# Safari Nest

# WILDLIFE FOUNDATION

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND YOUTH PROGRAMS
2024 ANNUAL FUNDRAISER SPONSORSHIPS

501 C3 TAX ID # 91-1837240



Thank you for your interest in becoming a sponsor for the 2024 Annual Fundraiser at Safari West, Saturday, September 7, 2024.

Founded in 1998 as the non-profit wildlife advocacy to Safari West Wildlife Preserve.

Working in close partnership with the Safari West Wildlife Preserve, the Foundation provides opportunities to engage children, their families, and educators to become stewards of wildlife.



**Discover Africa School Program** 

#### **INSPIRING WILDLIFE STEWARDS FOR LIFE**



Your sponsorship supports our Youth Programs:

Safari West LIVE Junior Keepers Discover Africa



**Junior Keepers Program** 







An interactive live-stream experience, scheduled in children's hospitals, Safari West LIVE engages the imagination and inspires the curiosity of young explorers as they virtually ride along with a naturalist through the rolling hills of Safari West.

Program supports children on their road to wellness recovery by offering a reprieve from their long-term hospital stay, and supports positive mental health while reducing fear, anxiety and pain.



## IMPACTS - SAFARI WEST LIVE

**THANKS TO DONOR SUPPORT:** 

**Shows** 

118

**153** 

In 2022

In 2023

Hospital Beds

55,895

64,063

2022

In 2023

"Exponentially helpful for their mental health, and truly for their overall well-being, and in their overall recovery."

Abbie Kreider - Seacrest Dallas Children's Hospital

"Our kids are looking for authenticity. They have a lot of screen time, a lot of recorded content... they're looking to connect and Safari West (LIVE) does that. They connect and keep it entertaining at the same time. The production is really outstanding."

Elyse Cann – Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland

"I think the guides have done a wonderful job of interacting with our hospital, and our patients, and they just don't hesitate to spend as much time as they need to, or we want to, on any of the questions, no matter how off the wall they may be. They're great at adjusting show content for the appropriate age."

Josh Castaneda - Seacrest Studios





## **IMPACTS - DISCOVER AFRICA**

**THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT:** 

## **Schools 17 Title 1 Schools**

2022-23 School Year

Children 880

2022-23 School Year

School Locations

Sonoma County, American Canyon, Napa, Ukiah, Calistoga, Kelseyville, Woodland

#### **Program Details**

The Discover Africa Grant Program is offered to Title 1 schools to enhance classroom conservation, science, and biology school programs. Each 90-minute educational excursion is led by a Safari West Naturalist. Grades 3-12 encounter giraffes, primates, cheetahs, and birds from around the world. This experience provides a conservation-focused exploration of wildlife biology, ecology, and conservation sure to spark an interest in students of all ages. The curriculum undergoes constant refinement to ensure it adheres to California State Science Content Standards.

#### **Mission**

Inspiring Wildlife Stewards for Life by supporting educators and schools in their efforts to educate about the importance, impact, and connection to the natural world. Pre and Post education materials are provided to enhance overall education. Schools are encouraged to submit an application, and sadly only a portion of the schools are selected due to program funding. A vision of the Board of Directors is to offer free access to all children.



WILDLIFE FOUNDATION

## **IMPACTS - JUNIOR KEEPERS**

**THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT:** 



## **Program Details**

The Junior Keeper Program is open to qualified young people between the ages of 12 and 16 years old. It's a opportunity for young people to learn about careers in animal wildlife conservation and science fields. Junior Keepers dedicate one day every weekend, April through October. In addition to working directly with the animals, Junior Keepers are involved with animal caretaker duties such as enrichment, learning curriculum related to biology and fire science. Junior Keepers also work on public speaking skills when presenting at special conservation day events such as Earth Day, World Oceans Day, and fundraisers.

## **20 Junior Keepers Participated**

## **2023 Special Projects**

Endangered Species Projects, Rhinoceros Conservation Project in coordination with the new rhinoceros calf at Safari West.

