

YELLOW DOG COMMUNITY & CONSERVATION FOUNDATION



*Providing anglers the
opportunity to make
a difference in the
places where great
fishing is found.*



The **YELLOW DOG COMMUNITY AND CONSERVATION FOUNDATION**

works to enhance communities, build partnerships and support conservation in places where great fishing is found. We achieve this by providing targeted grants to directly support priority conservation needs, vital community projects, and educational efforts in international angling destinations. The Foundation also provides support for certain events and builds partnerships to leverage funding for specific projects and impact.

Despite the challenges of 2020, YDCCF, with your support, was able to fund many exceptional projects and make substantial impacts in many of the worlds great fly fishing destinations. We invite you to join us to support the great places that matter to anglers.

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ONGOING PROJECTS

These 2019 and 2020 initiatives are either ongoing or now completed, and are in addition to grants awarded in 2020. More information can be found at www.ydccf.org.

DOUBLE HAUL FOR DORIAN: BAHAMAS HURRICANE RELIEF FUND



After supplying relief on Grand Bahama Island and Abaco Islands post Hurricane Dorian, YDCCF remains committed to identifying and supporting projects to

support hurricane recovery projects which have been further delayed due to the pandemic. The Foundation supported rebuilding efforts on Abaco with the purchase of new construction tools in addition to funding a mobile clinic. Other relief efforts included an initial disbursement of funds for the lodge guides, staff and families since they were are many still are out of work. Most recently YDCCF supported a Marine Education Initiative out of Boca Raton, FL, which facilitated the purchase of a new boat motor, as well as the logistics of disbursing \$200 to each of the commercial fishermen at Long's Marina to purchase fishing gear for Bahamians. The Foundation is currently seeking new grant proposals for these islands. YDDCF supported the Androsia Covid Mask Project, where 3,000 washable masks were distributed to 28 fly fishing destination on nine different islands. Relief projects are ongoing in the wake of Hurricane Dorian with additional projects to support the Bahamas.

BELIZE GILLNET BAN



YDCCF has been involved with a multiyear effort to ban gillnet fishing in the waters of Belize. Gillnet fishing is harmful and indiscriminate to tarpon, bonefish and permit (among many other marine species) and while critical to ban gill nets entirely, it was also important that we support the fishermen with sustainable alternative livelihoods.

YDCCF has played a critical role in as a member of the Coalition for Sustainable Fisheries. Coalition entities include a consortium of Belizean groups (Belize Federation of Fishers, Belize Game Fish Association, Belize Tourism Industry Association, MarAlliance, National Sports Fishing Association, Turneffe Atoll Trust and YDCCF).

In early November of 2020, the country of Belize banned gillnets in the waters of Belize, in an unprecedented accomplishment. This is an ongoing project as we work to support the transition of gill net fishermen to other livelihoods and work with our Belizean partners to identify ways in which to support reinforcement of the gill net ban. This project is ongoing.

PUNTA ALLEN, MEXICO TEACHER'S DORMITORY

YDCCF's ongoing commitment to the town of Punta Allen with-in the Sian Kaan Biosphere in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico remains strong. Funds raised from the annual Super Slam Tournament, as well as private donations have resulted in teacher's dormitories that are under construction. The importance of this dorm will ensure a quality education for the children of Punta Allen, since most teachers do not live in town. This project is ongoing.



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Yellow Dog Flyfishing's 25 year history started with the guides of Belize and was YDFA's first destination. 2020, and the pandemic meant that full time fly fishing guides were left without work for most of their busiest time of year. After six months without ANY work, guides

were worried about their livelihood with any savings tapped and at that time, no known return to work. In support of the fly fishing guides in Belize YDCCF established and ran a month long campaign that was able to send Belizean fly fishing guides a substantial check to see them through getting back to work, ensuring that when we all return to Belize, there will be guides ready to share their waters with us.

2019 GRANTS

These organizations and projects represent a sampling of the grants that YDCCF funded in 2019. For more details and 2020 grant recipients please visit ydccf.org.

USA - LOUISIANA: ANGLERS BENEFITTING LOUISIANA'S ESTUARIES (ABLE)

Through ABLE's Marsh Dawgs program, twelve local high school are given the opportunity to engage in a four-day experiential learning adventure across coastal Louisiana. Students learn about the history of the coastal zones; public policy issues surrounding coastal restoration efforts; economic and cultural resources along the coast; basic marine biology; fishing skills; and how to operate basic GPS equipment.



