

ANNUAL REPORT 2018



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Our mission is to empower people to engage in conservation of animals and their natural habitat.

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+ 15+ years of service

++ 20+ years of service

Mission Accomplished!

Mission Monkeys that is. Thanks to each of you, the DeBrazza's monkeys made their home at the Pueblo Zoo in 2018. With your generous support, funds were secured to build the exhibit and adjacent quarantine space.

Completing Mission: Monkeys has been an exciting journey. Now we're ready to focus even more energy on our overall Mission: to empower people to engage in conservation of animals and their natural habitat. In this annual report, we are telling the stories of how our animals, staff, and volunteers bring our mission to life. "Growing Up Zoo" (p. 16) is a powerful testimony on the lasting effect that the connection between animals and nature can have on our youth.

You will also read about the palpable conservation results your contributions and support are having across the world. On page 12 you will see how your support is impacting wild African dogs, red pandas and African penguins!

While zoo staff are working to provide care for every animal and our conservation partners are taking action on the ground around the world, our educators are working to spread our mission right in Pueblo. More than 100,000 visitors made connections with the amazing animals mentioned throughout this report. Without you, we truly could not make all this magic happen. We hope that you feel a sense of pride as you read through this report and appreciate all that you have made possible. And if you haven't been to the zoo lately, come for a visit and be sure to say hi!

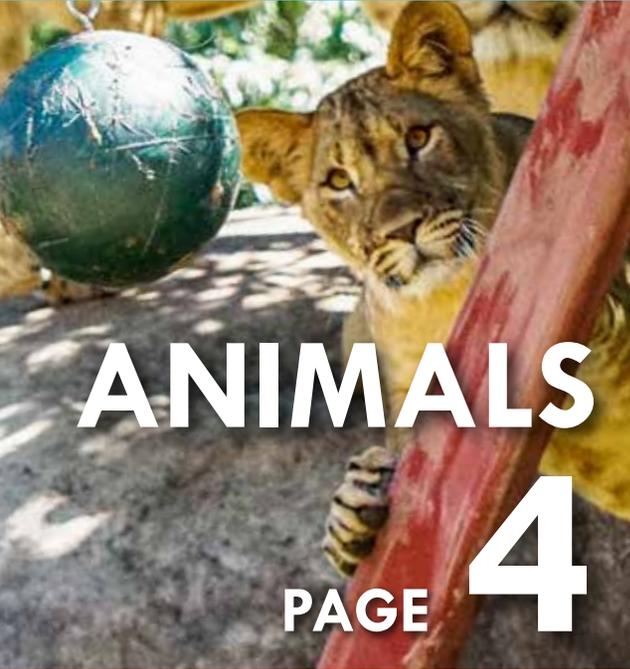
With gratitude,



Neal Weierbach



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JOINING THE FAMILY

Either by birth or transfer, our zoo family is always changing. Here's a look back on some of the highlights of our year:

Dawa, which is Tibetan for moon, was born April 4, 2018. She is our fourth takin baby in four years, and our last for some time. Dad, Danny, passed away shortly before she was born. Mom, Tashi, does not currently have a breeding recommendation. That's all the same to Dawa, who likes sticking close to mom's side, except for when she's climbing to the highest stump or training with her Area Supervisor, Jeanette. Her favorite snacks include yam and apple, as well as Wild Herbivore grain.



Vinnie and Leo were born to our resident ringtails, Pippin and Pixie, on April 30, 2018. Vinnie was named for Vincent Van Gogh because when keepers first handled him, they noticed he was missing an ear! Vinnie was later transferred to a zoo in the United Kingdom to help diversify ringtail populations in accredited European zoos.



