



## Humanitarian Services

- **Disabled Hunter™**
- **SafariCare™/SafariWish™**
- **Sensory Safari™**
- **Sportsmen Against Hunger™**



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# SCIF HUMANITARIAN SERVICES

Safari Club International Foundation (SCIF) and the members and chapters of Safari Club International support humanitarian efforts where hunters come together to help those in need around the globe. Current programs are listed below. For more information on these and other humanitarian efforts of SCIF, please call Humanitarian Services Manager Eva Wilson at (520) 620-1220 Ext. 480.

Sharing time and resources with our community is our heritage as hunters. We have always been the providers for food, clothing, shelter and health care. Today, we need to revisit that aspect of our heritage. Each SCI chapter is challenged to participate in a unique community project or program.

The Humanitarian Services Department has four programs:

- 1. DISABLED HUNTER™**
  - a. Pathfinder Award
  
- 2. SAFARICARE PROGRAMS**
  - a. SafariCare™ “Blue Bag” Program
  - b. SafariWish™
  
- 3. SENSORY SAFARI™**
  
- 4. SPORTSMEN AGAINST HUNGER™**

Contact your current or past chapter committee chairs for information and support to help you prepare your program planning. SCI Foundation staff and SCI volunteers can also coordinate your inquiries to other chapter members who have additional experience in the various HS programs and welcome the opportunity to share their knowledge with other members.

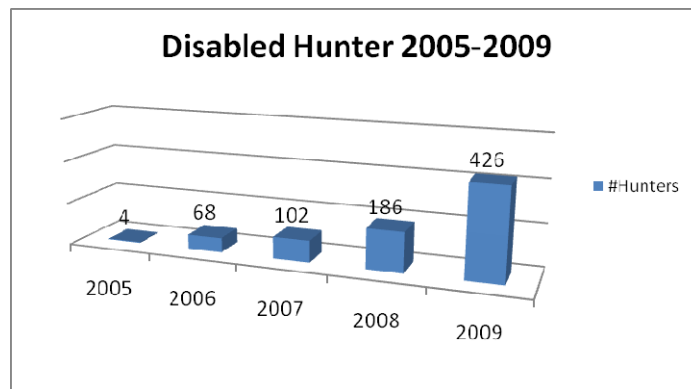
Visit [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) or contact Eva Wilson, Humanitarian Services (HS) Manager, for the 5-page SCIF Promo Order Form which includes brochures, promo business cards, banners, posters, decals, caps, Sportsmen Against Hunger aprons, SafariCare “Blue Bags” and many other promotional items.

When your chapter undertakes any humanitarian event, please send short (250-300 word) reports and high-resolution photos to Eva. This is to ensure that your chapter is recognized in our annual program statistics, *Safari Times*, the International Wildlife Museum’s HS slide exhibit, the Humanitarian Services Quarterly Newsletter in 3-D, the “HS Projects” section of the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website and in chapter slide shows.

# Safari Club International Foundation Humanitarian Services

**Disabled Hunter™** - Disabled hunters and shooters across the country are benefiting from the generous gifts of time, goods and services provided by SCI members, who try to make outdoor sports available and accessible to the disabled hunter. In 2009, SCI Chapters reported providing **426** disabled hunters with hunting opportunities during chapter events for disabled hunters of all ages, including veterans and youths.

Below is a graph showing Disabled Hunter program growth 2005-2009.



Each year, SCIF sponsors and coordinates all-expense-paid, world-class hunting safaris for the recipient(s) of the annual Pathfinder Award. This award is presented to one or two individuals faced with overcoming a physical challenge or disability that is otherwise capable of interfering with a routine way through life; he or she must discover previously unexplored regions of self-esteem, self-worth, courage, persistence and determination. The recipient is someone who has a “never quit” attitude and who is recognized as an ambassador for other “pathfinders” seeking leadership when faced with similar challenges. We also provide one or two domestic “Mini-Pathfinder” hunts for deserving individuals each year.

SCIF Humanitarian Services, through its Disabled Hunter Fund, offers \$500-per-event stipends to assist SCI chapters with defraying some expenses associated with getting disabled individuals back into the field. Contact SCIF Humanitarian Services Manager Eva Wilson for details.

There are over 555,000 hunters and shooters with disabilities in the United States alone. Through a network of SCI chapters around the world, members have created partnerships with both public and private organizations, as well as with generous individuals, who support the Disabled Hunter™ program, always hoping to improve the quality of life for hunters and shooters with disabilities.

## **GETTING *Disabled Hunter* STARTED**

***Consider taking a physically challenged person hunting – the rewards are many!***

This program develops innovative approaches to better understand the needs of hunters and shooters with disabilities. These approaches are then implemented in communities around the world. Help us promote the program by:

- ◆ Sponsoring workshops and seminars educating those who wish to gain a better knowledge of hunters and shooters with physical disabilities.
- ◆ Supporting legislation that establishes appropriate regulatory guidelines to accommodate functional disabilities and provide more hunting opportunities.
- ◆ Developing community field programs involving hunting and shooting opportunities.
- ◆ Identifying outfitters capable of guiding hunters with disabilities.
- ◆ Developing partnerships to increase awareness, education, cooperation and tangible results.
- ◆ Visit [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org), “Disabled Hunter Resources” for a listing of more than 150 handicapped-accessible facilities in the U.S. and Canada
- ◆ In 1998, SCI endorsed and helped pass the Disabled Sportsmen’s Access Act, which provides disabled sportsmen with more access to much of the Department of Defense’s (DOD) 30 million acres of land throughout the United States. SCI testified in favor of the Act, and is proud to be part of its success.
- ◆ SCI chapters help promote the program at the local level. One chapter regularly takes disabled hunters on upland bird hunting in golf carts and big game hunts in Wyoming. Another chapter has sponsored a community disabled hunting and shooting program for over nine years, while still another sponsors western hunts for disabled veterans.
- ◆ There are over 555,000 hunters and shooters with disabilities in the United States alone. Through a network of SCI chapters around the world, combined with partnerships with public and private organizations, and charitable giving from generous individuals, the Disabled Hunters program will continue to improve the quality of life for hunters and shooters with disabilities.



## The Pathfinder Award

*Pathfinder – “One who discovers a way into or through unexplored regions.”*

### --Webster’s Dictionary

When an individual is faced with overcoming a physical challenge or disability that is capable of blocking the “routine” way forward through life, (including hunting and shooting), he or she must discover previously unexplored regions of self-esteem, self worth courage, persistence, and determination. Through trial and error, success and failure, the pathfinder, with a “never quit” attitude, works hard to discover his or her own way through life. Annually, the world’s most accomplished hunters recognized this individual as an ambassador for other “pathfinders” seeking leadership and promise when faced with similar challenges. There is no common path; each individual’s journey is unique and sacred.

**Background:** For years, many of the Pathfinder Award recipients, while most grateful for the recognition, have, when asked, explained that they do not see themselves as “special”. Special Olympians are special. Professional therapists and other people who work with disabled and physically challenged individuals are telling us that a more appropriate award or recognition should not “dwell” on the characteristic of having a disability or special physical challenge. Instead find a name that is uplifting and truly reflects the accomplishments overcoming the disability, not the disability. After several conference calls, committee reviews and discussions among the Humanitarian Services and the Pathfinder Award Committee members and staff liaison, all HS Committee votes received, unanimously choose “**The Pathfinder Award**”.

