



Ideas for Growing your State Coalition

See the list below for some ideas of groups that have state-based chapters or offices; Many large organizations or umbrella groups websites have list of contacts by state.

Conservation Organizations:

- National Wildlife Federation affiliates (www.nwf.org)
- American Fisheries Society chapters
- National Audubon Society state offices and chapters
- Association of Zoos and Aquariums
- The Nature Conservancy state chapters
- The Wildlife Society chapters
- Sierra Club chapters and groups
- Land trusts (Land Trust Alliance (<https://www.landtrustalliance.org/>) is an umbrella group
- Friends groups (e.g. National wildlife refuge, national/state parks)
- River and watershed groups (www.rivernet.org)
- Clean Water Network members
- League of Conservation Voters state offices
- Earth Day Network groups
- Environmental education associations
- Society for Conservation Biology chapters
- Herpetological Societies
- Soil and Water Conservation Society chapters
- Society for Ecological Restoration chapters
- Native plant societies, wildflower societies, garden clubs
- Botanical gardens
- Campus environmental and outdoor activity clubs
- Birding clubs, ornithological societies, birding festivals
- North American Bluebird Society affiliates
- North American Butterfly Association chapters
- Natural history museums
- Nature centers
- Wildlife rehabilitation facilities: <https://www.nwrawildlife.org/>
- Scenic conservation groups (www.scenic.org)

Hunting and Fishing Groups:

- Pheasants Forever and Quail Unlimited chapters
- Safari Club chapters
- Trout Unlimited chapters and councils
- Ducks Unlimited chapters
- Ruffed Grouse Society chapters
- State B.A.S.S. federations
- Back Country Hunters and Anglers
- Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partners

- Delta Waterfowl chapters
- Coastal Conservation Association chapters
- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation chapters
- Foundation for North American Wild Sheep chapters
- Federation of Fly Fishers clubs
- Walleyes Unlimited chapters
- Quality Deer Management Association branches
- Mule Deer Foundation chapters
- Sportsmen's Alliance
- Bowhunters Association
- Izaak Walton League chapters and divisions
- National Wild Turkey Federation state and local chapters

Recreation based groups:

- Hiking clubs (e.g. [Appalachian Mountain Club](#))
- Canoe and kayak clubs
- Bicycling clubs
- Speleological Societies: <http://www.caves.org/>
- Falconers Associations

Other:

- State and county 4-H programs
- Girl and Boy scout councils
- League of Women Voters
- Civic organizations (rotary or lions clubs)
- Faith-based entities (houses of worship, schools, camps)
- Forest and woodland owners' associations
- Society of American Foresters state societies
- State and county Farm Bureaus
- Resource Conservation and Development Councils
- University biology/ecology departments, programs and clubs

State and Local Government Agencies and Officials:

- Current and former Governors and Lieutenant Governors
- State Legislatures and conservation-oriented caucuses
 - State and local environmental agencies
 - Former wildlife agency directors and commissioners
- County boards of supervisors/commissioners and county departments: <http://www.naco.org/>
- City councils and mayors
- State/local tourism offices and visitors' bureaus

Nature-based businesses:

- Outdoor equipment retailers and manufacturers
- Outfitters, guides and tour operators
- Hotels, motels, and B&Bs
- Campgrounds and RV Parks
- Timber companies, energy companies, ranches, farms and other major landowners
- Wild Bird specialty stores (e.g. Wild Birds Unlimited)
- Vineyards and breweries
- Photographers, artists, studios and galleries

- Marinas and marine supply companies
- Ski areas (and particularly members of the “sustainable slopes” program)
- Restaurants, gift shops and other businesses near wildlife viewing areas