

MEET OUR NEIGHBORS

A recent census found 3,500 burrowing owls scattered across the undeveloped lots of Cape Coral. The owls dig burrows in the sandy, loose soil of the Cape. But new developments are destroying potential habitat, which has led the owls to create burrows on lawns, with the help of the Cape Coral Friends of Wildlife's "Starter Burrow Program."

Cape Coral is also home to thousands of gopher tortoises. Due to new construction, tortoises have sought refuge on the city's sandy, undeveloped lots.

Both species are designated as "Threatened" by the State. They are likely to become endangered if subjected to increased stress. Cape Coral has strict, protective ordinances for both species.



THE URGENCY

Cape Coral is one of the fastest growing cities in the United States. Critical wildlife habitat is disappearing daily. We are racing against time. If the gopher tortoise and burrowing owl survive this onslaught, it will be due, in part, to the generosity of folks like you. Your gift will help ensure that these fragile creatures will live on to fascinate and delight future generations.

A lot now means a lot later.



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