NGAMBA ISLAND
Chimpanzee Sanctuary
NGAMBA ISLAND NEEDS YOUR HELP.

Several projects are in need of funding, all of which are critical to the health and welfare of both the chimpanzees and staff at the sanctuary. Detailed information as well as the overall strategic objectives of The Chimpanzee Trust is available upon request. All costs are in USD.

Want to learn more? Meet the chimps? Donate?
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**FUNDING NEED: $8,000**

*Updated Water System*

Over the past three years, we have been making small improvements to our existing water system originally installed 18 years ago. We extract, filter and store water from Lake Victoria as well as collect rainwater. We installed the current filtration system in 2006, but we urgently need to replace this, as well as update the piping and increase the size of the reservoir tanks.

**FUNDING NEED: $12,000**

*Equipment for New Medical Ward*

When a chimpanzee falls sick we have to isolate them from the rest of the community, causing great stress and even depression for the individual. Our new medical ward will allow us to provide immediate care, significantly reducing the time an individual is separated from the group. Stocking it with state of the art equipment and supplies will allow us to continue to provide life-saving, world-class care.

**FUNDING NEED: $2,000**

*A New Roof for the Nighttime Holding Facility*

The holding facility houses those chimpanzees who decide to return from the forest in the evenings. They have wonderful hammocks up near the roof mimicking wild conditions where they build nests in treetops. The roof is made of painted steel sheets and was last replaced in 2000, so it has become worn over time.

**FUNDING NEED: $5,000**

*Solar Power System for New Medical Ward*

A brand new medical ward for the chimpanzees has been funded and is in the beginning stages of construction. We would like to add a solar system to the roof to power the medical ward as well as back-up power for the sanctuary. We are looking to fund a complete system with twelve 100 watt panels and a battery bank.

**FUNDING NEED: $30,000**

*Completion of Retaining Wall*

In 2016, Ngamba was hit with devastating storms that completely wiped out the retaining wall around the perimeter of the island that houses staff and tourists. Over 150 meters has been rebuilt, but we need funding to complete the remaining 150 meters that protects the overnight guest tents. As you can imagine, being an island sanctuary, the retaining wall is essential to the safety of the staff, chimps and tourists.

**FUNDING NEED: $7,700**

*Tablets to Record Vital Medical & Environmental Data*

The veterinarians and caregivers currently use outdated laptops or paper notebooks to record and maintain critical records on each of the 49 chimps. Tablets with a custom program will allow for consistent and centralized data collection in real time. Not only will this improve the overall quality of care for the chimps, it also greatly increases the efficiency of the staff. We are in need of 11 tablets.

**FUNDING NEED: $92,000**

*Transportation for Staff & Chimp Food*

Traveling to Ngamba Island is a 45-minute boat ride from the mainland. Food deliveries and staff rotations occur every five days with the boat currently being chartered by an outside company at a significant annual cost. We would like to purchase two fiberglass boats, one to keep on the island for emergencies and the second for the regular trips to haul food and people. This funding need includes one full year of fuel costs.

Tax-deductible donations with the U.S. 501(c)3, Friends of Chimps, is an option condomsforchimps.org. Cover photos by Andy Nelson.
THE NGAMBA ISLAND CHIMPANZEE SANCTUARY IS LOCATED IN LAKE VICTORIA AND HOME TO 49 CHIMPS RESCUED FROM ACROSS AFRICA.

The Chimpanzee Trust, a Ugandan-based nonprofit manages the sanctuary and was established in 1998 for the care and welfare of the sanctuary. Our mission today has expanded to also promote chimpanzee conservation and wildlife management for sustainable development.

Ngamba Island is entirely dedicated to the chimpanzees with 95 acres of open forest habitat available to the chimpanzees every day. They have the freedom to stay in the forest or return to large enclosures at night where they receive extra food and hay to build their nests. Their behavior and health are monitored daily and an extraordinary team of veterinarians and caregivers provide round the clock care.

A member of the Pan African Sanctuary Alliance, Ngamba Island is considered one of the leading primate sanctuaries in the world where researchers, institutions and other sanctuaries come to learn, collaborate and share knowledge.