



## A PREMIER CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION

THE MISSION
of the Arizona Elk
Society
is to benefit elk
and other wildlife
by generating
resources for habitat
conservation and
restoration, and
to preserve our
hunting heritage for
present and future
generations.

The Arizona Elk Society (AES) believes that by conserving wildlife and their habitat, we ensure that future generations can enjoy the same benefits and opportunities that we have. It is our responsibility to leave a healthy and diverse world for our children and grandchildren.

- Largest wildlife conservation organization in the state of Arizona
- Winner of the United States Forest Service Partnership Award
- Improved over 1,000,000 acres of habitat in Arizona
- Educated over 20,000 kids about outdoor skills and conservation
- Helped over 800 disabled Veterans adapt to physical limitations in the outdoors
- AES Sawyers have thinned approximately 5,000 acres of Forest Service land
- Hauled approximately 5 million gallons of water since 2002
- Restored 250 wildlife water catchments on Forest Service land
- Restored over 10 miles of riparian areas in Northern Arizona

## TOGETHER WE MAKE AN IMPACT



Sponsors play a crucial role in the AES by providing much-needed financial support. Through generous contributions, sponsors help offset program, project, and event costs, allowing AES to allocate more funding towards on-the-ground conservation work in Arizona. AES's mission is dedicated to benefiting elk, advancing wildlife conservation, and preserving outdoor recreation traditions for present and future generations. Support from sponsors enables the organization to actively pursue this purpose. Conservation is a collective responsibility, and AES serves as a platform that brings individuals and organizations together to make a greater impact. Together with AES, sponsors and the community can accomplish more and ensure the preservation of Arizona's wildlife and natural resources.

# The Four Core Initiatives of Arizona Elk Society





#### **Habitat Restoration**

Habitat Restoration is a critical aspect of wildlife conservation as it involves improving and restoring the natural ecosystems that support elk and other wildlife species. The funds provided by sponsors are used to initiate restoration projects such as riparian restoration, invasive species removal, and forest thinning, ensuring that the natural habitats of elk are protected and enhanced.

#### **Youth Education**

By engaging and educating the younger generation about wildlife conservation and the importance of preserving natural habitats, we strive to create a sense of stewardship among future leaders. Sponsor support enables us to develop and implement educational programs, workshops, and outdoor activities that instill a love for wildlife and foster a desire to protect it.

#### Water for Arizona's Wildlife

Water for Arizona's Wildlife is a crucial initiative that aims to provide reliable water sources for wildlife in critical habitats. Sponsor contributions help install water catchment systems and maintain existing water sources. By ensuring a consistent water supply for Arizona's wildlife, sponsors directly contribute to the survival and wellbeing of elk and other animal species.

#### **Heroes Rising Outdoors**

Heroes Rising Outdoors is a program dedicated to providing outdoor recreational opportunities for disabled veterans. The generous support of sponsors allows the program to organize events and outings that offer therapeutic experiences in wilderness settings. These activities promote physical and mental well-being among veterans and help them reconnect with nature.

## **Fundraising Banquets**



#### 2024 BANQUET SCHEDULE

APRIL
State Banquet - Mesa
950 attendees
Net proceeds support AES' core
initiatives

JUNE White Mountain Chapter -Show Low

320 attendees

Net proceeds support wildlife conservation efforts in the White Mountain region

JULY Northern Peaks Chapter -Flagstaff

320 attendees

Net proceeds support wildlife conservation efforts in Northern Arizona

AES organizes fundraising banquets to support its conservation efforts and promote the cause of wildlife conservation in Arizona. These banquets serve as important events where AES raises funds for its programs and projects. By bringing together like-minded individuals, hunters, outdoor enthusiasts, and conservationists, the banquets provide a platform for networking, sharing information, and fostering a sense of community. Attendees have the opportunity to participate in auctions, raffles, and other fundraising activities, with the proceeds directly benefitting AES's conservation initiatives. The banquets not only help generate financial resources but also raise awareness about the importance of conserving wildlife and habitat, creating a stronger commitment among attendees to actively contribute to conservation efforts. Through these fundraising banquets, AES is able to engage and unite individuals who share a common passion for the conservation of Arizona's natural resources.

