

New Jersey Audubon Receives Record Gift

The amount provides the organization financial strength for decades to come

Bernardsville NJ, (November 3, 2022) New Jersey Audubon announces it has received a nearly \$6 million bequest from an anonymous donor, the largest gift ever presented in the organization's 125 years.

This gift will create an endowment fund that will provide long-term financial support for New Jersey Audubon in its mission to connect people with nature and steward the nature of today for all people of tomorrow.

Alex Ireland, New Jersey Audubon President and CEO, explains that the gift is part of a larger effort to expand New Jersey Audubon's programs and secure its future through investment in its endowment.

"This donor was a true visionary whose wish was that New Jersey Audubon use these funds to ensure the long-term financial stability of the organization and inspire others to make transformational gifts to the organization. We are incredibly grateful for the donor's belief in New Jersey's Audubon's mission and we send our deepest condolences to the family."

Kimberly Armenti, New Jersey Audubon VP of Development and Communications, states, "We mourn the passing of this cherished member of our community and are proud to honor the donor's legacy with this announcement. This gift is part of a transformative fundraising effort that New Jersey Audubon has undertaken since 2019 and we look forward to sharing much more information very soon."

About New Jersey Audubon

New Jersey Audubon is a privately supported, not-for profit, statewide membership organization. Founded in 1897, and one of the oldest independent Audubon societies, New Jersey Audubon fosters environmental awareness and a conservation ethic among New Jersey's citizens; protects New Jersey's birds, mammals, other animals, and plants, especially endangered and threatened species; and promotes preservation of New Jersey's valuable natural habitats. For more information, visit www.njaudubon.org.