

# LIGHTS OUT PHILLY

In Partnership With



**BIRD SAFE PHILLY**

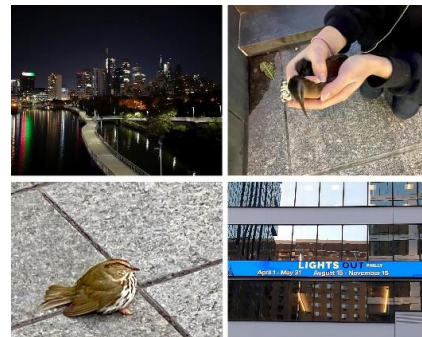
Bird Safe Philly is a collaborative effort led by the *Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Delaware Valley Ornithological Club, National Audubon Society, Valley Forge Audubon Society, and Wyncote Audubon Society.*

Dear *Lights Out Philly* participant,

Thank you for your participation and support of ***Lights Out Philly 2021!***

By turning off and minimizing your building's lights at night, you have helped make the skies safer for millions of birds as they journey between their breeding and wintering grounds. We are truly inspired by how much the Greater Philadelphia region has come together in support of this effort to protect birds. In this inaugural year of Lights Out Philly, a total of 41 commercial, 53 residential and six municipal participants pledged to turn off their lights at night to help birds during the spring and fall migration seasons.

As you all have been doing your part to turn off lights during these periods, volunteers have been collecting and counting the fallen, bringing dead birds to the Academy of Natural Sciences and transporting the injured to the Schuylkill Center's Wildlife Rehabilitation Clinic.



In the coming months, we'll be reviewing and analyzing data collected through this process and will have more images and information to share. Our collective inaugural efforts have shown positive results and it is inspiring to see all parties working so closely together. Your continued involvement in Lights Out Philly will help provide safe passage for the birds that travel through our great city!

The next *Lights Out Philly* kicks off April 1, 2022. Information will be posted on [birdsafephilly.org](http://birdsafephilly.org). Mark your calendars now and plan to join us in the next leg of our effort!

Sincerely,

The Lights Out Philly Team

*Photo collage - clockwise from top left: Philadelphia skyline with lights off, Mike Fernandez/Audubon; Volunteer with injured Virginia Rail, Stephen Maciejewski; Lights Out Philly sign at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Stephen Maciejewski; injured Ovenbird, Stephen Maciejewski.*