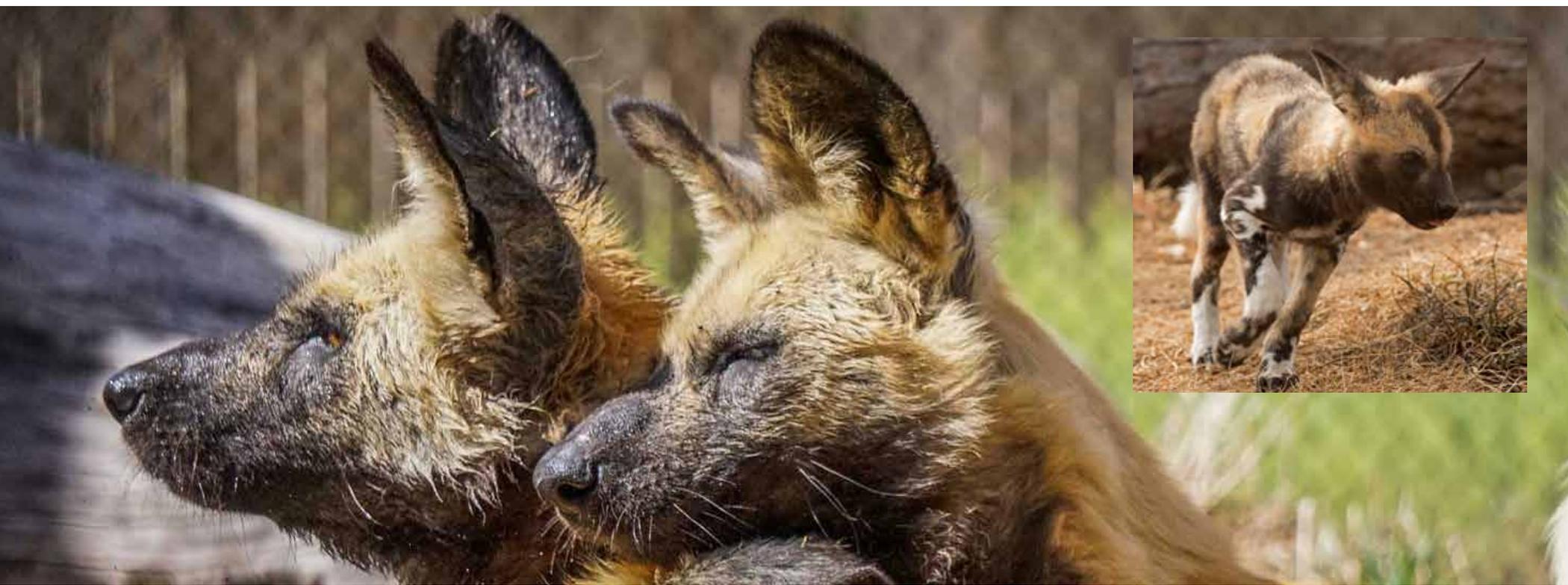
Quinn (above) & Duckie (below) - These two brothers were born within three months of each other at the end of 2018 to first-time parents Percy (Mom) and Berry (Dad). They both are growing quickly and developing their own personalities. So far, big brother Quinn is a bit feisty like Dad, while Duckie is mellow and friendly like Mom. Both are playful swimmers on exhibit.



Toby joined us thanks to a Species Survival Plan (SSP) breeding recommendation. If you've been by the porcupines lately, you may have smelled a new musk. That's Toby. His favorite treats are corn on the cob and apples. He is vocal and loves to train with his keepers. He likes his exhibit-mate Igloo, but she isn't as fond of him yet.



Glory the tenrec joined the Pueblo Zoo on June 14th from Washington, DC. This petite mammal is now a member of the zoo's education team and reaches thousands of children at the zoo and at local schools. Tenrecs are small mammals more closely related to elephants, armadillos, and manatees than hedgehogs!



Amara, Akilah, & JT - Akilah and Amara, sisters from two litters, came from the Houston Zoo in May. Akilah quickly paired with our alpha male Hunter, which led to the zoo's first African painted dog pups. Akilah and Hunter's pup, JT, (inset) was born in October and can be seen with the pack on exhibit.

SAYING GOODBYE

Each year we say farewell to a handful of beloved animals. This is always hard, but we take comfort in the kind words and memories so many of you share with us. Here are a few of the animals you helped us say goodbye to this year:



Jodi joined the Pueblo Zoo as a senior citizen in late 2017, after her home zoo phased out their sun bear exhibit. Though we knew her time with us would be short, staff fell in love with her quickly. She was a motivated participant in her training, and she loved new enrichment. She passed away at 32 years of age on May 28, 2018.



Phi, our four-year old female red panda, passed away unexpectedly on April 25, 2018. Medical exams later revealed that Phi had cardiomyopathy, a condition present in as many as one in three red pandas. Phi was known for being shy, so it was even more rewarding when staff built a strong connection with her through training. She will be missed.



Minzi - Minzi, our beta male African painted dog, died on December 7, 2018, following the birth of pups to our alpha pair. Minzi was one of ten pups born in 2010 at the Brookfield Zoo. Care for African painted dogs is evolving quickly, and Minzi played an important role as a representative of his species during his eight years of life.

Milton, our education cockatiel, was a small bird with a huge personality. Milton traveled to countless classrooms and inspired thousands of children at school programs, outreach events, and programs at the zoo. He loved having a whistle chat whenever staff visited him. He passed away on May 31, 2018, six years after he came to the Pueblo Zoo.

SPECIES AT THE ZOO

The Pueblo Zoo is home to 488 animals of 139 different species from around the globe. 47 of those species are at risk and listed as endangered or threatened according to IUCN or the US Fish & Wildlife Service or managed under an SSP by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA).

