



Gear Up for Game Wardens
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Gear Up for Game Wardens is a Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation (TPWF) program that provides specialty equipment Texas Game Wardens need to maintain safety and provide the highest level of service to the people of Texas. While the state provides the basic necessities for wardens to do their jobs, there is still a critical need for additional equipment.

- TPWF is a 501(c)3 tax exempt organization. As such, donations to the Gear Up for Game Wardens program are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.
- Launched in 2017, Gear Up has raised to date over \$1,200,000 for needed equipment with 100% of the funds going to the Gear Up for Game Wardens program.
- Gear Up for Game Wardens enables citizens who care about the work of Texas Game Wardens to become directly involved to fund specialized equipment needs.
- The Gear Up for Game Wardens program provides equipment to the 8 Law Enforcement Regions across Texas and the statewide Special Operations Unit.
- The Leadership Council was created and is comprised of co-chairs for each region and special ops.
- The Leadership Council works closely with TPWF to ensure equipment needs are communicated to interested supporters and will advance the capabilities of Game Wardens.
- Gear Up is a true partnership of dedicated citizens helping Texas' largest Law Enforcement Agency protect our natural resources, respond to emergencies and act quickly to accomplish their mission.
- Texas has 551 Game Wardens responsible for patrolling 1,254 miles of border, 367 miles of coastline, 3,359 miles of tidal shoreline, traveling over 10 million miles by vehicle and 160,000 hours by boat patrolling Texas' 268,500 square miles each year.
- Region VIII's priority equipment needs include thermal imaging units, stabilized binoculars and a utility terrain vehicle totaling \$62,383.

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Equipment Needs for Game Warden Region VIII

Thermal Imaging Units -- \$3,400 (2 purchased / 9 more needed)



Stabilized Binoculars -- \$1,000 (5 purchased / 2 more needed)



Polaris MRZR 4 -- \$36,583

