

How to apply for –

The Latin American Wild Felid Action Grant

– Offered by the Wild Felid Research and Management Association –



Through support from The Summerlee Foundation, the Wild Felid Research and Management Association (WFA) has been given the opportunity to award 2-3 grants, ranging from \$3,000 to \$5,000 each to well-deserving projects on wild felids in Latin American countries. WFA is looking for projects that will have a tangible impact on wild felid species and habitat conservation through: the application of biological information, education of and outreach to local communities, and/or implementation of innovations that reduce human-felid conflict and encourage coexistence.

GRANT DETAILS: The Latin American Wild Felid Action Grant is only open to projects conducted in Latin American countries. The grant will provide financial assistance to one or more university or NGO projects on wild felids or their habitats, with the understanding that the work will promote a better understanding of the species and aid in its sound management and conservation. Selected grants for 2019 will be awarded by June 30. Each applicant can request an award of up to \$5,000. Grantees will be recognized in the WFA's newsletter, the *Wild Felid Monitor* and will be required to:

- 🐾 Write 1 article for the newsletter on their project's progress;
- 🐾 Participate in a WFA webinar or video to discuss their project;
- 🐾 Produce a final report.

Grant applications will be evaluated based on ability to:

- 🐾 Meet plan objectives based on funding obtained;
- 🐾 Develop and conduct a project that will positively impact a felid species or its habitat through the application of biological information, implementation of education and outreach, or enactment of management to reduce conflict and encourage co-existence;
- 🐾 Provide a detailed study plan with accompanying documentation of methodology.

GRANT FUND ADMINISTRATION: The WFA's Grant Committee administers the Latin American Wild Felid Action Grant and selects recipients, who are subject to approval by a majority of the WFA Council. The Grant Committee reserves the right to provide or deny awards depending on the Committee's opinion of applicant qualifications and the availability of funds. Any funds not awarded in 2019 will be offered and awarded in 2020. All Committee decisions are final.

APPLICATION CRITERIA: Applicants for the Latin America Wild Felid Action Grant must meet the following criteria:

- 1) The principal investigator (or the PI's institution) must be a member of WFA.
- 2) Each recipient of the LAWFG agrees to provide 1 update on their project in the *Wild Felid Monitor*, and 1 webinar (or similar digital media event) during, or within 6 months post completion of, their project.
- 3) Recipients must write a final report to WFA using a template WFA provides.
- 4) Recipients must be conducting their projects in a Latin American country.
- 5) The grant money must be used on the Latin American project described in the grant proposal that the committee reviewed.

APPLICATION: The application includes 4 parts (all in 1 document) along with a separate CV, in English

1. Title Page. Include project title, applicant information (names, titles, addresses, affiliations and phone numbers), and proposal summary (300 word limit).
2. Proposal Body (up to 4 pages). Include *project objectives; *project justification; *project methods and dollar amount requested; *summary project budget (include other sources of funding); *completion schedule and anticipated outcome (i.e., benefits to management, conservation, education); *and a list of any previous products, (e.g., scientific papers), tied to this research project.
3. Detailed budget table. Should illustrate how funding will be allocated (maximum of 1 page). Note that the WFA grants are comparatively small and limited. Consequently, WFA policy is to not pay indirect or overhead costs. Please include as many of the legitimate project costs as possible in the budget.
4. Brief biographies/ roles of key project personnel (maximum of 1 page).

We ask applicants to submit their applications electronically and to keep the submissions as simple as possible. Please clearly name files with your last name and subject (e.g., Lopez_LAWFAG_Bios.doc).

All application materials must be received by the Grant Chairperson by
April 20, 2019. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Completed applications should be emailed to:

Mark Elbroch, WFA Grant Committee Chair; melbroch@panthera.org