AT-RISK MAMMALS

Southern three-banded armadillo
 Rodrigues fruit bat
 Malayan sun bear
 Bactrian camel
 Long-tailed chinchilla
 Kirk's dik dik
 Swift fox
 Speke's gazelle
 Lar gibbon
 Rock hyrax
 Red kangaroo
 Pallas cat
 African painted dog
 Ring-tailed lemur
 African lion
 Pygmy slow loris
 Canada lynx
 Common squirrel monkey
 Meerkat
 North American river otter
 Red panda
 Cape porcupine
 North America porcupine
 Ringtail
 Sichuan takin
 Cotton-top tamarin
 Maned wolf
 Grevy's zebra

AT-RISK BIRDS

Bali mynah
 Lesser sulphur-crested cockatoo
 Grey crowned-crane
 Black naped fruit dove
 Blue crowned motmot
 Yellow-headed Amazon parrot
 Eurasian eagle owl
 Hyacinth macaw
 African penguin
 Sunbittern
 Eurasian black vulture

AT-RISK REPTILES

Virgin Island boa
 San Esteban Island chuckwalla
 Standing's day gecko
 Prehensile tailed skink
 Alligator snapping turtle
 African pancake tortoise
 African spurred tortoise
 Desert tortoise



MAMMALS



BIRDS



INVERTEBRATES



FISH



AMPHIBIANS



REPTILES



Pueblo Zoo total population:

SPECIES

SPECIMENS

47

148

32

120

21

138

5

24

6

13

28

45

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

DE BRAZZA'S MONKEY EXHIBIT OPENS AT PUEBLO ZOO

2016

Southern Colorado Community Foundation Chamberlain Fund, Frank Lamb Foundation, and Jennie & Albert Gersick Foundation provide lead funding for Mission: Monkeys.



2017

The Pueblo Zoo Board of Directors, led by Team Captains Carol Rickman, Anne Hill, Emillia Lloyd, Neal Weierbach, and Evan Burks, reach out to long-time zoo supporters.



2018

March - Project breaks ground.
April - Foundation and pylons installed.
May - Ruby and Kanoa are brought to Pueblo, move in to off-exhibit space.
June - Xcel volunteers build climbing towers.
July - Netting and water feature installed, foliage planted.
July - Exhibit opens July 19th
August - A gift from the Robert Hoag Rawlings Foundation completes the campaign. 104% of goal



253 individual donors

Your support brought this exhibit to life from grassroots.

Thank you.



De Brazza's monkeys were chosen for this exhibit for their dynamic personality. They develop connections with visitors and are excellent ambassadors for the conservation mission of the Pueblo Zoo. Through the De Brazza's, guests leave with a drive to support animal conservation locally and globally.



Volunteers from Xcel Energy ensured the monkeys have a dynamic exhibit by lending us their specialized building skills. Propping structures in exhibits, like the climbing towers pictured, provide animals a variety of terrain to explore and the ability to choose how they interact with enrichment, keepers, and guests. Ensuring animals have choice at the zoo is an important part of animal welfare and something keepers are working on daily through training and enrichment. This volunteer labor helped stretch the campaign budget for maximum impact.



The arrival of the De Brazza's monkeys was a powerful opportunity for zoo staff and volunteers to engage kids in learning through play. To celebrate this new species, kids made De Brazza's masks right in front of the exhibit. Activities like this are important tools for building connections between guests, our animals, and conservation efforts in the wild.

Up close and personal: Modern exhibits for the De Brazza's monkeys, meerkats, African crested porcupines, and African painted dogs bring guests closer than ever to animals at the zoo. The connections that guests make at these exhibits can inspire them to take conservation action at home and across the globe!



INSIDE LOOK:

DE BRAZZA'S COME TO THE PUEBLO ZOO

Gina Gley has been working hard to give animals in her section the best care and enrichment possible. Gina oversees the African painted dogs, African crested porcupines, meerkats, and most recently De Brazza's monkeys in her section of the zoo.

What is your favorite part of your job?

I love bonding with the animals and getting to know them. Being able to learn their personalities and take care of them, and being able to provide them with the best possible life.

“I’ve always had a passion for animals. Because of humans, they’re facing very real threats in the wild, and I don’t think it is right...They need people that can help them.”

Gina works closely with every animal in her section of the Pueblo Zoo. That close care builds strong relationships with each animal, such as Razan the ring-tailed lemur pictured with Gina.



In 2018, the De Brazza's monkeys were added to your section. How did you prepare for the monkeys to come?

I did a lot of research. We designed the exhibit around their natural behaviors and environment. For example, they are arboreal, so we knew we needed to make platforms up high. They like water, so we created a water feature for them to interact with. We learned what their alarm and social calls sound like so we can be aware of their moods and needs.

