



ACTION PLAN

SAVING ANIMALS FROM EXTINCTION
AFRICAN VULTURES

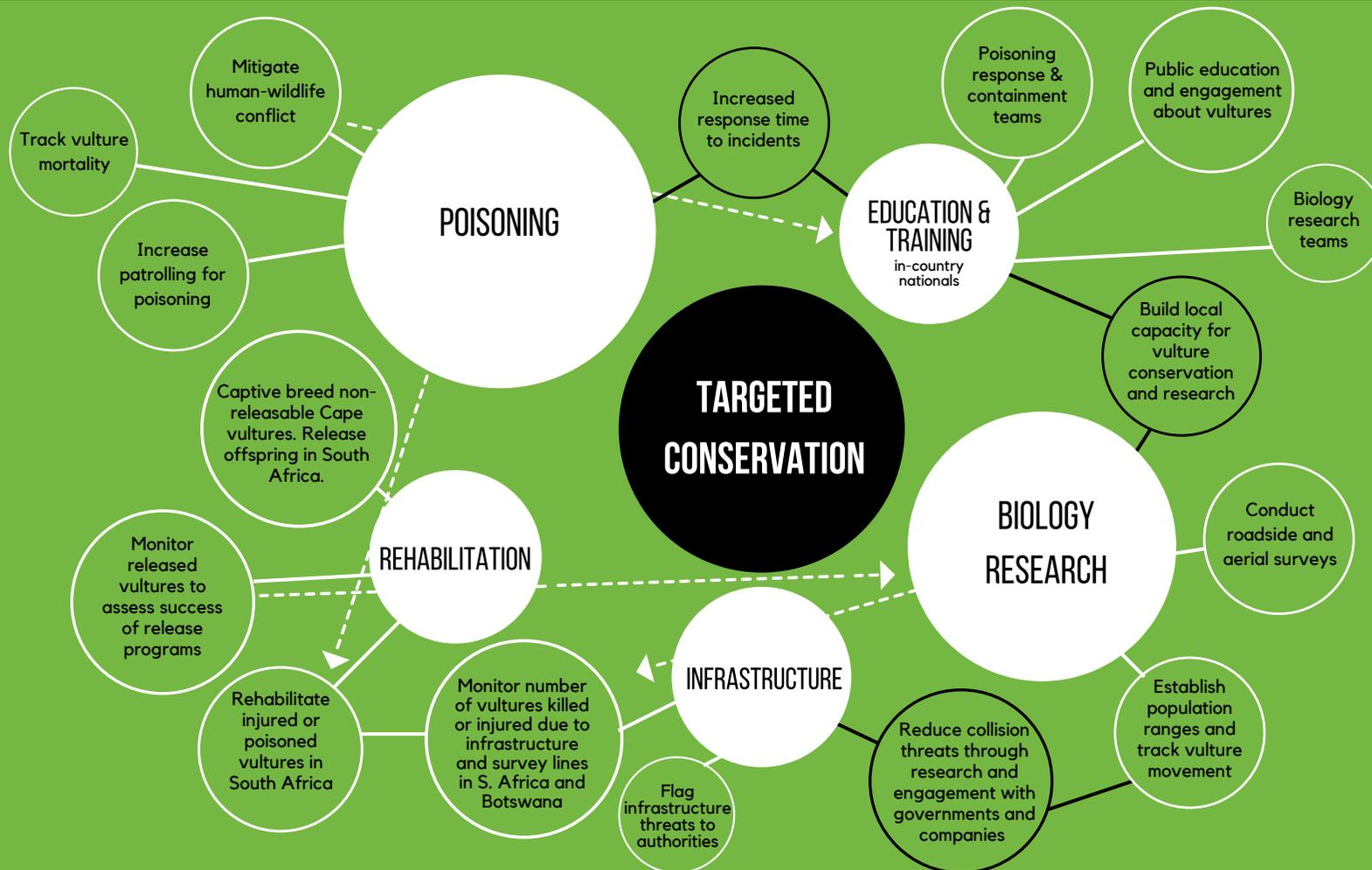
African vultures play a key role in disease control and waste removal that is critical for the stability of the ecosystems in which they live. In addition to their ecosystem service role, the threats to their survival and their conservation needs also overlap heavily with a number of other key species, such as African elephants and lions, and they are thus an ideal species to focus on for wide-reaching, landscape-level conservation efforts. The plight of African vultures has only recently been recognized, but rapid declines have been noted for almost all species throughout large portions of the African continent. This has led to the up-listing of nearly all the African vulture species on the IUCN Red List with initial up-listing in 2012 and further up-listing in 2015. Denver Zoo, North Carolina Zoo, and San Diego Zoo Global proposed African Vultures as a SAFE program in February 2017, which was accepted in August 2017. This action plan was completed in February 2018.



VULTURE SAFE

CONSERVATION AND RESEARCH

+ The action plan initiatives for the African Vulture SAFE program heavily overlap and are being coordinated by multiple field partners.





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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Get your organization involved in the Vulture SAFE campaign in many ways. From hosting education events, lectures, or activities at your site to sharing social posts, hosting fundraisers, or submitting content, photos, graphics, lessons and more (or assisting in developing them).

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: RaptorTAG

Share Vulture SAFE posts or tag the Raptor TAG in your posts

Submit photos of your vultures to Vulture SAFE for campaigns

Share fundraisers

Content

Highlight vultures on SAFE focus days

Share education resources

Use social-ready images and posts from the SAFE kit, or brand/logos and frames to make your own

#VultureSAFE
#SaveOurScavengers

Participate in social media campaigns, share awareness messaging

Host a lecture, program or event

SAFE FOCUS DAY

INTERNATIONAL VULTURE AWARENESS DAY

Vulture Education toolkit includes many activity station ideas

Survey guests for perceptions of vultures

Report funds raised to ARCS report

Send funds to SAFE

GoFundMe

FUNDRAISING

Annual T-shirt fundraiser

Venture out for Vultures: Host your own fundraiser

Share your fundraiser ideas with us, or help us create a new campaign

See SAFE toolkit for fundraiser ideas

Donate directly to any of the 4 partner programs, or send funds to Zoo Atlanta SAFE account

Available this year to allow direct public donations

gofundme.com/f/african-vulture-safe

Bonfire.com/2019vulturesafe

Runs annually each summer leading up to and during IVAD. Includes graphic design contests!

EDUCATION TOOLKIT

Teach about vultures during IVAD or other conservation holidays & events

Use Vulture Education toolkit

Submit your vulture programs to the toolkit

Work with the SAFE team for graphics development

Stations and activities

Report your program participation in ARCS report

Help us build content. Share photos or lesson plans of your vulture programs

Interpretive or social media graphics wanted!

Tag the Raptor TAG facebook page and use social hashtags when talking about your event