

# Update on the AOK Sanctuaries Initiative

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As part of its Sanctuaries Initiative Audubon of Kansas has published an 8-page brochure entitled *Your Land, Your Legacy* that explains various ways in which landowners can work with AOK to assure that their land will be preserved in perpetuity as they want to remember it. Through an agreement with AOK, along with a donation of funds to provide for its maintenance, landowners can be assured that their property will not be sold, developed or otherwise significantly changed.

Also through written agreement with AOK, landowners can specify whether their land might be used for research, how their land might be open to the public, whether hunting, fishing or other uses might be allowed, and whether management should include maintaining the land in its current state or whether it should be managed to enhance its potential for wildlife.

*Your Land, Your Legacy* describes various ways of transferring land to AOK and also discusses how individuals who do not own land can contribute to an endowment that supports donations of land to AOK from people who have the land but do not have funds to support its maintenance subsequent to their bequest. The brochure also describes Legacy Sanctuaries that are in the pipeline to become future AOK Sanctuaries. Contact AOK at 785-537-4385 or at [AOK@AudubonofKansas.org](mailto:AOK@AudubonofKansas.org) for a copy of the brochure.