

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

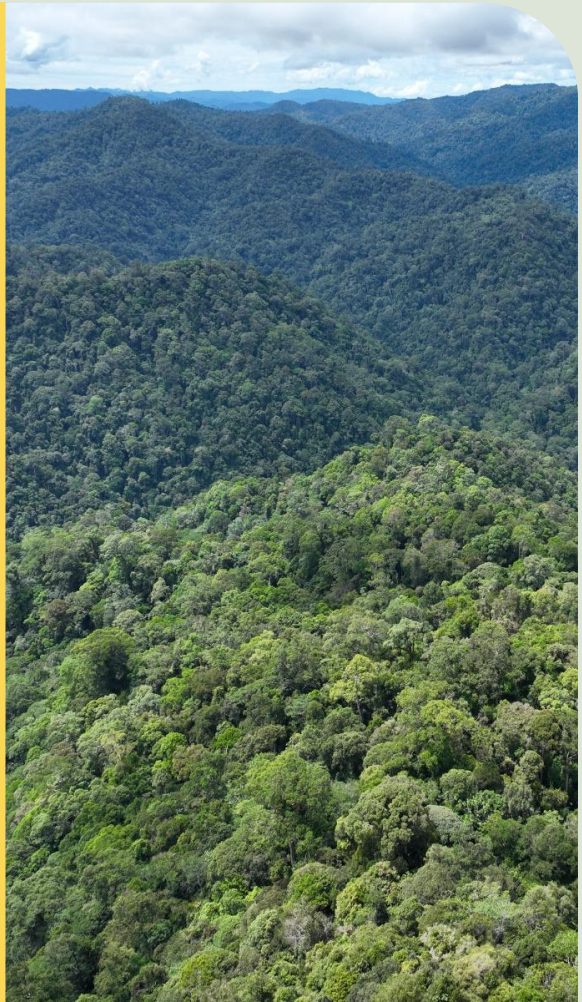


MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Orangutan Outreach is to protect orangutans in their native forests of Borneo and Sumatra while providing care for orphaned and displaced orangutans until they can be returned to their natural environment. If they cannot be released, we will do everything in our power to ensure they have a life of dignity and the best possible long-term care.

VISION STATEMENT

Orangutan Outreach envisions a world in which wild orangutans are fully protected and allowed to live freely and undisturbed in their natural forest habitats in Borneo and Sumatra. We further propose that any orangutan who is unable to live in his or her rainforest home will receive compassionate care in a sanctuary for the duration of their life.



CORE BELIEFS

- Orangutans are intelligent, sentient beings who experience a wide range of emotions.
- Orangutans are meant to live freely and undisturbed in the rainforests of Borneo and Sumatra.
- Orangutans are worthy of protection simply for their beauty and grace.
- Orangutans are vital to the health of the rainforest ecosystem and therefore must be protected.
- Rainforests are vital to the health of the planet and therefore must be protected.
- Orangutans in professional human care must be treated with compassion, dignity, and respect.
- Orangutan conservation is only successful when it prioritizes community involvement.
- Successful in-situ conservation efforts are intricately tied to meeting the needs of local communities.

ACTIONS

- Collaborate with ethical, like-minded individuals, groups, and organizations throughout the world.
- Collaborate with orangutan conservation organizations throughout Indonesia, especially those with a focus on orangutan rehabilitation and protection.
- Support accredited wildlife sanctuaries in Indonesia, Malaysia and the United States that provide excellent long-term care for orangutans.
- Raise public awareness of orangutan conservation issues.
- Raise funds for non-government organizations in Borneo and Sumatra that are working to protect orangutans and the rainforests.

Since our founding in 2007, Orangutan Outreach has firmly established itself as the premier orangutan charity operating in the United States. We have shown ourselves to be ethical and dependable in championing orangutan conservation in both Indonesian Borneo and Sumatra. With a small team and minimal overhead, Orangutan Outreach is able to provide significant financial support to our Indonesian partners.

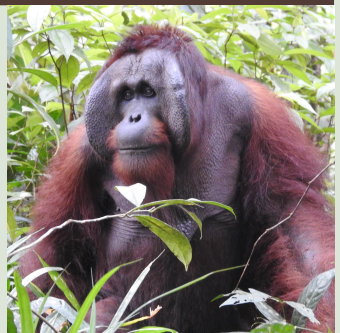


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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends, Colleagues, and Fellow Conservationists,

Welcome to the 2025 Orangutan Outreach Annual Report. As I reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude, but also an ongoing sense of urgency.

The mission of Orangutan Outreach is clear and unwavering: to protect orangutans from extinction, rescue and rehabilitate those in peril, and safeguard their vital rainforest habitat so that they will have a home in years to come. We continue to take a holistic approach to achieving our mission— one that recognizes that orangutans, humans, and the intricate ecosystems of the rainforest are all intrinsically connected.

In 2025, our field partners faced two unprecedented challenges. The first, in Sumatra, was dealing with the aftermath of a catastrophic landslide at the SOCP Quarantine that occurred at the end of 2024. Thankfully we were able to raise funds to help SOCP begin the rebuilding process. The second challenge came when US Fish & Wildlife canceled all funding with no notice. This affected several of our partners— most notably the post-release monitoring program carried out by BOSF in Batikap Forest. Fortunately one of our longtime institutional donors was able to step in and help mitigate the loss. This, however, was only a short-term fix to a long-term problem.

In 2025, Andrea Knox joined Orangutan Outreach as our Senior Program Manager, tasked with gathering data from the field and communicating with our projects and partners. She is helping to ensure the utmost transparency and accountability. Also in 2025, Debbie Clemens became our Community Engagement Manager, focusing on social media as well as in-person & virtual classroom presentations.

In 2025, our work has continued to be defined by direct impact:

- Rescue and Rehabilitation: Together with our partners we have provided critical care and a second chance at life for many displaced individual orangutans. From initial triage at our partner centers to the essential "forest school" training that prepares the young, orphaned orangutans for independence, every step is designed to equip them with the skills needed to survive in the wild as adults.

- Habitat Protection: We have intensified our efforts to combat the root causes of habitat loss—primarily unsustainable palm oil production, coal mining, forest fires and illegal logging. Protecting the rainforest ensures the long-term survival of orangutans and countless other living beings. It also plays a critical role in the global carbon and water cycles that support all life on Earth.

- Community Engagement: True conservation success is rooted in the participation of local communities. To this effect we support our local partners' endeavors to nurture alliances with diverse teams and partners to expand our impact, supporting sustainable livelihoods that reduce dependency on exploitative industries. Empowering indigenous communities is key to ensuring that protected habitats remain viable and safe for wildlife in the long term. In short, we must help humans in order to help orangutans.

- Global Awareness: We continue to raise a global voice online and off, leveraging our platform across social media to inform people globally about the urgent threats faced by orangutans.

The achievements of 2025 have only been possible due to the steadfast dedication of our partners, the tireless, heroic work of on-the-ground staff, and the invaluable contributions of YOU, our supporters. It is YOUR love for orangutans that fuels our mission, keeps the flicker of optimism alive, and allows us to be a force for orangutan conservation.

As we look ahead to 2026, the need for vigilance and action remains critical. Orangutan conservation is a constant struggle, and it is only with your continued support that we can ensure a future where these intelligent, sentient beings thrive in the wild, where they belong.

Thank you for standing with us and the orangutans.

Richard Zimmerman
Executive Director
Orangutan Outreach



2025 IMPACT SUMMARY

Orangutan Outreach was proud to support the work of five orangutan conservation organizations in Indonesia in 2025 by providing over $500,000 US dollars for operational activities and projects. The five recipients, the Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Program (SOCP), Borneo Orangutan Survival Foundation (BOSF), International Animal Rescue Indonesia (YIARI), Borneo Nature Foundation (BNF) and Conservation Action Network Indonesia (CAN), contributed to orangutan conservation across two islands and five provinces in Indonesia, creating real and lasting impact.

The financial support for these activities came from the generous donations of our Orangutan Outreach community. We assure that our supporters stay well informed of our efforts and the work of our partners in Indonesia. Orangutan Outreach provides updates via 5 social media outlets, quarterly e-newsletters, and email communication. The ongoing projects, challenges, and successes in the world of orangutan conservation are shared with thousands of people each day. Due to our commitment to inform, our loyal supporters answer the call to action when asked. Many Orangutan Outreach supporters symbolically adopt orangutans or provide monthly donations. In 2025 we saw wonderful engagement with our yearly campaigns such as Missing Orangutan Mothers (MOM), and continued generous support for our emergency fundraiser for landslide relief at the SOCP Quarantine Center.