Once they were here, did anything surprise you about them?

Yes, they love climbing the exhibit mesh. It scares me! Ruby will climb all the way up to the roof portion and climb across completely upside down. We added shade panels to the top of their climbing structure, but instead of sitting in the shade, they love to sit on top. And, they like to spend time in the shift between outside and inside, so they can watch us clean and see what's going on outside. They are very interactive with people and are always surprising me!



Primates are very intelligent animals. What do you do for enrichment with the De Brazza's?

We are constantly putting new items in their exhibit and building new enrichment for them. We build puzzle feeders that are a little harder to solve, so they really have to think. They work with Liz for training. They do targeting, scale training, injection training, and more – all so that they can participate in their own care.

“The neat thing about the new exhibit is that each of the species is from a different part of Africa. You can see the dogs from the savannas, the meerkats and porcupines from the arid desert, and De Brazza's that live in forests.”

Your donations built these new exhibits, and the modern amenities in each space allow for a high quality of life for the animals. Keepers like Gina are able to prop each space to suit different species, and diverse exhibit features add variety to each space.

How can someone reading this get involved in the conservation of these animals?

Coming to the zoo is one of the easiest ways to support conservation. A portion of each admission and membership goes to Painted Dog Conservation, one of our global partners. I encourage people to find a conservation organization that is meaningful to them. Learn more, visit the zoo, come to my dog talk (2pm all summer long) and help spread the message. The species in this section are all part of an ecosystem that needs protection, and spreading that message is one of the best things you can do.

Favorite Animal: African painted dogs

Favorite Conservation Partner: Painted Dog Conservation



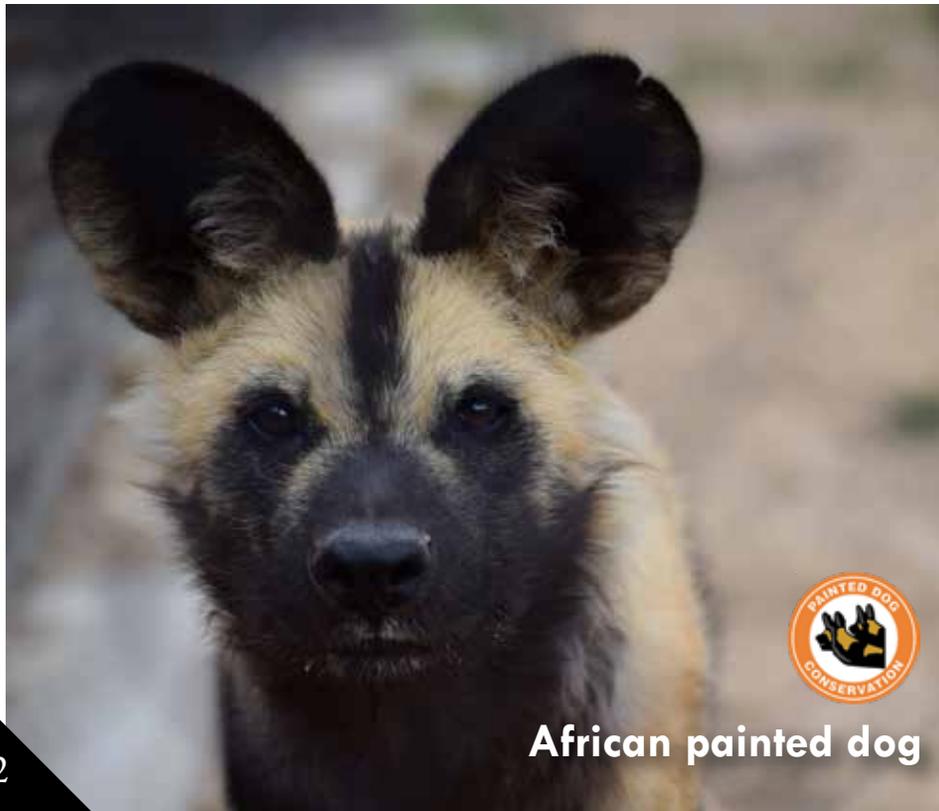
JT is the zoo's newest pack member.

CONSERVATION DOLLARS

AT WORK FOR ENDANGERED SPECIES

\$36,913

TOWARD ENDANGERED SPECIES SINCE 2015



African painted dog

Estimated wild population remaining: 6,600 (1,400 of breeding age)
The Pueblo Zoo supports Painted Dog Conservation's (PDC) bush camp. Bush camp teaches local children respect for animals like African painted dogs. For some, it fosters a lifelong commitment. Belinda, for example, attended bush camp when she was eleven. Last year, she returned and became one of Painted Dog Conservation's first female anti-poaching rangers. Now, she spends her days fighting against poachers. Each poacher can set 20-30 snares a day. Belinda recovers the snares, ensuring that they do not harm painted dogs. Anti-poaching rangers are essential to conservation—their efforts save thousands of animals each year. It's tough, but rewarding work, and Belinda has no doubt she is the right woman for the job. Your support ensures her work continues.

