



Limbe Wildlife Centre

A collaboration between Pandrillus Cameroon and the Government of Cameroon's Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF)

Limbe, South West Region, Cameroon, PO BOX 878

Infant animal care and enrichment coordinator

The Limbe Wildlife Centre is looking for a dedicated volunteer to join our team and contribute to our mission of protecting Cameroon's unique wildlife: take an crucial and active role in the care of young orphans and enrichment coordination at the LWC.

We are looking for a dedicated individual to make a long-term commitment (min.3 to 6 months), whose ultimate responsibility is to provide a safe, stable, and stimulating environment for the young orphans in their care; and create a varied and stimulating enrichment programme for all 190 primates and other animals at the LWC. The successful volunteer will be trained by our experienced staff (although prior similar experience is highly beneficial) and work alongside our excellent animal care and veterinary teams to give the best possible second chance to victims of the illegal wildlife and pet trade in Cameroon. This position will be ideal for an individual with some previous experience in animal care who wishes to take on more responsibility and grow their skills in a dynamic international team.

Role description

- The volunteer will be directly responsible for the daily needs of orphan primates at the LWC.
 - Meeting the nutritional, psychological and developmental needs of orphan animals, potentially spending long hours with them as their surrogate 'mother'.
 - Maintaining an excellent daily record of the animal's diet, behaviour, and health
 - Maintaining high cleaning, hygiene and biosecurity standards
 - Communicating with animal care, veterinary and management teams
 - The hours the volunteer will work are dependent on the needs at the time and may include night shifts
- Responsibilities for enrichment coordination:
 - Creating and implementing a daily enrichment programme which provides a varied supply of items that stimulates the animals under our care at LWC
 - Coordinating other volunteers and staff to assist with the making of enrichment
 - Monitoring animal use of enrichment and making necessary improvements
 - Planning ahead with the assistance of animal carers and management to ensure the correct food and material resources are available for the enrichment programme

Normal working hours are 8:00am to 5:00pm, 6 days a week. These hours will vary.

The right volunteer will:

- Most importantly be dedicated, patient and creative in the care of small non-human primates and other wildlife species

- This is a practical hands-on role which may involve long hours in close proximity to young primates (and many insects!) in a hot, humid tropical environment.
- Be passionate about animals (especially infants) and wildlife conservation
- Have previous experience with non-human primates and wildlife
- Be patient, reliable, organised and professional
- Have previous experience making enrichment for a variety of species
- Be willing to make a long-term commitment (3 months minimum, 6 months or more preferred)
- Be happy to adhere to established protocols and instructions from management
- Understand the importance of following the guidelines and expectations of volunteer duties, roles, schedules, and requirements
- Have the ability to work long shifts or for extended periods of time
- Be fluent in spoken and written English
- Excellent communication skills, including writing and MS office.
- Be a good independent worker
- Be resourceful and creative with available supplies
- Physically fit and able to work in a hot and humid tropical climate
- Be willing to have all necessary tests (TB, HIV and medical) and vaccinations (yellow fever, typhoid, COVID-19, hepatitis A, hepatitis B and DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, and polio)

The volunteer will be provided with:

- You will be provided with a reasonable monthly food and drinks allowance of 100,000XAF with 5,000XAF for phone credit
- You will receive accommodation in a Pandrillus house, as well as house security from 6.00am to 6.00pm seven days per week and housekeeping five days per week
- Lunch is provided on work days

A probation period will apply for the first month.

Your time and support make a massive difference to all the rescued animals that have been given a second chance at Limbe Wildlife Centre and we thank you for considering this role. The LWC completely depends on donations, therefore we are not able to reimburse travel costs.

Please apply by email by submitting a cover letter and detailed CV to info@limbewildlife.org