Orangutan Outreach translates the holistic work of orangutan conservation into the 5 “R”s of Red Ape Relief: Rescues, Rehabilitation, Releases, Retirement, and Reforestation. Tremendous work was completed in each area during 2025. Beginning with the important task of rescues, the partners of Orangutan Outreach rescued a total of 68 orangutans in 2025, with 13 of them entering rehabilitation and 55 being directly translocated into safe forests.



At the four rehabilitation centers supported by Orangutan Outreach, over 431 orangutans received daily care, enrichment, and instruction. Furthermore, we continued to improve the rehabilitation programs with the opening of their new forest school and the construction of a new orangutan veterinary clinic for BOSF's Nyaru Menteng Center. At the SOCP rehabilitation center, we supported their recovery efforts, building temporary structures and planning for a future relocation, following the tragic landslide of 2024.

We celebrated the releases of 27 orangutans into safe forests as they had completed their rehabilitation programs and returned to their true home. Our partners have released over 775 orangutans over the years and in 2025, their post-release monitoring teams tracked and observed over 170 of these free orangutans and recorded 4 births of new babies in the wild!



Back at the centers, more than 160 unreleaseable orangutans received daily care in retirement. We celebrated as YIARI opened a new forested enclosure for unreleaseable orangutans and JoJo finally returned to the trees. We continued communication with SOCP, following along as the permanent residents of the Orangutan Haven became more at home on their new islands and began socializing with their neighbors. We also continued our financial support for the construction of new islands at BOSF Nyaru Menteng, where seven island canals were completed and three islands were filled with earth and compacted.

Finally, we are proud of the reforestation efforts of our partners. Combined, they protected about two million hectares of rainforest where in many places they undertook initiatives to track and research orangutan behavior and biology. Orangutan Outreach finished our 3-year project with BOSF of replanting 28 hectares in the Mawas Conservation Area, and we supported BNF's construction of new boardwalks and repair to their research camp in Sebangau National Park.

We are so excited to share with you how we were able to help so many orangutans by working together. To dive even deeper into their stories, the numbers, and the impact, we invite you to keep reading!

Website Users **51k**

>500k Funds Sent to Conservation

Partners Supported **5**

68 Orangutans Rescued

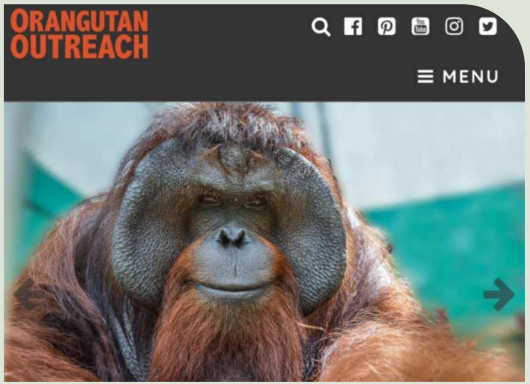
Orangutans Released **27**

>440 Orangutans Cared For

Forest HA Under Protection **2M**

RAISING AWARENESS

Orangutan Outreach utilizes various means to raise awareness and engage with our community on the plight of wild orangutans and ongoing conservation efforts:



Orangutan Outreach Website

In 2025 we began to redesign our website with a fresh new look. We took the year to update each page, add beautiful new orangutan photos, and provide clear, concise information about our work and the work of our partners in Indonesia. As we made improvements, we looked forward to launching the new site in 2026. We are proud that our website is a trusted source of orangutan conservation information and news stories. In 2025, the Orangutan Outreach website had 50,900 active users across 10 countries.



E-Newsletters

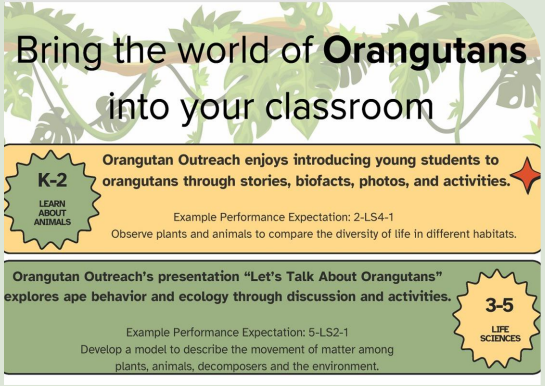
We keep our supporters informed about the efforts of Orangutan Outreach and of our partners with regular e-newsletters. In 2025, we sent quarterly e-newsletters reaching over 8,500 people with each edition. Stories of heartwarming rescues to exciting releases are shared along with updates on emergency appeals and campaigns. We highlight distinctive projects and resilient orangutans to red ape lovers to raise awareness of challenges orangutans are facing and how they can help.



Social Media

In 2025, we engaged with over 90K followers in 10 countries via our 2 Facebook pages and maintained 16K members in our Facebook group. We connected with over 16K followers on Instagram and nearly 57K on Twitter/X. We also had 34K subscribers who enjoyed our YouTube channel. We strive to maintain a balance of presenting the realities and difficulties of orangutan conservation along with sharing successes and uplifting stories with our supporters.







Collaborations

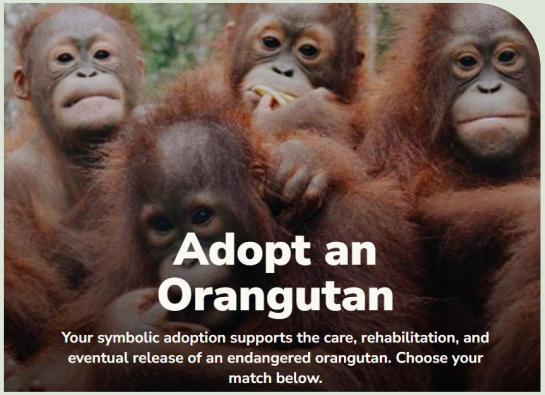
In 2025, BOS Foundation wrote a website article highlighting the strong and lasting relationship between our two organizations stating we have a collaboration rooted in compassion and action. We also entered into a new collaboration with Buddies for Paws as a charity partner. Our Sr. Program Manager attended two of their fundraising events and provided interviews to strengthen support. Orangutan Outreach also assisted with projects such as serving as an orangutan expert for a story on the Wildlife at Heart website.

Presentations

Our Community Engagement Manager provides both in-person and online presentations at the requests of schools and universities, zoos, and community organizations. Discussion topics include orangutan ecology, orangutan conservation efforts, and threats to wild orangutans. In 2025, students and educators were engaged in the classroom and at conferences. Some of the institutions included Ranchview Elementary and Roundlake Schools in IL, Augustana University, and the Illinois Science Teaching Association Conference.

Campaigns

Each year, Orangutan Outreach participates in awareness campaigns surrounding International Orangutan Day, Orangutan Caring Week, and our signature campaign, Missing Orangutan Mothers (MOM) which has run annually for 18 years. In 2025, Orangutan Outreach also carried out a Giving Tuesday campaign, participating in the country's biggest day of charitable giving.



Adoption Program

Funds from the symbolic adoptions help ensure that the orangutans have everything they need during their rehabilitation until they can be safely released back into the forest. If the orangutan can't be released, the adoption funds help cover the costs of lifetime sanctuary care. Funds from the symbolic adoption of wild orangutans are allocated to reforestation programs. In 2025, Orangutan Outreach included 17 orangutans in our adoption program, supporting 4 partner organizations in Indonesia.







2025 HIGHLIGHT

International Orangutan Day is a perfect day to show love for orangutans. This very special day is meant to inspire people everywhere to become involved in helping protect orangutans in the wild and to support the care of orangutans being looked after at rescue centers and sanctuaries in Borneo and Sumatra. In 2025, storyboard artist and illustrator Chiara Mazzoni created a wonderful video for Orangutan Outreach to help motivate our supporters to Spread the Word, Take Action, and Celebrate on International Orangutan Day! We are so grateful she chose to donate her time and talent to Orangutan Outreach!

RED APE RELIEF

All three orangutan species are Critically Endangered. Reversing this decline requires collaboration and holistic solutions to address the many threats they face. We call our comprehensive approach, Red Ape Relief.
This strategy consists of five equally important facets, all of which rely on the crucial work of our partners in Indonesia and global support.



RESCUES

When orangutans are displaced from their forest homes or poached for the illegal wildlife trade, we support their rescue. For wild and healthy adults, this means ensuring our partners can safely move them to secure forests. For injured individuals or young orphans, this means transporting them to a rehabilitation center, where their journey back to the wild begins anew.

