

# **CONSERVATION CIRCLE**





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### **ABOUT CCF**

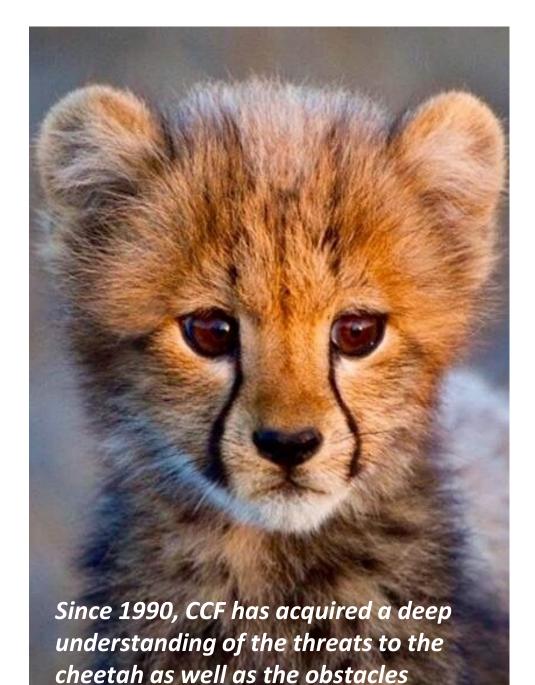
Cheetah Conservation Fund (CCF) is a global non-profit organisation and a leader in the research and conservation of the cheetah. CCF was founded in 1990 by Dr Laurie Marker, a leading conservation biologist and a pioneer of cheetah research.

Having worked with cheetahs since 1974, Dr Marker saw the need to establish a permanent research, education and conservation centre in Namibia to conserve the cheetah in the wild.

CCF takes a long-term and systemic approach to its work. It recognises the importance and value of creating solutions where cheetahs and humans can thrive together.

The cheetah is the most endangered big cat in Africa. Although currently classified as *Vulnerable* by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), with submissions to upgrade to *"Endangered"*, cheetahs are rapidly heading towards extinction.

Cheetahs have already disappeared from more than 20 countries around the world. These unique animals deserve our protection. The race is on to save the cheetah and with your help, it can be won.



surrounding its survival.

### **CCF: OUR ACHIEVEMENTS**

Among its many achievements, CCF has changed the cultural attitude of an entire nation towards its wildlife; a country that formerly exterminated cheetahs, Namibia has become the *"Cheetah Capital of the World"* and the leader in wildlife conservation among African nations. CCF has also:

- Conducted and published baseline information on the cheetah and its ecosystem.
- Delivered direct training to more than 8,000
   Namibian farmers.
- ✓ Reached over 500,000 Namibian students through outreach activity.
- ✓ Stabilised the wild cheetah population in Namibia.
- ✓ Generated more than \$7.5 million annual impact on Namibia's economy
- Helped build successful conservation programmes elsewhere in the world.
- ✓ Trained more than 500 African biologists, in 15 cheetah-range countries.

### Wh The WOIL

Over the last century, we've lost more than 92% of the world's wild cheetah population.

### WHY SAVE THE CHEETAH

#### The need for action

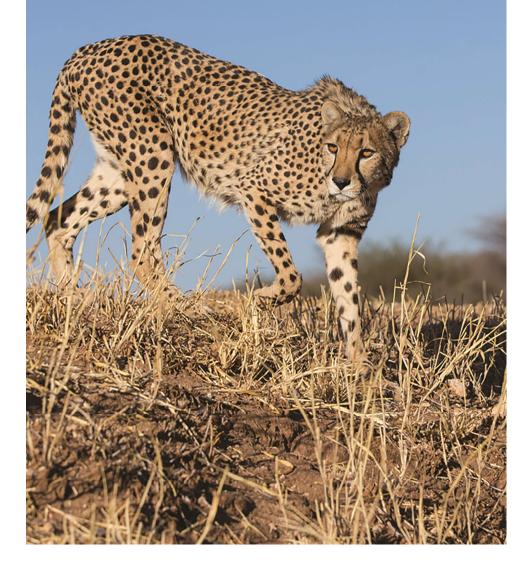
There are only 7,100 cheetahs remaining in the world, distributed over 33 populations in 20 countries in Africa and the Middle East.

