

Fact Sheet

Fatal Light Awareness Program (FLAP) Canada



A registered Canadian charity, the Fatal Light Awareness Program (FLAP) Canada works to safeguard migratory birds in the built environment through education, policy development, research, rescue and recovery. Together with partners in governments, business and communities, FLAP Canada reaches thousands of people each year to promote bird-safe practices and to engage citizens in conservation-in-action. Since 1993, FLAP rescue volunteers have recovered over 84,000 birds, including species at risk, from building collisions during the day and at night. While FLAP Canada began as a grassroots community organization, it has expanded its more than two decades-long commitment to bird conservation and the bird/building collision issue with BirdSafe® Building Standards.

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Charitable Number: 14074 6736 RR0001

Fast Facts

- **Founding:** 1993, Toronto
- **Board of Director Leadership:** Ben Coleman, Acting Chair
- **Staff Leadership:** Michael Measure, Executive Director
- **Featured Work:**
 - Bird/Building Collision Consulting and Outreach
 - Migratory Bird Advocacy and Awareness
 - On-the-Ground Bird Rescue and Triage
 - BirdSafe® Building Standards
 - BirdSafe® Site Visits and Risk Assessments
 - BirdSafe® Campus
 - Canadian Standards Association Technical Committee
- **Citizen Science Engagements:**
 - Global Bird Rescue & Global Bird Collision Mapper
 - Interactive Bird Migration Tracker
 - Birds in Your Hood – an interactive program for youth
- **Issue:** Canadian research estimates 25-30 million birds fatally collide with windows at low, mid and high-rise buildings annually.
- **Legal Protections:** In Canada, protection of birds is divided between federal and provincial governments; specifically, Section 32(1) of the Canadian *Species at Risk Act (SARA)*; and, Section 14 of the Ontario *Environmental Protection Act (EPA)* whereby it is an offence to kill or injure birds by reflective light/windows on buildings.

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