REHABILITATION

If a rescued orangutan is young and not yet able to live alone, they need to learn vital survival skills. At a rehabilitation center, alongside other orphans and under the care of human surrogate mothers and veterinarians, they progress through forest school and pre-release training. This process can take ten years before they are ready to return to their forest home.



REFORESTATION

Orangutans cannot survive without their forest homes. To ensure wild orangutans remain undisturbed and that rehabilitated individuals have a secure future, we support work to protect intact rainforests and reforest cleared land. By partnering with local organizations and communities, we ensure these activities benefit both wildlife and humans, safeguarding their shared future.

RETIREMENT

Tragically, not all rescued orangutans are fit to return to the wild. Physical disabilities, infectious diseases, or behavioral abnormalities can prevent them from surviving independently. Still, we believe these individuals are entitled to a life of comfort and dignity. We support the development of sanctuary enclosures in Indonesia, allowing them to live as freely as possible.

RELEASES

The long reintroduction process culminates with the release of orangutans back into safe forests. We support their journeys as they reclaim their rightful place in their complex tropical ecosystems. After the cages are opened, our partners' post-release monitoring teams step in. They live in the forest year-round, recording data and standing by for emergencies. Most orangutans thrive, successfully reproducing and establishing new populations.

OUR PARTNERS & PROJECTS

As a US-based 501(c)(3) organization, we recognize that the most effective implementers of orangutan conservation projects are the orangutans' human neighbors in Indonesia. Orangutan Outreach is proud to partner with and support a portfolio of Indonesian-run non-profit organizations. Together, we work to support projects that help orangutans, indigenous peoples, and other wildlife in the forests of Borneo and Sumatra.



Borneo Orangutan Survival Foundation (BOSF) - *Yayasan Penyelematan Orangutan Borneo*
Working Locations: Central & East Kalimantan, Indonesia (Borneo)

Orangutan Rescue, Rehabilitation, & Release; Orangutan Sanctuary & Welfare; Forest Protection & Restoration
Community Development & Sustainable Livelihoods - Working Together Since 2007

International Animal Rescue Indonesia (YIARI) - *Yayasan Inisiasi Alam Rehabilitasi Indonesia*
Working Locations: West Kalimantan, Indonesia (Borneo)

Orangutan Rescue, Rehabilitation, & Release; Biodiversity Conservation & Research; Forest Protection & Restoration
Community Development & Sustainable Livelihoods - Working Together Since 2009

Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Programme (SOCP) & Orangutan Haven - *Yayasan Ekosistem Lestari*
Working Locations: Aceh & North Sumatra, Indonesia (Sumatra)

Orangutan Rescue, Rehabilitation, & Release; Orangutan Sanctuary & Welfare; Forest Protection & Research
Community Development & Sustainable Livelihoods - Working Together since 2012

Borneo Nature Foundation (BNF) - *Yayasan Borneo Nature Indonesia*
Working Locations: Central Kalimantan, Indonesia (Borneo)

Forest Protection & Restoration; Biodiversity Conservation & Monitoring; Education & Research;
Community Development & Sustainable Livelihoods - Working Together Since 2013

And together with **Conservation Action Network Indonesia (CAN)**, Orangutan Outreach has been supporting the emergency rescue of orangutans in East Kalimantan, Indonesia (Borneo) since 2021.



Red Ape Relief

RESCUES

For much of history, orangutans and humans have lived peacefully side-by-side, but rapid human development has disrupted this balance. Our high demands have resulted in the clearing of forests, leaving orangutans searching for food and safe homes. Orangutans are also targeted for the illegal pet trade, as people mistakenly think that the wide-eyed infants would make good pets.

All three orangutan species are protected under Indonesian law and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), yet many remain at risk. Orangutan Outreach proudly supports our partners—SOCP, YIARI, BOSF—who collaborate with the Indonesian government to rescue these vulnerable individuals. When teams respond, veterinarians assess if the orangutan requires long-term rehabilitation or can be moved directly to a secure forest.

In 2025, our partners welcomed 13 new orangutans to their rehabilitation centers following rescue operations.* Between BOSF's Samboja Lestari and Nyaru Menteng Rehabilitation Centers, they accepted ten orangutans requiring rehabilitation. YIARI rescued an infant orangutan in need of veterinary care and full behavioral rehabilitation. Meanwhile, in Sumatra, SOCP's Quarantine Station accepted two orangutans, one young juvenile without a mother and one adult in need of urgent veterinary care.

AGE	SEX
11 babies & young, 2 adults	5 males, 8 females
STATUS	**INJURIES**
6 physically injured, 11 needing behavioral rehabilitation	broken bones, open wounds, eye infection, anemia, malaria, malnourishment

Emergency rescue missions are costly, estimated at about $300 per orangutan. This is to cover the costs of the responding teams from the rehabilitation center and from the government, as well as the materials, such as medical sedatives, needed to save these orangutans' lives.

Rescue teams sometimes find healthy adult orangutans who are under threat, having lost their homes to development or fleeing from forest fires. These orangutans do not need long-term physical or behavioral rehabilitation, only a safe forest, so they are moved to secure forests in a process called translocation.

In 2025, Orangutan Outreach supported three organizations who successfully translocated 55 orangutans. SOCP translocated 12 individuals in Sumatra to three different, secure forests. Over in Borneo, YIARI gave a second chance to 3 wild orangutans, including a mother and child pair, by moving them to safe forests. Meanwhile, BOSF relocated 5 adults in Central Kalimantan. The largest operations were carried out by CAN and often with support from BOSF, moving 35 orangutans from a mining area to various safe forests in East Kalimantan.

Translocating healthy orangutans directly to new forests conserves precious resources and minimizes the time orangutans spend in human care, thereby lowering the risk of long-term behavioral changes. Orangutans belong in the wild, and our goal is to keep them there.

*All orangutan rescues are carried out under the direction of and in cooperation with the government of the Republic of Indonesia, specifically the Ministry of Forestry (KLHK) and regional Natural Resources Conservation Agency (BKSDA).



Orangutan Spotlight

MEET JENNY

On January 3, 2025, a small, year-old orangutan arrived at BOS Foundation's Samboja Lestari Rehabilitation Center. The baby had been held captive as a pet for 5-months during which she was fed mostly tea, rice, and bread, rather than the nutritious breast milk she should have still been drinking from her mother. The team jumped into action, checking her health thoroughly and attempting to familiarize her with natural orangutan foods.



Following quarantine, she joined forest school, but at first she was afraid of the other orangutans and showed a strong preference for the human surrogate mothers. It took time and encouragement, but she eventually came around to make orangutan friends and join in the lessons. She still has a long journey ahead of her, but every month Jenny progresses and proves that her spirit is unbreakable! If you want to follow along with Jenny and support her rehabilitation journey, you can do so with a symbolic adoption of her on the Orangutan Outreach website!

Delivering Rescued Orangutans to Safety





CAN
BORNEO

Founded in 2019, by Paulinus Kristianto, Conservation Action Network (CAN) is an Indonesian non-profit that focuses on the rescue of animals in danger so that they can be moved to safe habitats. Over their five years of operations, they have helped hundreds of gibbons, monkeys, slow lorises, sun bears, birds, and, of course, orangutans.

In 2025, CAN continued to rescue orangutans from a forest area recently cleared for mining, but the teams were astounded by the number of orangutans in danger. Over the course of the year, they were called in to rescue 46 orangutans and even more were spotted, but not yet able to be saved. With such high numbers, CAN also partnered with BOSF and the Center for Orangutan Protection (COP) to make a greater impact.

Tragically, despite their best efforts, the physical condition of three orangutans was so poor they passed away during the rescue process. However, of the orangutans rescued, the combined team brought three of the orangutans needing rehabilitation to BOSF's Samboja Lestari Center, two to the COP center, and three to CAN's own center. For the rest of the orangutans, they were healthy adults or children with mothers, so they were directly translocated to one of four release sites (see the map in page 21 for further info).

