## Understanding the Audubon Network

Founded in 1905 as a collection of local organizations fighting to stop the plume trade, Audubon today is comprised of 463 chapters in communities across all 50 states (25 in Washington), 41 nature centers (Seward Park is one), and 23 state offices (Audubon Washington is one).

Audubon Washington and Seward Park Audubon Center are programs of National Audubon Society that operate locally here in Seattle. Seward Park Center is a program of Audubon Washington that provides science, nature and environmental education programs for youth and families living in southeast Seattle. Audubon Washington also works statewide, conserving our sagebrush shrub steppe ecosystem in eastern Washington, protecting our coastal estuaries of Willapa Bay and Grays Harbor, and addressing climate change — the #1 threat to birds today.

Chapters operate as individual 501(c)(3) organizations, but are affiliated with National Audubon, and share the Audubon mission to protect birds and the habitats they need to thrive.

At Audubon Washington, we work very closely with all 25 chapters. We have a staff position specifically to support our chapter network, and to connect the work we all do on behalf of birds.