

# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



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**NETWORK**

*#Coexistence Works*

# A Message from the Executive Director

Our first year of (co)existence has been an exciting, challenging and wonderful year. It is truly a gift to be creating this network of some of the most dedicated and compassionate experts from around the world.

Our mission is urgent. We are living in a time when the Earth is losing wildlife and wild places faster than any time in the last 3 million years. Wildlife in conflict with people are often killed or their habitat destroyed because communities lack resources and knowledge. But we know from experience that coexistence works. And together, we can share our knowledge with others and help communities around the globe coexist with wildlife.

Thanks to all of you who have taken the time to support our efforts, either in words, deeds, or through donations; we are grateful to all of you. Together we are creating awareness; demonstrating coexistence in action; and advocating for those who cannot speak for themselves.

For the Wild Ones,



Suzanne Asha Stone



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## Yes, we can coexist with wildlife!

The number of people impacting wildlife habitat around the world is increasing. Tragically, conflicts are also increasing and leading to unsustainable loss of wildlife. But with a new coexistence approach, both wildlife and humans can thrive.

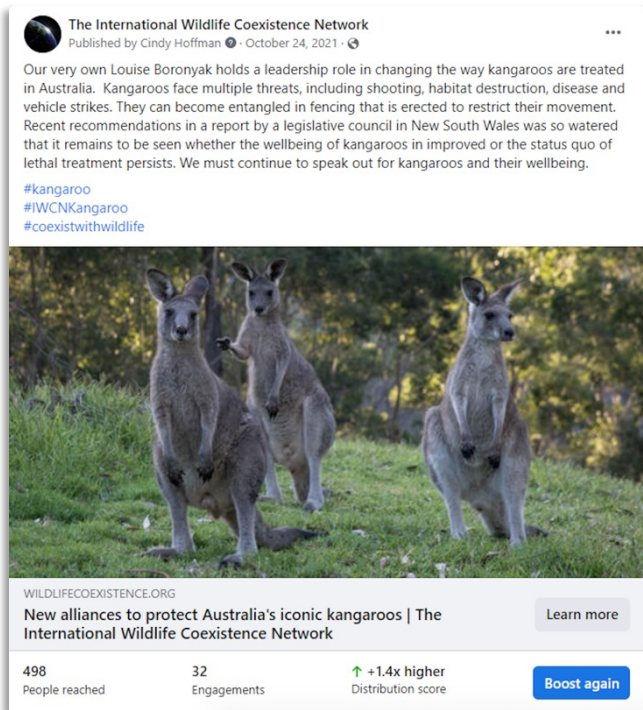
IWCN is leading this new approach through:

Coexistence experts working with local communities 

Consultation on wildlife coexistence policies and programs 

Boots-on-the-ground testing of nonlethal methods and strategies 


Online library and workshops to share research, best practices, and more 



The International Wildlife Coexistence Network  
Published by Cindy Hoffman · October 24, 2021 · 🌐

Our very own Louise Boronyak holds a leadership role in changing the way kangaroos are treated in Australia. Kangaroos face multiple threats, including shooting, habitat destruction, disease and vehicle strikes. They can become entangled in fencing that is erected to restrict their movement. Recent recommendations in a report by a legislative council in New South Wales was so watered that it remains to be seen whether the wellbeing of kangaroos is improved or the status quo of lethal treatment persists. We must continue to speak out for kangaroos and their wellbeing.

#kangaroo  
#IWCNKangaroo  
#coexistwithwildlife



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New alliances to protect Australia's iconic kangaroos | The International Wildlife Coexistence Network [Learn more](#)

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*"We share a common vision—a future where communities live sustainably and in harmony with their local wildlife."*  
– Jane Goodall Endorses IWCN

## Highlights from our first year: Wildlife Coexistence Forum Series

### COEXISTING WITH WOLVES

- Experts: Logan Miller and Nate Redon of the Wood River Wolf Project and Tom Gable of the Voyageurs Wolf Project.
- Participants learned about nonlethal tools such as fencing, fox lights, livestock guardian dogs and range riders that are being used to help ranchers coexist with wolves. Sponsored by the Foundation for Sustainability and Innovation.

**INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE COEXISTENCE NETWORK PRESENTS:**  
**How to Coexist with Wolves**

Thursday September 30, 11am MT

Learn about successful nonlethal deterrents that work, from people who are on the ground working the longest wolf/livestock public lands coexistence effort in the country.

