	\$5,851,867
Assets Released from Restrictions	\$329,805	\$(329,805)	
Total Revenues and Assets			
Released from Restrictions	\$5,312,137	\$539,730	\$5,851,867
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EXPENSES			
Program Services:			
Science & Conservation Programs	\$4,414,981		\$4,414,981
Education Program	\$426,742		\$426,742
Total Program Services	\$4,841,723		\$4,841,723
Support Services: Fundraising & Development	\$690,018		\$690,018
General & Administrative	\$890,018		\$890,016
Total Support Services	\$1,084,956		\$1,084,956
Total Support Services	\$1,00 4 ,000		\$1,00 4 ,000
Total Expenses	\$5,926,679		\$5,926,679

Change in Net Assets	(\$614,542)	\$539,730	(\$74,812)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$2,416,775	\$1,564,926	\$10,813,807
Net Assets at End of Year	\$1,802,233	\$2,104,656	\$10,738,995

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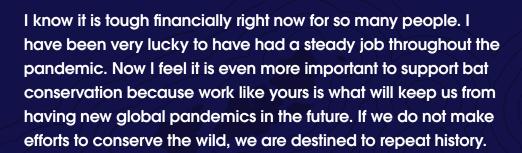
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