MDF is dedicated to the following goals:

• To restore, improve and protect mule deer and black-tailed deer habitat (including land and easement acquisitions) resulting in self-sustaining, healthy, free ranging and hunt able deer populations.

• To encourage and support responsible wildlife management with government agencies, private organizations and landowners.

• To promote public education and scientific research related to mule deer, black-tailed deer and wildlife management.

• To support and encourage responsible and ethical behavior and awareness of issues among those who’s actions affect mule deer and black-tailed deer.

• To support regulated hunting as a viable component of mule deer and black-tailed deer conservation.

• To develop programs that focus on recruitment and retention of youth into the shooting sports and conservation.

MDF is a 501(c)3 charitable non-profit group. MDF’s mission is to ensure the conservation of mule deer, black-tailed deer and their habitat. MDF spent more than $6 million in 2012 to support its mission. MDF has spent more than $50 million on its mission since it was founded in 1988. MDF has helped protect or restore more than 1 million acres MDF has 127 local chapters. MDF’s M.U.L.E.Y. program introduces youngsters to conservation and the shooting sports, helping more than 15,000 newcomers pull the trigger each year. MDF supports the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation. MDF believes wildlife is held in the public trust and belongs to all citizens. MDF supports use of special tags and permits to increase funding for conservation with full transparency on how funds are used to benefit wildlife. MDF also supports raffles, lotteries and other ways for our members and all citizens to have reasonable and affordable hunting opportunities while helping to fund wildlife conservation that benefit many species.

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Male deer are the only big game species in North America on the decline. We understand the challenges and threats to deer and their habitat. And we know that hunter access, hunting opportunity and the future of hunting are also threatened. Mule Deer Foundation programs, partners and projects are successful because MDF members stand together in this fight:

- **Urban Development/Sprawl** - Buildings, roads and parking lots are encroaching on mule deer and black-tailed deer habitat, including migration routes, winter range and other critical areas. Loss of habitat is the #1 threat.
- **Predation** - Wolves and other predators must be managed to reduce the threat to deer populations. It’s even worse when urban sprawl makes deer more vulnerable in concentrated pockets of remaining habitat.
- **Highway Mortality** - More vehicles, more trips and more roads are killing deer, injuring people and adding to collision repair and insurance costs.
- **Wild Fires** - Huge fires reduce prime habitat for years and relocate deer to lower quality habitat until new growth is sufficient.
- **Energy Development** - Gas, mineral and oil exploration fragment habitat and threaten traditional mule deer range.
- **Disease (CWD)** - CWD is a threat to mule deer in several states. CWD is always fatal to deer but it is not transferable to humans.
- **Overgrazing** - Intensive grazing for extended periods or without sufficient recovery time threatens feeding areas and herd health, and increases invasive weeds.
- **Severe Winters** - Extreme weather reduces mule deer populations, reduces fawn survival and makes deer more susceptible to predators and disease.
- **Competition with Elk and Whitetail Deer** - Biologists are learning that competition and whitetails may reduce mule deer in areas of severe winters and low quality habitat.

When you join today, you add your name to the ranks of those taking action. You add to the clout of mule deer hunters, and our collective voice. Your dues will help support success of these Mule Deer Foundation efforts:

- **Fighting Urban Development/Sprawl** – MDF and its network of partners save and improve habitat. We use easements, protect access, fight for more hunting opportunity and help protect migration corridors.
- **Reducing Predation** – MDF is a leading advocate for wolf management and predator control. We help fight anti-hunters at the state house, in the courthouse and at the national level.
- **Limiting Highway Mortality** – MDF funds and influences placement of deer underpasses and overpasses in the West.
- **Recovering From Wild Fires** – MDF funds planting proper deer browse and key species. MDF families donate thousands of volunteer hours to do the planting, build wildlife water catchments and removal invasive species.
- **Managing Energy Development** – MDF is among the best at helping to protect deer herds and habitat while working cooperatively with those energy companies willing to embrace the best conservation practices.
- **Emergency Feeding** - MDF is currently engaged with state wildlife agencies to quickly respond to harsh winter conditions that require immediate action.
- **Managing Energy Development** - MDF collaborates closely with the Mule Deer Working Group of state and federal biologists in the Western Assoc. of Fish & Wildlife Agencies.
- **Controlling Disease (CWD)** - MDF plays a key role in the CWD Alliance that leads the fight.
- **Protecting against Overgrazing** - MDF funding and outreach efforts help ranchers and other landowners understand and take action for healthy range management.
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MDF is one of the most efficient, highest ranked non-profit organizations in America, making sure the largest percentage possible of net revenue goes toward on-the-ground projects and mission accomplishment. Our growth and success comes from new members like you who want to do something to make a difference by joining MDF today.

MDF kicked off 2013, our 25th Anniversary Year, with renewed commitment to ensuring the conservation of mule deer and black-tailed deer and their habitat. Please join us today by becoming part of MDF on a local, regional and national level. We hope you have a great year and get the opportunity to create lasting hunting memories with family and friends.

**WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN THE MDF**

Teddy Roosevelt praised those who take action and join the cause rather than watch from the sidelines. Sen. Alan Simpson said hunters must “take part, or be taken apart.” And Ted Nugent said, “If you’re not part of the solution, you’re part of the problem.”

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