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The Wisconsin Golden-winged Warbler Campaign

Wisconsin is home to 25% of the world's breeding Golden-winged Warblers. The population of this beautiful bird has fallen substantially over the past several decades, and the decline continues. Wisconsin is a critical partner in a coordinated hemispheric effort to save our flagship warbler. **Your help is urgently needed.**

Reasons for Decline

The Golden-winged Warbler winters in a narrow elevational zone of oak dominated forests in the mountains of Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Columbia, and Venezuela. The mild climate and rich volcanic soils in these areas have resulted in widespread loss of forests for agriculture. What little forest remains is unprotected and highly threatened. On the warbler's breeding grounds in North America, shrubby thickets and young forest required for breeding are being lost to succession and habitat fragmentation.



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The Wisconsin Bird Conservation Initiative Campaign

The Wisconsin Bird Conservation Initiative (WBCI) has launched a campaign to save the Golden-winged Warbler. WBCI and its partners, the American Bird Conservancy, Partners in Flight, and Fundación ProAves, are spearheading efforts to identify and protect key wintering areas for Golden-winged Warblers in Latin America. Additionally, this effort will benefit a host of Wisconsin's other breeding birds including the Cerulean Warbler, Canada Warbler, Olive-sided Flycatcher, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Scarlet Tanager, and Eastern Wood-Pewee. Globally threatened Latin American birds such as the Mountain Grackle, Yellow-eared Parrot, and Gorgeted Wood Quail will also benefit.

In the coming months, WBCI and its partners aim to raise \$50,000 to train and support Latin American biologists to conduct urgently needed surveys of wintering habitat and begin targeted protection of key wintering areas.

How You Can Help

- Donate to the Golden-winged Warbler Campaign today. Send your contribution to:
The Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin
P.O. Box 2317
Madison, WI 53701-2317
Specify: "GWWA Campaign"
- Ask your employer or organization to match your donation
- Give a presentation to a local organization to encourage their participation
- Publish an article in your organization's newsletter or Website
- Sponsor a birdathon or other event

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Golden-winged Warbler wintering habitat in Colombia.: Fundación ProAves, www.proaves.org