

Reducing deforestation in Zambia.

We're helping the world combat climate change while also helping children like Nchimunya access a brighter future.



Nchimunya is a grade 6 student from Chilimba Community School benefitting from Environmental Education classes.



BCP™



Zambia

Deforestation accounts for an estimated 15% of the world's CO² emissions

Zambia loses forest four times the size of New York city to deforestation every year. That's on average 300,000 hectares of trees and valuable wildlife habitat disappearing annually due to charcoal production and traditional farming techniques. Deforestation in Zambia not only contributes to global climate change, but it also exacerbates the loss of already threatened African wildlife species such as elephant and lion.

BCP is an African based and African focused social enterprise. Our mission is Making African Forests Valuable to People. We develop forest carbon offset projects in areas of global biodiversity significance which target powerful community impacts.



BCP's proven model keeps
Zambian forests standing and
brings benefits to communities
and wildlife.

BCP works hand in hand with rural communities to develop long-term binding agreements to protect forests for future generations. Through the sale of verified forest carbon offsets we are creating jobs, improving healthcare and education opportunities for local communities; while also conserving valuable habitat for wildlife.

The research and technology used in the generation of these carbon offsets were made possible with funding by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) through the Community Forests Program (CFP).



Lower Zambezi REDD+ Project

BCP's Lower Zambezi REDD+ Project, under the Community Forests Program, works with over 8,300 local community members to improve their land use practices and conserve threatened forest and wildlife through the support of USAID.

Since 2012, the Lower Zambezi REDD+ Project has protected 39,000 hectares of forest in Zambia's Lusaka Province. Sharing a 60km boundary with the Lower Zambezi National Park, our project

provides a vital buffer to this globally significant wildlife area, which is part of one of Africa's ten last lion strongholds.

To date, this project has helped to keep 1.79 million trees standing in Zambia, which also kept 641,500 tons of carbon dioxide emissions out of the atmosphere - an achievement equivalent to removing 137,000 vehicles from the road for a year.



You can help combat climate change,

save endangered wildlife, and ensure that people like Nchimunya have access to a brighter future. Neutralize your carbon emissions by purchasing verified offsets from BCP.



How communities & wildlife benefit:

- 👉 **US\$500,000 in benefits** to local community stakeholders, which has positively impacted an estimated 8,300 people.
- 👉 **425+ students**, like Nchimunya, are benefiting from investments in teachers' salaries and housing; and from access to Environmental Education classes.
- 👉 **67% of fresh running water** in 28 villages has been provided through project funded boreholes.
- 👉 **610+ farmers** trained in improved land use techniques that enhance crop yield and reduce the need to clear forest and relocate periodically.
- 👉 **Lions, leopards, wild dogs and sable**, amongst other wildlife, have access to a more secure habitat.
- 👉 **The incubation of small businesses** such as Beekeeping and Honey production through training and supplying sustainably built beehives. 3,000 hives distributed to date. Objective is 15,000 by 2026.
- 👉 **Community-based Eco-Charcoal project:** Rural producers supplying the capital city with sustainable fuel.
- 👉 **8,300 community members** are seeing their livelihoods improved by conserving the forests.

Leading, independent verifications

BCP's avoided deforestation projects are validated and verified to the highest independent standards in the global voluntary carbon markets.

Lower Zambezi REDD+ Project

CCB Standard: This project was the first in Africa and second in the world to be validated to the gold level against all three categories of the CCB Second Edition for climate change adaptation and exceptional community and biodiversity benefits; the highest level of recognition.

VCS: Lower Zambezi REDD+ Project is one of only a few projects in the world to have successfully completed three consecutive VCS Verifications to issue Carbon Offsets.



Luangwa Community Forests Project

This project aims to protect 750,000 hectares of forest in Zambia's Luangwa Valley ecosystem and improve land management across 2 million hectares. The Luangwa Community Forests Project will benefit 53,000 people through sustainable livelihood activities like beekeeping and honey production; and improved access to fresh water, medical facilities and education.

Supported through the USAID-funded Community Forests Program, a five-year initiative to expand community-led forest protection activities in Zambia. This is the largest forest carbon offset program in Zambia to date. Forest protection is made possible through partnerships with local communities, traditional leaders, and the Government of Zambia, including the Forestry Department and Department of National Parks and Wildlife.



This project protects critical areas of the Luangwa Valley ecosystem; home to more than 13,500 elephant, as well as lion, leopard, wild dog and the endemic Thornicroft giraffe.

The Luangwa Community Forests Project acts as a protective buffer to South Luangwa, Luambe and Lower Zambezi National Parks, providing additional safe habitat for wildlife.

Partner Testimonial

“We are proud to support BCP’s Lower
Zambezi REDD+ Project.

The high level of real benefits being delivered on the ground
to communities and wildlife through this project are
unparalleled in the fight against climate change.” (Eneco)

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