— Adapted from "A Conservation Trailblazer" by Stephanie Carnow, Wildlife Conservation Network



Red panda

Estimated wild population remaining: 2,500

A portion of Pueblo Zoo proceeds support Red Panda Network's Forest Guardian program. Forest Guardians track and monitor red pandas and serve as ambassadors for the species in their local community. Recently, Forest Guardian Arjun Rai rescued a red panda attacked by stray dogs. "In the evening on March 24, a red panda ran through Arjun's village, a gang of four stray dogs chasing behind. One brave local, Santosh Rai, rescued the red panda and immediately called Arjun. Arjun contacted others at Red Panda Network, and a release was planned for the next morning. Arjun and Santosh kept the red panda safe overnight. The next morning the red panda was successfully released back into the forest. Stray dogs are becoming a major threat to red pandas in Eastern Nepal. Thanks to Red Panda Network and Arjun, this panda's story had a happy ending."

- Adapted from the www.redpandanetwork.org blog



African penguin

Estimated wild population remaining: 80,000 (75% decline over last 100 years)

The Pueblo Zoo supports SANCCOB's rehabilitation center in Cape Town, South Africa. This facility has treated 95,000 seabirds since it opened 50 years ago. Eleven is one of those birds. "Eleven arrived late at night suffering from major blood loss. She would have died were it not for a good samaritan who rushed her straight to SANCCOB." Veterinary staff stabilized Eleven, but her blood count was low, and she needed a transfusion.

Staff acted quickly and reviewed potential donors at the facility, finding Syd as a suitable match. This penguin's gift of blood saved Eleven's life. This was the first blood transfusion in SANCCOB's history. Three weeks on, Eleven's blood cell count returned to normal and she was making good progress. Visits to the Pueblo Zoo, memberships, and donations make it possible to support efforts in the wild like those at SANCCOB.

- Adapted from SANCCOB.za Blog

WHAT IS SAFE?

HOW AZA PROTECTS THE MOST AT RISK

The Association of Zoos and Aquariums began a program in 2015 to dramatically increase its collective conservation impact on species in the wild. That program is called SAFE - Saving Animals From Extinction. SAFE is intent on including local partners and providing actionable participation for zoos and partners of any size to achieve real and measurable results. Working to preserve wild habitats, invest in research, and pioneer innovative solutions is critical and costly. The Pueblo Zoo stepped up as a founding partner in 2016. The African penguins at the Pueblo Zoo are our direct connection with the program. These rare birds are suffering from habitat loss; they need safe spots to build nests. Your donations, visits, and memberships are directly helping African penguins thrive in the wild. We've provided funding for research on artificial nest boxes over the past few years, and now those boxes have gone into action. The program has shown incredible initial success in helping these rare birds in their natural habitat.



SAFE™
SAVING ANIMALS
FROM EXTINCTION

FOUNDERS
CIRCLE

INVEST IN THE NEST YIELDS DIVIDENDS

The problem: African penguin guano is harvested by humans for use as fertilizer. However, the penguins use this coveted resource to build their nests. If the birds don't have the right materials, they're unable to build nests that will allow them to raise healthy chicks. Nests protect eggs from predators and from overheating in the sun.

 **only
27
natural nests**

The lack of natural nests at African penguin colonies was alarming.

**200
installed**

200 artificial nest boxes were installed in penguin habitats in 2018.

**96%
in use**



By the end of breeding season, 96% of nest boxes had been used!



GROWING UP ZOO

EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION

Empower. It's the first word in our mission and being empowered is the first step in taking action. We want our members and guests to feel different after visiting the zoo. We want people to feel inspired by our animals and empowered by knowledge of what they can do to support them. On their visits, people can choose to simply stroll our paths or get up close and personal at each exhibit. Every exhibit offers an opportunity for a person to learn, interact, and understand. Spending a lot of time around animals changes a person. Just ask Paige and Amanda. They've been coming to the Pueblo Zoo since before either can remember.

Amanda grew up coming to the zoo. Twice a summer (starting in preschool!) she'd visit. "Something that made a big impression on me was when [docents] brought animals in...they brought an opossum in, and let me touch its tail. That had a big impact on me...getting to meet the animals."



"ZooALIVE helped me realize that this is what I wanted to do with my time and as my career...that I want to work with animals and build relationships with them."