We believe with our partners, AES banquets can reach new heights of success. In return for your sponsorship, we will recognize your contributions through various means, including logo placement on promotional materials, acknowledgment in event programs, newsletters, website, all social media accounts, and verbal recognition during the banquet.

Working together, we can make a tangible difference in conserving Arizona's wildlife and ensuring a sustainable future for generations to come!

### Become a Banquet Sponsor

There are various sponsorship opportunities available to choose from. You may choose to sponsor a game, blitz, raffle item, audio/visual equipment, or even the bar at the banquet.

Game or blitz sponsorships at AES banquets offer a dual benefit: entertaining attendees while generating additional funds for crucial conservation programs. By sponsoring a raffle item, you not only contribute to the excitement of the event but also gain exceptional visibility and promotional opportunities for your brand.

AES invites you to consider donating or underwriting items for our silent and live auctions, as well as the raffles. Whether it's products, services, or unique experiences, your contribution would be deeply appreciated. Each donated item plays a significant role in offsetting the banquet's expenses, allowing a larger portion of the net proceeds to be dedicated to wildlife conservation initiatives throughout Arizona. Your support ensures that our conservation efforts can make a greater impact in preserving and enhancing the natural beauty of our state.





Presenting Sponsor \$15,000 - State Banquet (Mesa)

Align your brand with a meaningful cause and showcase your commitment to wildlife conservation in Arizona

**Event Naming Rights:** The presenting sponsor's name and logo will be prominently featured in the event title.

**Logo Placement:** The presenting sponsor's logo will be prominently displayed on event marketing materials, including print ads, banners, flyers, and posters. The sponsor's logo will also be featured on the event's official website, social media platforms, and email marketing campaigns.

**Sponsorship Recognition:** The presenting sponsor will be acknowledged in all event-related communications, including media releases, evening program and promotional videos. Sponsor will also get a full-page Ad in the *Tracker* Magazine for 1 year following the event.

**Banquet Tickets:** The presenting sponsor will receive a Presenting Sponsor Table at the Arizona Elk Society's Mesa Banquet (8 tickets per table, includes raffle and drink ticket package).

For more information, please contact AES at 623-444-4147.

#### Presenting Sponsor \$7,500 - White Mountain Chapter Banquet (Show Low)

Align your brand with a meaningful cause and showcase your commitment to wildlife conservation in Arizona

**Event Naming Rights:** The presenting sponsor's name and logo will be prominently featured in the event title.

**Logo Placement:** The presenting sponsor's logo will be prominently displayed on event marketing materials, including print ads, banners, flyers, and posters. The sponsor's logo will also be featured on the event's official website, social media platforms, and email marketing campaigns.

**Sponsorship Recognition:** The presenting sponsor will be acknowledged in all event-related communications, including media releases, evening program and promotional videos. Sponsor will also get a full-page Ad in the *Tracker* Magazine for 1 year following the event.

**Banquet Tickets:** The presenting sponsor will receive a Corporate Table at the Arizona Elk Society's White Mountain Chapter banquet (8 tickets per table, includes raffle and drink ticket package).





#### Presenting Sponsor \$7,500 - Northern Arizona Peaks Chapter Banquet (Flagstaff)

Align your brand with a meaningful cause and showcase your commitment to wildlife conservation in Arizona

**Event Naming Rights:** The presenting sponsor's name and logo will be prominently featured in the event title.

**Logo Placement:** The presenting sponsor's logo will be prominently displayed on event marketing materials, including print ads, banners, flyers, and posters. The sponsor's logo will also be featured on the event's official website, social media platforms, and email marketing campaigns.

**Sponsorship Recognition:** The presenting sponsor will be acknowledged in all event-related communications, including media releases, evening program and promotional videos. Sponsor will also get a full-page ad in the quarterly *Tracker* magazine for 1 year following the event.

**Banquet Tickets:** The presenting sponsor will receive a Corporate Table at the Arizona Elk Society's Northern Arizona Peaks banquet (8 tickets per table, includes raffle and drink ticket package).