[Register here: conta.cc/3Cyhgme](https://conta.cc/3Cyhgme)



 Suzanne Stone Co-Founder of Wood River Wolf Project, Executive Director of IWCN.	 Logan Miller Project Field Manager Wood River Wolf Project	 Nate Redon Field Technician Wood River Wolf Project	 Sarah Michael Community Chair Wood River Wolf Project	 Thomas Gable Project Lead Voyageurs Wolf Project
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### SHARK CONSERVATION

- Experts: Dr. Roger Koenig, scientist, underwater photographer and free diver based in Australia and Andre Borrell, documentary filmmaker, Envoy: Shark Cull.
- Our speakers exposed the deadly and ineffective ways Australia tries to deter sharks from its coastline; educated us on ways to better understand sharks and their body language and showed us shark deterrents that really work.

**INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE COEXISTENCE NETWORK PRESENTS:**  
**Shark Coexistence Forum**

FRIDAY, JULY 30 AT 7:30 PM EST

Take a deep dive with us to learn more about how to coexist with sharks.  
Speakers include:



 Roger Koenig Freediver Underwater Photographer,	 Andre Borrell Director of Envoy: Shark Cull
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### "DOWN UNDER": KANGAROOS & KOALAS:

- Experts: Linda Sparrow from Bangalow Koalas and Louise Boronyak of IWCN.
- Participants learned about community efforts to reforest habitat for koalas and how Australia manages kangaroos and efforts to explore non-lethal management options for these persecuted animals.



SUZANNE ASHA STONE

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IWCN DOWN UNDER! A WILDLIFE COEXISTENCE FORUM

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FRIDAY, APRIL 30 AT 6:00 PM  
MT

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## Wildlife Coexistence Forum Outreach

**500** participants included federal and state agencies, universities, students, non-profits and IWCN members from **Poland, Kenya, India, Australia, United States, France.**

Here is what some of them had to say:

**Gerri Clemens:** *“Good to meet [and] hear the people who have feet on the ground in this issue.”*

**Christine Lamanna:** *“Thanks so much to the speakers and the amazing projects! Would love to keep seeing these webinars focused on different contexts. So much to learn from each other!”*

Special thanks to the **Foundation for Sustainability and Innovation** for their support of the Coexisting with Wolves forum!

 **Foundation for Sustainability and Innovation**



## Northern Rockies Region #RelistWolvesNOW Campaign

IWCN mobilized scientists, elected officials, and the conservation community to advocate for federal protection for Northern Rockies wolves under the Endangered Species Act.



**800 scientists** signed our letter to President Biden and Secretary Haaland encouraging the relisting of wolves in the Northern Rockies including Jane Goodall, E.O. Wilson, Tom Lovejoy, Dan Ashe.



**88,000 signatures** on our petition campaign in support of protections for wolves.



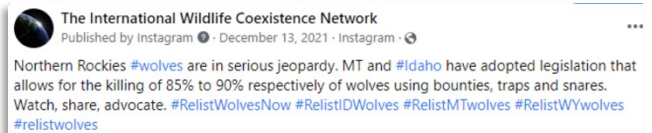
**77,000 comments** to the US Fish and Wildlife Service advocating for relisting. Joined litigation to stop wolf trapping that also impact wolves, grizzly bears and lynx in Idaho.



**Created an advocacy video**, featuring Jane Goodall, the former director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Dan Ashe, Senator Cory Booker, Coyote Peterson, tribal leaders, and hunters in support of relisting wolves in the Northern Rockies.



**Launched [RelistWolvesNow.org](https://www.relistwolvesnow.org)** to educate the public and encourage advocacy. Petitioned the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to provide emergency protections for wolves in the Northern Rockies.



## Highlights from our first year continued...

Theodore Roosevelt Genius Prize Competition provides up to one million dollars in grants for innovative conservation strategies and technologies. Our Director, Suzanne Asha Stone, chaired the committee that designed the criteria for grants that reduce human-predator conflict.

