



Community -
Managed
Research and
Conservation of
Giant Anteaters
and Giant
Armadillos

Our Mission

The South Rupununi Conservation Society's (SRCSC) mission is 'through adaptation, to sustain a healthy environment for the people, animals, and plants that inhabit the Rupununi.'



The Rupununi

An area in southern Guyana that supports an interdependent ecosystem of wetlands, forests, and savannahs.

Primarily inhabited by Indigenous Wapichan, Makushi, and Wai Wai.

links the Guiana Shield and the Amazon Basin, two of the world's most biodiverse, carbon-rich, and intact forests. It is home to over...

Our History

- In 1998, a group of friends from various Rupununi communities became concerned about:
 - decline of wildlife populations
 - environmental fragmentation
 - erosion of indigenous culture.
- In 2000, the Red Siskin was discovered Guyana.
- In 2003, the South Rupununi Conservation Society (SRCS) was officially formed.



Our Model

- Use community-based conservation, environmental education, and research to preserve wildlife, the environment, and Indigenous culture.
- Integrating traditional and scientific knowledge.
- Enhancing the capacity of Indigenous people to sustainably manage their natural resources.



Our Impact

- Trained over 300 individuals in research skills.
- Empowered over 2000 youths through our environmental and cultural programmes.
- Created Community-conservation zones that cover more than 300,000 hectares.
- Published 3 academic papers and contributed to 7.
- Species conservation (VU, EN & CR)



Giant Anteaters and Giant Armadillos Community Led Research and Conservation



GIANT ANTEATER
CONSERVATION STATUS: Vulnerable



GIANT ARMADILLO
CONSERVATION STATUS: Vulnerable



Giant Armadillos

- Largest Armadillo Species
- Surviving in the forests of the Rupununi
- Rare, nocturnal, fossorial and solitary
- Very slow reproduction

Giant Armadillos - Forest Ambassadors

- Burrows provide homes, shelters or food source for at least 25 species
- By caring for the Giant Armadillo, we are caring for the whole forest ecosystem



Our Process



Community Conservation

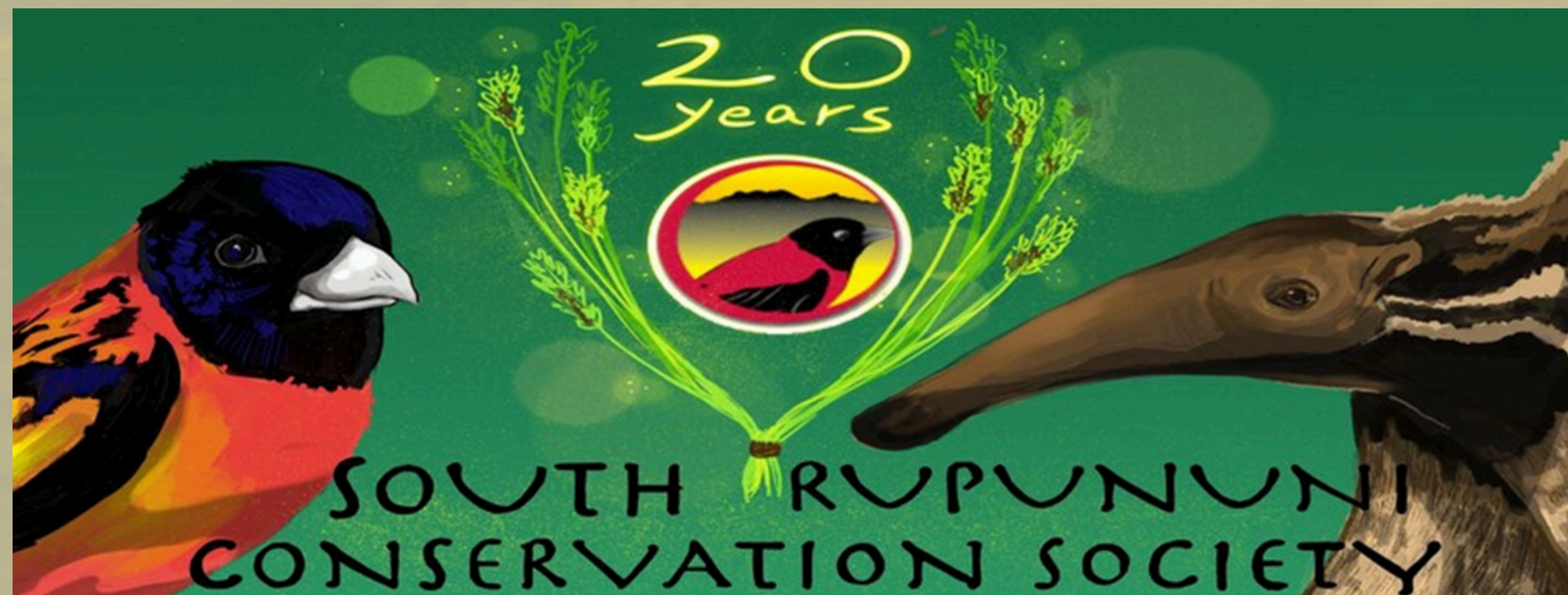
- SRCS assists communities to make and implement informed, data-backed decisions

- Resource Management must involve:

Research
Consultation
Guidelines
Monitoring
Education
Community Benefits

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