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Ways to Help Birds

Here are just a few groups I would strongly urge you to consider supporting:

American Bird Conservancy www.abcbirds.org This is the only organization whose sole mission is the conservation of wild birds and their habitats in the Americas.

The Nature Conservancy www.nature.org

National Audubon Society www.audubon.org

International Crane Foundation www.savingcranes.org

Ducks Unlimited www.ducks.org/illinois

Wildlife Conservation Society www.wcs.org

Cornell Lab of Ornithology www.wcs.org

Rainforest Alliance www.rainforest-alliance.org

National Resources Defense Counsel www.nrdc.org

Environmental Defense Fund Locally www.edf.org

Bird Conservation Network www.bcnbirds.org

Openlands www.openlands.org

Lake County Forest Preserve District www.lcfpd.org

Other things you can do for Conservation:

If you have a pet cat keep it indoors!

Mentor any and every youngster you can. Don't push too hard but introduce them to nature and birds in a way that can be fun for them.

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If physically able, join a workday at your local Forest Preserve or other natural area to clear buckthorn and/or pull alien weeds like garlic mustard, creating more habitat for a variety of ground nesting birds. Turn your yard into a haven for birds.

Ask your local political leaders for a personal meeting to discuss your concerns with declining birds and other wildlife. Write letters on these issues. Letters count. Let's multiply our voices manifold. We can have a huge impact.

Protect your glass from collisions. www.abcbirds.org/collisions Many of the above listed organizations offer possibilities for volunteer work.

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