**NOTE:** The Pathfinder Application (Pages 7-9) for 2011 will be available electronically on the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website, Humanitarian Services, Disabled Hunter section.



## *Pathfinder Award Application*

**Please list the name of the Applicant and the Sponsor:**

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCI Member?** \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No    **Membership #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Membership** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list the name(s) of any SCI Chapters in the area:**

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# The Pathfinder Award Assessment

(Please attach additional sheets as necessary, but keep application to 12 sheets or fewer)

**I. Brief History of applicant's/physical disability: when did it occur; extent of disability:**

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**II. How the disability occurred:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**III. List and describe rehabilitation efforts:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**IV. Explain any usage of adaptive equipment, special training, or assistance required for applicant to hunt:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**V. Describe hunting experiences since disability:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**VI. Please list any conservation/hunting/shooting organizations to which the applicant currently belongs or participates:** \_\_\_\_\_

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VII. Describe any disabled hunting, shooting or conservation projects or activities which the applicant has organized or participated in: \_\_\_\_\_

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VIII. Describe the applicant's participation in community, school and work which demonstrates the applicant's determination to be an asset to his or her family and community:

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Please feel free to attach any additional information that the applicant feels would be of interest to the Selection Committee, *but keep your application to 12 pages or fewer.*

You are welcome (but not required) to submit up to 6 photos and 3 letters of recommendation from persons who are familiar with your interest and involvement in shooting and hunting. **NO VIDEOS, PLEASE.**

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE: July 1, 2011**

Please send the application to:

SCIF Humanitarian Services  
Eva Wilson, HS Manager  
Pathfinder Award  
4800 West Gates Pass Road  
Tucson, AZ 85745-9490  
Phone: (520) 620-1220 ext. 480  
Fax: (520) 618-3538

If you have any questions, please contact [ewilson@safariclub.org](mailto:ewilson@safariclub.org), Humanitarian Services Manager.

This is an ongoing working format for evaluating and selecting individuals for the Pathfinder Award. Your comments for improving the program are welcome at any time.

**Pathfinder winners are required to sign a waiver and release of liability, and acquire MedJet Assist before leaving on their hunt.**

# SCI Foundation Pathfinder Award

## Evaluation Sheet for Selection Committee

On your scoring matrix: [not included in this Manual]

1. Score 1 to 5 based upon severity of disability with consideration as to when and how the disability occurred. Score 1 for the least amount of disability up to 5 for most.
2. Score 1 to 5 based upon how the disability occurred.
3. Score from 1 to 10 for any special efforts on the part of the applicant to rehabilitate himself or herself, i.e. attending special training centers, etc.
4. Score from 1 to 10 for degree of determination on the part of the applicant to enable him or her to hunt and/or shoot.
5. Score 1 to 5 for hunting and shooting experience. A person who has hunted and been an active shooter every year since his or her disability could score higher than someone that has had the opportunity but waited until later in life.
6. Score 1 to 5 based upon the individual's involvement. (Conservation/hunting/shooting organizations)
7. Score 1 to 10 based upon the individual's participation; such as, just being a member versus actively serving on a committee or initiating a program.
8. Score 1 to 10 based upon applicant's participation in community, school and work which demonstrate the applicant's determination to be an asset to his or her family and community.

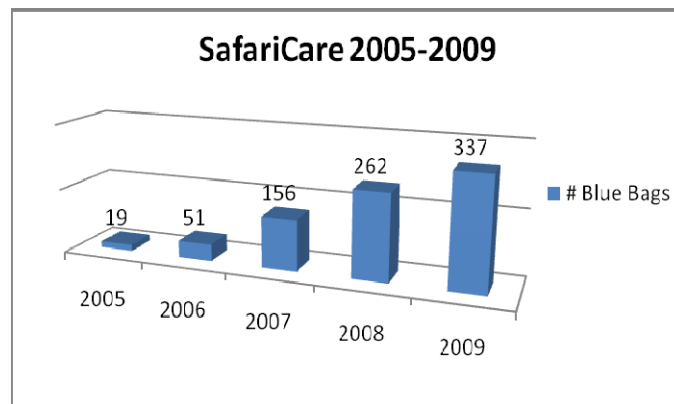
Your scoring matrix *only* should be returned to:

**Eva Wilson**  
**Humanitarian Services Manager**  
4800 West Gates Pass Road  
Tucson, AZ 85745  
Phone: (520) 620-1220, Ext. 480  
FAX (520) 618-3538  
[ewilson@safariclub.org](mailto:ewilson@safariclub.org)

**SafariCare™** - In 1996, SCI members delivered mosquito nets and other medical supplies to villagers in remote areas of Namibia. This inaugural step started SafariCare, a volunteer healthcare outreach program serving needy people in remote communities around the globe. SCI and SCIF, like so many organizations, put forth enormous effort each year to help improve the quality of life throughout the world. We are very proud of SafariCare’s annual humanitarian efforts and contributions.

In 2009, SCI member-participants in this program took **337** “Blue Bags” overseas, up from 262 the previous year. Shipping these bags would cost hundreds of dollars apiece, and filling each bag would cost anywhere from \$150 to \$300. However, these Blue Bags are filled by chapters, individual members, church groups or even groups of schoolchildren or scouts, with medical, educational, and other relief supplies, clothing and toys, which are then taken to remote areas of the world by hunters who have planned hunts in these regions. The supplies are delivered directly to villages, clinics, orphanages and schools for villagers, doctors, caretakers and teachers to utilize.

Below is a graph showing SafariCare program growth from 2005 through 2009.



SafariCare aid also comes in other forms. Some SCI Chapters build and support schools, water projects and community development efforts in Africa and other countries.

SCIF Humanitarian Services worked with the Friedkin Conservation Fund and Tanzania Game Trackers in 2008 to construct and outfit two solar-powered clinics in that country—one each in the Kigoma and Monduli Districts, in the town of Uvinza and the Masai village of Mfereji. For more information, please visit the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website and click on the three-part video on our home page.

In 2009 the SCI Foundation’s SafariCare program undertook a non-hunting destination in the form of Kenya, Africa - the poster child of environmentalists around the world. Our SafariCare efforts focused on running nearly three miles of waterline into the village of Elmentaita, Kenya where we were instrumental in putting together a medical clinic to be used by all the villages bordering Soysambu Conservancy. Clean water, maternity care, vaccines, and general medical attention had never been provided in this region. A second goal was to manufacture and distribute fuel-efficient, portable jiko-type stoves for some of the surrounding villages, thereby reducing de-forestation by over 70%. Our third goal was to distribute medical, educational and recreational materials to schools surrounding the Soysambu Conservancy. A documentary of our efforts has been posted on the home page of the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website.

We have also established the “Ultimate Hunt”: the **SCIF Genetic Bioengineering Chair in Cancer Research** in conjunction with the Minnesota Medical Foundation at the University of Minnesota. It is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and donations may be made payable to: MMF#1488 SCIF Chair and mailed to SCIF Chair Fund, 715 Florida Avenue #305, Golden Valley, MN 55426. For online credit card donations, please visit [www.mmf.umn.edu/giveto/1488](http://www.mmf.umn.edu/giveto/1488).

For assistance with SafariCare, or to request a copy of our SafariCare Guidelines for Missions (with helpful tips and suggested items to pack), please visit [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) or contact Humanitarian Services Manager Eva Wilson at (520) 620-1220 Ext. 480, [ewilson@safariclub.org](mailto:ewilson@safariclub.org).

