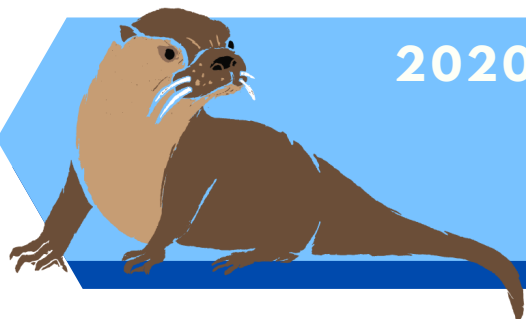


# Wish List



Membership donations and annual gifts are essential for the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society to continue its support of conservation and education efforts at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. Below are just a **few** unique giving opportunities to enhance the impact of support at the Refuge. To see the scope of the Society's impact and for more ideas and opportunities for giving, please contact Birgie Miller at 239.472.1100 ext 232 or visit [dingdarlingsociety.org](http://dingdarlingsociety.org).

**All gifts are tax deductible.**



### Honor or Memorial Gift: Any Amount

A gift in honor or memory of a loved one to the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society is a wonderful way to pay tribute to those special in your life. Send a general gift or designate it to a specific area. Gifts of all levels are appreciated and the honoree will be notified (without the amount) of your thoughtfulness. For a gift of \$10,000 or more, a permanently endowed fund can be established.



### Video Editing Computer: \$3,000 for Macbook Pro

From virtual summer camp lessons to interactive virtual hikes down Indigo trail to creative event videos, video editing has become increasing more relevant to our team. With in-person field trips and events taking a back seat to virtual programs this year, our team needs an editing computer to help produce fun, creative, and educational videos for school children and supporters.



### Everyday Education Supplies: \$50 per class or \$12,500 per year

From owl pellets to nature journals to pencils, countless classroom supplies are in demand by our educators to support the thousands of children who have the chance to learn from the "Ding" Darling Conservation Educator, in-person or virtually. As the federal education budget continues to decrease, we hope that you will choose to support our educators, who tirelessly educate and inspire our next generation of conservation stewards.



### Support a Biology Intern Stipend: \$240 per week or \$12,500 per year

Throughout the year, we have two interns come to the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge to gain experience and help fill in gaps due to limited staffing in the biology field. These interns, usually recent college graduates, provide invaluable support to the Refuge while gaining hands-on, practical experience as they enter their career field. Help support their living and travel stipends.



### Educational Taxidermy: \$350 per smaller specimen or \$600 per larger specimen

Experiential learning through physical, realistic examples of wildlife can positively impact the way students and people of all ages see the wildlife and natural world around them. Inspire future biologists, veterinarians, and conservation stewards by funding the taxidermy of an Osprey, Green Heron, Tricolored Heron, Screech Owl, Mangrove Cuckoo, and Diamondback Terrapin, which are species we currently have available.



### WoW Gas Cards: \$50 per card

As our new Wildlife on Wheels (WoW) Mobile Classroom rolls out this fall, we hope to educate, inspire, and positively impact many schools and communities that are often not within a possible or practical driving distance for a daylong trip to the Refuge. Purchase gas gift cards to Speedway, Mobile, Shell, or Wawa to assist with the travel costs. You can send directly to DDWS or via Amazon.



### Summer Field Trips for Under-Represented Minority Communities: \$1,500 per trip, \$15,000 for 10

We are hoping through our WoW outreach, to establish strong, working relationships with leaders in under-represented communities, while building the trust necessary to have families and groups such as Pace Center for Girls, Harlem Heights, and Quality Life Center want to participate in these Summer Field Trips to the Refuge. DDWS would contract with a bus company to bring interested participants to "Ding". The education team, along with a summer bi-lingual intern, would give these kids, teenagers, and families an experience to remember. It is our hope to fund up to 10 summer field trips dependent on covid and interest. We anticipate the cost for this program will be the rent for transportation, lunch and snacks, giveaways, and swag for the participants.

**This year, we hope that you choose to support the many conservation and education efforts at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. Best wishes in the new year from our "Ding" family to yours.**



**For more information about making a gift to support an item on the Refuge's 2021 Wish List, please contact Birgie Miller at 239.472.1100 ext. 232 or visit [dingdarlingsociety.org](http://dingdarlingsociety.org).**