### Coexistence Council

- Twenty-one of the [world's top leaders](#) in wildlife conservation from **Canada, USA, Africa, Nepal, India, Kenya, Spain, UK, Australia**.
- Supported **wolf projects** in **Germany, Israel, and Nepal, dingo (Australia); kangaroo (Australia); koalas (Australia); sharks (Australia), snow leopards (Nepal)**.
- Symposium at the Wildlife Society's Annual Conference: ["Transforming to Interdisciplinary Wildlife Coexistence Management"](#)
- [Wildlife Innovation Challenge](#): Advised [Compassionate Conservation Middle East](#) on the Wolves in the Levant Project Organization regarding livestock guardian dogs, fencing and bonding pens and rancher perceptions on carnivores.

Special thanks to the **Laurence S. Weiss and Edith G. Weiss Foundation** for their support for this effort.

*"We received extremely valuable information about underlying fundamental issues and the tools we should consider using."* **Dr. Dror Ben-Ami**



## Highlights from our first year continued...

### Wood River Wolf Project

**Year 14** of the [Wood River Wolf Project](#) was one of the most challenging and the most successful to date. Several wolf packs were documented with the help of local students who helped install and monitor our field cameras.

Our field team led by **Logan Miller** helped herders from five different sheep operations train in the use of **nonlethal deterrents such as fox lights, air horns, high beam lights, new lighted guard dog collars, and more.** They also provided back up when needed to assist herders in adding more “human presence” near sheep bands at night. It was a tough drought year for the region so predators like wolves must work harder to survive meaning more chances of conflicts, but **sheep losses remained at only three out of the 12,000 sheep present for the grazing season!** Coexistence works! We are so excited to start year 15 in 2022.




**Partnered with Voyageurs Wolf Project** in Minnesota to raise **\$13,000** in funds to build a **7.5 mile fence around the perimeter of a ranch** in the Voyageurs Ecosystem. This ranch sits at the nexus of four wolf packs and is critical to reduce wolf-livestock conflict in the area.

**Tom Gable, of Voyageurs Wolf Project:** *“The fence clearly was preventing the wolves from moving in and out of the ranch. Our hope is that this project will be a premier example of how fencing can eliminate wolf-livestock conflicts. We would like to thank the International Wildlife Coexistence Network for helping make this project happen through much needed funding for the effort!”*




**Highlights from our first year continued...**

**Wildlife Coexistence Library:** Developed an extensive [free library](#) of coexistence articles, peer reviewed documents, guidebooks and more.




**Jaguar 2030 Roadmap**

Species	Jaguar
Country	Central America, Latin America, North America
Practices	Capacity building, Coexistence planning
Tool(s)	Conservation planning, Human-carnivore coexistence
Keywords	Conservation planning, Jaguar



**Pets and pests: a review of the contrasting economics and fortunes of dingoes and domestic dogs in Australia, and a proposed new funding scheme for non-lethal dingo management**

Peer reviewed publication



**Livestock guardian dogs and cattle protection: Opportunities, challenges, and methods**

Species	Gray, Wolf
Country	USA
Practices	Capacity building, Guardians, Livestock management
Tool(s)	Livestock guardian dogs, Livestock Guardian Dogs (LGDs)

**Look at our Reach! IWCN has gone from zero to over 350,000 engagements on social media in our first year.**



**The International Wildlife Coexistence Network**  
Published by Cindy Hoffman · October 12, 2021 ·

This story shows just how important it is to not provide attractants if you live in bear country. Relocation can be very difficult for bears.

Do you live in bear country? What do you do to keep bears away from your home? Bear proof garbage cans? Fencing? Harvesting your fruit and vegetables early.

Keep bears safe this season. #Bears #IWCNbears #coexistwithwildlife.



**The International Wildlife Coexistence Network**  
April 16 at 1:00 PM ·

Now you, your pets and wildlife can safely travel through public lands in New Mexico without fear of traps, snares and poisons. This should be the case on all lands, don't you think?



**The International Wildlife Coexistence Network**  
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Elephants are afraid of bees. So circling a crop with bee hives keeps the crops and elephants safe. Brilliant!