## **GETTING *SafariCare* STARTED**

### **“Blue Bag” Program**

Mission and Concept – SafariCare is a volunteer health care outreach program, serving people in need around the globe.

The shipment of healthcare supplies to points of need can be expensive, especially overseas. Innovative members came up with a simple formula. Ask SCI members—or even non-members in your community--to join our “Blue Bag Brigade” by taking one extra bag on safari. When someone traveling worldwide on safari prepares and delivers a SafariCare “Blue Bag” for people living in remote areas, this assures the delivery of needed healthcare supplies in an efficient and economical manner. SCI hunters are seen as SCI heroes in their eyes, and the good feeling goes both ways.

Each SCI chapter and/or member is encouraged to purchase one or more SafariCare Blue Bags by making a \$45.00 (per bag) donation to Safari Club International Foundation. Any SCI Chapter or corporate sponsor may have their Blue Bag personalized for an additional, one-time set up fee of \$20.00 (when a minimum order of 12 bags is placed by Humanitarian Services).

SCIF can LEND Blue Bags if a chapter or member makes a request. However, they must be returned promptly for washing and recycling.

In addition, short (250-300 word) reports and high-resolution photos of SafariCare missions are encouraged for publication in *Safari Times* or the Quarterly Humanitarian Services Newsletter in 3-D, and museum/chapter slide shows. Please submit same to Eva Wilson, HS Manager.



## SafariCare Quotes from our “Blue Bag Brigade”

*“I would strongly encourage others to take part in the SCIF SafariCare program. The smiles on people’s faces and the excitement in the villages where we distributed the contents of the bags were extremely gratifying. The items were certainly needed by the Tanzanian people and it was clear that the villagers were very appreciative of our visit. Apart from fulfilling my lifelong dream of hunting a lion, participating in the Blue Bag Program was the highlight of my trip.”*

--U.S. Senator Jim Barcia, Flint Regional Chapter

*“When we arrived at the school, it was apparent that we did not have enough items for everyone. The headmaster had all the orphans pick first. Some just wanted a pencil or an ink pen.”*

--David & Dwight Moser, Chesapeake Chapter

*“My spirits soared as the blue SafariCare Bag emptied its contents to the eagerly and thankfully waiting villagers. I presented the supplies to the shouting and celebrating people. I had brought bandages, medicine, clothing, food, fishing supplies and toys. Being able to hand the candy to the children, to see pure unrepressed joy in every delighted face, was truly a searingly powerful memory and a highlight of my life.”*

--Hope Kauffman, Lehigh Valley Chapter

*“We would be the ones who received the most from a delivery made around the world. Your heart will never be the same once you have given the gift of love and compassion to someone who has nothing.”*

--W. Calloway Huffaker, Lubbock Chapter

*“This was a great experience for me and my wife, and when we go back we will not hesitate to take another SCI Blue Bag...Thank you SCI and Eva Wilson for the opportunity to make a small difference in somebody’s life.”*

--Bobby Boido, President, Arizona Chapter

*“In this small village it was like Christmas for those few families who live in the area. Randy and Judi discovered the joy that a small gift can bring to those less fortunate people of Africa.”*

--Randy Akin, President, Arkansas Chapter

*“...The SafariCare Blue Bag experience forced me to stop and think of how I could better serve others. I went to Benin for the hunt of my life, and walked away with more than just an incredible safari, but with a sense of fulfillment – I am so blessed for the opportunity to represent the hunter and SCI.”*

--Olivia Angeloz, Austin Chapter

*“The response from Blue Crane Hospice was most gratifying and words cannot explain the facial expressions when the Blue Bag was opened. We definitely encourage other hunters to participate in SCIF’s SafariCare Blue Bag program!*

--Rich Weimer, Bookcliff Chapter

*“We unpacked our 8 SCI Blue Bags and everyone in the room looked on with wide eyes. Some of these children had never had a pair of shoes. They saw hunters bringing them gifts...things they desperately needed. Spend a few bucks and fill a bag for your next adventure!”*

--Brett Axton, President, Colorado Chapter

*“The villagers were extremely grateful for the supplies, as the clinic was without as much as a bandage before the arrival of the SafariCare bag. Those assembled at the clinic broke out in applause when the clinic director informed them that 50 pounds of supplies had arrived from Las Vegas, Nevada, USA to be given to them free of charge.”*

--Ryan Dennett, Desert Chapter

*“It was very rewarding for me to be able to deliver these items to the people – items that were so simple and that gave them so much happiness. I found it to be a very humbling experience. Although the Blue Bag project is the effort of many people, I was given the honor of delivering it and I thank the Flint Regional Chapter of SCI for this opportunity. “*

*--Glenn Brown, Flint Regional Chapter*

*“These folks have so little that even small items we take for granted go a long way to improve their lives. If you haven’t taken a Blue Bag on safari, make plans now. Just call Eva in our SCI headquarters for help in joining the Blue Bag Brigade and get ready to receive a blessing from this experience.”*

*--Ron Bartels, President, Louisiana Chapter*

*“I would urge anyone traveling to countries that are in need to take a Blue Bag as part of their luggage. Your reward will be in the eyes of those who receive this gesture of assistance. What we take for granted, is indeed needed and appreciated.”*

*--Alma Bing, Michigan Chapter*

*“Along the way I met a lot of people who asked about the brightly colored bag and when told what Safari Club was up to, every person I met thought it was a wonderful thing to do for these people who need so much help.”*

*--Alain Smith, President, Northwest Chapter*

*“Although the local people are very reserved, it was obvious that they much appreciated SCI’s gifts. We even managed to coax smiles from the bashful youngsters. Hunting is great, but it was a special thing to be able to share our abundance.”*

*--Mike Mistelske, Oklahoma Station Chapter*

*“The distinctive SCI logo on the SafariCare bag started many a pleasant conversation between us and fellow travelers. The clinic’s administrator and staff were amazed at the type and amount of goods that came out of our “magic blue bag”. The clinic’s staff was extremely grateful for the supplies and seemed honored to know that strangers in America would do this for them.”*

*--Peggy Boren, Orange County Chapter*

*“We visited a local store and filled the Blue Bag with supplies you and I would take for granted any day. We then drove to one of the villages and what a welcome! You would think that Christmas had arrived!”*

*--Tim Roulston, Ottawa Valley Chapter*

*“Thank you SCI for the opportunity to share our good fortunes with these children and their teachers. It is truly an experience none of us will ever forget, and I can’t wait for our next “Blue Bag” trip back.”*

*--Dale & Christine Matthews, Portland Oregon Chapter*

*“We have so much in America that sometimes it is easy to forget that people have to do a lot with almost nothing. I encourage any SCI member to take few minutes out of your hunt to make a Blue Bag donation. It’s well worth it!*

*--Doug Stromberg, Portland Oregon Chapter*

*“The teachers...had taught the children a song of thank you (in English) that moved my wife and me greatly. I will not be able to return to Africa without a SafariCare bag in the future now that I have been given the chance to see the effect this small donation has upon the local people.”*

*--Ted Filpula, Sacramento Chapter*

# SafariCare Checklist for Success...

- **SCI Chapter President and Board members** realize a desire to participate in the SafariCare (SC) program, locally, nationally, and/or internationally. The President designates a Chapter *SafariCare Chair* to manage the program.
  