Paige's experience in ZooALIVE helped shape her love for animals and conservation. This cockroach pictured is one of dozens of animals Paige worked with at the zoo since the photo was taken in 2013.

Paige joined our inaugural group of seventh grade ZooALIVE volunteers. "ZooALIVE helped me realize what I wanted to do with my time and career...that I want to work with animals and build relationships with them." As a ZooAliver, Paige got to know our longtime educators. "Robin inspired me. She knew all this stuff about the animals, and let us get close and touch them. She always answered our questions...even ridiculous ones (we were kids!)."



Getting into the role is important in educating the next generation! At summer camp with counselor Amanda, kids learned why ostriches dance! Donor support makes it possible to invest in engaging signage throughout the zoo and enables our staff to invest time in creating curriculum for campers and program participants.

Now, Paige and Amanda are giving back to the zoo that shaped them. “I volunteer with a lot of kid’s camps. I love seeing kids improve their animal knowledge. It’s rewarding and exciting to see them grow,” says Paige. Amanda loves “to see their eyes light up...to hear their interest in learning and sharing their knowledge and love of animals.”



Our donors make it possible to invest in our animal ambassadors and education programs. ZooALIVERs like Amanda, Paige, and Nick (pictured) bring our mission to life alongside these animals and in every program they lead.

Because of the Pueblo Zoo, these young leaders are making a positive difference for animals, children and the environment. We’re excited to see where their journeys take them and the impact they’ll make. We hope every guest, visitor, and volunteer will leave engaged and inspired to make a difference from their time at our zoo. It’s our mission.

EDUCATION IMPACT

2018

560 programs

given to

10,517 students

in classrooms and at the zoo.

**103
schools
served**



Reached

620 children & 536 adults

at 15 community outreach events

**65 ambassador
animals**

cared for and specially trained
for education programs





229 field trips
hosted at the zoo for over
7,895 students

1,700 hours
of school programming led
by adult volunteer docents

714 hours
of on-grounds programming
led by ZooAlive teen
volunteers



12 Creature Feature articles
published in the Pueblo Chieftain

203 families
received free admission
through the "Check Out The
Zoo" partnership with Pueblo
City-County Library



1,254 guests
received \$1 zoo admission at
Shandy Clinic Dollar Day



VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

VOLUNTEERS DONATED 13,992 HOURS OF SERVICE EQUIVALENT TO 6.7 FULL TIME EMPLOYEES!



THANK YOU FOR LENDING A HAND

| | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|
|  | Interns | 3,150 hours |
|  | Animal Care | 2,129 hours |
|  | Grounds & Maintenance | 2,034 hours |
|  | Event Volunteers | 1,755 hours |
|  | Docents | 1,722 hours |
|  | Gift Shop | 1,564 hours |
|  | ZooAlive Teens | 714 hours |
|  | Board & Admin | 545 hours |
|  | Llama Leaders | 379 hours |



2018 EVENTS

Zoo events raise critical funds for animal care and operations. Thank you for your support this year!



Brew at the Zoo - Three years running, Brew at the Zoo sold out! From Fort Collins to Durango, 17 Colorado brewers descended on the zoo on April 28 to serve beer to over 1,000 zoo patrons. Local bands River Arkansas, Change Agents, and Wayne Faust kept the party going. This event brings in new demographics to the zoo, which leads to new members, volunteers, and donors.



Zoofari - Zoofari donors raised more than \$70,000 for the Pueblo Zoo, the De Brazza's monkeys, and our conservation mission all in one evening. Sipping cocktails while holding a baby goat and getting face to face with Lt. Dan (our beloved San Esteban Island chuckwalla) – these are just some of the moments that made Zoofari 2018 so special.



ZooBoo presented by Shandy Clinic - A record 2,321 costumed attendees tricked and treated their way through 19 booths provided by sponsors and community partners. A team of 75 volunteers handed out treats, hung decorations, led craft activities and amazed audiences with “Boo Bubbles” and animal presentations.



ElectriCrittters presented by Black Hills Energy Nearly 13,000 people celebrated the holidays at ElectriCrittters. The event's expansion to Islands of Life allowed guests to enjoy more animal exhibits while visiting. Shawna Garcia of Allegre Images and Danielle Vigil of Grandiose Productions volunteered their talent, taking more than 3,000 free professional photos for families visiting Santa on Friday nights!

INSIDE LOOK:

A DECADE OF GROWING THE GIFT SHOP

Carol Ecker began volunteering in 2006, became manager in 2008, and recently started sharing those duties with our Guest Services Manager. You will see her smiling face in the gift shop several days a week weaving her experience and passion into the updated management of the shop.

How did you first become involved with the gift shop?

