MEET THE LITTLE BROWN BAT
Myotis Lucifugus

Little Brown Bat Facts:
• Weighs up to 14 grams (the same as 14 small paper clips).
• Can eat over 1,000 insects in an hour!
• Has only one baby a year called a pup.
• Flies at speeds as high as 22 miles an hour.

Little Brown Bat Habitat Needs:
• Places to sleep and raise their young (called roosts).
• Summer roosts for pregnant females may include dead and live trees, buildings, bat houses, rocks, and wood piles.
• Summer roosts for males and non-pregnant females may also include caves and mines.
• Roosts are located near water, where bats find the insects they like to eat.
• Places to hibernate during the winter - usually caves and mines.
• Healthy forests and clean water to hunt down insects for food.

DIRECTIONS:
• Print this document double-sided on cardstock. You may need to change your printer settings to “flip pages on short edge.”
• Cut out the bat and fold in the wings at the elbows.
• To hang the bat, punch holes in the wrists or ankles. Then, put string through the holes.
• You can also research additional bat facts!
White-Nose Syndrome

- Bats are in decline nearly everywhere they are found. Bat numbers in the United States and Canada have declined dramatically as a new disease, White-Nose Syndrome has killed millions of bats as they hibernate in caves and mines. Bats need friends.

BATS NEED YOU!

Learn more about White-Nose Syndrome at:
https://www.whitenosesyndrome.org

Additional Bat Facts:
- There are over 1,300 different species of bats worldwide.
- 47 species of bats live in the United States and Canada.
- More than half of these bats hibernate in caves and mines to survive the winter.
- Seven bat species, including the little brown bat, have been confirmed with White-Nose Syndrome.

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