- Chapter SC chair contacts the **SCIF Humanitarian Services (HS) Manager and/or SC Committee Chair** to make introductions, gather information and develop contacts.
  
- Chapter SC Chair **forms a committee** and develops a **program plan**. Assignments may include:
  - **Ongoing recruitment** of committee volunteers.
  - Establish a pool of **healthcare providers** in your community – doctors, dentists, nurses, optometrists, etc. who may volunteer their services on a SafariCare mission.
  - Enlist support of pharmaceutical and healthcare-related **corporate sponsors** – donated medicines, drugs, eyeglasses, shoes, medical equipment and related supplies for community emergency relief efforts and international medical missions.
  - Network Chapter program with **local relief organizations** – The Salvation Army, Red Cross, etc.
  - Develop a list of local **media contacts** – newspaper, TV and radio - and inform them of your program, keep them informed of meetings, encourage their coverage and suggest that they travel with an SCIF SafariCare mission.
  - Start a **SafariCare “Blue Bag program”** – your Chapter obtains one or more SafariCare bags with the SafariCare logo and Chapter name on it, and possibly the name of a local donor who purchases the bags; or contact your HS Manager for loaner bag(s). Encourage each Chapter member going on safari to take a bag full of healthcare supplies as extra luggage – the supplies are delivered by the hunter and PH to remote areas of need.
  - Attach the **Customizable SafariCare Participation Form** (available for download on the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website or from Humanitarian Services) to the documentation given to the winning bidders of your chapter hunts to encourage their participation in SafariCare. The form has “live” fields to which you can add your chapter SafariCare contact information.
  - Request the **SafariCare Guidelines & List of Recommended Items** from Humanitarian Services, or download it from the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website).
  - You may also request a **personalized “Airline Letter”** (sample on Page 18) which *may* help with getting the airlines to lower or waive excess baggage fees for humanitarian supplies.
  - **Be counted** in our annual program statistics! Notify Humanitarian Services each time you or someone in your chapter undertakes a SafariCare mission.
  
- **Record** your measurable successes including number and kinds of volunteers, quantity and value of donated medical supplies, dollars raised to sustain the SafariCare program, number and kinds of sponsors, number of SCI members and non-(potential) members, and amount of news coverage.

- \_\_\_ Send **thank-you** letters and certificates of appreciation to **everyone** involved, including Chapter SC committee members, all volunteers, other organizations (sponsors), media and elected officials.
  
- \_\_\_ **Network** your information to other Chapters that can benefit from your experiences by sending photos and a short report to your SCIF HS Manager for possible publication in *Safari Times*, *Safari* magazine or quarterly newsletters and inclusion in the Museum Slide Exhibit.
  
- \_\_\_ **Evaluate** all that you have done for the SafariCare program and **make necessary changes**.

*Note: This checklist is an ongoing product of Chapter efforts to date. Please improve it with your own suggestions and send them to the SCIF HS Manager to add to the checklist.*





## “Blue Bag” Order Form

*Dear SCI Member:*

*Thank you for participating in and supporting your SafariCare program. The charitable contribution you provide by ordering your SafariCare Bag will go toward the purchase of replacement and additional bags for the program. Many people in need will benefit from your generous donation of time and resources.*

*Thank you!*

*SCIF Humanitarian Services Committee*

### CHAPTER ORDER:

Chapter name: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### SAFARICARE BAGS

Each customized bag displays the SCIF lion/shield logo, SafariCare, and the [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) website.

Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
_____	\$45.00	_____

\_\_\_\_\_ We are adding a *one-time* \$20.00 set up fee to our order to have our chapter name placed on the bag(s).

**Donations greater than the value of the bags are appreciated. We welcome corporate sponsors.**

Method of Payment: Payable to *Safari Club International Foundation*.

Cash/Check \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_ American Express \_\_\_

Credit Card No: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_

January 1, 2010



**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

The Safari Club International Foundation is a 501(c)(3) Charitable Organization, and an NGO recognized by the United Nations. We have had a 4-Star rating with Charity Navigator for the last 3 years. The SafariCare™ program is a 14-year-old volunteer healthcare/humanitarian outreach program serving people in need in remote communities around the globe. SCI members and others participating in this program take these blue duffel bags filled with medical, educational, and other relief supplies, clothing and toys overseas as baggage, thus eliminating middlemen and shipping costs. The supplies are delivered directly to villages, clinics, schools or orphanages for villagers, doctors, teachers and caregivers to utilize. **These items are never for resale.** Our suggested list of items includes, but is not limited to:

Clinically Supervised Items

- Ibuprofen
- First Aid Kits/Creams
- Fungus Infection Creams
- Eye/Ear Ointments/Cleansers
- Upset Stomach Medicines
- Diarrhea Medicines
- Vitamins
- Anti-itch Creams
- Skin Rash Creams (cortisone)
- Water Purification Tablets
- Burn Ointments
- Triple Antibiotic Ointments
- Dehydration (salt) Tablets
- Hydrogen peroxide\*/Cotton
- Toothpaste

Non-Supervised Items

- Eyeglasses/Reading Glasses
- Shoes/Socks/Sandals
- Hats/Caps
- Shirts/Jackets
- Toothbrushes/Floss
- Trash Bags
- Water Filters/Purification Straw
- Needles and Thread
- Rope/Twine/String
- Fish Hooks and Line
- Antibacterial Soaps
- Adhesive Bandages/Gauze
- Plastic Bottles/Bowls/Cups
- Disinfectants
- Shampoo/Body Wash
- Educational Flash Cards

- School Supplies
- Maps/Atlases/Dictionaries
- Pens/Pencils/Paper
- Sports Equipment
- Soccer Balls & Pumps
- Mosquito Netting/Repellent
- Chalk/Small Chalkboards
- Cloth/Fabric
- Crayons/Colored Pencils/Markers
- Coloring/Activity Books
- Scissors/Rulers
- Pins: Straight/Safety
- Toys
- Candy
- Bandanas
- Backpacks

This SafariCare bag is being taken to \_\_\_\_\_ by the following SCI \_\_\_\_\_ member:

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# **SAFARICARE PROTOCOL**

## **For Regional Healthcare Clinic Development**

The following has been conceived as a protocol to be followed by individuals seeking assistance and limited support in establishing healthcare clinics under the SafariCare Program of Safari Club International Foundation. It should be noted that modifications may be necessary based on the needs being addressed in specific regions of the world.