#coexistenceworks  
#iwcnelephants #elephants



**The International Wildlife Coexistence Network**  
November 14, 2021 ·

Facts about Bison! 🐃🐃🐃

#IWCNbison #conservation #bison #funfacts #IWCN #factsaboutanimals #animalfacts #factsabout #coexistence #yellowstone #yellowstonenationalpark #americanbison



# Financial Report

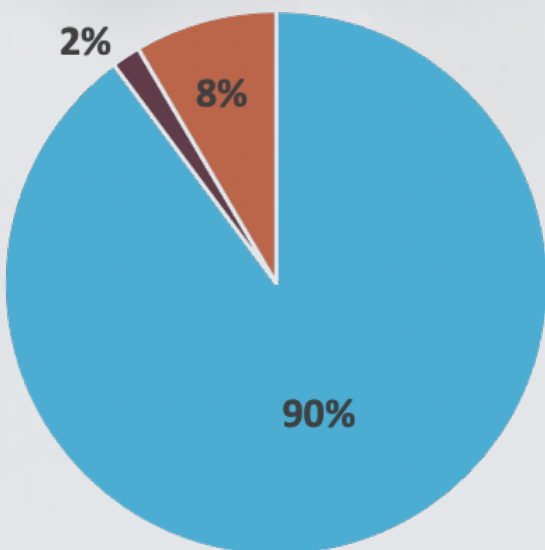
## What Your Donation Funds



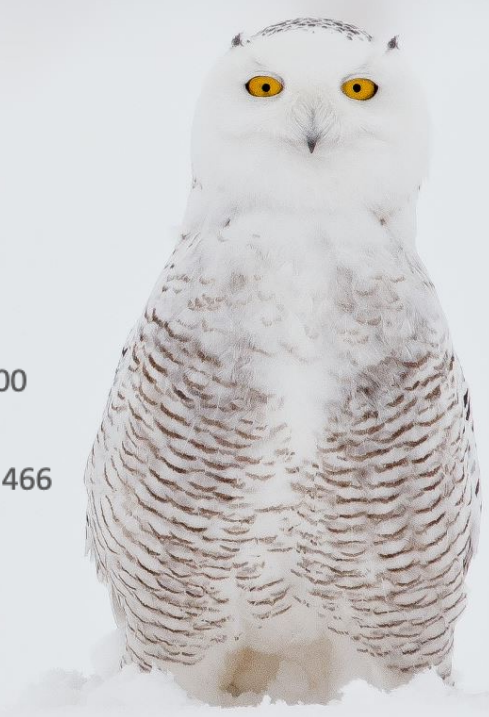
- Coexistence Education - 23%
- Policy and Pgm Dev - 28%
- Admin - 11%
- Interdisciplinary Collaboration - 10%
- Fundraising - 7%
- Marketing and Communications - 8%
- Startup - 5%
- Operating Expenses - 7%

**“It’s coexistence or no existence” —Bertrand Rusell**

## Sources of Funds



- Grants - \$387,050
- Major Donations - \$7,400
- Online Donations - \$36,466



## Ways to give

### Make a Donation

- Donations help provide us with the funding to continue sharing expertise and resources worldwide where communities can live sustainably with local wildlife.

### Corporate Giving

- Corporations give back! You can increase your contribution's impact by using your organization's matching gift program.
- Many employers will match employees' charitable contributions and even volunteer hours. Connect with your employer and inquire if they offer a matching gifts program.

### Legacy Giving

- By including IWCN in your estate and financial planning, your legacy will help to enable communities around the globe to coexist with wildlife well into the future.
- If you're establishing a will or revising your overall estate plan, consider leaving part of your estate to IWCN.
- Name IWCN as a beneficiary for all or part of your life insurance, pension, or mutual account fund.
- Make a direct charitable distribution from your IRA to IWCN and you can avoid income tax on the distribution.



## Meet our team

### Founder, CEO Executive Director



**Suzanne Asha Stone**

### IWCN Team Members



**Sharon Boland**  
Administrator &  
Business Manager



**Louise Boronyak**  
International  
Project Liaison



**Cindy Hoffman**  
Communications  
Director



**Jessica Maney**  
Development  
Director



**Allison Miller**  
Communications  
Manager

### Board of Directors

Rich Lamanna, Sarah Michael, Thomas K. Provins, Susan Wallace,  
Priya Darshini, Loretta Sadler and Suzanne Asha Stone

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Dr. John Vucetich, and Dr. Arian Wallach

### Partners

The Jane Goodall Institute, Wildlife Friendly Enterprise Network,  
The Center for Human-Carnivore Coexistence, LightHawk, Lion Guardians,  
Voyageurs Wolf Project, Colorado Wolf and Wildlife Center, and  
International Kangaroo Alliance

# Coexistence Works!



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