

# Foxie Meets New Friends

Meet Foxie- a 40-year-old chimpanzee that has been through a lot of trauma during her life. Then one day there was a dramatic change.

Ha, I will always remember that day. Three weeks ago I had just given birth to my first set of twins, then some people took them away to do medical testing for a human disease. I lived in the bottom of that lab in a basement locked up with no sunlight, toys or other chimps around me. But then came a day that changed my life.

A lady and a few men in armor rescued me and brought me to a beautiful place in Washington; it was what humans call a sanctuary, but to me, it was more like a dream. There were other chimps, toys, and beautiful sunlight. At first, I was scared and angry, so I refused to play with any of the toys until one of my care keepers, Diana, got me something special. Humans often call this a Troll doll from the movie Trolls. My first one was pink (my favorite color), and her name was Poppy. She was like my baby; I would put her on my back and walk around. This troll brightened my mood a bit and helped me forget my past. Then the next day Diana gave me a whole collection of them which made me very happy. Once all the trolls were in my pen, I played dress up with them. I put different clothing on each of them (it's easy for me with my hands and feet to hold on to all the clothing). I was enjoying them so much that I even started to interact with the staff. To this day, I still get many visitors and am very popular on social media. Since I am a chimp, humans cannot understand me, but if they could, I would just say three words: Thank you Diana. Her kindness and love forever changed my life. Bye for now, Poppy is waiting for me! If you get a chance, please come

visit me in Washington and don't forget to bring a Troll doll to add to my family!

(Based on a true story.)



Foxy with her troll

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/chimp-finds-comfort-troll-dolls-years-research-animal/story?id=35648967>

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