### **GUIDELINES**

To ensure that SafariCare efforts and resources are equitably distributed in an unbiased fashion, the following steps will be used as guidelines to establish regional health-care clinics:

1. **Health-Care Programs** (clinics) will be requested by individuals living in or established in a region.
2. All programs will be designed to be **self-sufficient** within three (3) months of their initial start-up date.
3. **Monies** generated in the regions requesting assistance will be returned to that region in the form of needed products being purchased and expenses incurred in the acquisition of specialized equipment and medical products.
4. It will be the **responsibility** of the requesting agent or agents (facilitators) to monitor the needs, use and distribution of all relief products.
5. The requesting agent (**facilitator**) will select and/or erect a building to be used as a central point to administer medical assistance to the local population. This ***need not*** be a state-of-the-art facility, but rather a clean, accessible and solely dedicated space where injured local people can be given first-line preventive medical attention (100 to 200 square feet – 10 x 10 foot space or 12 x 16 foot space would be adequate and cost -effective at this time).
6. The **facilitator** of the program will select an individual from the indigenous people of the area, to be trained for the position of **primary medical assistance provider**. This primary medical assistance provider will be available at the selected village location to administer general first aid treatment and provide hygiene information and education. This immediate, first-line of medical attention and hygiene during the initial infectious period could eliminate major medical problems, which ultimately lead to the debilitating physical conditions seen in the populations of these remote regions.
7. The **training of a primary medical assistance provider** can be implemented by local doctors or nurses. The on-site medical provider would have basic knowledge of proper hygienic techniques, immediate wound, burn and abrasion treatment, as well as methods of immobilization in more serious injuries that may require additional professional or technical medical assistance.
8. **Funding** for this **training** can be obtained from donations by local medical personnel and/or the facilitator in the area. SCI Chapters may also be able to provide funds for training and starting salaries of these medical assistance programs.
9. **Funding** for needed **supplies** and **salaries** of the medical assistance provider will be generated in the local region through donations. Currently, non-contracted, selected services (beverages, touring and sightseeing, harvesting camp meat and bait and culling activities, etc.) are usually provided to clients at a nominal charge, no charge or on a gratuitous basis. The facilitator should continue these arrangements with clients based on past practice. After describing the SafariCare

Program in the region to his clients, the facilitator should solicit a donation from each client based on the selected services provided. The donation will be made in the client's name and earmarked for the specific region. We realized that some clients would not be willing to be a part of this program. After seeing SafariCare articles, photographs and witnessing firsthand the benefits of providing needed humanitarian assistance, we find most people have been more than willing to make donations.

10. Although it is extremely difficult to **assess the needs** in each region, the recommendation is to allow the medical assistance provider to be at the clinic location every other day or three days per week, for two or three hours each day. This would allow local people to become accustomed to medical assistance on a regularly scheduled basis. Immediate care would not be far away since the provider would be living in the region and the weekly work schedule could be modified to accommodate the needs of the local people. Keep in mind; we are not providing doctors or nurses at these facilities on a weekly basis. We are assisting in the most basic preventive treatment of wounds in an effort to prevent blood loss, tissue damage and infections, which could lead to the possible loss of limb, senses or mobility.
11. Shipment of needed medical supplies presents one of our highest cost items. Clients (who will be known to the facilitator) traveling to these regions will be asked to carry (or ship) as part of their baggage, one box or bag of the requested relief supplies when they embark on their trip. SafariCare will attempt to fill each request for the requested supplies in a timely fashion given the constraints of purchase time, client departure date, location and availability of needed supplies.

These guidelines are being established to allow anyone with a vested interest in a region, the opportunity to help the indigenous people of that region. It offers the same opportunity to everyone and it allows SafariCare to maximize its efforts and efficiently operate medical assistance facilities at minimum costs. Costly, full-time, managerial personnel may, in fact, not see the needs of the region may not have a vested interest in the region or its people and may be more transient due to economics, employment advancement and family constraints. The facilitator is usually an established guide, outfitter or businessperson with investments in the region seeking SafariCare Programs.

### **SELECTION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDER**

The selection of an indigenous person in the area to act as a medical assistance provider would allow us to more rapidly gain the trust of the people. It would provide limited income to an area member and family unit. The provider would live among the people and be able to provide assistance on an immediate or as-needed basis, rather than wait weeks for outside medical assistance to arrive, then only be available for a short time, if at all. The issue of proper hygiene education would be ongoing and visibly demonstrated on a daily basis by the medical assistance provider of the area.

### **FACILITATOR**

The facilitator – the person who is most likely in contact with the local population on a daily basis – could keep close watch on the situation and make adjustments as necessary. The products needed would be carried by clients or visitors to the region, thereby cutting costs. The monies generated by donations would be used to purchase only those products needed and requested by the facilitator.

## **ADVANCED MEDICAL CARE**

More advanced medical care would occur on a rotating basis, based on the needs of the region, and would be provided by volunteer medical practitioners on a scheduled basis. Limited training could also be provided to the village medical assistance provider at this time to help identify individuals whose conditions may need attention on the next scheduled visit.

## **SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES**

The clients (visitors and tourist named by the facilitator) would be given products that have been requested by the facilitator and are legal to be imported into the region for humanitarian relief efforts. We realize that not everyone going to these regions may desire to check or carry an additional bag. However, having used this method for years, we have found that most individuals are very caring, compassionate and generous. This is especially true when the final destination is the end user – the facilitator – who will most likely be providing services to the arriving guests.

## **SOLICITING DONATIONS**

It is also much easier to solicit donations for a regional program when the donors can see the problem for themselves and at the same time feel confident with those in charge of the regional program. Whether eco-tourism, camera safari, trekking or sport hunting travelers, and most everyone will be in contact with an impoverished community. When approached for a donation or asked to help by carrying supplies, most travelers will gladly participate. For those who choose not to participate in some fashion, they continue on their adventure and no income to the facilitator would be lost or affected in any way.

## **ADVERTISING**

Our best advertising is word of mouth. A person seeing the problem and our corrective efforts first-hand is a much better salesperson for SafariCare than even our best photographs and stories could ever be. Photographs and stories will continue to be published in Safari Times on a monthly basis with quarterly updates for established programs.

## **TAX CONSEQUENCES**

In terms of tax consequences, donations can be made to the Safari Club International Foundation. Benefits from such donations would need to be addressed by individual and/corporate tax specialists.

## **PUBLICITY**

Caps, shirts, signs and banners identifying SafariCare will be made available for each location once the guidelines are met and the facility is operating.

## **NORTH AMERICA**

North America presents its own constraints and limitations, but we have avenues, we feel, we can use to work within the legal limits set by each state. Medical personnel have volunteered their time and

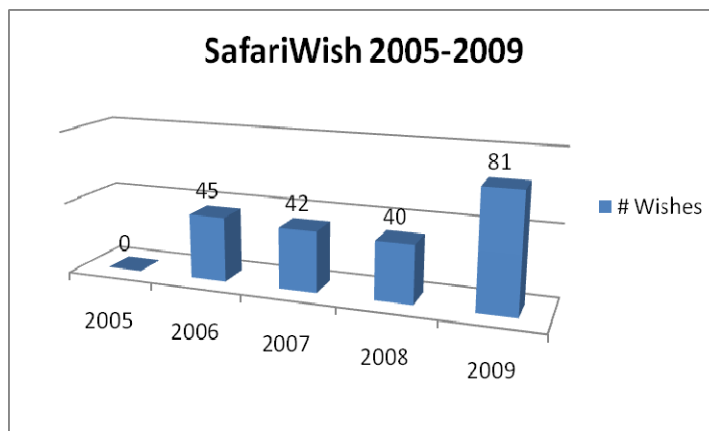
expertise. Shipments of corporate donations of medical supplies are nowhere near as costly as shipping supplies out of the U.S. Our cooperative agreement with The Salvation Army provides an immediate vehicle to carry out our humanitarian relief efforts in North America. The Salvation Army is in most countries around the world and SafariCare involvement through The Salvation Army facilities may be a very cost-effective outlet of our humanitarian relief effort.

With limited regional modifications, it is the hope this protocol will produce an easy, efficient, cost-effective and self-sustaining program that can be geared to the specific needs of each region.

