KAYIRABWA CHIMPANZEE CONSERVANCY ASSOCIATION (KCCA)

Uganda

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Chimpanzee Monitoring Experience (CHIMEX) Program

Chimpanzees in the greater Kibaale district are faced with an ever shrinking habitat due to agriculture and logging. The few concerned people have no or very little support locally and externally. As a result, the chimpanzees are increasingly at a risk of getting extinct due to severe habitat loss and the growing human-chimpanzee conflicts.

In an effort to promote the conservation of these chimpanzees and other threatened biodiversity, **Chimpanzee Monitoring Experience (CHIMEX) Program** is monitoring a group of chimpanzees and sitatungas that live in the private forests in Kasambya sub-county(Kakumiro-District), and Kiryanga sub-county (Kagadi District, Uganda. We also implement environmental awareness in the community targeting farmers around the habitats of these important biodiversity.

The program is named **CHIMEX** under a volunteers' program. It is intended to be a sustainable avenue to raise funds for environmental conservation activities including chimpanzee monitoring, conservation education and appropriate development options. The program can take up to 6 volunteers at a time.

THE PROGRAM HAS THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

- To monitor the chimpanzee populations in the greater Kibaale district,
- To conduct environmental conservation education in the community neighboring chimpanzee habitats
- To implement reforest activities that will restore the habitats for chimpanzees and other threatened biodiversity

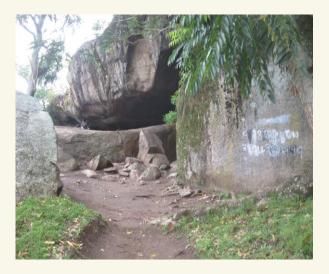


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Volunteers with the members of the community.



The entrance into Semwema cave.

Packages:

- A. 3-days/4 nights: Tracking the chimpanzees in small forest patches and gardens. May include
 - short visits to nearby sites after the early morning tracking. Contribution or support to the program: per foreign Volunteer is US \$200. This fee covers accommodation, guides and local transport.
- B. 6-day/7 nights: Tracking the chimpanzees in small forest patches and gardens. Punctuated by visits to nearby Busimba Rock, Mpaha rock, Muzimu Cave, Nabigereka rock, Igayaza Market and cultural festivals. Contribution or support to the program: per foreign Volunteer US \$350. This fee covers accommodation, guides and local transport.
- C. 14 days/15 nights: Tracking the chimpanzees in small forest patches and gardens. Punctuated by visits to Semwema and Munsa caves; Busimba Rock, Muzimu Cave, Mpaha rock, Nabigereka rock, Igayaza Market and cultural festivals. Contribution or support to the program: per foreign Volunteer **US \$600**. This fee covers accommodation, guides and local transport.
- D. A long term program that involves local and international researchers on the primates, natural resources and social issues is being arranged. This will require processing of necessary permits and payment of statutory fees. Other payments at the site are negotiable according to length of stay.
- E. Arranging Packages to National Parks: we also organize for interested individuals or groups visits to protected areas within Uganda.

Please note that appropriate number of Volunteers at a time is 1-6. All packages **exclude** meals, transport to and from site and other expenses.

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