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On Haida Gwaii, the Pacific seabird capital of Canada, we're studying and addressing population declines of various species, including the Ancient Murrelet.

Non-native raccoons and rats are a major threat, decimating entire nesting sites on these remote islands. The situation is urgent. But thanks to the support of our volunteers and members like you, I've never felt more hopeful about our ability to help our partners on the islands save threatened seabirds.

With your help, I will continue to work with the Council of the Haida Nation, the Haida Watchmen, the federal and B.C. governments, the Laskeek Bay Conservation Society, and our very own Citizen Scientists. We're monitoring and removing these misplaced predators to strengthen the islands' biosecurity—by taking specific actions to ensure the long-term recovery and survival of our seabird colonies. I'm confident this pioneering work will have applications for birds all over Canada.

— Dr. David Bradley,  
British Columbia Program Manager  
(shown here conducting Long-billed  
Curlew research in the B.C. Interior)





Each summer, I have the privilege of carefully reaching into damp, dark holes to return newly-banded young storm-petrels into their nesting burrows. This hands-on work in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia helps me understand long-term seabird trends, and keeps me deeply motivated to deal with the many threats to their survival.



Our seabirds can tell us the story of climate change. Here's an example. Scientists are closely monitoring the three major colonies and nesting sites of Northern Gannets in Atlantic Canada. These 'plunge divers' use their incredible eyesight to watch for schools of fish. They dive down to catch their food, bringing some back to their nests for young. Climate change is causing warming waters, so the fish are swimming deeper and farther from the colonies. Gannet populations are suffering as a result.

- Dr. Laura Tranquilla, Atlantic Program Manager  
(shown above conducting Common Murre research in Labrador)

Your support also funds our network of Citizen Scientists—the caring, passionate volunteers who monitor birds in neighbourhoods, Important Bird Areas, and other habitats across Canada. Beached Bird Survey volunteers in coastal communities help us assess marine ecosystem health and understand the causes and rates of seabird mortality. Citizen Scientists are an essential part of our work, contributing on the ground, and sharing data to inform bird conservation efforts.

Many thanks to our Citizen Scientists for inspiring our staff with your generosity and infectious enthusiasm, new observations, and creative solutions!