**SafariWish**<sup>TM</sup> - The SCI Foundation's SafariWish<sup>TM</sup> program, designed to grant hunting and hunting-related wishes to individuals with life-threatening illnesses, is part of our SafariCare<sup>TM</sup> program. In 2009, SCI chapters provided SafariWish hunts for **81** children and some adults. Some also provided financial support for the program. Since 1992, SCI members and chapters have raised funds to grant these wishes, sometimes collaborating to sponsor several SafariWishes at the same time.

You'll find a **SafariWish Application** and **Evaluation Sheet** you can use on the following pages.

Below is a graph showing SafariWish program growth 2005-2009.





Please list the name of the applicant and the sponsor.

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list the name(s) of any SCI Chapters in the area. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Assessment

(Please attach additional sheets as necessary)

1. Identify the SafariWish: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Brief history of life-threatening illness: \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Identify physical limitations and medical concerns. Attach two letters from personal physicians (name, address, and phone number) supporting the assessment and prognosis.  
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4. Describe the use of or need for adaptive equipment, special training, or assistance required (due to the illness) for applicant to participate in the desired hunt or hunt-related experience. \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Describe hunting and other outdoor experiences occurring prior to, during, and after the illness. \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. The applicant needs to describe what the SafariWish experience would mean to him or her.

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You are welcome (but not required) to submit up to 6 photos and 3 letters of recommendation from persons who are familiar with the applicant's interest in hunting. **NO VIDEOS PLEASE.**

- ◆ The SCI Foundation's SafariWish™ program is designed to grant hunting and hunting-related wishes to individuals with life-threatening illnesses, and is part of our SafariCare™ program.
- ◆ This form, designed by the HS Committee, is used to evaluate SafariWish candidates brought to your attention. SCI Chapters are encouraged to use this form. Chapters are welcome to modify the form and criteria based on the specific and unique nature of a chapter-driven SafariWish project.
- ◆ This information database is necessary for developing a fair selection process, for preparing for public relations opportunities, and improving the overall ongoing process for the effective and efficient management of a meaningful SafariWish project. Your comments for improving the program are welcome at any time.
- ◆ A 250-300 word follow-up report and a few high-resolution photos are requested for publication in *Safari Times* or the Humanitarian Services Quarterly Newsletter in 3D, for website posting, and for use in chapter/museum slide presentations.



**Evaluation Sheet for Selection Committee**

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Score 1 for least value and 5 for the most.**

- 1. Score 1 to 5 based upon “sense of urgency” due to the illness.** **Score** \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 2. Score 1 to 5 based upon the “achievability” of matching the participant’s desire with physical limitations.** **Score** \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3. Score 1 to 5 based upon the “availability” of the SafariWish identified with a reasonable match.** **Score** \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 4. Score 1 to 5 based upon the “overall feasibility” of realistically being able to accomplish the SafariWish.** **Score** \_\_\_\_\_

**Judge's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Score** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please identify additional qualitative considerations difficult to evaluate in a numerical format.**

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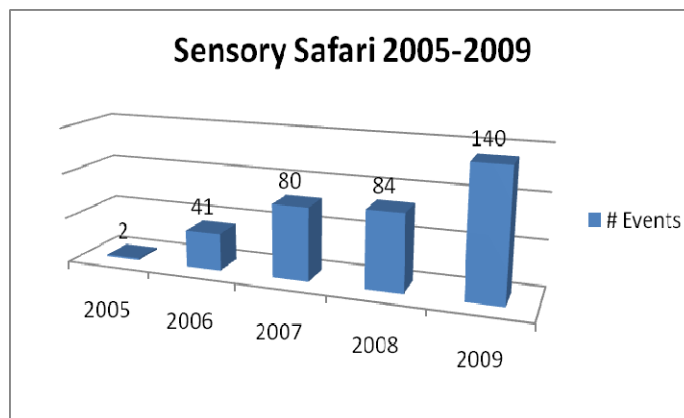
**Sensory Safari™** - Sensory Safari offers a unique opportunity to the visually impaired. Children and adults are escorted by knowledgeable “safari guides” through a variety of touchable displays of animal, fish and bird mounts, skins, skulls and horns. The guides describe the animals and their habitats and behaviors as participants touch and sometimes even hug the displays. Sensory Safaris can be held year-around and be located virtually anywhere, giving visually impaired children and adults a hands-on wildlife education.

The first Sensory Safari took place in 1991, and has been growing ever since. Each year, SCI members, with the help of volunteers, escort many thousands of students, visually-impaired children, homeless children/adults, senior citizens and disabled individuals through a network of full-mounted and table displays owned by 46 of SCI’s North American Chapters, as well as the mobile Sensory Safari™ trailers owned by 23 U.S. chapters.

There are permanent Sensory Safari displays at various schools for the blind in Louisiana, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, New Mexico, South Carolina, Indiana, Minnesota and Washington State; the Lincoln Folsom Zoo in Lincoln, NE; the Children’s Science Center at the Brevard Museum in Brevard, FL; and the Dickerson Park Zoo in Springfield, MO.

The new 55,000 sq. ft. “Museo de Vida Silvestre” in Puerto Rico is nearing its late May or early June 2010 ribbon-cutting date. Humanitarian Services is working with Marketing to feature website photographs of the groundbreaking, the ribbon-cutting, and a virtual videographic tour. The facility will also feature a small Sensory Safari in its entrance hall.

Visit [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) to see our online schedule of both past and upcoming Sensory Safari events, and be certain to post your own Sensory Safaris there! Below is a graph showing Sensory Safari growth 2005–2009.



# GETTING *Sensory Safari* STARTED

Each year, host a Sensory Safari in conjunction with your annual fundraiser and banquet. Hosting a joint event has many advantages:

- ◆ Easier for volunteers to schedule into their busy calendars.
- ◆ An opportunity for members to display trophies.
- ◆ Trophies set the mood for the fundraiser and banquet.
- ◆ Volunteers will typically help set up for the fundraiser and then work the Sensory Safari.

Portable displays are easy to transport and setup. Each display unit can be constructed from 4x8 sheets of ¾ inch plywood, cut in half, painted with a walnut oil finish. Three 4x4 pieces are hooked together with door hinges to form a triangle. Drill holes through the plywood and wood screws can be inserted through the holes and into the back of the shoulder mounts. These units are the appropriate height for wheelchair and younger participants. Trophies can be mounted on three sides in a large area or on two sides with the third against the wall depending upon the space available. Two to four trophies can be mounted per side depending upon their size. These display units are very stable and not susceptible to tipping.

Tables can be set up for hides, skulls and smaller mounts. Full body mounts can be displayed during the Sensory Safari and then moved to the front of the banquet room prior to the evening event. Zebra hides and buffalo skulls can be used at the sign-in tables for the fundraiser along with a floral arrangement.

“Loan your trophy for the day” can be solicited from Chapter members. Many willingly donate their prized trophies and time for this event. Chapters members, in Chapter shooting shirts and name badges, should escort the participants one by one through the display, explaining each trophy.

Invitation letters should be sent to the visually impaired of your area. This can be done with the assistance of the Federation for the Blind. Handicapped children can be invited through various private and school special education programs.

Invite local newspaper, television and radio stations. Typically all three venues will attend at various times during the day. It's great publicity for your Chapter and sportsmen and women alike. The event is enjoyed equally by the volunteers and participants. Both return to the event year after year.