#### **Additional Sponsorship Opportunities**

Bar Sponsor \$2,500 (2 available)	Blackjack Game \$2,000 (1 available)	Tent Raffle \$2,000 (1 available)
Includes 4 tickets to banquet and drink tickets	Includes 2 tickets to banquet and drink tickets	Includes 2 tickets to banquet and drink tickets
Sponsor's logo will be on event program and drink tickets	Sponsor's logo will be in evening program and on game sign	Sponsor's logo will be in evening program and on raffle sign
Audio/Visual \$2,500 (2-4 available)	Dice Game \$2,000 (1 available)	Ladies Raffle \$1,500 (1 available)
Includes 4 tickets to banquet and drink tickets	Includes 2 tickets to banquet and drink tickets	Access to online pre-ticket sales
Sponsor's logo will be in evening program	Sponsor's logo will be in evening program and on game sign	Sponsor's logo will be in evening program and on raffle sign
Pistol Raffle \$2,500 (1 available)	Chill It & Grill It \$2,000 (1 available)	Blitz \$1,500 (1-2 available)
Includes 4 tickets to banquet and drink tickets	Includes 2 tickets to banquet and drink tickets	Includes 2 tickets to banquet and drink tickets
Sponsor's logo will be in evening program and on raffle sign	Sponsor's logo will be in evening program, on raffle sign and cup merchandise	Sponsor's logo will be in evening program and on raffle sign

### Prefer to donate an item or make general donation?

Donated merchandise or underwriting for silent auction, live auction, and bucket raffle items will make a meaningful impact and contribute to the success of these events!

Call 623-444-4147 for more information or visit us online at www.arizonaelksociety.org to donate!

Sponsorship availability is per banquet.



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Dear Sportsmen and Friends:

The Arizona Elk Society is pleased to announce our 23rd Annual Fundraising Banquet, to be held Saturday, April 6, 2024, at the Mesa Convention Center, 263 North Center Street, Mesa, AZ. We invite you to join us at this year's Banquet. Happy Hour begins at 4:00 p.m., with dinner served at 6:00 p.m., followed by a full evening of exciting Live and Silent Auctions and a wide variety of many general and special raffles.

The Arizona Elk Society Annual Banquet and Auction is our signature fundraising event. Every year, it generates resources in support of our numerous habitat projects, youth programs, the Hunts for Heroes wounded warrior program, wildlife conservation and advocacy. The highlights of the evening will be the Auctioning of the Arizona Game & Fish Commissioners' Special Elk Tag, Buffalo Tag, and a Hualapai Indian Reservation Special Elk Tag.

Enclosed with this letter is your application to purchase banquet and raffle tickets. Here is our banquet pricing:

#### **INDIVIDUAL OR GROUPS:**

- INDIVIDUAL Banquet Tickets are \$100 each, and, for tickets purchased prior to 04/03/24, you will receive \$20 in FREE raffle tickets.
- BRONZE Level Reserved Tables for \$1000 will include 8 seats and \$500 in FREE Raffle tickets.

#### **CORPORATE TABLE PACKAGES:**

- GOLD Level Tables \$2750, Premium seating in front for 8 guests, TBD, Special GOLD Sponsor Gift, \$1200 in FREE Raffle Tickets, 12 Incentive Raffle Tickets, and 8 Drink Tickets, Premium recognition/advertising.
- SILVER Level Tables \$1750, TBD, Special SILVER Sponsor Gift, \$800 in FREE Raffle Tickets and Recognition.

#### ADDITIONAL AMAZING DEALS:

- General Raffle Tickets a special package of \$100 general raffle tickets may be purchased in advance for \$70, but is limited to one packet per person and NOT available after March 27, 2023.
- Raffle Incentive Packages: \$500 = \$600 in Raffle Tickets and 6 Incentive Raffle Tickets or \$300 = \$300 in Raffle Tickets and 3 Incentive Raffle Tickets (Incentive Raffle is special raffle that draws for Rifle/Optics package valued over \$5,000)
- Become a Habitat Partners of Arizona Donor
- Memberships to the Arizona Elk Society may be purchased also.



#### ★ We encourage you to purchase your tickets early ★



#### Tickets are available online at: www.ShopAES.org/banquet

Tickets are sold on a first-come first-served basis, so don't delay ordering your tickets. No tickets will be available at the door. You definitely do not want to miss this event!

If you are unable to attend this year's Banquet please consider a membership to support our Mission to help Arizona's Elk, Wildlife, Youth and Hunts for Heroes

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