## The Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary & Audubon Center Needs You!

Join the \$150,000 Grant Challenge today

Through the generous support of an anonymous donor and Audubon New York Board Chair Gini Stowe, we are embarking on a series of improvement projects for the Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary and Audubon Center. These inspirational gifts have set us on the path to creating a state-of-the art facility. Successfully implementing these projects and the renewed vision for the Sanctuary will require an ambitious and unprecedented effort among Audubon New York supporters.

Please invest in the future of the Sanctuary and join the \$150,000 Grant Challenge with a donation today. Your donation will allow the following Sanctuary improvements:

- Fountain Restoration
- Entry Gate Restoration
- Implementation of New Landscaping Plan Offering Passive Recreation and Enjoyment
- Native and Bird Friendly Model Gardens Development
- On-Site Interpretive and Theodore Roosevelt Legacy Signage Creation, Improvements and Installation
- New Sanctuary Road Sign Creation and Installation
- Facility Renovations and Improvements



We look forward to working with you to make the Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary and Audubon Center a vital community resource that engages people in the protection of the Long Island ecosystem for the benefit of birds and communities.

Learn more at http://ny.audubon.org (516) 922-3200



Long Island's ecosystem is globally significant for the survival of several bird species. Audubon New York's expertise and vast network uniquely positions us to play a leadership role in protecting Long Island's critical bird habitats and the quality of life of its communities.

For more than a century Audubon has protected birds and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and Earth's biological diversity. Our mission has never been more important. We have created this vision to seize this critical moment for the future of Long Island's ecosystem. It galvanizes our strengths and creates a catalyst for change.

#### We will...

- Deepen our conservation impact by protecting and restoring critical bird habitats and increasing populations of priority birds.
- Engage public officials, partners, and communities in the criticality of protecting the Long Island ecosystem for birds and people now and in a warmer climate.
- Strongly advocate at the local, state, and federal levels for sustainable and resilient solutions.
- Reposition our Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary & Audubon Center in Oyster Bay Cove as the hub of our work within the Long Island ecosystem.

### The Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary & Audubon Center will...

- Be a place for convening and collaboration among Audubon and partner scientists, educators, conservationists, and policy experts to develop programs that protect and enhance habitat to increase bird populations and involve the public in our critical work.
- Offer state-of-the-art education programs that result in measurable conservation outcomes.
- Be a model of bird-friendly native plantings and demonstration gardens.
- Celebrate Theodore Roosevelt's conservation legacy to America.
- Be a resource to the community to learn about the importance of the Long Island ecosystem to birds of the Atlantic Flyway.
- Be an opportunity for the community to enjoy the wonder of nature amidst a self-guided trail hike and interpretative on-site programs.

# Sharing Our Seas and Shores

## Long Island Bird Conservation Program

The Long Island Bird Conservation program is part of an international conservation effort to stabilize and increase populations of coastal birds and reduce threats to their survival. Audubon New York is actively working at sites that support 90 pairs of Piping Plovers, 50 pairs of American Oystercatcher, and 250 Least Terns.

Coastal areas are a magnet for birds and people. By expanding our successful coastal stewardship program, Audubon can enlist a growing army of volunteers to help reduce disturbance to birds and to be caretakers of nesting habitat.

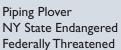
- Audubon identifies and conserves the most important places for birds during the breeding, migration, and wintering seasons, including the 27 IBAs located on Long Island.
- Working closely with the 7 Long Island Audubon Chapters, partners and volunteers, we strive to restore populations of priority bird species through surveys, stewardship, habitat maintenance, and threat abatement.
- Our Be A Good Egg program educates the public about the needs of beach-nesting birds and how to responsibly share the beach. In 2014, we secured nearly 1,500 "share the beach" pledges.

### Sustained Conservation For Long Island

Long Island's ecosystem is one of the richest veins of biodiversity on the planet and Audubon New York is working to ensure its protection. The entire Long Island ecosystem is critically important to Atlantic Flyway birds as well as the 28 million Americans who live within a 50-mile radius.

Audubon New York's strategic plan is a call to action to protect Long Island's ecosystem through conservation, science, policy, and environmental education. We will inspire the next generation of environmental stewards as well as current partners, educators, and scientists to create innovative programs that benefit the community while protecting and enhancing bird habitat through:

- Education and community engagement programs at the Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary and Audubon Center as the cornerstone of our efforts to engage people in fostering healthy wildlife populations, habitats, and communities on Long Island.
- For the Birds! Long Island, our premier environmental education program fostering the next generation of conservation leaders. Since 1998, For the Birds! has captured over 77,800 contact hours with more than 18,475 New York City and Long Island students.





Black Skimmer NY State Species of Special Concern



American Oystercatcher
NY State Species of
Greatest Conservation Need



Red Knot NY State High Priority Species of Greatest Conservation Need Federally threatened



Sanderling
NY State Species of
Potential Conservation Need

Least Tern
NY State Threatened



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