



**AFRICAN HABITAT**  
CONSERVANCY  
*Foundation*

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**“The African Habitat Conservancy Foundation works as a catalyst to develop, sustain and celebrate the community and conservation efforts.”**



*African Habitat Conservancy Foundation* focusses on conservation and rehabilitation of flora and fauna endemic to the north-western part of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, as well as uplifting local communities. The conservancy was born of a vision to conserve African wildlife, and founded by Hellmuth Weisser, a well known businessman and investor with a true passion for Africa and conservation; and Jeffrey van Staden, a seasoned veteran in the African tourism sector.

*Babanango Game Reserve*, which will soon be the home to the Big 5, boasts 22 000 hectares of community land, set on the ancient White Umfolozi River and encompassing the beautiful views, valleys and rolling hills with waving grasslands. The area extends from upper mistbelt grassland to the lower Zululand bushveld habitats in the valleys carved by the river and its tributaries.



*Community Reimagined through support*



**SOLAR-POWERED BOREHOLES**

Piped water and municipal grids don't reach most small households in rural clusters in water-scarce Babanango. This means young girls and elderly women have to travel long distances to use old, hand-pump municipal boreholes. Our solution brings solar energy to each borehole, which makes pumping much easier. We installed 25 000-litre tanks and separate livestock and homestead water.



New borehole	<b>R190 000</b>	<b>\$12 667</b>
Converted hand pumps	<b>R90 000</b>	<b>\$6 000</b>



**INSPIRING FUTURE LEADERS**

The reserve has 70 schools on its boundaries. Our community initiative involves building schools, developing existing schools, as well as providing teacher training and kids conservation camps. Our aim is to give local children hope by equipping them with conservation education and future career opportunities. A 90-minute walk to school every day is common for children in this community. And since early learning and nutrition during the first 1 000 days of a child's life impacts their future development, it's critical they receive the best opportunities they can.

Early childhood learning centre	<b>R1 500 000</b>	<b>\$94 937</b>
Additional classrooms IT class at Mandela High School Additional science labs at Bhekisizwe High School	<b>R750 000</b>	<b>\$47 468</b>
Bursaries (tertiary)	<b>R60 000</b>	<b>\$3 797</b>
School library renovation	<b>R250 000</b>	<b>\$15 823</b>



## MOBILE CLINICS PROVIDE HEALTHCARE

The key aim is to improve access to healthcare. Early intervention with healthcare is challenging because of transport issues for the community. Mobile health clinics provide chronic medications, prenatal care and support to the community. This programme partners with the Department of Health, who staff and stock the mobile clinics.

39-seater bus	<b>R1 100 000</b>	<b>\$73 333</b>
Mobile clinic	<b>R1 500 000</b>	<b>\$100 000</b>
Community clinic Primary health nurse	<b>R1 200 000</b>	<b>\$80 000</b>



## COMMUNITY GARDENS

Our community gardens provide food, community touch points and income for many groups of women who plant and sell their excess goods to the community. This is important, because the community is mostly the elderly and school-going children, as many young adults leave the area in search of jobs in urban centres. Community gardens help provide food and support.

Community garden support pack	<b>R15 000</b>	<b>\$1000</b>
Small farmer support pack	<b>R25 000</b>	<b>\$1 667</b>
Children's home support	<b>R25 000</b>	<b>\$1 667</b>

## SPORTS CAMARADERIE LIFTS THE SPIRITS

With limited access to entertainment, sport provides the camaraderie and exercise the community needs. Teammates play on hard fields, no matter the weather, so we want to transform the fields and support the growing league. Registration in the Regional SAFA league requires local teams to have an identifiable kit, annual registration fees, and to adhere to league rules. Your funds will help support registration and sports kits.

SAFA registration	<b>R2 500</b>	<b>\$167</b>
Sponsored team kit (soccer)	<b>R4 500</b>	<b>\$300</b>
Sponsored team kit (netball)	<b>R3 000</b>	<b>\$200</b>



## EDUCATION FOR CONSERVATION SUCCESS

Education reduces conflict around conservation. For young adults, there is ranger training at SA Wildlife Health College, or an opportunity to work as an eco ranger clearing alien plants. We have camps for local learners who have never experienced wildlife and the Junior Ranger TV show, which brings the wild to young people, especially as Covid-19 protocols have hindered access.



Ranger education In-field equipment Uniforms	<b>R120 000</b>	<b>\$8 000</b>
Alien plant eradication	<b>R30 000/ha</b>	<b>\$2 000</b>
Junior Ranger Series Access to local learners Zulu translation	<b>R230 000</b>	<b>\$15 333</b>

We invite you to become part of reimagining the community around Babanango Game Reserve. When you donate to the African Habitat Conservation Foundation, you help change the lives of local communities and leave your very own legacy through AHCF.

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