USA - ALASKA: ONGOING POLITICAL ADVOCACY

Various factions of the Bristol Bay campaign bring advocates to Washington, DC throughout the year to educate members of Congress on the Pebble Mine issue. In-person meetings with persons directly, or indirectly, affected by this project is a very powerful tool. Meetings were held involving Alaska Natives, commercial fishing interests, Bristol Bay lodge operators, recreational fishing industry representatives, and sportsmen and women from around the country.



USA - MONTANA: GUIDING FOR THE FUTURE

The Guiding for the Future program was designed and implemented under the direction of the Fishing Outfitters Association of Montana. G4F emphasizes ethics, conservation, and a commitment to stewardship as core responsibilities of professional fishing guides.

MONGOLIA: TAIMEN CONSERVATION FUND

YDCCF provided a grant to assist The Taimen Fund (TTF) for their Riverkeeper program in the Eg Watershed, Hovsgol Province, Mongolia. The River Keeper Program is an ambitious anti-poaching project spanning a total of seven different villages throughout the Eg Watershed, along approximately 120 miles of river, employing local herders who graze and frequent the area.



MONGOLIA: THE HEALTHY TAIMEN FESTIVAL

The Healthy Taimen Festival's goal is to generate greater awareness and appreciation of the benefits and importance of taimen conservation. The festival also provides at least 300 local children with health screenings and treatments. These community events reinforce the potential value and benefits associated with protecting taimen.



USA - ALASKA: BRISTOL BAY FLY FISHING & GUIDE ACADEMY

The Bristol Bay Fly Fishing & Guide Academy (Guide Academy) trains young residents of rural, southwest Alaska to be highly-qualified for jobs as fishing guides in the region's growing tourism and recreational fishing industry. The program's curriculum is built around instilling a conservation ethic in this important generation of future Bristol Bay leaders.



USA - MONTANA: MONTANA WILDERNESS SCHOOL

The Montana Wilderness School is a grassroots outdoor education school whose mission is to provide empowering expeditionary wilderness courses to youth that foster personal growth and cultivate a conservation ethic through connecting with remote landscapes and wild places.

CHILE: TORRES DEL PAINE LEGACY FUND

YDCCF awarded funds to the Torres del Paine Legacy Fund to protect and minimize impact on Chile's famous national park through the construction of boardwalks and educational signs. Additionally YDCCF supports the organization's ongoing monitoring of the ecological restoration



USA - IDAHO: SILVER CREEK ALLIANCE

YDCCF supported a project to construct an ADA compliant wheelchair access at Kilpatrick Bridge in Blaine County, Idaho on Silver Creek.



ARGENTINA: PATAGONIA FLY FISHING EXPO

The Patagonia Fly Fishing Expo takes place in San Martín de los Andes, Argentina. The expo convenes fly shops, outfitters, guides, lodges and many other businesses to network and explore opportunities to continue to promote the sport of fly fishing in Patagonia.

USA - IDAHO: MIDDLE FORK RIVER CLEANUP

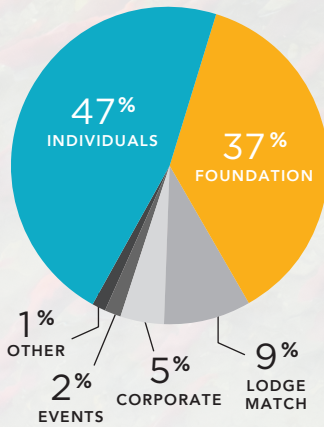
Each year approximately 10,000 people float the Middle Fork of the Salmon River. Despite best attempts to adhere to leave no trace ethics, equipment and personal items inevitably fall into the river. YDCCF awarded a grant to Free Voice Media and their efforts to clean up the river by utilizing SCUBA equipment and removing trash from the river bottom.

USA - ALASKA: SAVE BRISTOL BAY

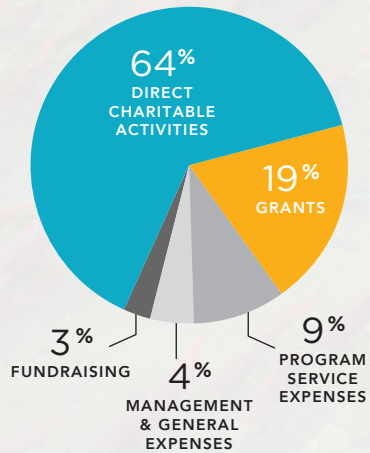
Bristol Bay, Alaska reigns as one of the most pristine and unique places on planet earth supporting some of the strongest remaining salmon runs in North America. The sustainability of Bristol Bay fishery has been under imminent threat from the notorious Pebble Mine project. In November of 2020 the permit was denied for the mine. Efforts are now focused on working towards permanent protections for the region from future mining projects ultimately securing lasting, protections for the region's world-class rivers and salmon runs.