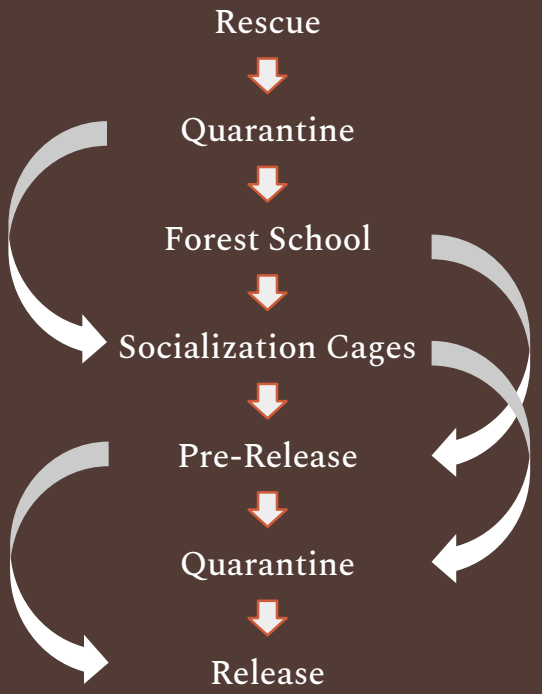
Red Ape Relief

REHABILITATION

For the young and injured orangutans rescued by Orangutan Outreach's Partners, YIARI, BOSF, and SOCP, rehabilitation stands between them and their return to the wild. It starts with a medically required quarantine period, during which they are treated for any illnesses or injuries they sustained prior to rescue and are tested for various diseases that could make them a danger to the rest of the captive orangutan population.

Once they have a clean bill of health, they begin the process of behavioral rehabilitation. The youngest enter forest school, where human surrogate mothers offer stability alongside lessons focusing on foraging, climbing, nest building, and other essential forest survival skills. Done in a group setting, it is meant to replicate the social learning undertaken by young wild orangutans who would live with their mothers for the first eight years of their lives.

To stimulate mental and physical growth all orangutans receive enrichment, puzzle feeders and challenging toys that encourage problem-solving, curiosity, and creativity. It could also be items that introduce a new sensation, such as frozen items or materials that must be manipulated using tools. The options are limitless, but what they all have in common is their ability to keep orangutans engaged and help them practice their survival skills.



Hessian Sacks



In the wild, orangutans use branches and leaves to make their nightly nests. In the rehabilitation centers, the addition of hessian sacks provide them with novel nesting materials for them to experiment with.

Bamboo Tubes



Different foods are often smeared on the inside of bamboo, encouraging orangutans to investigate natural food items using their eyes, fingers, tongues, and sometimes even tools.

Drilled Logs



Logs such as these are drilled with holes that can be stuffed with honey, nuts, or other foods. With holes so small, the orangutans are challenged and must use tools to obtain the treats!

Next orangutans take on the pre-release stage of rehabilitation. Depending on the center, this can be a forested island or it might be living at the release site, but with access to cages and food. This pre-release period allows for the orangutans to live in the trees and use their survival skills, but with the safety net of having food provisioned and the close monitoring of technicians. It is during this time that the orangutans prove they are finally ready to return to the wild!

In 2025, our partners operated centers across four Indonesian provinces on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra. Combined, these centers oversaw the care of more than 431 orangutans. Crucially, about 65% of these individuals are on track to eventually return to the wild once they complete their rehabilitation journeys.

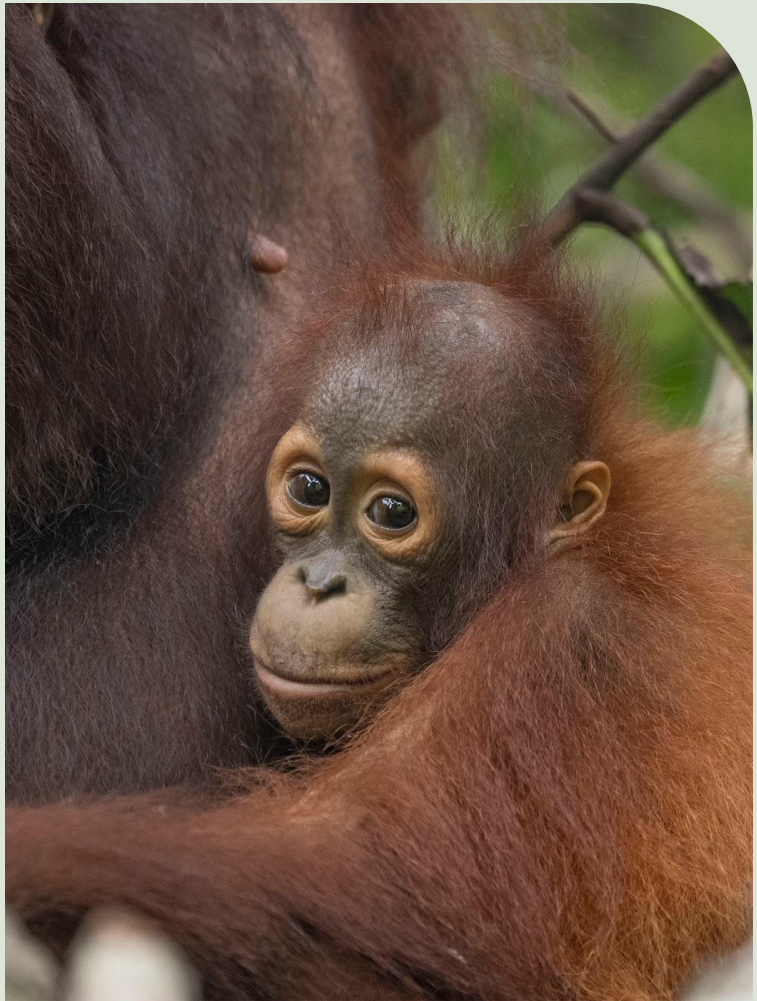
Center Name	Operational Partner	Location	Total # of Orangutans at the End of 2025	Percent of Orangutan Population Undergoing Rehabilitation
Ketapang Rehabilitation Center	YIARI	West Kalimantan (Borneo)	58	66%
Nyaru Menteng Rehabilitation Center	BOSF	Central Kalimantan (Borneo)	228	75%
Samboja Lestari Rehabilitation Center	BOSF	East Kalimantan (Borneo)	111	33%
Quarantine Station	SOCP	North Sumatra (Sumatra)	34	100%



Orangutan Spotlight

MEET MAWA

One fateful day, on November 5, 2022, baby Mawa was rescued from a small village in West Kalimantan. Just a year old, the little boy was deprived of his mother and suffering from severe dehydration and malnutrition. YIARI took him in and gave him the best medical care around.



Three years later, Mawa has been thriving in YIARI's Ketapang Orangutan Rescue, Rehabilitation, and Conservation Center. Usually baby orangutans learn from their own mothers in the wild for about eight years, so Mawa is not yet ready to return to the wild. Instead, Mawa has been taken in by a nurturing female orangutan named Temon. She is teaching him everything about survival and you can follow along with her lessons as well with a symbolic adoption of Mawa on the Orangutan Outreach website!

Project Spotlight

BUILDING A NEW NYARU MENTENG REHABILITATION CENTER

The largest of the rehabilitation centers supported by Orangutan Outreach is BOSF's Nyaru Menteng Rehabilitation Center. At the close of 2025, the center was caring for 228 orangutans, 58 of which are in need of lifetime sanctuary care. Due to these high numbers and limited infrastructure, most of these individuals have been held in cages for years.

In 2023 and 2024, Orangutan Outreach was thrilled to provide funds to BOSF to begin construction on a new center, which would include sanctuary islands to get many of these orangutans out of their cages and into the trees once again. During the first two years of work, construction was completed on the employee housing, the first two sanctuary islands, and a new forest school with new boardwalks, orangutan sleeping cages, playground, and workstation for the surrogate mothers.

In 2025, construction was continued on the sanctuary islands and started on the clinic complex. This complex includes not only the veterinary clinic, but also office space, isolation building, and microbiology lab. Its completion at the end of 2025 marks a major milestone, allowing for the bulk of the BOSF Nyaru Menteng operations to begin their move to the new site! As we go into 2026, construction will continue on the sanctuary islands and begin on new facilities such as a multifunction building.

TIMELINE

Employee Housing, the New Forest School, and Two Islands are Constructed

New Clinic and Office Complex are Built

- **Early 2023:** BOSF breaks ground digging the first island canals
- **End of 2024**
- **Feb 2025**
- **March 2025:** Young Orangutans are Moved into the New Forest School!
- **July 2025:** Digging of 5 more Island Canals is Completed
- **Sept 2025:** The Combined Clinic & Office Building is Complete!
- **Dec 2025:** Isolation and Microbiology buildings are nearly complete...
- **2026:** More to Come!





Red Ape Relief

RELEASES

The culmination of the orangutan rehabilitation process is the final release of orangutans back into their forest homes. It is the goal of these programs to establish self-sustaining, viable populations in the wild to better conservation outlooks for the species as a whole.