A CD showing photos, costs and specs for numerous representative Sensory Safari trailers is available upon request for any chapters wishing to purchase and outfit new Sensory Safari trailers.

We also have a CD (“The Diversity of Animal Sounds”) from the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology featuring 60 different animal sounds which we will be glad to provide you for your exhibit.

Our International Wildlife Museum in Tucson, Arizona, frequently gets offers of taxidermy mounts, skulls, horns and hides which we will make available to chapters with Sensory Safari displays. If you have a need for a particular type of mount, contact SCIF Humanitarian Services Manager Eva Wilson (520-620-1220 Ext. 480; [ewilson@safariclub.org](mailto:ewilson@safariclub.org)) to get on the Chapter Mount Requests listing.

When we receive sizeable collections, we will contact all SCI Chapters with Sensory Safaris and make them aware of the available mounts, which will then be offered to chapters on a first come, first served basis.

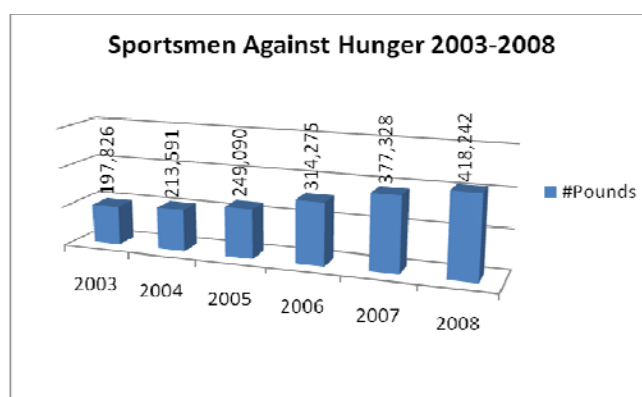
We have numerous promotional items available for Sensory Safari, including caps, banners, posters, silicone wristbands (featuring the words “Sensory Safari” embossed in both Braille and English), zoo animal pencils, and “Wildlife Matching Game” flyers.



**Sportsmen Against Hunger™** - Since the program's inception in 1989, SCI Chapter members have organized community and statewide systems designed to help hunters annually share a portion of their wild game harvest with hungry people. This generosity provides millions of low-fat, low-cholesterol, preservative-free, high-protein meals annually at soup kitchens across the United States. Hunters, meat processors, food banks and soup kitchens are cooperating in most U.S. states, parts of Canada, and in several other countries around the world. SCI Chapters, members and meat processors donated **418,242 lbs.** (over 209 tons!) of meat in the 2008 season alone—enough to serve **1,672,968 meals.**

Recently, the SCI Foundation's Sportsmen Against Hunger program received the "**2009 Award of Excellence**" from ASAE (Associations Advance America) "for an outstanding program which has resulted in significant benefit to American society".

Below is a graph showing Sportsmen Against Hunger program growth from 2003-2008:



We have numerous promotional items available for Sportsmen Against Hunger, including indoor and outdoor decals, plastic bags for food drives, 2-pound polypropylene meat processor bags, banners, caps, and aprons for both volunteers and meat processors.

The SCI Foundation's **Sportsmen Against Hunger Week is November 8-14, 2010.**

The annual **Sportsmen Against Hunger "Feed the Hungry" Feast** in Reno, Nevada will take place on **Tuesday, January 25, 2011.** This event, in which we collaborate with The Salvation Army and local sponsors, is entering its 13<sup>th</sup> year. What began as an annual wild game feast for approximately 300 homeless or undernourished Reno citizens fed a record **1,980** meals in January 2010.

To be added to our volunteer list for the "Feed the Hungry" Feast, please contact Eva Wilson, SCIF Humanitarian Services Manager in late September or early October.



The Safari Club International Foundation (SCIF) Humanitarian Services (HS) Sportsmen Against Hunger program (SAH) is extremely versatile and can be modified to meet the specific needs and resources of your Chapter. The possibilities for projects are only limited by your imagination.

It is important to involve your entire community in your SAH programs. Your meat processing centers can solicit and process donations, your freight carriers can transport product to those in need and your news media can announce your programs and success stories to the public. Each member of your community can donate something, anything! A can of vegetables, a box of cereal, and the program does not require game meat or fish. As Sportsmen and -women, we can initiate and coordinate these efforts. Many small donations quickly add up and assist so many in need. Solicit involvement of other local outdoor organizations. Working together as a united front will only strengthen each organization.

A successful SAH program has the potential of dramatically changing the public image of Sportsmen and -women around the globe. No longer will you be considered that group that grabs their guns every September and blasts the countryside. No longer will you be looked upon as that group of “rich” hunters. You will be members of the community working together sharing with those less fortunate than yourselves.

If you look at the United States statistics, 10% of the population is hunters, 10% of the very vocal population is non-hunters and 80% of the population does not have a strong opinion either way. Our challenge is to represent hunters in a positive manner to the undecided. This can be accomplished through our SAH programs. That undecided 80% will determine the future of hunting.

Any Chapter, large and small, can start and manage a successful SAH program. Most SAH projects can be accomplished with very little funding. Projects can be integrated into your other chapter functions, minimizing the effort required to accomplish your mission. The key to successful SAH programs is *diligence, a little time and creativity*.

This manual includes samples of proven projects that have been implemented with limited resources; however the returns to the community and SCIF have far outweighed the investment. SAH projects are a *magnet* for the media. The impact of your actions and efforts will prove beyond the shadow of a doubt that we are *hunters with hearts*.

## **Community Food Banks**

### **Sportsmen Against Hunger**

There are several different projects you can establish with your local community food bank. First establish a solid relationship with the executive director of the facility. These facilities are always looking for donations to help the needy in the area.

Many local hunters are willing to donate a portion of their harvest to the local community food bank. Establish a procedure with the food bank and a schedule with your Chapter members. When wild game donations are made to the facility, Chapter members can be called upon to process the product. Ground meat is best for distribution. Each package should be labeled with your Chapter name and Sportsmen Against Hunger logos. Ask about our 2-lb. polypropylene meat processor bags. Anyone who contributes should receive a Sportsmen Against Hunger T-shirt (provided by your Chapter), cap, apron or other promotional item.

Host three food drives annually:

1. Should correspond with hunting season. Request the local hunters and fishermen to clean out their freezers in preparation for the upcoming season.
2. Should correspond with the holiday season. Request game meat and fish but accept any food donation.
3. Invite representatives from your local community food bank to setup and collect donation at your annual fundraiser.

With the exception of the fundraiser, provide different drop off points in town as to not impact the staff at the food bank. The majority of their help consists of volunteers who spend much of their time preparing food boxes for distribution. It's also easier to keep track of the pounds donated. Work very closely with local radio and television stations that will donate airtime in support of these drives. Place a request for donation on every fundraiser advertisement and flyer as well as each banquet ticket. Each donor should also receive a Sportsmen Against Hunger T-shirt or promotional item.

Provide your local community food bank with a sign-up list or **SCI donation receipt book** (available from Humanitarian Services) for all donors of wild game products who go directly to the food bank. They may also keep a supply of Sportsmen Against Hunger T-shirts for distribution. All donors should be added to your mailing list. These lists will provide you with the opportunity to sign up new members. You will be amazed how the donations add up!!

A database listing relief organizations and meat processors in your area can be found on the SCIF website, [www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org), under Sportsmen Against Hunger Quick Links. There are also electronic forms available on the site to add new relief organizations and/or meat processors if they are not already listed.

