

# Orang Utan Republik Foundation



**Saving a species through education initiatives & innovative collaborative projects that inspire people to action.**

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## The orangutan crisis

All three species of wild orangutans are critically endangered, and only found on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra. The two Sumatran species, *Pongo abelii* and the newly described *Pongo tapanuliensis*, consist of only 13,800 and 800 animals, respectively. On Borneo 70,000–100,000 orangutans remain. It's estimated that approximately 10% of the populations are lost each year. Between 1999 and 2015, over 100,000 Bornean orangutans died due to loss of habitat and hunting. At this rate of decline, the species is projected to become extinct in much of its range within 10 years.

While rain forest habitat loss is the main threat to orangutans, they're also killed as pests or in the process of acquiring them as pets. Others struggle to compete in dwindling pockets of habitat and starve. To save the orangutan from extinction, local Indonesians must come to value orangutans and take action.



## How OURF is helping

The Orang Utan Republik Foundation (OURF) was founded in 2004 as an initiative to help save wild orangutans from extinction through education initiatives and innovative collaborative projects.

*Raising awareness locally & globally*



Together with local partners in Indonesia, OURF uses a variety of programs and approaches to achieve its mission, including:

- Hosting International Orangutan Day, Orangutan Caring Week, and Earth Day activities that shine a spotlight on the orangutan's plight.
- Running the Community Education & Conservation Program (CECP), which reduces human-orangutan conflict through education and by improving the livelihoods of villagers who live near orangutan habitat.

