Our Conservation Initiatives
Bushlife Conservancy is our primary funding partner and their small team does amazing work raising funds for conservation. They are a section 501(c)(3) registered charity in the United States. Their mission is to “Protect and save African wildlife for future generations in the Mana Pools and Zambezi Valley areas of Zimbabwe”.

The focus of Bushlife Conservancy’s work in 2020 and 2021 is helping uplift the communities next to Mana Pools National Park to mitigate the effects of Covid-19, fund more elephant collars to track the iconic bulls, and work with Zimbabwe National Parks and Wildlife Authority on a joint Large Carnivore Research Programme to develop wildlife management programmes.

Nkululeko “Freedom” Hlongwane, the Bushlife Conservancy Anti-Poaching Manager & Community Liaison Officer was one of only 13 people from the whole of Africa to be invited to join the African Regional Program in the International Visitor Leadership Program, which was run by the US Fisheries and Wildlife Services in 2019. He gained valuable knowledge in creating relevant programmes for Zimbabwe, and is a real asset to the Bushlife Conservancy team.
In 2015, following many years of continuous work on the anti-poaching front, the Bushlife Support Unit was set up, uniting the Zambezi Valley community together in a consolidated effort to stop poaching in the area.

The Bushlife Support Unit is our “boots-on-the-ground” team. Anti-poaching patrols are deployed daily but on land and on boat, in conjunction with Zimbabwe National Parks rangers. BSU is also involved in helping to manage human/wildlife conflicts and relocating problem animals when required.

The Bushlife Painted Wolf Conservancy is a branch of Bushlife Support Unit Trust and specialises in the research and conservation of the African Wild Dog. Nick Murray was the lead guide for the Painted Wolf episode of the global BBC Earth Dynasties series narrated by Sir David Attenborough, which brought much-needed attention to the plight of this endangered species.
"It's surely our responsibility to do everything within our power to create a planet that provides a home not just for us, but for all life on Earth."

Sir David Attenborough