

# OUR THEORY OF CHANGE

## OUR VISION

All orangutans will live in their natural habitat in secure and viable populations alongside prosperous and empowered forest communities.

### THE CURRENT SITUATION

*Critically Endangered* orangutans are being driven to extinction by human action.

Remaining lowland and riverine rainforests—critical habitat for orangutans—are being threatened by deforestation from extractive and exploitative industries including legal and illegal logging and unsustainable monoculture agriculture.

Important ecosystems are not legally protected. Where they are, this is not being effectively enforced.

Climate change and forest fires exacerbate these threats.

Orangutans also fall victim to poaching, the illegal wildlife trade and human-orangutan conflict.

### WHAT WE DO

- We fund and support local partners to:
- Secure suitable rainforest habitat for orangutan populations.
  - Restore degraded rainforest habitat and assist in ecosystem recovery.
  - Conduct forest patrols.
  - Monitor forest and biodiversity.
  - Rescue orphaned and displaced orangutans.
  - Release rehabilitated and/or translocate displaced orangutans.
  - Provide ongoing care for orangutans where needed.
  - Educate forest communities.
  - Improve livelihoods for forest communities.
  - Investigate wildlife crime, infiltrate illegal networks and assist authorities.
  - Empower community representatives to become advocates for rainforest conservation.
  - Provide scholarships and training programs.

## THE CHANGE WE CONTRIBUTE TO

### IMMEDIATE

### PROLONGED

### SUSTAINED

### PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

Sustainable orangutan populations are supported in restored, legally secured and protected ecosystems.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Viable ecosystems of the right type, shape, and size that can support sustainable orangutan populations are legally secured.</li> <li>• Legally secured ecosystems are practically protected (through Wildlife Protection Units).</li> <li>• Degraded habitat within legally protected ecosystems is actively restored (with the participation of forest communities).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Populations of wild orangutans in protected and restored rainforest ecosystems are increasing.</li> <li>• There is a reduction in illegal activities (e.g. logging, poaching) within patrolled areas.</li> <li>• There is increased habitat quality and biodiversity in restored forest areas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orangutan populations are thriving in secure and restored rainforest ecosystems.</li> <li>• Protected and restored ecosystems are environmentally self-sustaining, climate change resilient and support high levels of biodiversity.</li> </ul>
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### ENFORCEMENT

Orangutans and their ecosystems are protected from forest and wildlife crime through the effective enforcement of environmental laws and policies.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest and wildlife crime activities and networks are investigated and disrupted.</li> <li>• People have improved understanding of the laws pertaining to forest and wildlife protection.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instances of forest and wildlife crime are significantly reduced.</li> <li>• Existing environmental laws and policies are more strongly enforced.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People participate less in activities that negatively impact rainforests and orangutan populations.</li> <li>• Ecosystems and their biodiversity are protected and conserved ongoingly.</li> </ul>
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## REINTRODUCTION AND PRESERVATION

Orphaned, displaced and captive orangutans are reintroduced into protected habitat.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orphaned, displaced, injured or at-risk orangutans are rescued and provided medical care and rehabilitation if needed.</li> <li>Rescued orangutans are released or translocated into protected habitats.</li> <li>Unreleasable orangutans are provided ongoing care in purpose-built rainforest sanctuaries.</li> <li>Forest communities actively engage in human-orangutan conflict mitigation strategies to protect communities, homes and livelihoods.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released and translocated orangutans have high rates of adaptation and survival, are integrated into the local ecosystem and are reproducing.</li> <li>Unreleasable orangutans are contributing to a self-sustaining population of wild orangutans through the release of their offspring into protected habitat.</li> <li>Reduced instances of human-orangutan conflict.</li> <li>Forest communities and their livelihoods are protected.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orangutan populations are thriving in secure and restored rainforest ecosystems.</li> <li>Forest communities and orangutans co-exist harmoniously.</li> </ul>
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## EMPOWERMENT

Forest communities are resourced and empowered to live well in wildlife friendly ways and be guardians of their own forest resources. Young Indonesians are supported to pursue careers in conservation to secure a sustainable future for Indonesia's wildlife and its ecosystems.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People have improved understanding of the threats to and value of rainforests and orangutans and the role they play in their protection.</li> <li>Young Indonesians are provided the opportunity to undertake higher education in conservation studies (e.g. forest conservation, veterinary science, biology) through scholarships and training programs.</li> <li>People have increased knowledge of and access to wildlife-friendly livelihoods.</li> <li>People have increased knowledge of how to undertake effective conservation advocacy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People have more positive attitudes towards rainforests and orangutans.</li> <li>People act and advocate within their communities for the protection of rainforests and orangutans.</li> <li>Young Indonesians with positive attitudes and training in conservation studies are employed in the private, nonprofit and government sectors.</li> <li>People increasingly participate in wildlife friendly livelihoods.</li> <li>People increasingly participate in local and national conservation advocacy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People participate less in activities that negatively impact threatened rainforests and species (e.g. poaching, hunting, lighting of fires).</li> <li>Forest communities are empowered through education and economic affluence.</li> <li>Young Indonesians with positive attitudes and experience in conservation drive local and national initiatives, influence policy and drive community actions towards more effective conservation efforts.</li> <li>People and communities are more able to meaningfully influence local and national decision-making.</li> </ul>
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## OUR IMPACT

Orangutans are thriving in secure, resilient rainforests, supported by empowered forest communities, strong environmental laws, and a culture of responsibility, ensuring lasting biodiversity and natural resource management.