The first step of releasing an orangutan is ensuring that the forest they return to is safe from any threats and that there is not a large population of orangutans already present. Once a forest is secured and the orangutans have completed rehabilitation, the journey from the rehabilitation center to the release site can finally begin! These journeys can take a few days and cross treacherous landscapes via car, boat, and sometimes even helicopter! They are fully supported by teams of capable orangutan care technicians and highly skilled veterinarians that prioritize the safety of orangutans and humans above all.



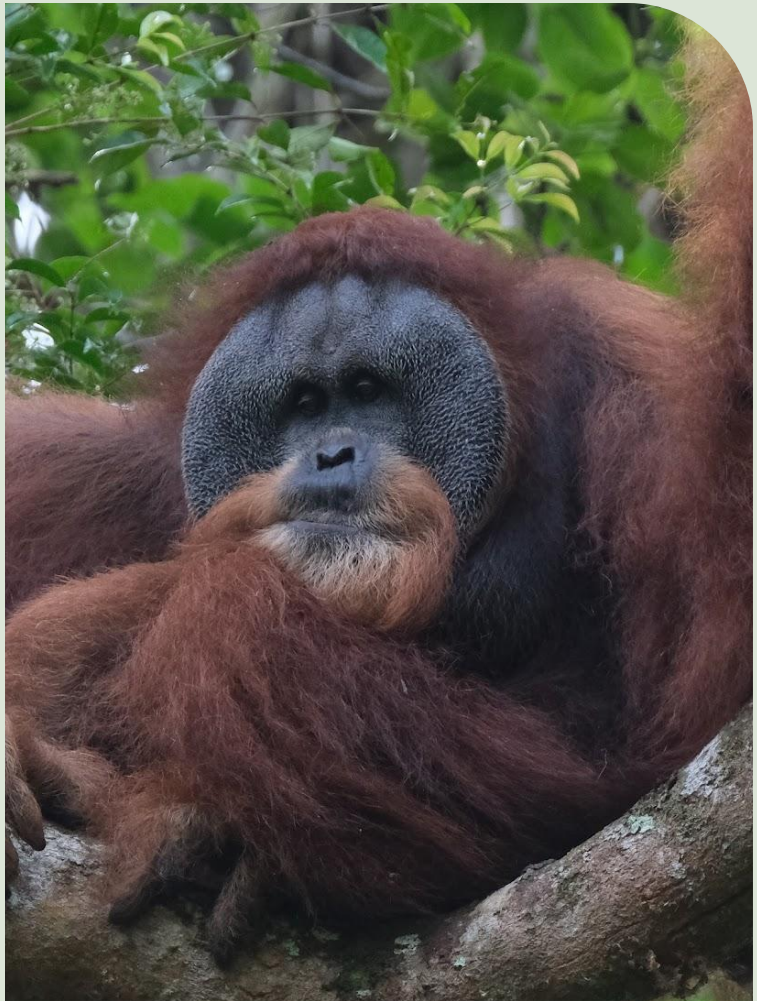
Orangutan Outreach's partners, SOCP, YIARI, and BOSF, support the release of orangutans in their respective provinces. In Sumatra, SOCP's rehabilitated orangutans are sent to either the Jantho Nature Reserve or Bukit Tigapuluh National Park to start life in the wild. Over in Borneo, both YIARI and BOSF send orangutans to the Bukit Baka Bukit Raya National Park. Additionally, BOSF also carries out orangutan releases in the Bukit Batikap Protection Forest and the Kehje Sewen Ecosystem Restoration Concession. Each release mission takes several orangutans to freedom, but on average, the cost per release is $6,000 per orangutan if travelling overland. In 2025, our partners saw to the release of 27 rehabilitated orangutans.



Orangutan Spotlight

MEET JAPOEK

On November 20, 2024, the Indonesian Natural Resources Agency arrived at SOCP's Sibolangit Rehabilitation Center with a guest in critical condition, a orangutan named Japoek. Rescued from a site of conflict in Aceh, Japoek urgently needed multiple wounds and a broken leg treated. Tragedy followed this male, as just a week later, a landslide hit the rehabilitation center.



Thanks to the unwavering resolution of the SOCP team and the strength of Japoek, they were able to continue his treatment by moving him to the Orangutan Haven and within four months he made a full recovery! Estimated to be 30 years old, Japoek needed no behavioral rehabilitation and was ready to return to his forest home. On December 11, 2025, the SOCP delivered him back to his forest home, but this time in the Jantho Nature Reserve where he would be safe to explore the forest under the watchful eyes of the post-release monitoring team. Reclaim your spot in the forest, King of the Jungle, Japoek!

However, when the cage doors are opened, the work does not stop. This is the moment where the post-release monitoring teams step in. SOCP, BOSF, and YIARI, all employ teams of local technicians, veterinarians, and researchers to live in jungle camps and spend each day monitoring the ecosystems and tracking orangutans. While their methods differ slightly, the general goals are the same:

1

Record the behavior of the orangutans to better understand how to improve the rehabilitation process.

2

Provide support for the orangutans only in the case of emergencies.

3

Collect information on the ecosystem as a whole, which may include the data on the climate, phenology, and other species present in the forest.

4

Connect with any local communities in the area, showing that orangutans can make great neighbors.

Across the 4 release sites monitored by Orangutan Outreach's Partners, they operate a total of 7 camps that monitor orangutans including a combined 176 released rehabilitated individuals. In 2025, these teams also celebrated the birth of 4 new babies in the wild! And this is the true goal - to see these new populations of orangutans giving birth to the next generation and standing by as spectators as the mother orangutans raise their children in the natural way!

Orangutan Outreach Partner PRM Camps	BOSF			YIARI	SOCP
Site Stats	Kehje Sewen ERC	Bukit Batikap	TNBBBR, Central Kalimantan	TNBBBR, West Kalimantan	Jantho
Year Release Camp Established	2012	2012	2016	2016	2011
Total Rehabilitated Orangutans Released	135	198	223	85	137
Orangutans Released in 2025	5	0	12	3	3
Orangutans Seen in 2025	45+	8	56	34	33
Total Wild-Born Babies	11	18	10	8	7
Babies Born in the Wild in 2025	0	0	2	2	0







Project Spotlight

THE STORY CONTINUES IN BATIKAP

The first release of orangutans into the Bukit Batikap Protection Forest (Batikap) by the Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Foundation took place in 2012. This was a historic moment, marking the return of orangutans to the heart of Borneo and their forest home following a long rehabilitation journey. In the 13 years following this first release, the BOS Foundation, with support from Orangutan Outreach and other partners, has worked tirelessly in a 20,959 ha area to release a total of 198 orangutans and welcome the birth of at least 18 infants in the wild.

When cuts to the US Fish and Wildlife program that previously help fund these operations left a funding gap, Orangutan Outreach took action to help fill this void. It is critical that the post-release monitoring teams are enabled to continue their work researching and supporting this orangutan population.

In 2025, the team recorded behavioral data on 8 previously released individuals. Furthermore, they conducted 60 phenology surveys, carried out multiple joint patrols with the Indonesian government, continued biodiversity surveys, and maintained the remote camp and equipment. Highlights include over 75 species, 17 of which are red-listed by the IUCN, being identified directly or through camera trapping. When it comes to the orangutans, all individuals were found to be in healthy conditions and none required interventions.

