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### THE AFRICAT ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

**HELP SUPPORT AFRICAT'S ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

After many years of working with the farming communities, it became evident that environmental education was imperative to the long term sustainability of large carnivores in Namibia.

The main aim of the programme is to develop and improve environmental education for the benefit of the Namibian people in an attempt to increase awareness and understanding of the intricacies of environmental

issues, promote greater tolerance of large carnivores outside of reserves and to find a practical and workable solutions to the human-wildlife conflict situation. The programme will endeavor to nurture skills and develop the knowledge of learners and communities, enabling them to participate in the conservation and sustainable management of wildlife populations in Namibia.

The AfriCat Environmental Education Centre, PAWS (People And Wildlife Solutions) on the Okonjima Nature Reserve was established in 1998, and funded by a donation from the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) and Okonjima Lodge. The Centre is ideally situated to service schools in the central region. Schools, universities, learners and teachers are invited to partake in a three or five day environmental education programme. The curriculum is adapted to the ages of the different groups, and includes activities that focus on predator conservation and general environmental awareness.



The AfriCat North Environmental Education Centre is ideally situated to accommodate schools and communities in the northern and north western parts of Namibia. The first 'under canvas' classroom and ablution facilities was completed in 2001 and partially funded by a donation from the Swedish Local Environment Fund (SIDA), in collaboration with the Namibian Nature Foundation (NNF).

The Centre offers youth groups and farming communities of the Kunene Region, as well as other regions, the opportunity to participate in extensive environmental education programmes, ultimately encouraging attitude change and establishing a deep-seated awareness of environmental issues, specifically those that involve large carnivores.

Our Environmental Education Programme includes studies on the ecosystem, animal behavior as well as farm management and improved livestock protection methods. Youths of all ages are encouraged to actively participate and learn more about large carnivores, their role within the natural ecosystem and the problems facing these animals due to loss of habitat, disease, drought and persecution.

Since its inception, the AfriCat Environmental Education Programme has reached thousands of children, students and young adults at the two Education Centres and through the Outreach Programmes.



**Sponsor the AfriCat Environmental Education Programme: Funding in Namibian \$ and US\$**

	Namibian \$	US\$
<b>Sponsor a school group (20pax + 2 teachers)</b>		
- for three days	9,900.00	704
- for five days	16,500.00	1,174
<b>Sponsor a child</b>		
- for three days	450.00	32
- for 5 days	750.00	53
Sponsor a tank of fuel (for a month)	1,500.00	107
Sponsor a tank of fuel for an outreach camp	3,000.00	213
Sponsor the main camp renovations	50,000.00	3,556
Sponsor the construction of two new offices	120,000.00	8,535
Sponsor the construction of a bush classroom	75,000.00	5,334
<b>Total Funds Needed in N\$</b>	<b>277,100.00</b>	
<b>Total Funds Needed in US\$</b>		<b>19,708</b>

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