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Making a Tangible Difference

By investing in the Trust, you can support the steadfast work being done by the Southern African Wildlife College to help protect Africa's biodiversity, its wildlife and natural resources.

The assets of the Trust are aligned with the WWF-SA Prescient Living Planet Fund, its objective being long-term capital growth with a high level of sustainability and environmental integrity:

- The Fund is registered and regulated by the Financial Services Board (FSB)
- Investments take place in a balanced manner and through a range of asset classes
- The Fund complies with the Prudential Investment Guidelines for SA Retirement Funds under Reg. 28 of the Pension Fund Act

Donor Recognition

- Donor status is recognised in the SAWCT Annual Report and on an impressive plinth at the entrance to the College
- Donors are invited to the annual graduation and student farewell dinner
- Donors receive the quarterly Bateleur newsletter from the College, as well as the College and SAWCT annual reports

Tracking donor donations cumulatively

- Bateleur Eagle - R1m and above
- Martial Eagle - R500 000 and above
- Black Eagle - R250 000 and above
- Crowned Eagle - R100 000 and above
- Fish Eagle - R50 000 and above
- Tawny Eagle - R25 000 and above
- African Hawk Eagle - R10 000 and above
- Booted Eagle - under R10 000

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Success Story

Francis Chitsa – Lake Chivero Recreational Park – Zimbabwe Wildlife Parks and National Authority (Vice President – SRC 2016 – SAWC)

Thank you for the scholarship which enabled me to further my studies at the College in 2016. It was an honour and a game changer in my life, impacting the surrounding communities, my country and the world at large.

I am currently stationed at Lake Chivero, close to the city of Harare. I have been elevated to the post of acting senior ranger administrations as a result of my achievements at the College. It

is my pleasure to mention that this has been a turning point in our resource protection. Through the knowledge I have gained, I was able to make positive changes such as creating an effective and achievable resource management plan. There is a definite difference from the way I used to see conservation as a layman and now as a trained conservationist.

Thank you very much again for the chance you gave me, and please keep supporting others who follow. This will help change mind sets, ensure community development and assist in conserving the world's natural resources.

Donor Support Funds Highly-prized Conservation Scholarships

SAWCT has to date awarded over 60 Higher Education and Training scholarships and bursaries to deserving students.

Thanks to generous donors and supporters, over R1 million in funding is annually awarded by the Trust to the College which funds:

- Scholarships to the top students in the Advanced Certificate Programme in Nature Conservation – Transfrontier Conservation Management (NQF level 6)
- Bursaries to deserving students in the Higher Certificate Programme in Nature Conservation – Implementation and Leadership (NQF level 5)

In addition SAWCT provides support to the College for pressing conservation projects.

Trustees are nominated by:



“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

Nelson Mandela

Training a new generation of Wildlife Area Managers



In 1996, with the support of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and other conservation organisations, WWF South Africa established the Southern African Wildlife College (SAWC) as a Section 21 Company, built with seed funding provided by the German Development Bank (KfW) and initial funds from WWF supporters.

Since opening its doors in 1997, the College has trained more than 15 000 individuals from the SADC region to help protect our natural heritage.

The courses presented at the College deal with community and nature-based conservation and tourism, wildlife and financial management, resource economics, human and cultural resources, human-wildlife conflict and other related topics such as wildlife guardianship including anti-poaching and ground to air patrols.

Transfrontier conservation areas (TFCAs) remain one of the focal points in the College curriculum.

The training programmes are designed to:

- Develop career opportunities for conservationists
- Help transform the biodiversity economy of the region
- Be of real relevance in a sector facing formidable challenges such as rhino poaching
- Build capacity to protect the rights of ordinary people in buffer zones, the ultimate stewards of land and natural resources

The training received at the SAWC, an Institute of Sectoral and Occupational Excellence (appointed by the South African Sector Education and Training Authorities), plays a pivotal role in rehabilitating and sustaining wildlife areas and protecting threatened species.

The College is recognised as a strategic implementation partner by the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA), and also works closely with SANParks and other conservation agencies in Africa and internationally.

Nurturing Conservation Leadership for Today and Tomorrow

Southern Africa is a region blessed with a uniquely rich natural heritage.

We recognize the fragility of nature and the serious impact that mismanagement of our natural ecosystems can have.

With community development, climate change, poverty and the growing demand for protected commodities such as rhino horn impacting Africa's resources, it becomes a daunting task to address the ever-increasing environmental challenges facing the continent.

It is vital for conservation organisations to equip the custodians of our natural resources with the skills to tackle these formidable challenges.



To meet this need, the Southern African Wildlife College Trust (SAWCT) provides funding for education in nature conservation management and practice, in support of the work of the Southern African Wildlife College, its sole beneficiary.

“The truth is: The natural world is changing. And we are totally dependent on that world. It provides our food, water and air. It is the most precious thing we have and we need to defend it.”

David Attenborough

Supporting Conservation and Africa's Wildlife Guardians

Training plays a pivotal role in terms of rehabilitating and sustaining wildlife areas. SAWCT scholarships support conservationists from across the region and open up career opportunities for people who often do not have any formal qualifications, only years of experience in the field.

Armed with the latest in conservation knowledge and practice, alumni of the College go on to

manage some of the world's most biologically diverse areas and collaborate with a broad array of stakeholders at all levels. Income and quality of life prospects improve, and benefits flow to their families and communities, as well as impacting local natural resources on which livelihoods and well-being depend.

Investing in Conservation Education and Skills Development

Funding for conservation training is limited in the SADC region. The College does not receive a government subsidy and this is unlikely to change. Key support is received from conservation groups, NGOs, government agencies, local and international donors, and from the Trust.

South Africa saw the need to establish a trust fund in support of the work of the College. In 2011 the name was changed to the Southern African Wildlife College Trust (SAWCT) to better align with the College, its beneficiary.

To date, with the support of its donors, SAWCT has raised over **R30 million**. These funds are invested and managed by WWF South Africa for the College in perpetuity.



I wish to support the work of the Southern African Wildlife College Trust

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Title Initials

Surname

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Leaving a legacy. I would like to remember SAWCT in my will. Kindly contact me.

Signature Date



We thank you for your support