Red Ape Relief

RETIREMENT

While every orangutan may be born in the trees, for some, a future in the wild has been stolen from them. After rescue and evaluation, there are individuals who cannot be released due to irreparable physical or behavioral issues. Generally, there are three reasons that may make an orangutan unreleasable:

DISEASE

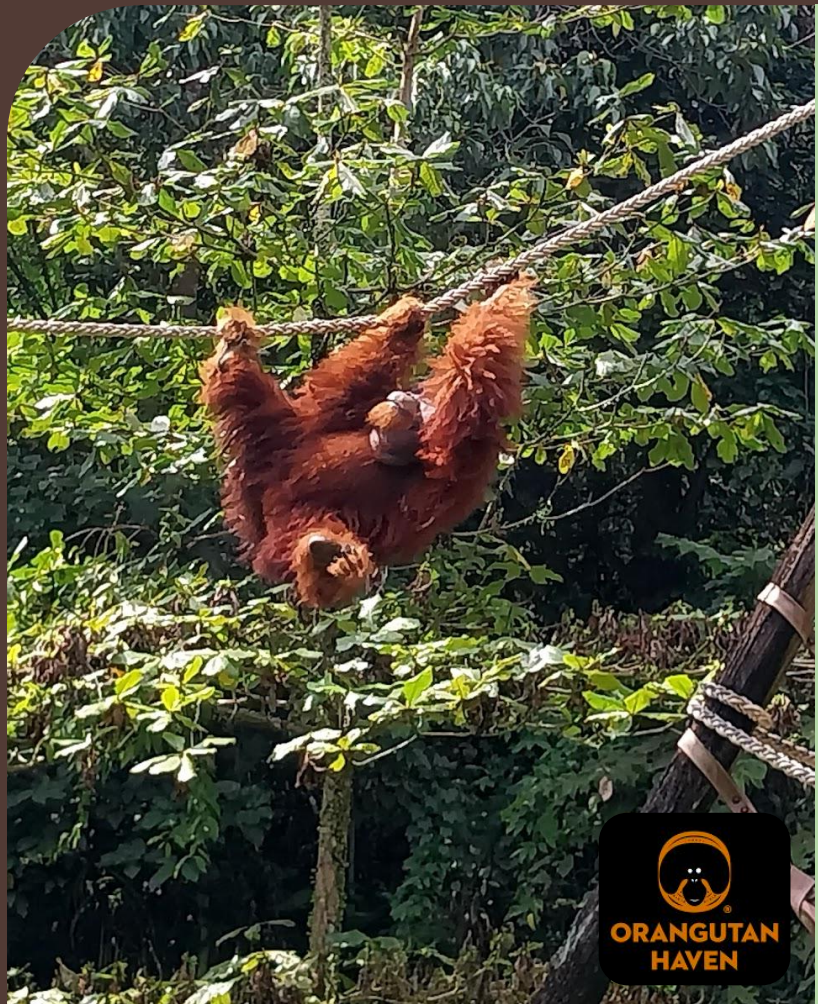
While being held in captivity, orangutans can contract diseases from humans that are incurable, deadly, or contagious, making their release a risk to wild populations.

INJURY

Severe physical trauma, such as missing limbs from electrocution or blindness from rifle pellets, prevents orangutans from being able to survive independently.

BEHAVIOR

Traumatic experiences can stay with orangutans for a lifetime, creating behavioral quirks that are self-harming or prevent them from learning forest survival skills.



Orangutan Outreach holds the belief that unreleaseable orangutans are still entitled to a life of peace and dignity under human care—a comfortable "retirement." Ideally this is life outside of a cage in a safe, but controlled environment such as a small island, where they are still provided with food and enrichment as well as veterinary care.

In Sumatra, lifelong sanctuary care is provided at the Orangutan Haven which houses the unreleaseable orangutans previously cared for at the SOCP Quarantine Center. Over in Kalimantan, we support orangutans at YIARI's Ketapang Rehabilitation Center, BOSF's Nyaru Menteng Rehabilitation Center, and BOSF's Samboja Lestari Rehabilitation Center.

Over 160 orangutans at these centers will probably need care for the rest of their lives, which could be into their fifties. Their long lives, often combined with the intensive medical care for incurable diseases, makes the financial burden immense, but a necessary reparation. It can vary drastically, but on average it costs $6000 annually to care for an unreleaseable orangutan.

These sanctuary residents serve as vital ambassadors for their wild counterparts. Our partners ran educational programs where, in 2025, thousands of visitors and students came to see the orangutans from a safe distance, learn about conservation threats, and understand how they can help protect orangutans in the wild.



Before JoJo's Rescue



JoJo in His New Home

Project Spotlight

JOJO TASTES FREEDOM

The story of JoJo's rescue from a life of torment started in 2009. It was then that veterinarian Karmele Llano Sanchez was called in to help a poor male orangutan who was chained over an open sewer. He had been held captive for years and all the while was suffering from malnutrition and infected wounds. It is JoJo who inspired the founding of YIARI's orangutan rescue center in West Kalimantan.

Following JoJo's rescue, it was clear that he could never return to the wild due to his physical and behavioral traumas and instead he had to remain in a caged enclosure for years. In 2019, Orangutan Outreach helped YIARI with the funding to create a 2-hectare forested enclosure where even unreleasable orangutans would be able to experience the joy of climbing in the trees once more.

It was a long process to plan and construct this dream sanctuary for JoJo and other orangutans like him, but in 2025, it was finally ready for move-in day. After 15 years in a cage, this move was truly life-changing for JoJo. Today, he enjoys this safe space and is finally free to climb and live as an orangutan should in a rainforest. We are grateful for the hard work of YIARI and JoJo's resilience. You can follow along with his story into the future by symbolically adopting him on the Orangutan Outreach website!

Orangutan Spotlight

MEET PAPA

Papa is one of the oldest orangutans residing at BOSF's Samboja Lestari Rehabilitation Center. In 2025, he was about 35 years old, but his story started in 1994. It was then that he was repatriated from Taiwan, where he was being kept as a pet, back to his home country of Indonesia. Tragically, he was diagnosed with Hepatitis B, deeming him unable to ever be released back to the wild.



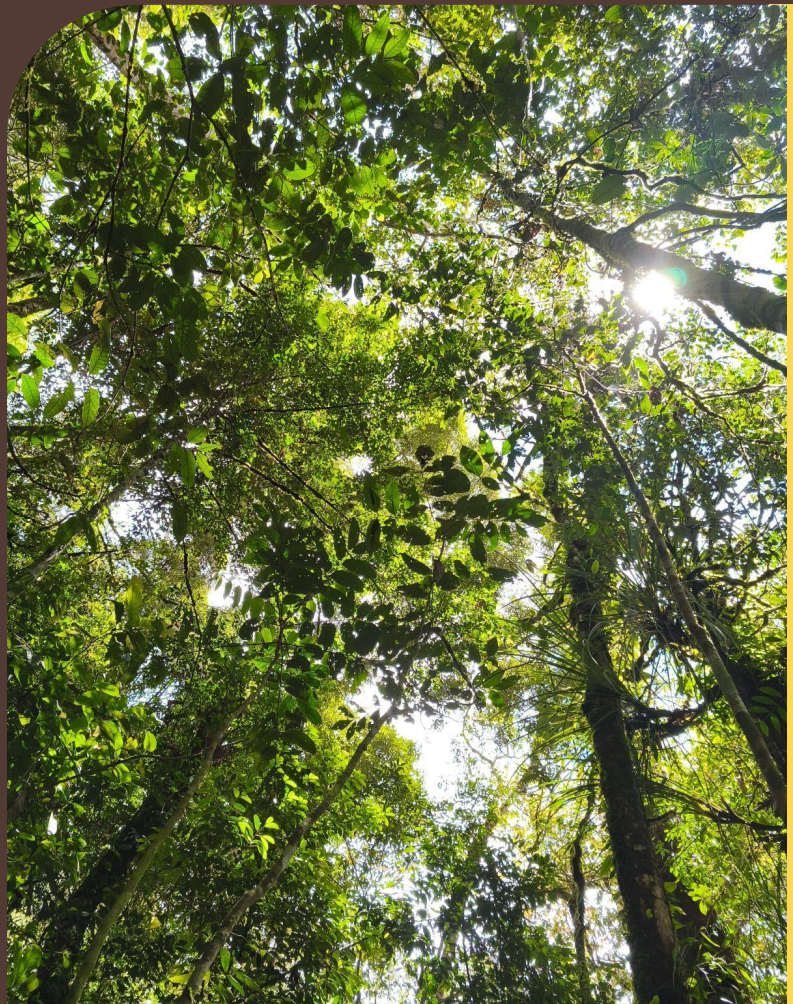
For over 30 years, BOSF has cared for Papa, and after a breakthrough in veterinary research showed that Papa's strain of Hep B was not transmittable, he now lives comfortably on a sanctuary island where he spends most of his days in the sun and sometimes socializing with his female companions. Papa enjoys his retirement in peace and if you want to follow along with his relaxing days and support his care, you can do so with a symbolic adoption of him on the Orangutan Outreach website!

Red Ape Relief

REFORESTATION

Even if all orangutans were rescued from illegal captivity, without their forest homes, there would be no hope for the future of the species. Humans, near and far, also rely on these tropical forests for resources, fresh air, climate regulation, and so much more. Orangutan Outreach is committed to protecting and restoring rainforests for the benefit of orangutans and humans alike.

When forests have been unsustainably exploited, recovery methods, such as replanting and canal blocking, can restore ecological health. While Orangutan Outreach only supports specific smaller reforestation projects, we are proud that all four of our partners, BNF, BOSF, YIARI, and SOCP, work to preserve and restore rainforests across their working areas that cover nearly 2,000,000 ha when combined. Within these areas, our partners have successfully reforested over 4,000 ha of degraded or cleared lands.



