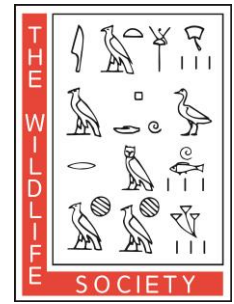




The Wildlife Society's Out in The Field (OiTF)  
TWS Conference Grant Application

Application Deadline:

Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022



This grant program is funded through generous donations provided to The Wildlife Society's Out in The Field Initiative primarily by multiple TWS organization units. The objective of this year's program is to provide up to two travel grants for \$500 each and a \$250 travel grant (provided by the TWS Biological Diversity Working Group) to **LGBTQ+ members of TWS** (students and professionals) to assist them in offsetting the cost of attending the 2022 TWS Annual Conference. Preference for funding will be given to applicants who have a role in the conference, but this is not a requirement to be considered for the grant. This grant is only to be used to support attendance at the TWS Annual Conference. Recipient must be a member in good standing of the TWS at the time of application, identify as LGBTQ+, and the funds will be provided to the recipient at conclusion of conference, once attendance at the conference has been certified by the TWS.

**APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Do you identify as LGBTQ+ (y/n)? \_\_\_\_\_ How do you identify?: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*While TWS OiTF would like to promote the grant recipients of our first ever LGBTQ+ travel grants program, we also understand that some recipients may want or need to remain anonymous. Please check this box to indicate that you would like TWS OiTF to keep your name and information confidential:

Students:

Name of Major Professor (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

College or University of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Year of School (Junior, Senior, MS, PhD, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Professionals:

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Position Title \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a current member of TWS (y/n)? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years as TWS member \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a current member of any TWS organization units (e.g., student chapter, state chapter, working group, section)?

If so, please list those units: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are involved in TWS, please briefly state your current or past involvement in TWS \_\_\_\_\_

Are you presenting (check one if applicable):  Paper  Poster  Other (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

Title of paper/poster, if applicable\_\_\_\_\_

Describe your role in the conference, if applicable (250 words maximum):

Describe the benefit(s) you expect to obtain from attendance at this conference. (250 words maximum):

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature certifies that you are a member in good standing of the TWS, that you identify as LGBTQ+, that the information you provided in the application is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge, and that you will use these funds, if awarded, for the purpose stated in this application.

**All application materials must be received by 1159 pm on September 24<sup>th</sup> for consideration.**

Please send this application by email to:

Colleen Olfenbuttel

OiTF Organizer

Email: [colleen.olfenbuttel@ncwildlife.org](mailto:colleen.olfenbuttel@ncwildlife.org) (include "TWS OiTF Annual Conference Grant" in the subject line of the email)

The recipient will be notified by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The grant recipient is expected to use the grant for attending the TWS Conference in the year the grant is awarded. If not used, grant funds will be voided.

To collect the grant, the recipient needs to send TWS IDEA Working Group Treasurer a request for the awarded funds and include confirmation of attendance reimbursement within 14 calendar days after the TWS conference.