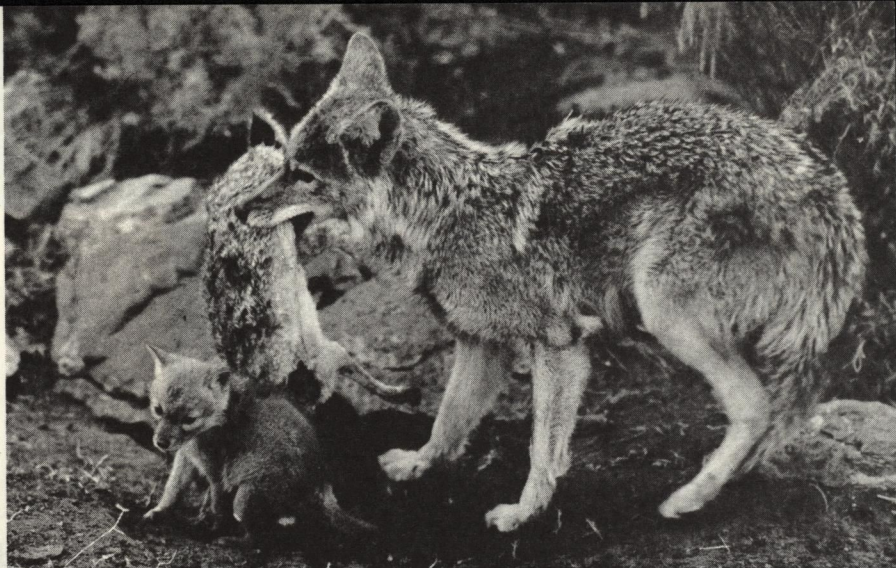


# DEFENDERS of WILDLIFE

*This coyote is  
helping to pro-  
tect the grazing  
lands and gardens  
of nearby ranchers  
by catching  
surplus rabbits.*

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## *Defenders of Wildlife*

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Dear Friend of Wildlife:

American wildlife needs more help to survive. Many species in many areas where they are most needed are being indiscriminately and cruelly destroyed -- to the point of extinction.

As a nature lover attentive to this threat and the importance of nature's intricate design to man's wellbeing, you recognize the danger.

It is through you and other persons of quick perception and conscience that action for correction must first come.

You share our aims. Won't you join us as a backer and a teammate to save our wildlife?

Hopefully,

*Mary Hazell Harris*

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Executive Secretary



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## *Friends of Man*





## How Defenders Are Effective—

WE, THE DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE, hold that wild animals left unharmed in their natural environment are more than symbols of physical freedom—that preservation of this free life is of deep significance for the moral nature of man—that the interrelationship of man and wildlife with nature is essential to the healthful physical and spiritual existence of mankind.

Defenders of Wildlife wage an unceasing educational campaign to enable public need in this cause to triumph over ignorance and selfishness. Our information helps witnesses before public bodies to be factual and specific. Our printed material points out to concerned groups and individuals how to make aims known and resistance felt to obvious evils—cruelty, exploitation, and indiscriminate destruction of our valuable wildlife.

You know, and we know, that in the end steps taken by national and state authorities to preserve a reasonable balance in our remaining natural resources, upon which wildlife is dependent, will be an exact reflection of the asserted resolve of the American people. In this the thinking of conscientious, informed, unselfish and at the same time practical men and women must triumph, if disaster is to be averted, and a great natural wildlife heritage, yours and ours, saved.



This entirely beneficial kit fox, whose "staff of life" is kangaroo rats and grasshoppers, with some lizards and insects added, is nearly extinct. The use of "1080" poison, widely dispersed against coyotes and rodents is largely responsible.

*Help us arouse people against poisoning our wildlife!*

## Two ways of dealing with so-called pests—

### *this way—*

By indiscriminate "predator control" using cruel traps, vicious poisons and other means which wholesale violate the balance of nature and extensively do more harm than good for the purpose intended, besides periling humans and destroying our outdoors heritage.



PHOTO BY EBEN McMILLAN — Picture courtesy of Mrs. Marguerite A. Smelser shown above

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### *or this way—*

This hawk shown disposing of a field rat illustrates nature's own means of dealing with excesses of species. Coyotes, hawks, and other predators are valuable in a properly respected balance. Their indiscriminate destruction upsets the chain of interdependency that vitally affects human existence.

## You Can Help The Defenders To—

ASSIST education for appreciation of wildlife.

COOPERATE in common aims with other organizations and persons, whether or not members of the Defenders.

EDUCATE children through special studies of wildlife.

ENCOURAGE the use of fur-like fabrics to save our fur-bearing wildlife. HALT abuse of animals in roadside zoos and elsewhere.

OPPOSE all *indiscriminate* so called "control" campaigns against wildlife, including those valuable species commonly called "predators."

OPPOSE the *unintelligent, unnecessary and excessive* use of insecticides, pesticides, or other poisons which may destroy wildlife.

OPPOSE use in the wild of such chain-action poisons as "compound 1080."

PUBLISH to the extent of our means, bulletins and other media to keep members and others informed, and to effect concerted effort where urgent.

SUPPORT research for humane traps.



IN HUNDREDS of areas all over America, pressure groups are using the excuse of "predator" or "vermin" or "rabies" to encourage and to maintain the indiscriminate and senselessly cruel trapping and poisoning of unoffending, lovable, and ecologically important wildlife. This is frequently accomplished with YOUR tax money on YOUR public lands. By specific case history facts, and alerting of community leadership, the Defenders of Wildlife are making headway against such evils.

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