



Nashville Warbler killed after colliding with a building in Detroit.

## SAVE BIRDS FROM FLYING INTO WINDOWS

## TURN OFF BUILDING LIGHTS AT NIGHT

- Lights on tall buildings are a major cause of nighttime collisions that kill millions of migrating birds each year. The lights disrupt birds' navigation systems, causing them to crash.
- Scientists estimate over 100 million birds die each year in North America from colliding with buildings.
- Turning off building lights works! A major building in Chicago turned off its lights and decreased the number of bird deaths by 80 percent, saving over 8,000 birds annually.
- Turning off building lights saves money! A 2.5-million-square-foot building in New York City turned off its lights and saved \$120,000 in electricity costs during one bird migration season.
- Installing bird-safe glass prevents daytime bird collisions by using technology that eliminates reflections and makes the glass visible to birds.



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## BE A LEADER IN PROTECTING MICHIGAN'S BIRDS

## JOIN DETROIT AUDUBON'S SAFE PASSAGE PROGRAM

- The Safe Passage program encourages local building owners to turn off interior and exterior building lights between 11 p.m. and dawn during bird migration seasons: April 1-June 1 and August 15-November 15.
- As a member of the program you will be recognized through Detroit Audubon's Safe Passage Honor Roll and featured in Detroit Audubon media.
- For more information contact Detroit Audubon at **313-960-3399** or [safepassage@detroitaudubon.org](mailto:safepassage@detroitaudubon.org). *Save Birds. Save Energy. Save Money.*