**2024 Application for State College Bird Club**

**Bird Conservation/Research/Education Grant**

Each year the State College Bird Club Endowment, managed by Centre Foundation, generates funds which the club will disburse to support activities and projects related to bird conservation, research and/or education in the Centre region (Centre and its contiguous counties). The amount available for distribution in 2024 is **$1331.00.** These funds will be disbursed as either several small grants or one larger grant.

Please complete the application below and submit as a pdf email attachment to Susan Braun at braun3112@gmail.com by April 30, 2024. Applications will be reviewed in May by the SCBC selection committee (Susan Braun, Deb Escalet, Roana Fuller and Peggy Wagoner). Applicants will be notified about funding decisions by June 1, 2024 Questions regarding the funding or application can be directed to selection committee members: Susan (braun3112@gmail.com), Deb (d5me16@gmail.com) or Peggy (raven966@gmail.com).

**Deadline: April 30, 2024**

**Grant award notification: June 1, 2024**

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**Organization if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Contact Information:**

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_--**

**Project Type:** Check all that apply

 \_\_\_ Research \_\_\_ Education \_\_\_ Conservation

\_\_\_ Other (describe)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Program/Project Summary**:

 Please provide a brief (1-2 sentences) summary of your proposed project \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Purpose and Need**: (attach additional page(s))

Please describe the nature of your proposed project in detail. Consider including:

* The needs, problems or challenges that will be addressed.
* How will the project/program address those needs?
* Where will the project take place?
* How will this project contribute to bird conservation?
* If you are a student, please include a brief letter of recommendation from an academic or research advisor.
* What else would you like to say about this project?

**Project Timeframe:** Start date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Any additional explanation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Budget:** (attach additional page(s))

 Amount requested \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not more than $1331.00)

 Describe the expenses related to the project and how you will use these funds.

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After project(s) are selected by the selection committee, the full SCBC Board will vote its approval and bring their decision to participating SCBC members for final approval of fund distribution.

We request that at the completion of any funded project(s), please provide a brief report to the SCBC to demonstrate how the funds were used. This could be in the form of a 1-2 page report, a short verbal report to the club during a regular meeting or a series of photos.