

Sanaga-Yong Chimpanzee Rescue (www.sychimprescue.org) is seeking a veterinarian to start in March 2026 at its chimpanzee sanctuary in Cameroon's Mbargue Forest. A minimum six-month contract is required.

The sanctuary is currently home to 79 rescued chimpanzees ranging in age from less than two years to over 50 years. Most are adults and adolescents. Duties include monitoring the health status of all residents on a daily basis, treating illnesses and injuries in consultation with the management team and supervising veterinarian (in person or by phone or text when she is not on site), and helping train Cameroonian veterinarians.

While experience with chimpanzees is highly preferred, we recognize that many skills are transferable from one species to another, and other skills can be learned on the job. Veterinarians with extensive experience with other animals will be considered. We seek a commitment of six months and you must speak English; French language skills are an asset.

For the right person, this could be a unique and wonderful opportunity to live and work in rural Africa as you play an essential role in the lives of some of the most fascinating beings in the world!

The position provides the following:

Roundtrip flight to Cameroon

Room and board in camp (conditions are rustic in beautiful surroundings – pvt. cabin, limited solar power, pit latrine, bucket showers)

Salary stipend and time off to be discussed.

If interested, please send a letter of interest, CV and any questions to Dr. Sheri Speede, ss@sanaga-yong.org.