More than 50% of cheetahs are found in just 6 countries in southern Africa (Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa and Zambia). There is only one other population comprising more than 1,000 cheetahs, while the remaining populations are comprised of 200 cheetahs or less.

#### What happens if the cheetah disappears?

The Cheetah is an apex predator and without it, there would be serious repercussions that would affect all species in their ecosystem, including humans. Species hunted by the cheetah would not be as healthy; reducing ecosystem biodiversity and weaker animals normally targeted by the cheetah would proliferate and reproduce, thus diluting their species' healthy gene pool. Prey species numbers would grow, increasing environmental impact, soil erosion and climate change.

With your support, CCF can build on its past successes and increase the scale, reach and impact of its important work. CCF forms mutually beneficial partnerships with companies and individuals to ensure the continued success of its programmes.



### **CONSERVATION CIRCLE**

CCF has the ability to save the cheetah from extinction, definitively. This goal is within its power to achieve but to do so CCF must raise £20 million over the next five years.

Through its Conservation Circle, CCF forms a variety of partnerships with companies and philanthropists to secure vital funds that will help to create a world in which cheetahs live and flourish in co-existence with people and the environment.

There are a number of ways you can support CCF, including:

- ✓ Making a major gift
- Becoming a brand partner
- ✓ Sponsoring a specific programme
- ✓ Joining as an annual corporate member

Your support would enable CCF to sustain and evolve its current activity, invest in its growing infrastructure, and develop new initiatives that will help save the cheetah.

More must and can be done. By joining CCF's Conservation Circle you can help CCF to save a species. What an amazing concept.

## **FUNDING PRIORITIES**

ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
Reducing Human- Wildlife Conflict: Future Farmers of Africa Livestock Guarding Dogs	<ul> <li>Reduction in the killing of livestock.</li> <li>Reduction in the killing of cheetahs.</li> <li>Increased number of women taking an active role in their communities.</li> <li>Improved and sustainable livelihoods for rural communities.</li> </ul>
Conservation and biodiversity protection: Genetics research Field studies	<ul> <li>Increased understanding of how to protect and save the cheetah.</li> <li>Economic development and growth whilst protecting the environment and the cheetah habitat.</li> </ul>
<b>Education:</b> Schools outreach Training future Conservationists	<ul> <li>✓ Increased knowledge and expertise to protect, for generations to come.</li> </ul>
Regional and global outreach: Dissemination of research Talks and presentations	<ul> <li>✓ Engaged and active global 'cheetah community'.</li> <li>✓ Shared learning across the 'cheetah community'.</li> <li>✓ Increased, global awareness of the plight of the cheetah.</li> </ul>
Public education: Influencing policy Campaigns	<ul> <li>✓ Reduction in the illegal trafficking of cheetahs.</li> </ul>

# **YOUR SUPPORT**

#### **MAJOR GIFTS**

CCF welcomes discussions with philanthropists who wish to make a transformative gift, recognising this is a very personal choice. By supporting CCF in this way, you can help create a permanent place for cheetahs on Earth.

#### **BRAND PARTNERS**

CCF Brand Partners will receive brand exposure across multiple channels, increasing business visibility:

- ✓ 350,000 unique visitors to the CCF website
- ✓ 250,000 Facebook followers
- ✓ 17,000 Twitter followers
- ✓ 15,000 Instagram followers

#### **PROGRAMME SPONSORS**

Programme sponsors can have a direct impact on the growth and development of CCF's annual programmes, by providing significant support in the areas of conservation, research, education and outreach.

