

The *Christine Stevens* Wildlife Awards

Deadline for Applications:
May 15, 2013



Grants available for innovative strategies for humane, non-lethal wildlife conflict management

The Animal Welfare Institute (AWI) is now accepting applications for its 2013 Christine Stevens Wildlife Awards. This award program, named in honor of the organization's late founder and president for over 50 years, provides \$10,000 grants to award recipients to help spur innovative and creative research on humane, non-lethal tools and techniques for wildlife conflict management.

Habitat destruction and degradation, urban and suburban sprawl, and ongoing challenges posed by invasive species make conflicts between wildlife and humans inevitable. Homeowners, property managers, and biologists need effective strategies to deal with conflicts—whether the encounter involves coyotes, deer, Canada geese, bears, exotic species, or a host of other animals.

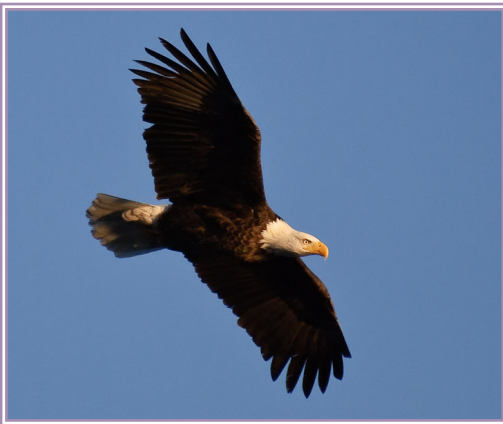
The Christine Stevens Wildlife Award was established to stimulate and support efforts to discover new techniques, test existing products, and devise new strategies to humanely remedy wildlife conflicts. With this award program we aim to honor Mrs. Stevens' legacy and inspire and support a new generation of compassionate wildlife scientists, managers and advocates.

Application Requirements

An online application form can be accessed at www.awionline.org/csaward.

Applicants can attach the required curriculum vitae, letter of support, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee approval document (if applicable), and a bibliography of cited or supporting literature to the online application. All applicants must complete the on-line application by May 15, 2013.

To qualify for the award, applicants must be based in North America and the project/study must be conducted in North America. Only fully completed applications meeting the eligibility criteria and submitted by the May 15, 2013 deadline will be considered for an award. Previous award winners do not qualify for a new award for the same study.





Additional Information

- Award recipients must agree to submit a 500-word summary of their research project, including photographs and results, at the conclusion of the first year of the project for potential publication in the *AWI Quarterly* magazine.
- Award recipients are encouraged to submit an annual report (if a multi-year project) and a final report to AWI summarizing research results.
- Award funds will be distributed in two segments; \$8,000 upon selection of award-winning applications, with the remainder allocated upon receipt of the research project summary.
- AWI policy is that no award funds can be used for indirect costs.
- If your proposal involves the use of domestic or wild animals (i.e., scent detection dogs; guard animals such as dogs, burros, llamas) additional information is required on the source and both short- and long-term care of the animals.
- Proposals focused primarily on education will not be considered for an award.
- For examples of successful applications and to review *AWI Quarterly* articles written by past recipients, visit www.awionline.org/csaward.
- If you have questions about the Christine Stevens Wildlife Award, eligibility requirements, and/or the online application, please contact D.J. Schubert at (609) 601-2875 or via email at dj@awionline.org.

Christine Stevens

Christine Stevens has long been called the “Mother of the Animal Protection Movement.” For over half a century, she dedicated her life to reducing animal suffering. In the words of Dr. Jane Goodall: “Christine Stevens was a giant voice for animal welfare. Passionate, yet always reasoned, she took up one cause after another and she never gave up. Millions of animals are better off because of Christine’s quiet and very effective advocacy.”

Mrs. Stevens founded the Animal Welfare Institute to end the cruel treatment of animals in experimental laboratories. Inevitably, her work expanded to take on other animal welfare issues. Mrs. Stevens supported wildlife management programs that were “win-win” situations—such as highway underpasses to facilitate wildlife movements, beaver bafflers to minimize or prevent beaver-caused flooding, and perching platforms that protect raptors from electrocution.

Animal Welfare Institute

Since 1951, the Animal Welfare Institute, a non-profit charitable organization, has been dedicated to alleviating suffering inflicted on animals by humans. Through engagement with policymakers, scientists, industry and the public, AWI seeks to:

- Abolish factory farms, support high-welfare family farms, and eliminate inhumane slaughter methods for animals raised for food;
- Improve the housing and handling of animals in research, and encourage the development and implementation of alternatives to experimentation on live animals;
- End the use of steel-jaw leghold traps and reform other brutal methods of capturing and killing wildlife;
- Preserve species threatened with extinction, and protect wildlife from harmful exploitation and destruction of critical habitat;
- Protect companion animals from cruelty and violence, including appalling conditions in commercial trade; and
- Prevent injury and death of animals caused by harsh transport conditions.

For more information on our aims and programs, please visit www.awionline.org.



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