I retired from my job as a claim rep for State Farm in 2004. We did repairs to our house and traveled. And then I thought, “What do I do now?” My son, Carl, worked at the zoo, and I knew they were looking for volunteers. I thought, “I bet I could do that.” The rest is history. I had been volunteering about a month when I started tweaking things. Soon Betty Wilkinson (the first gift shop manager) and I were working closely. When she decided that she wanted to retire, she recommended me for the job.



“I’m amazed at how people react to the gift shop, children especially. They go wild!”

Volunteers have been keeping the gift shop running for over ten years under Carol’s leadership. Her hard work has brought in hundreds of thousands of dollars and has directly supported our animals and operations throughout the zoo.

What has been your favorite part of managing the gift shop?

It’s the people. It’s interesting to listen to them and their views of the gift shop and of the zoo. You get this really warm feeling when they say how much they enjoyed the zoo. I also like the people I work with. I like ordering the merchandise, and I like opening up the new products when they arrive. It’s like Christmas morning all year-round. I like how we have items for kids at their level and at the right price, so they can purchase something for themselves. It’s like they’re in a big toy store!



What has been your most memorable experience as gift shop manager?

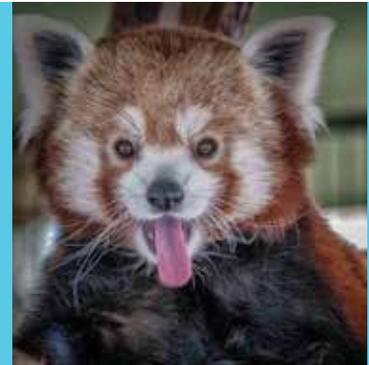
What I really enjoy is when you have kids that want to talk. They tell you all about their favorite animal and how much fun they had. That gives you a warm feeling. I think the zoo is great for our community. Some of these kids have only seen cats and dogs. They love the lions, red pandas, otters, and whatever baby we have at the time.

How does the gift shop connect to the larger mission of the zoo?

People love our zoo. They come to the gift shop and tell us about their experience and take home something to remember all the fun they had with their family.

“I want to make sure this zoo is still here for my grandchildren’s children. It’s an important part of our community, and I want to make sure it stays. Whenever I can contribute, I will.”

Carol is a staff member and a donor. Support from committed staff and donors like Carol ensures the Pueblo Zoo is here to educate and empower youth from throughout Southern Colorado.



Volunteers staff the gift shop seven days a week. Tell me more about their impact.

Number one, we wouldn’t have a gift shop without volunteers. They’re knowledgeable about how to sell products, and about the animals and about Pueblo. They can tell you how to get downtown, where to get the best hamburger, the best pizza, and so on. They help people learn about how important each animal is.

Favorite Animal: Red Panda

Favorite Gift Shop Product: Red panda plush, of course.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY



In 2018, the Pueblo Zoo focused efforts on the completion of the capital campaign, while also maintaining a balanced operating budget in the face of increased wage and supply costs resulting from the minimum wage increase. This required a continued focus on diversification. Gate revenue increased by 3%, reflecting an increase in non-member visitation. Rental income increased by more than 10% and earned revenue from gift shop, café, and vending increased by 49%. Nearly \$300,000 was raised for Mission: Monkeys in 2018. Of the hundreds of donors who chose to invest in the growth of the Pueblo Zoo, 25% were first-time donors. The surplus shown in the financials below is a direct result of the campaign. Capital expenses are reflected in an increase in physical assets. Your support has allowed the zoo to continue to grow, and we take pride in being able to responsibly steward your funds.

SUPPORT & REVENUE

Total Income \$2,042,302

35% Government

24% Tickets & Members

14% Capital Campaign Gifts

13% Donors, Foundations, Events

10% Earned Revenue

3% Program Fees

1% In-Kind



OPERATING EXPENSES

Total Expenses \$1,756,380

Before Depreciation

41% Animal Care

20% Grounds & Maintenance

20% Administration & Support

7% Education Programs

6% Visitor Services

6% Marketing & Fundraising



Detailed financials are available on guidestar.org.

THANK YOU

Your generosity makes this work possible.

Although space precludes us from individually acknowledging all of our donors, please know each and every gift is deeply appreciated.

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

Pueblo Zoo is city-owned and relies on our local governments for critical support. Together, these entities provide one third of the Zoo's operating budget and fund important capital improvements. We are deeply grateful for their investment.

City of Pueblo
Pueblo County

GENERAL SUPPORT

The Pueblo Zoological Society must raise one third of our operating budget from private sources each year. Our deepest thanks go to the following thoughtful individuals and businesses who provided funding for animal care, education, and special projects.