- ✓ Lead sponsor £75,000
- ✓ Co-sponsor £50,000
- ✓ Sponsor £25,000

#### **MEMBERS**

An annual commitment of £10,000 a year will provide invaluable support of the day-to-day running of CCF.

### **HELP SAVE A SPECIES**



#### Funding of £200,000

is needed each year to deliver the Future Farmers of Africa Programme, which provides vital support to the poorest and most marginalised farming community. The programme teaches farmers how to create sustainable livelihoods by implementing nonlethal methods of predator control.

### Funding of £100,000

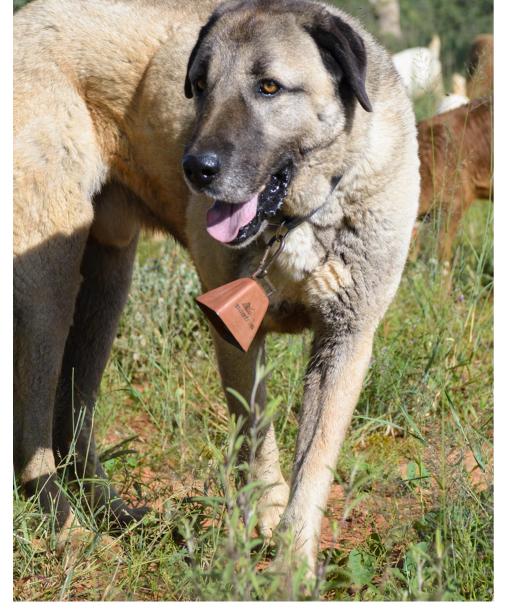
is required each year to deliver CCF's Education Programme, which aims to equip the next generation of farmers and conservation managers with the best training, skill and knowledge available to help protect the cheetah and their ecosystems for years to come.

#### Funding of £50,000

would enable CCF to increase its capacity to tackle the causes and impacts of the Illegal Wildlife Trade, which continues to pose a huge threat to the cheetah. With your support, CCF can increase global awareness, continue to track and report cases of trafficking and strengthen law enforcement

#### Funding of £30,000.

would support the annual cost of providing food to CCF's 200 active livestock guarding dogs that work on farms across Namibia, and other cheetahrange countries. These special dogs are allocated to farmers and them to protect their livestock and reduce Human-Wildlife Conflict. With additional funds, CCF can work towards a permanent solution to the cheetah conservation crisis.



### **BENEFITS**

All supporters will receive due recognition for their generosity and CCF will work with you to develop a tailored package of benefits that spans:

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- ✓ Listing in CCF Annual Report
- ✓ Listing on the CCF website

#### PROMOTION

- ✓ Pre-approved use of the CCF logo
- ✓ Press and PR to promote the association
- Visibility in supporter newsletters

#### CONNECTION

- ✓ Opportunity to create a named fund in support of one or more of CCF's programmes
- ✓ Project and programme updates
- ✓ Opportunity to meet key CCF Staff

#### **ENGAGEMENT**

- Employee/engagement opportunities
- ✓ Invitations to Special Events throughout the year
- $\checkmark$  Network with members of the Conservation Circle



# **COLLECTIVE IMPACT**

To achieve its priorities, it is imperative that CCF work with a broad range of partners and supporters. Doing so will ensure that economic, social and environmental issues in Namibia and other cheetah range counties are addressed. As a result, the probability of saving the cheetah from extinction will increase.

Our collective impact will also contribute to achieving the following United Nations' Goals for Sustainable Development:

- ✓ Goal 5: Gender equality and empower all women and girls.
- ✓ Goal 7: Access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.
- ✓ Goal 8: Sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all.
- ✓ Goal 13: Urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.
- Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss.

### **PEOPLE AND PARTNERS**

### Founder and Executive Director

Dr. Laurie Marker, DPhil

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