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**CAMPFIRE**

The Communal Areas Management Program for Indigenous Resources (CAMPFIRE) is premised on the conservation and sustainable utilization of wildlife and other natural resources as a livelihood option for rural communities – especially in wildlife-rich, hot, arid regions of Zimbabwe which are marginal for the purposes of subsistence agriculture. Fifty-eight out of a total of 60 districts in the country are members of the program involving over 200,000 households (HH) and the programme helps to protect some 50,000km2 of wildlife habitat in communal areas countrywide.

Zimparks provides technical support and facilitates capacity building initiatives and the development and implementation of measures to address human wildlife conflict.

Find Out More (insert link to [www.campfirezimbabwe.org](http://www.campfirezimbabwe.org))

**COMMUNITY CONSERVANCIES**

Community conservancies are community-based organisations created to support the management of community-owned land for the benefit of livelihoods. They provide indigenous communities with a framework and the right incentives to protect the diverse wildlife they share the landscape with. Conservancies promote the sustainable management of rangelands and fisheries, and provide a vehicle for raising the standards of living of marginalised communities living in close proximity to protected areas.

Register a Community Conservancy (pdf link)

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMMES**

Engagement of the communities surrounding protected wildlife areas is critical to the success of our conservation efforts. Our outreach programmes acknowledge the surrounding communities as co-custodians of the wildlife resource and aim to help communities thrive while living in harmony with nature.

List Community Outreach Programmes

Pics with descriptions

* In Manicaland so far 18 groups were issued with permits for timber production (Nyanga Small Scale Timber producers) and this has seen 148 being employed. The timber processed is sold throughout the country by supplying individuals, retailers and wholesalers thereby contributing to the economy of the Republic of Zimbabwe.
* A total of 140 families have organised themselves into groups to run a Mutarazi Community Curio shop and these have been trained in leadership/ conflict management, financial literacy and constitution drafting.
* Tshabalala Game Sanctuary Curio shop – Mat South Province
* Matobo community Curio shop – Mat South Province

**Junior Rangers (add under Conservation Education > Wildlife Clubs)**

**Pictures needed**

The Junior Ranger program is an activity based program that offers young people the opportunity to become an integral part of the Zimparks network. These young boys and girls Rangers are selected from Wildlife Clubs and the initiative encourages them to explore Zimbabwe’s parks accompanied by rangers. Our rangers impart a variety of skills, helping students to gain a first-hand experience of the bush. Each program is adapted to each age group with an emphasis on conservation education, personal development and fun.