Audubon benefits from more than 140 separate endowments and restricted funds, totaling more than $190 million.

In order to have the greatest impact, most of Audubon’s endowed funds co-mingle gifts that have similar purposes:

- National Audubon Society General Endowment (these funds may be used for overhead operating costs, such as providing paid sick leave to our staff)
- National Audubon Society Endowment to Support Programmatic Work (these funds may not be used for administrative or fundraising costs)
- Endowment for Audubon [name of state]

Audubon also has some endowed and restricted funds maintained separately in memory of a family member or for a specific place, such as an Audubon Center or Sanctuary. These gifts are most effective when Audubon can hold them restricted in purpose, but the principal can be spent as well as any earnings on the fund. The Audubon board and its investment committee maintain strict protocols for protecting these investments and making decisions about when and how funds may be spent. Examples include:

- Katharine Scallan Fund for Audubon Sanctuaries
- National Audubon Society Fund to Support Programmatic Work
- Named Fund for Audubon [name of state or Center]

To make a gift to an Audubon fund, either outright or through an estate plan, please contact Shari Kolding at Shari.Kolding@audubon.org or 512-236-9076.