2019: THE YEAR IN NUMBERS

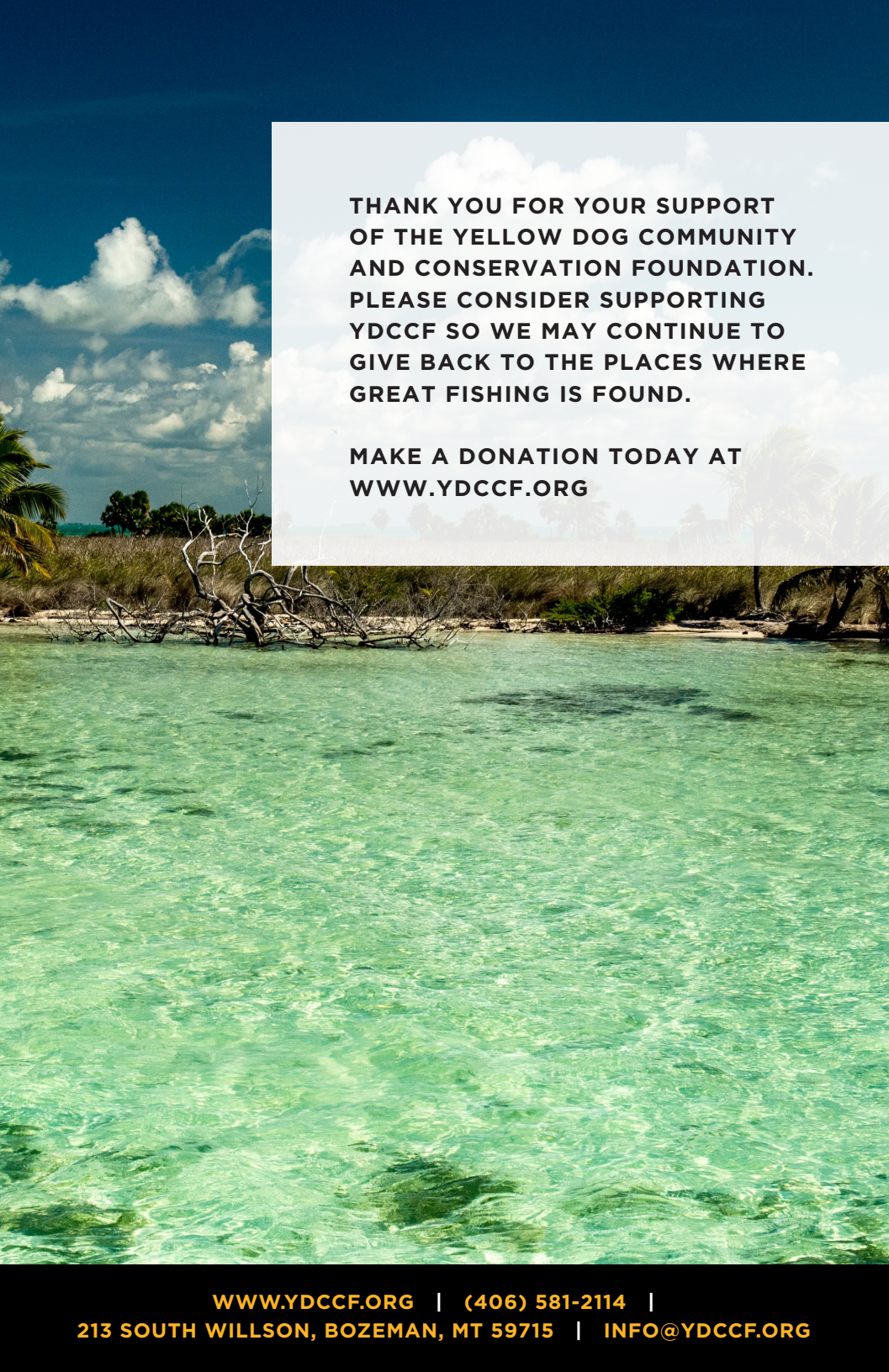
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