

LCMO is a grass root Environmental Conservation Non– Governmental Organization operating in Western Tanzania. LCMO’s mission is to promote conservation with all means and improve community livelihoods. By aiming to mitigate human wildlife conflict and enhance nature-related research LCMO aims to explore innovative pathways to develop community-based conservation initiatives with ecotourism, wildlife and cultural activities.

Some of our 2022 highlights include:

- ❖ LCMO conducted six park trips and 240 community members and their leaders from Nsimbo, Nkasi, and Mpimbwe District Council (DC) visited Katavi National Park.
- ❖ LCMO reached 39 villages through public meetings and film screening –reaching 14999 people across Katavi, Rukwa, and Tabora regions.
- ❖ Through our health program, we have been able to identify and transport 29 children with different disabilities and related health issues to Plaster House Centre for treatment.
- ❖ LCMO produced and distributed 23590 different tree species seedlings to people and different institutions in Mpimbwe, Nkasi, and Mlele DC.
- ❖ Two villages from Nkasi District Council (Kizi and Ipanda) accepted and passed a bylaw aimed at addressing non-retaliatory lion killings which are due to norms and customs of the pastoralists communities in the landscape. Also, Sungusungu groups (traditional law enforcement groups), influential community leaders from these two villages trained on the implementation of the bylaw.
- ❖ Jonathan and Emmanuel completed Conservation Leadership training under the Maliasili Initiative through Africa Conservation Leadership Network (ACLN)
- ❖ Five LCMO staff participated in Youth for Nature Conference in Arusha, Tanzania.
- ❖ In 2022, LCMO held two different meetings with the Maliasili Initiative team to discuss and start developing a three-year Strategic plan and we are in the final stage of development.



LCMO team (Jonathan and Belinda) handing over the bylaw document to village leaders of Kizi (Nkasi District Council) and on the left is an area police office giving a talk during a village held in Kanoge village, Nsimbo District Council.

Highlights of the last quarter of 2022 – October – December 2022

- ❖ LCMO continued to support conservation education through park visitation. In this last quarter, two groups of 70 People visited Katavi National Park. The groups include students from four schools and community members from Chamalendi Ward who willingly agreed to partly contribute for the trip. Both groups originate from villages bordering Katavi National Park and Mpimbwe WMA and are key play to the present future of conservation in the landscape.
- ❖ LCMO collaborated with Tanzania National Park Authority (Katavi National Park) Nsimbo District Council (District Game Officers), Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (Rukwa and Ugalla Game Reserve), local government authorities, police force to conduct a mega campaign on human lion and other wildlife coexistence, encroachment issues wildlife crime around wildlife areas of Nsimbo DC and beyond. Nsimbo is among the few District Councils with huge chunk of natural forests and potential habitat and recovery areas for wildlife but currently threatened by increased unsustainable land use practices. Through the month of October, our team reached 18 villages and 7435 People participated in 5247 in public meetings and 9752 people on conservation film screening activity.
- ❖ LCMO conducted two live radio sessions with Mpanda FM. This is a continuation of our outreach activity through radio which has a wider coverage; Katavi and some parts of Rukwa and Tabora region. This has been a continuous activity since 2021 and has been made possible by our committed supporters.
- ❖ LCMO through the youth program, conducted tree nursery management training in 10 schools in Council. The trained schools be first to receive seedlings in January 2023.



Students from four schools in Mpimbwe enjoying the view of Hippos at Katavi National Park. Jonathan and Happyness on a live session with Mpanda FM.

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