

#RelistWolves Letter-Writing Guide

Do you love wolves? We need your help!

President Biden is deciding whether to protect wolves by relisting them on the endangered species list and we need your help reminding him how many Americans love and respect wolves!

As U.S. citizens, we have the privilege of sharing our thoughts with our national leaders. Writing letters is one important way you can make your voice heard and share what you believe in!

This summer, kids and young adults all across the country are writing letters to the President to tell him that wolves need protecting. You can join them by sending him your own letter, drawing a picture, or making a comic about why wolves are worth saving. Below is a summary of why gray wolves are in danger along with some facts you can use. Feel free to make it as short or as long as you'd like, and let the president know you want to see wolves relisted as an endangered species.

Once you write your letter, put it in a stamped envelope and send it to the White House. Also, make sure to share photos of your letters on social media with #RelistWolves to inspire others with your creativity!

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Overview: : Did you know America's gray wolves are in danger? Wolves used to roam all across North America, long before the United States even existed! Sadly, American hunters who misunderstood and feared wolves killed them, almost to the point of extinction. Thankfully, in 1973 Congress passed laws to protect the wolves by making them an endangered species, and wolves slowly began reproducing and rebuilding their packs. But then, in 2020, President Trump removed protections for the wolves, and hunters are once again trying to kill as many of the wolves as they can. Right now, President Biden is deciding whether or not to protect wolves by relisting them to the endangered species list, and he needs to know that you want to protect wolves!

Wolf facts to use in your letters:

- All modern dogs are descended from wolves - they even have the same number of teeth!
- Humans and wolves have similar family structures. Wolf packs are typically composed of a mom, dad, and their offspring, similar to human families.



- Wolves are social animals that like to communicate with each other - that's part of why they howl at night
- Wolves help lower the spread of disease by reducing the size of deer and elk herds
- Wolves are a keystone species, meaning they are essential to our natural ecosystems. Small animals and even plants benefit from wolves! Having wolves around restores balance in the ecosystem and leads to more nutrients in the soil and fewer attacks on small mammals like mice and squirrels
- Wolves have even been good for the economy, as tourists have traveled to places like Yellowstone National Park to see wolves in person
- 90% of U.S. voters support the Endangered Species Act, including the protection of the wolves
- Over 1,000 wolves were killed last year in the Northern Rockies, and one third of Yellowstone's wolves were killed

Thank you to the Wolf Conservation Center for their great wolf facts!

