

Bird City Wisconsin

2016 Sustained Flight Renewal Application

Basic Requirements

- 1) Check the criteria met by your community (at least 7 of 22 overall while meeting category minimums).
- 2) Definitions:
 - a. New: For all new actions you must provide documentation AND a brief narrative that summarizes the action.
 - b. Continuing: Actions that have continued unchanged since your previous application do not require documentation.
- 3) Renewal fee:
 - a. Renewal submitted on January 31, 2016: **\$125. *NEW!***
 - b. Renewal submitted before January 31, 2016: **\$100.**
- 4) Payment:
 - a. **Make checks payable to "Milwaukee Audubon Society"** (checks payable to Bird City will be returned). ***NEW!***
 - b. For personal checks, write the name of your community on the note/memo line
 - c. Mail payment to:
Bird City Wisconsin
c/o Milwaukee Audubon Society
1111 E. Brown Deer Rd.
Bayside, WI 53217
- 5) Application Submission: Bird City prefers electronic applications submitted over email (BirdCityWisconsin@gmail.com). If this is not possible, please send your application to the address in 4c above.

Category 1: Creation and Protection of Habitat (*Check at least 3*)

- A. Demonstrate with an attachment that your community is in compliance with Wisconsin's "Smart Growth" law for land use planning and resource management.
New () Continuing ()
- B. Attach bird monitoring results and/or other data obtained from researchers or local volunteers in the local park system.
New () Continuing ()
- C. Attach an ordinance or other evidence that existing bird habitat has legal protection.
New () Continuing ()
- D. Document that current community planning seeks to provide additional bird habitat.
New () Continuing ()
- E. Attach a copy of a local ordinance to demonstrate that the community does not restrict natural landscaping that emphasizes native plants and non-turf lawns.
New () Continuing ()

- F. Show how the community offers the public information on the control and removal of invasive species.
New () Continuing ()
- G. Attach a state publication showing that the community contains a segment of the Great Wisconsin Birding and Nature Trail or a designated Important Bird Area.
New () Continuing ()
- H. Demonstrate through public documents or publicity that the local Chamber of Commerce (or a similar group) takes an active role in the planning process for protecting and enlarging favorable bird habitat.
New () Continuing ()
- I. OTHER: Demonstrate in an attached narrative.
New () Continuing ()

Category 2: Participation in Programs Promoting Effective Community Forest Management (*Check at least 1*)

- A. Demonstrate that your community is a member of the National Arbor Day Foundation’s program [Tree City USA](#).
New () Continuing ()
- B. OTHER: Demonstrate in an attached narrative.
New () Continuing ()

Category 3: Limiting or Removing Hazards to Birds (*Check at least 1*)

- A. Attach evidence or provide a community web link if your community has an educational program to control free-roaming cats and/or actively publicizes the "Cats Indoors!" program.
New () Continuing ()
- B. Demonstrate that your community provides property owners with information on how to protect birds from window-strikes.
New () Continuing ()
- C. OTHER: Demonstrate in an attached narrative.
New () Continuing ()

Category 4: Public Education (*Check at least 1*)

- A. Demonstrate that schools in your community participate in Flying WILD, helping ensure that the nation’s students are knowledgeable about the conservation needs of migratory and other birds.
New () Continuing ()
- B. Attach a newsletter or web links to show how your community provides information to property owners on methods to create and enhance backyard habitat for birds.
New () Continuing ()
- C. Provide web links that your community offers to other organizations with information on backyard habitat programs.
New () Continuing ()

Conservation projects benefit from strong partnerships. Please identify your community partners, including a contact person and email for each:

Fontana Elementary School Outdoor Education Instructor Dawn Sammons:
dsammons@fontana.k12.wi.us

Application Checklist

Did you remember to:

- () Send your payment?

- () Check all of the criteria met by your community (and only those criteria)?

- () Attach your **2016** IMBD resolution and a summary of your **2015** IMBD event?

- () Update your community's narrative? (The narrative is provided by Bird City Wisconsin. Please contact us at birdcitywisconsin@gmail.com if you do not have a copy of this Microsoft Word document.)