As a keystone species with home ranges up to 40 km^2, orangutans are the "gardeners" of the rainforest, dispersing seeds and helping forests to naturally regenerate. Healthy forests means that animals have safe homes and are not forced into conflict with humans and that human communities can benefit from ecosystem services.



Forested Working Areas

Location	Partner (s)	Partner Activities	OO Supported Activities	Size (ha)
Jantho Nature Reserve	SOCP	Research, Reintroduction, & Protection	Orangutans rehabilitated by OO-supported SOCP Quarantine Center are released here	16,000
Pematang Gadung Sungai Besar	YIARI	Research, Reforestation, & Protection	OO fully funded the replanting of 30 ha from 2022-2023	11,497
Bukit Baka Bukit Raya National Park	YIARI & BOSF	Research, Reintroduction, & Protection	Orangutans rehabilitated by OO-supported BOSF Nyaru Menteng and YIARI Ketapang are released here	181,000
Bukit Batikap Protection Forest	BOSF	Research, Reintroduction, & Protection	Orangutans rehabilitated by OO-supported BOSF Nyaru Menteng are released here	456,000
Mawas Conservation	BOSF	Research, Reforestation, & Protection	OO fully funded the replanting of 28 ha from 2022-2025	309,000
Sebangau National Park	BNF	Research, Reforestation, & Protection	OO provides funding to BNF for their general research and protection activities in the park	537,500
Samboja Lestari	BOSF	Reforestation, & Protection	OO provides general funds for operations of the Samboja Lestari Rehabilitation Center on-site	1,800
Kehje Sewen Ecosystem Restoration Concession	BOSF	Research, Reintroduction, & Protection	Orangutans rehabilitated by OO-supported BOSF Samboja Lestari are released here	86,450

NAME: Esa
BORN: 2024
SEX: Female
PLACE: BOSF's Samboja Lestari Center



BABY BREAK

Project Spotlight

RESTORING A FOREST FOR ORANGUTANS

In Central Kalimantan, the 309,000 ha Mawas Conservation Area stands as one of the world's largest carbon stores and vital orangutan habitat. Once cleared by a failed mega-rice production project that left the peatlands prone to fire, it is now a site of intense restoration by Orangutan Outreach's Partner, BOSF.

In 2022, Orangutan Outreach began a 3-year project with BOSF to reforest 28 ha in Kapuas in collaboration with the village of Katimpun under the village forest social forestry scheme. In late 2023, the area was planted in its entirety with six different tree species, preparing 2024 and 2025 to focus on monitoring and maintenance. Five permanent sample plots were set up and monitored, revealing that 15 tree species were thriving with a survivorship rate of 77% in early 2024 and 67% in late 2025. Replacement planting of 7,918 seedlings was carried out in mid May 2024.

To ensure this young forest was free from threats, in late 2025, the team carried out manual weeding of aggressive species and rewetted the peat during the dry season to prevent fires. Furthermore, teams assembled by the community patrolled the area during the dry season to check for fire outbreaks and illegal activities and, in 2025, no fire outbreaks or illegal activities were reported in the planting areas.

As the project came to a close at the end of 2025, with the forest growing and animals returning, it is now under the protection of the local Katimpun community. They help restore the forest and now they will be its stewards. In return, the forest will help regulate the local climate and offer sustainable resources to the future generations. Thank you for your support in restoring these wild spaces and we cannot wait to do it again!







Area Reforested **28ha**

39,096 Total Seedlings Planted
31,178 initially in November 2023
7,918 replacement seedlings in May 2024

\# Species Planted **6**

15 # Species Growing

Patrols in 2025 Fire Season **4**

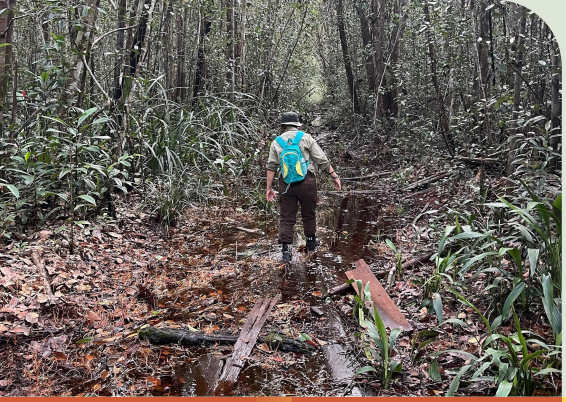
5 Fires Before Project

Fires in 2025 **0**

0 Illegal Activities in 2025

52 New Jobs Created by Project

>100 Local People Benefitting





Project Spotlight

VENTURING DEEPER IN THE JUNGLE WITH BNF

The Borneo Nature Foundation has operated their field camp, the Natural Laboratory of Peat-swamp Forest, in the Sebangau National Park for over 26 years as a hub for education, research, and protection of orangutans and countless other jungle species. However, the decades of work, hundreds of visitors, acidic peat, and humid climate had taken its toll on the camp infrastructure. Furthermore, the only safe and efficient way to move about the swamp forest is on raised boardwalks that were limited to just 800 m.

In 2025, Orangutan Outreach took action to help repair the camp and extend the boardwalk system. The BNF team collaborated with the local community to upgrade the camp foundations, replace the floorboards, rebuild dorm rooms, install a new septic system, procedure new tables, and build expanded staff sleeping quarters. Following this, another 1,000 m of boardwalks were built, doubling their reach into the forest.

Today, the camp can house nearly 30 people and the boardwalk system covers 1.8 km of forest - all thanks to this construction project. For the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic, they were able to host a student field course in the summer of 2025. The course was attended by 10 students, 5 from Indonesia and 5 from foreign countries, and was a huge success. These students are the next generation of researchers and conservationists. One of the participants, Lisa, shared with us, “I feel like I got a better idea of the possibilities in the field of conservation. I already had the theoretical background, but I didn’t have the field experience, and now I do.”

Community Spotlight

KERENG BANGKIRAI VILLAGE



Conservation starts with community. It is only when everyone benefits, humans and orangutans alike, that we know solutions will be long lasting. In Orangutan Outreach's support of camp repairs and boardwalk extension with BNF, they have also partnered with the village of Kereng Bangkirai. This is a village on the edge of Sebangau National Park who benefits from its protection and conservation efforts. In addition to their other community development initiatives, the new jobs created by this project were offered to members of this Ngaju Dayak community.

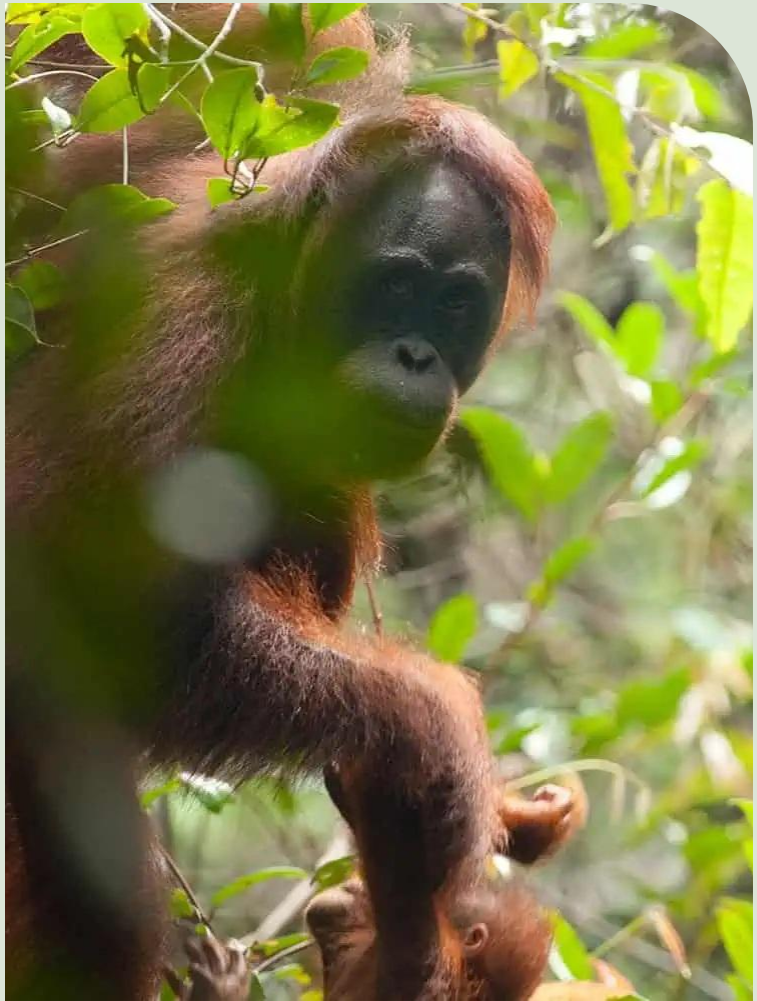
The greater indigenous ethnic group across Borneo are known as the Dayaks, but they are actually composed of hundreds of sub-ethnic groups, many with their own unique language. Kereng Bangkirai is home to approximately 7,000 people, most of which are Ngaju Dayak. This is the prominent group in Central Kalimantan and today they still thrive in forest-based communities as well as the larger cities in the province.