\$10,000 and above

30 Club Community Charity Foundation
William & Eleanor Crain
Garone Nicksich Foundation
Priscilla Lucero
Morgan Stanley Global Impact Funding Trust - The Moniker Foundation Donor Fund
Shandy Clinic
Southern Colorado Community Foundation Chamberlain Fund
Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation
Xcel Energy Foundation

\$2,500 and above

Black Hills Energy
Colorado Lottery
Dr. Michael & Tanya DeRose
El Pomar Foundation
Health Solutions
Pueblo Day Nursery Children's Foundation
Pueblo Electrics Inc
R Buck Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.
Mark & Carol Rickman
Ryals Family Foundation
US Bank Foundation
Wagner Rents

\$1,000 and above

Alice N. Jenkins Foundation
Brian Corsi, Allstate
Blazer Electric Supply
Beverly Brill
The Estate of Frances C. Carter
Sidney Clutter
Concentrix
CSU Extension
Jay & Florence Dammann
Dr. Ken & Cathy Danylchuk
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Fieldman Financial Services LLC
Hewitt, Heerschap, & Couch PC
Kaiser Permanente
Judith Krause
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Montgomery & Steward Funeral Directors, Inc.
Kristen Moritz
Peter & Bonny Mutty
Norvill Family
Park West Dental
Parkview Medical Center
Patterson Plumbing & Heating
Brandon & Kelly Payne
Pueblo Bank & Trust
Pueblo Charter Lions Club
Doris M Quinlan
Gordon & MaraBeth Rheaume
Rocky Mountain Eye Center
Michael & Cheryl Rohr
Terrie Sajbel & John Hardy
Kelle & Adam Schultz
Smile Doctors Braces by Dr. Jae Brimhall
Southern Colorado Community Foundation
Marijane Spear
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Valerie VanDuser
Vectra Bank Colorado
Vidmar Motor Co.
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Catherine Anderson
Anonymous

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Tenth Judicial District
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Pointe Gardens
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Anonymous
Big R Holdings, Inc.
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By donating goods & services, these individuals and businesses helped advance our mission.

\$1,000 and above

Fieldman Financial Services LLC
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Whitewater Adventure Outfitters



Mission: Monkeys Capital Campaign

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 Pueblo County
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 Michael & Cheryl Rohr
 Sue & Ben Ropp
 Terrie Sajbel & John Hardy
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 Bill & Barb Vidmar
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 Xcel Energy

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Memorial donations were made in honor of many people and animals near and dear to the hearts of our donors. Donations totaling \$250 or more were made in memory of the following individuals:

\$5,000 and above

Ellie Crain

Gregory Rohr, Pueblo Zoo Education Coordinator 2017-2018

\$1,000 and above

Bill Farmer

Reginald Landrum, Pueblo Zoo Board Member 2008-2011

\$250 and above

Dr. Michael Dewey

Carol McQueeney

Glenn Moritz

Colleen and Gifford Ruede



Gregory Rohr served as Pueblo Zoo Education Coordinator from 2017 - 2018. Greg loved sharing his passion for animals through outreach and education programs. His legacy lives on thanks to generous donations made in his memory.



BEQUESTS

Funding the Future of Education at the Pueblo Zoo

Eleanor “Ellie” Crain passed away on July 25, 2018. Ellie and her husband, Bill, have been life-long supporters of the Pueblo Zoo. It’s fitting then that Ellie chose to remember the Pueblo Zoo through a gift in her will.

Ellie was passionate about children. Working in pediatrics as a nurse was one of the highlights of her career. Ellie believed in the importance of investing in children and education. Her generous bequest is funding education programs and curriculum development, which will impact thousands of Pueblo children well into the future.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the backbone of all that we do. Thank you to the individuals who contributed more than 40 hours of service in 2018, active volunteers with more than 10 years of service, and interns who served over 225 hours.

40 hours and above

Charlotte Adams
Elaine Adley
Nina Anderson
Eileen Arnot
Russ Dewey
Gage Dillon
Joe Duran
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Tylynn Wolske

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Elaine Adley
Edith Edson
Jim Edson
Hannah Gibbs
Marion Guerrero
Larry Moore
Robin Moritz
Joan Ramirez
Pablo Ramirez
Carol Rickman
Sarah Seem
Mike Stanker
Lynne Wainwright
Neil Wainwright

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Cherise Calbreath
Trystan Giancaspro
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Bonnie Hoganson
Megan Jones
Stacey Kropf
Leeann Lee
Jean Neuman
Madison Pesavento
Angelica Quezada
Neelie Sloan
Meredith Williams



The ZooALIVE teen leadership program empowers youth to build their knowledge, confidence, and experience in the animal care, conservation, and education field. These teen volunteers lead animal talks for guests of the zoo and also provide support to our education staff.



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