

## 2ND EDITION OF THE SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM FOR NATURAL GRASSLANDS CONSERVATION



Photography: Pablo Rodriguez Merkel, Grasslands of Río Dulce

The Small Grants Program for conserving natural grasslands is an initiative led by Birdlife Americas. It provides seed funding to support conservation and research projects focused on natural grasslands and their associated bird species in the region.

The most relevant conservation and research proposals focused on natural grasslands in the Americas, with an emphasis on Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Paraguay, and Uruguay, will have the opportunity to receive grants of up to \$12,000.

After the success of the [first call launched in November 2021](#), the [BirdLife Secretariat in the Americas](#) is now opening the second edition to select the best conservation and research proposals in favor of natural grasslands and their associated bird species in the region.

In 2021, we empowered a community of women in **Colombia's** flooded savannas to utilize their environment and biodiversity in gastronomy sustainably.

In **Paraguay**, we researched carbon dynamics in natural grasslands and livestock establishments to identify good pastoral management practices.

In the **Brazilian Pampas**, we developed a seed-collecting machine to optimize the ecological restoration of these fields.



In the **province of Corrientes, Argentina**, we utilized advanced technology to monitor good grassland management practices and their impact on the conservation of threatened bird species. We also implemented a long-term conservation program for Pampean Meadowlark. Lastly, we evaluated the management and recovery of serrano grasslands invaded by black acacia in the **Pampas region of Argentina**, using birds and carbon stocks as change indicators.

**We are looking for more innovative and relevant proposals like these.**

**Submit your project!** To participate, **review the terms and conditions** ([Spanish/English](#)) and submit your application by June 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Over 600 endemic bird species and thousands of migratory birds depend on us!**

*\*Projects must be submitted using this [format](#) (Spanish/English).*

