



About Safari Club International

The Safari Club International mission statement:

- Provide value to members by shaping policies and legislation that protect the freedom to hunt locally, nationally and internationally.
- Keep members informed regarding issues that impact hunting while educating and entertaining members with engaging articles about the rich heritage of hunting in all forms of media.
- Provide a community for hunters worldwide where camaraderie is enjoyed and expert information is exchanged, and where members are able to participate in a market for quality hunting goods and services.
- Promote a positive image of hunters and portraying them as responsible citizens who fund wildlife conservation, education and other programs which benefit the community.

Safari Club International major programs are:

- Government Affairs
- SCI-PAC (Political Action Committee)
- Hunters' Rights Advocacy
- Conservation Projects Worldwide
- American Wilderness Leadership School, a week-long seminar for students and educators regarding hunting and conservation

Each chapter returns 30% of the proceeds from their annual fundraisers to SCI. The remaining 70% stays with the Chapter to fund local educational, conservation and humanitarian projects.

Major Donations from the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter to Safari Club International as of 3/2018

30% donation from 19 fundraisers:	\$173,064
SCI Washington Office Building Fund:	\$ 2,500
American Wilderness Leadership School Building Fund:	\$ 2,500
Sables donation to SCI Foundation	\$ 10,272

Adirondack - Catskill Chapter Projects, Programs and Services

Conservation Projects

- * Bluebird House Construction Project: Provided over 500 bird houses to Poland Central School, Rogers Environmental Center, Riverside Elementary School in Oneonta, Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School, New Hartford High School & Whitesboro Brownie Troop
- * Winter Wildlife Feeding Station
- * Joint BOCES/ACSCI wood duck nesting box construction and relocation project
- * Purchased & donated two robotic deer to NYSDEC to suppress poaching
- * Built a boardwalk around Utica Marsh
- * Co-sponsored NYS Legislative Sportsman's Caucus with Western - Central SCI
- * Constructed a footbridge in Bowman Lake Park along the Finger Lakes Trail, \$1,350
- * Six years of corn seed project, distributed locally, \$9,025

Educational Projects

- * Herkimer County Envirothon, 12-year sponsor, \$3,000
- * NYS DEC Youth Camp, 5 sponsored youth, \$1,400
- * Purchased Habitat videos and workbooks for local elementary schools
- * Joint W-C SCI and A-C SCI promotional video, \$2,500
- * Sponsor of 15 Hunter Safety Courses, sending over 500 new hunters afield
- * Conducted Whitetail hunting seminars
- * Sponsored Trapper Safety Courses
- * Sponsored 19 teachers to attend American Wilderness Leadership School, \$19,367
- * Sponsored young women to attend Jackson, Wyoming BOW program \$1,250

Educational Projects (continued)

- * Obtained scholarships for 4 local students entering college, \$17,600
- * Sponsored 12 Young Hunters to attend American Wilderness Leadership School, \$14,927
- * Contribution to AWLS Cabin Renovation Project, \$500
- * Sent library books to Namibia, \$500
- * Donated to the opening of the Wildlife Sports and Educational Museum, \$500
- * 1st National Archery in the Schools Program in NYS, Franklin Central School, \$2,500
- * Poland Central Schools Science Fair Conservation Award, 15 years, \$1,500
- * Funding for Eagle Scout to complete conservation project, \$250
- * Major sponsor of National Archery in the Schools Program at Norwich Schools, \$1,600
- * Youth Day Sponsor with Rockdale Rod & Gun Club, 8 years, \$5740
- * Youth Day Sponsor with Otego Rod & Gun Club, 2 years \$1004
- * Youth Day Sponsor with Unadilla Rod & Gun Club, 3 years \$1246
- * Sponsor for Chenango County Youth Turkey Hunt, \$325

Humanitarian Programs

- * Special Hunter Program – sent youth on first safari to South Africa
- * Special Hunter Program – provided firearm for hunter with ALS to go on first elk hunt
- * Special Hunter Program – took disadvantaged youth on first wild boar hunt
- * Special Hunter Program – sent terminally ill man on first elk hunt in New Mexico
- * Safari Wheel Program – secured wheel chair for resident in need
- * Hunts for Wounded Veterans – Provided 12 hunts including airfare & trophy importation fees, \$17,190
- * Youth Safari Wish Hunts, \$5095
- * Safari Care – Worldwide Health Care; collected and helped ship medical supplies to South Africa
- * SCI Blue Bag Program, \$2065

Humanitarian Services

- * Hunters Against Hunger – Support for food banks
- * Safari Wheels – Wheelchair Acquisition for handicapped
- * CANY Venison Donation Program, \$2,800
- * Anthony Guriano Fund – cash donation to equip handicap accessible van
- * Wild game dinner in Utica in cooperation with the Salvation Army during the holidays

Other Projects

- * Friends of the NRA Donations, \$1,250
- * National Historic Trust Fishing Derby, Bowman Lake State Park, 3 years, \$750
- * Save Alaska Hunting Heritage Fund, \$1000
- * Kodiak Brown Bear Trust, \$1,000
- * Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, \$400
- * Cornell Cooperative Extension 4H Shooting Sports Program, \$3,450 plus 2 South African safaris for auction that brought in an additional \$3,400 at their fundraiser.
- * NRA Endowment, 13 years, \$13,000
- * Randy & Jennifer Lawson, Wildlife Rehabilitators, \$1,750
- * Dan Hooker, NYS Assemblyman, election campaign, \$2,000
- * Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, \$1000
- * Conservation Officer of the Year Award to 3 Officers in New Mexico who joined with ACSCI member Jerry Briggs in convicting Adrian Romero, the biggest case of poaching and wildlife-related fraud in New Mexico history.
- * Republican Lobsterfest Fundraiser, \$1,000
- * Sponsor two awards annually for United Taxidermists of New York for 11 years, \$1,925
- * Sponsor for 2016 Schenevus Central School Big Buck Contest, \$100