

WAYS TO GIVE

Citizen Science

Rocky Mountain Goat Alliance was founded in part to help fill the gap between professional researchers and outdoor enthusiasts who share a love of mountain goats and their rugged alpine habitats. With limited resources such as money and time, wildlife professionals do not often have enough reliable information to make the best decisions for specific mountain goat herds or broader conservation goals. In some cases, scientists lack current baseline data on which they rely to make future conservation decisions.

Although everyone cannot be a scientist, anyone can help gather data that will make a difference in conserving goats and their mountain habitats. A goat count in the Rocky Mountains has even allowed for an additional hunting tag during that season. Citizen Science provides reliable data to scientists, exposes citizens to professional knowledge and resources, and creates an understanding between wildlife decision makers, hunters, hikers, and other mountain enthusiasts.

From goat counts to hunter harvest information, a gift to the Goat Alliance creates a bridge between decision makers, wildlife professionals, and citizens to help maintain

thriving mountain goat populations.

The Rocky Mountain Goat Alliance supports and conserves Rocky Mountain goat populations across North American Habitats.





How to give:

Giving is most impactful when the donor loves the purpose and project associated with their gift. RMGA has several areas of focus for fundraising, with each providing supporters a different angle on conservation. To learn more about specific projects, or to contribute to any of the following topics, please contact:

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Goat Counts

RMGA partners with state and provincial wildlife managers to gather population data on specific mountain goat herds. After a briefing with a wildlife professional, citizens hike into the mountains ranging from one to three days to count goats. Frequency of counts vary annually, but RMGA prefers to have funding on hand to better assist the timing of wildlife professionals and their varied schedules. In addition to leading counts, RMGA has worked with wildlife professionals in creating standard operating procedures for biologists to implement to get more consistent and reliable citizen science data.

Hunter Harvest

Further citizen science includes hunter harvest information, data taken by the hunter at the time they retrieve their animal. This type of data is often gathered for specific research projects, and biologists need funding to provide the necessary supplies and information material.

Donor Dollars

Foundations, businesses, and individuals can contribute directly to citizen science projects through a gift to the Rocky Mountain Goat Alliance.

- \$1,000 Co-sponsor a goat count
- \$2,500 Cover the cost of a standard goat count
- \$5,000 Cover the cost of a comprehensive goat count