

2026 Audubon Wildlife Fund Grant Proposal Guidelines



Montana Audubon will be offering small grants in early 2026. This money, generated by an endowment called the Audubon Wildlife Fund of Montana, will be awarded to individuals or nonprofit organizations whose project directly benefits wildlife in Montana. The purpose of the Audubon Wildlife Fund is to support research or other activities that focus on the conservation, enhancement and public appreciation of Montana's wildlife and natural communities.

Eligible uses of grant funds include: mileage, supplies, equipment for schools or nonprofit organizations, printing, and communications. Ineligible uses include: salaries, stipends, per diem, and personal equipment.

Preference will be given to projects involving nongame wildlife, from birds to invertebrates, and their habitats. We encourage proposals that emphasize the significance of the proposed project in regard to its research, educational, and/or recreational value. Preference will be given to small nonprofit organizations, research projects, and graduate students.

Review and scoring of all proposals will be performed by a committee appointed by the Montana Audubon Board of Directors. Grant recipients will be required to submit a brief project report on project status and use of funds to Montana Audubon by Sept. 14, 2026 (for inclusion in our Fall Newsletter).

Grant winners will be announced in March 2026.

Guidelines:

- Because of limited resources, successful grants are generally less than \$500.
- All proposals should be typed and submitted on the form provided by Montana Audubon and limited to 2 pages in length (found at <https://mtaudubon.org/wildlifegrants/>). Individual categories on the application form can be expanded or reduced in size, depending on the needs of the applicant, but the overall application should be 2 pages. Attachments that illustrate important aspects of the project are welcome.
- Each proposal should include a letter of reference regarding your ability to accomplish the project.

All proposals must be received via email no later
than **Friday, January 16, 2026.**

Please email all proposal materials to info@mtaudubon.org
with the subject line "**AWF 2026 Grant Application**"

Please contact info@mtaudubon.org with any questions.

We are happy to work with you to make the application process as accessible as possible.