#### Mission

Inspiring Wildlife Stewards for Life, this program serves as a launch pad for teens interested in wildlife conservation efforts, providing hands-on experience with exotic mammals, reptiles, and birds from all over the world. Junior Keeper graduates have moved into roles as professionals in the zoological, veterinary science, and business fields, supporting wildlife conservation and advocacy.



#### **2023 Junior Keepers:**

"...Junior Keepers offers hands-on experience and an opportunity to learn new skills. It also fulfills community service hours and shows future job loyalty."

"Kids should apply to be a junior keeper because it would give them an opportunity to interact with animals, practice public speaking, and meet new friends."

"If I choose to pursue a career in zookeeping, wildlife management, or environmental science, the experience I have gained from working here would be especially useful. In my day-to-day life, it has given me a deeper understanding of animals and certain animals' needs."

"My favorite part about being in the program is the people I surround myself with and the opportunities it offers me"





#### Be a Conservation Hero and Sponsor our Annual Fundraiser "An Evening on the Serengeti" at Safari West, Saturday, September 7, 2024 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Open to Companies and Individuals includes recognition on all program related materials, website, and social media plus comfort in knowing your sponsorship is making a tangible difference in the lives of children and animals.

#### Sponsorship Levels:

\$5,000 includes 4 annual fundraiser tickets and recognition \$2,500 includes 2 annual fundraiser tickets and recognition \$1,000 includes recognition

Please connect with us to confirm a sponsorship, donate an item(s), or become an annual sponsor for greater impact throughout the year!

## Connect with Us! Safari West Wildlife Foundation

We invite you to connect with us to support and grow conservation education and inspire current and future generations of wildlife advocates.

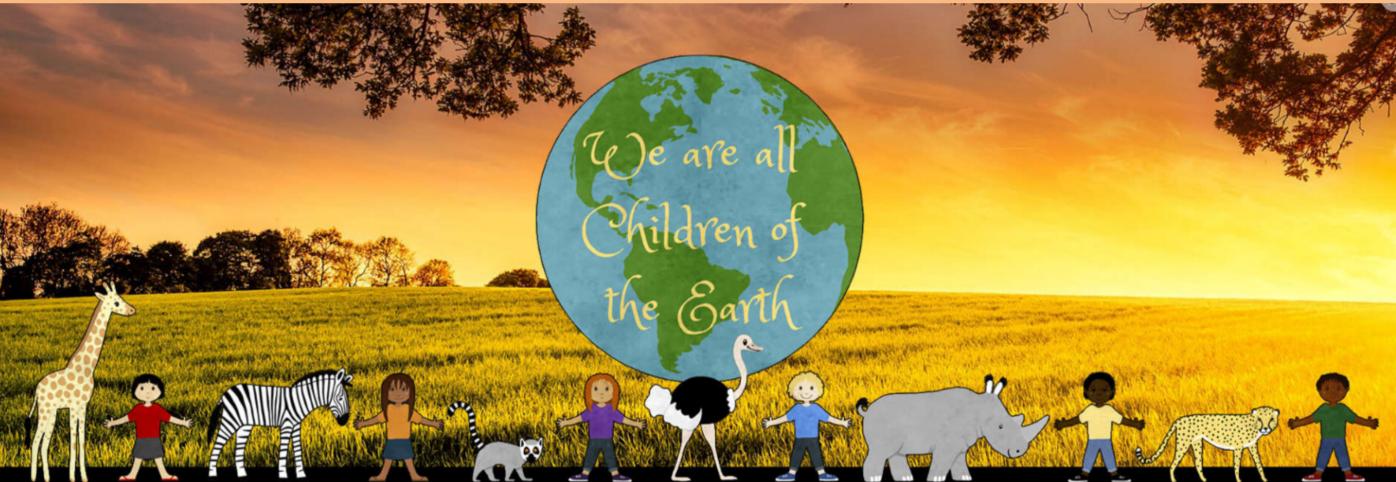
facebook







Gold Transparency 2024 Candid.



Art by

**Cheryl Crowley** 



## CONTACT AND DONATION INFORMATION

### www.safariwestwildlifefoundation.org

Paula Johnson, Development Manager paula@safariwestfoundation.org 707-566-3612

501 c3 Tax ID # 91-1837240

QR Code Scan for more information