Orangutan Outreach helped fund repairs to BNF's research camp and extension of the forest boardwalk for monitoring orangutans in Sebangau National Park. This project not only aided in research and education initiatives, but brought opportunities to the community of Kereng Bangkirai. The entire construction team was hired from the village and provided income to more than eight families, proving that intact forests offer economic opportunities.

Orangutan Spotlight

MEET FEB

Deep in the peat swamp forests of the Sebangau National National Park roams orangutans known by the Borneo Nature Foundation research teams as the F-Family. Their matriarch, Feb, was born in Sebangau back in 1998. Some of the team members still remember following her when she was just a baby clinging to the side of her mother, Cleo.



A lot has changed over the years, as Feb grew into a skilled, confident, and successful adult orangutan. In 2010, she had her first child, a daughter named Fio. She raised her daughter with confidence and went on to give birth two more children, Fay in 2019 and her newest baby in 2024. At the same time, her mother Cleo, went on to give Feb two younger siblings, Chivers and Chuck. While the families explore their own areas of the forest, they occasionally run into one another and there is nothing sweeter than news of a family reunion! Thank you for keeping watch over the forest, Feb!

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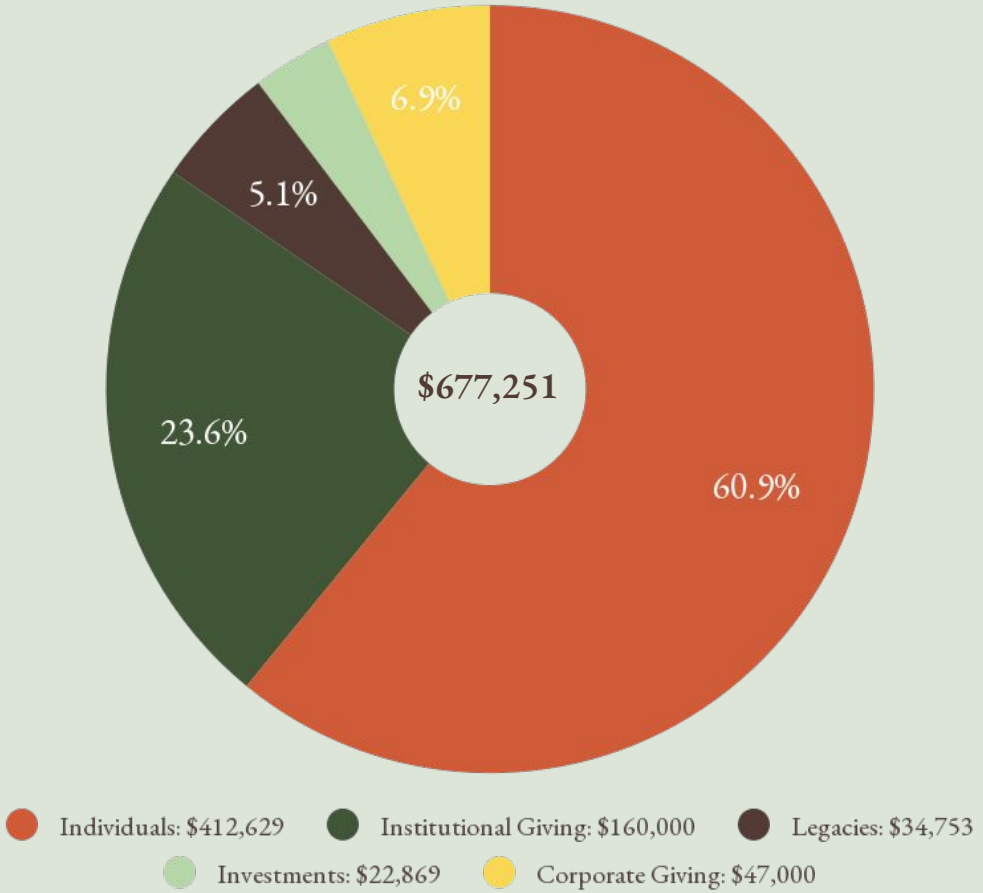
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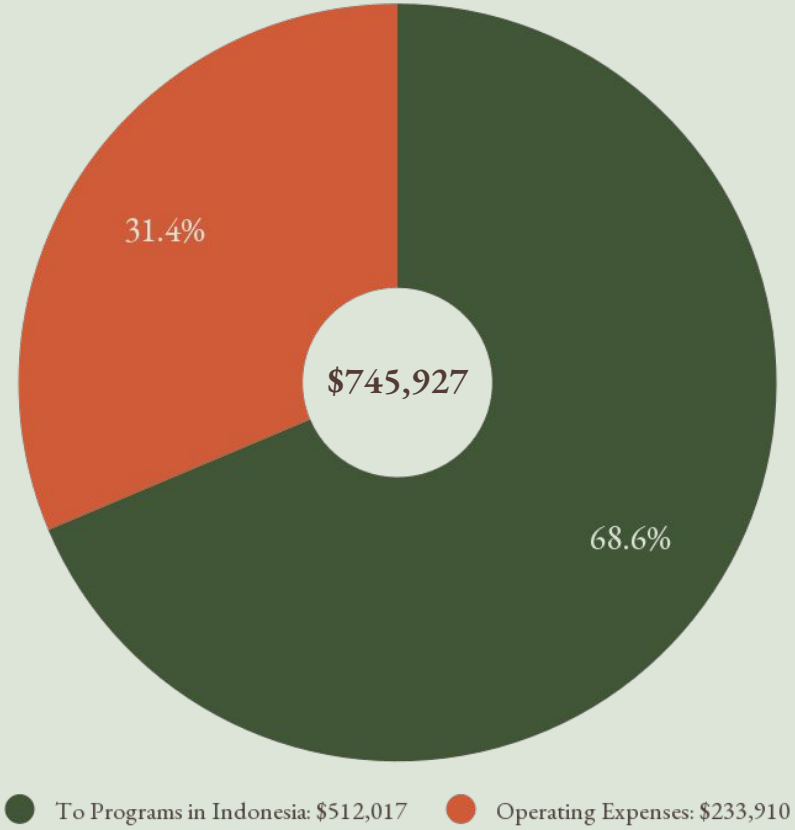
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FUNDS RAISED FOR CONSERVATION

*__Note:__ Funds raised from individuals include funds donated via the Orangutan Outreach adoption program and funds donated in the form of cryptocurrency.



CONSERVATION EXPENSES



*__Note:__ Funds sent to programs were accrued in 2025 *and* the end of 2024. Some funds received at the end of 2025 were not sent to our partners *until* January 2026. This will be reflected in our 2026 Annual Report.

Program Breakdown

BOSF:	$98,000.00
YIARI:	$54,000.00
SOCP:	$288,000.00
BNF:	$32,717.00
CAN:	$39,300.00

A NOTE OF DEEPEST GRATITUDE

As another year comes to a close, we want to take a moment to reflect on all that we have achieved together. While our individual efforts are indispensable, it is our combined action that creates true impact for orangutans. Orangutan Outreach represents a shared love for orangutans and what happens when we come together and say “not today” to extinction.

Each and every one of you reading this report, everyone who donated, spread the word, or took action for orangutans, you are the reason we have been able to help orangutans. Thank you to our supporters, adoptive parents, donors, foundations, corporate partners, and volunteers. Together we have been able to take action on the ground, rescuing orangutans from dire straits, restoring forests that have been pillaged by greed, and giving a second chance at freedom to our red-haired cousins.

Thank you for trusting us to turn your wishes into action. Thank you for giving your time, your funds, and your hearts to conservation. Thank you for your dedication to the long fight against extinction. And, above all, thank you for caring about orangutans - without you, they wouldn’t have a future.

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