Please use the form on the next page, or contact Humanitarian Services directly, with your chapter or individual seasonal poundage totals. These are published each year in the July issue of *Safari Times*.





# GETTING *Sportsmen Against Hunger* STARTED

*...hunters are encouraged to donate a portion of their harvest to hungry people through food banks, soup kitchens and other charitable organizations...*

## *SCI Chapter checklist for success ...*

- *SCI Chapter President and Board members* realize that there are many different approaches to a successful SCIF meat donation program. At this time, the President is looking for assistance for getting started or enhancing the existing operation. The President designates a Chapter *SAH Chair* to manage the program.
- Chapter SAH Chair contacts the *SCIF Humanitarian Services Manager and SAH Committee Chair* to make introductions, gather information and develop contacts.
- Chapter SAH Chair *forms a committee* and develops *a program plan*. Assignments may include:
  - *ongoing recruitment* of committee volunteers,
  - commitments from *meat processors*,
  - commitments from *food banks*,
  - consider developing a *statewide (network) coalition* with other SCI Chapters,
  - *public relations campaign*, publicity, press releases, brochures and media contacts,
  - *fundraising strategies* for offsetting meat processing costs, advertising, basic operational costs, etc.
  - coordination of the *delivery* of processed frozen meat to food banks,
  - plan a “*Clean Out Your Freezer*” day for members and general public,
  - use the SCIF “*Remote Donation Form*” system to promote SAH worldwide.
- *Record* your measurable *successes*, including amounts of meat donated, number of people served, number of organizations involved, fund-raising efforts, number of SCI and non-SCI members involved. Report the results to the SCIF, Humanitarian Services Manager for statistical purposes and annual publication in *Safari Times*.

- \_\_\_ Send **thank-you** letters and certificates of appreciation to **everyone** involved, including Chapter SAH committee members, all volunteers, other organizations, media and public officials.
- \_\_\_ **Network** your information to other Chapters that can benefit from your experiences by sending a short (250-300 word) article and high-resolution photos to your SCIF HS Manager for publication in *Safari Times*.
- \_\_\_ **Evaluate** all that you have done for the SAH program and **make necessary changes**.

**Note: The above checklist is an ongoing product of Chapter efforts to date. Please improve this checklist with your own suggestions and send them to the SCIF HS Manager to add to the checklist.**

For a different perspective, below are some tips from Sportsmen Against Hunger Vice-Chair Steve Rilenge:

## **Starting or Improving your Current Sportsmen Against Hunger™ Program**

**By: Steve Rilenge, Vice-Chair for Sportsmen Against Hunger™ (SAH)**

As the Vice-Chair for SAH, it is my responsibility to improve and grow a great program that combines hunting and charity in a way that can only improve the general public's impression of our sport. Sharing our harvest of high quality protein with the organizations that feed and nourish the hungry is the best program we have in Safari Club to demonstrate the benefits of hunting to those who question our motives for protecting wildlife.

A few years ago, at a Chapter Presidents' meeting in Reno, I made a short presentation on how the Central Indiana Chapter has expanded their program. I know that many chapters have their own successful programs, but here are a few ideas that might help a new chapter get started or help to expand an existing program.

1. Obtain a list of meat processors in your area or state. This can be done by contacting the Board of Health or the DNR. Call or visit each one and describe the SAH program. Remember that the goal is to feed the hungry in their local communities.
2. After you have several processors that are interested in joining the program contact the DNR and explain the program to them. The Indiana Chapter has worked out an agreement where we have our program listed on the inside cover of the 500,000 Hunting Regulation Guides which they issue each year. This alone can make the processor want to join the program.
3. Make arrangements with the processor to have the meat picked up at their facility by a local charity. That way they know the meat stays in their part of the state and it also helps the SCI chapter by not having them involved in the distribution process.

4. After you have the processors lined up, it is time to advertise the program. We produced a manual to give to each processor. In it we included our SAH brochures and the names of SCI program directors. We also included a copy of the Hunting Regulations Guide, a map showing all of the processors, and explanations of our incentive programs, etc. We also furnished each with a large banner promoting the program and counter top displays for inside their place of business.
5. We established two contests, one for the processor and one for the donor. For the donor, we offered one raffle ticket for a shotgun for every five pounds of meat donated. The processor got a raffle ticket for a flat screen television set for every five pounds of meat donated. Our chapter found that this proved very effective and doubled the amount of meat contributed the previous year.
6. Our chapter has also established a good relationship with the Hoosier Outdoor Writers' Association (HOW). We put out news releases during hunting season and have had great success in getting SAH into most of the local newspapers, radio, and TV. We even hold the drawing for the raffles at the HOW's annual meeting to get more press coverage for SAH.

These are just a few examples of how one chapter has developed their program. I would like to hear from other chapters who are currently involved with SAH or one that would like to start a program. I may be reached at 317-281-6895, or contact Eva Wilson, Humanitarian Services Manager at 520-620-1220 Ext. 480.

***Remember, the purpose of Sportsmen Against Hunger is to help feed the hungry.***



## WHY FILL OUT A SPORTSMEN AGAINST HUNGER REMOTE DONATION FORM?

It is becoming more apparent that SCIF's Sportsmen Against Hunger program is an effective tool in aiding the needy as well as promoting the positive aspects of hunters and hunting in our local and national communities. However, chronic underreporting of donated game has seriously hindered the public relations impact of this program in the international community.

Think about it. How many of us brought home the meat of our harvest from Africa, Asia, New Zealand, Alaska, Canada or even another state? Maybe fewer than 1%? Considering the hundreds of thousands of pounds of game harvested by our membership that was given to the local people that was never considered a "donation" as such, it is obvious that our benefit to people reaches far beyond what was reported.

Whether reported or not, many people benefit from our efforts, so what is the big deal? Feeding people is only part of the benefit of Sportsmen Against Hunger. The other benefit is the positive public perception that this program generates. Unfortunately, we live in a society where you must make a lot of noise to be heard, and feeding people in obscurity will do little to promote our message. We must pool our cumulative works for the world to see the efficacy of SCI and our SCIF programs.

The **Remote Donation Form** is to be used to record your donations of game meat wherever they may be. There is nothing sacred about the form. It simply provides a record of your harvest so we can make an accurate accounting for our program. Complete it after your hunt and mail or fax it in.

Active SCI members are the leaders in the fight to save our outdoor heritage. By publicizing our efforts as Sportsmen Against Hunger and by pooling our cumulative "good works" under the umbrella of SCIF Humanitarian Services, we will continue to show the world that hunting is a noble and just activity, worthy of a place in our evolved society.



## **Humanitarian Services Partnerships**

To enhance opportunities for our members, SCI has networked with other organizations and agencies. Agreements have been entered into with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Federation of the Blind, the National Rifle Association and the Salvation Army. These partnerships help increase SCI's impact on people, wildlife and attitudes toward the hunting community.

- Memorandum of Understanding Between Safari Club International and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service through the National Wildlife Refuge System 1997
- Letter of Agreement Between Safari Club International and the National Federation of the Blind 1997
- Memorandum of Understanding Between the National Rifle Association of America and Safari Club International 1998
- PARTNERS IN CARING Statement of Understanding between The Salvation Army in Washoe County, Nevada, and Safari Club International...relating to Alleviating Hunger and to Emergency Disaster Services 1999