

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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

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What a year 2019 has been for the Pueblo Zoo! With the much anticipated reopening of the rainforest after 4 ½ years and a record-breaking Zoofari, the Pueblo Zoo thanks our members and donors for all their amazing support. Whether you enjoyed an adult-only event like Brew at the Zoo, or joined us for family-friendly activities like Zoo Boo or Electricritters, or strolled through the zoo enjoying the 410 different specimens, we are thankful for your generosity and support of our Pueblo Zoo's events.

As we move forward, the zoo's mission remains steadfast; to engage and empower our community in the conservation of animals and their natural habitat. You will see how your support continues to uphold these programs the zoo has set up. With the conservation efforts through SAFE, the zoo contributes to partner organizations to make a direct impact for endangered species in the wild. Our zoo has contributed more than an impressive \$50,000 since 2015. The zoo has also established a partnership with our local Zoo Keepers Association (AAZK) to raise \$9,300 for conservation.

I want to personally thank you all for loving and caring about our amazing zoo! It truly is a Pueblo gem. Your continued, generous support enables us to create a space in Pueblo that is fun, educational, safe, and precious to our community.



Thank you!

Emily C Vidmar

Emily Vidmar, Board President

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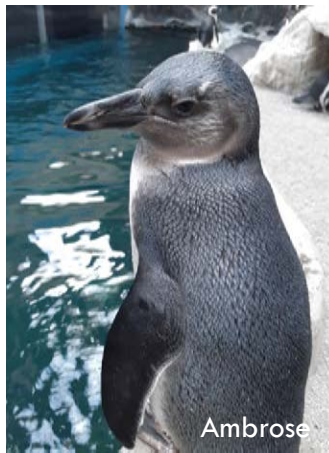
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Duckie



Quinn



Ambrose

Percy & Berry's Boys

Photos: Brittany Merlo

At the Pueblo Zoo, 2019 could well be called the year of the penguin. Percy and Berry's first two chicks, Duckie and Quinn, spent the year growing from fluffy babies to sleek grey juveniles to young penguins experiencing their first molt. And just as Duckie and Quinn grew their adult feathers, a new egg appeared! Ambrose, our youngest, hatched December 19. This shy boy was so quiet that keepers often had to peek in the nest to ensure he was still alive during his early weeks. Today, Duckie is paired with Sally, our oldest female, while Quinn remains a "keeper's boy" who loves to get out of the exhibit to explore and do paintings for conservation.

Mongo - A Life Well-Lived

At 38 ½ years of age, Mongo passed away on October 16 as the oldest penguin in North America. He was the father of nine chicks and has 173 descendants residing in zoos from California to the Netherlands! Mongo came to Pueblo in 1992 as one of the original penguins to inhabit the newly renovated EcoCenter. As Mongo aged, the animal care staff kept an extra close eye on him to monitor any changes in his health. Sue Greer, the Area Supervisor over penguins, cared for Mongo in Baltimore early in her career. Sue helped to usher Mongo through his final days by giving him special baths and extra attention. Mongo is missed, but his legacy lives on across the world.



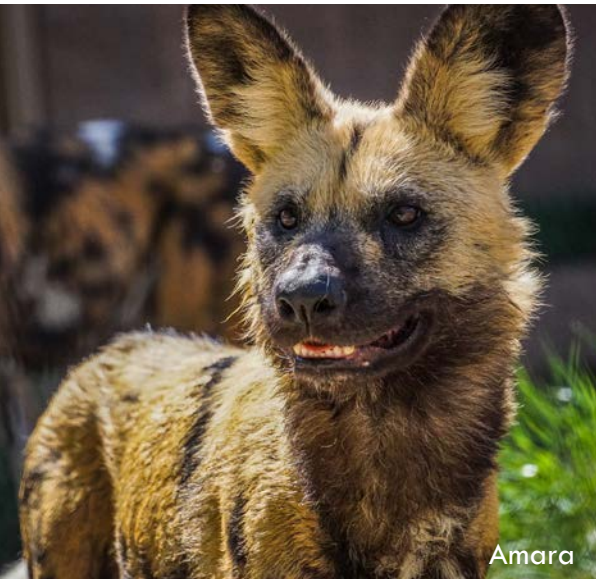
Mongo



SAYING HELLO,
BIDDING FAREWELL

Amara and JT - Gone, But Not Forgotten

African painted dogs are critically endangered, with only 600 breeding pairs left in the wild, making their conservation, study, and care in accredited zoos that much more important. Their complex pack dynamics make them one of the most difficult canine species to manage, and this year, our keepers mourned the loss of Amara, due to pack aggression, and JT, due to cancer discovered during a routine exam. These losses are always difficult, but the conservation needs of this beautiful species motivate our keepers to continue the hard work.



Amara



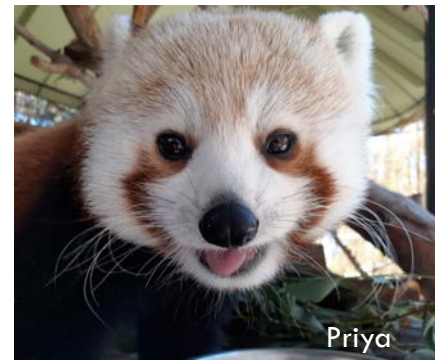
JT

Mumford “Little Lion Man” Moves Out

It didn't take long for Mumford to capture Pueblo's heart after his birth on January 13, 2016. Two years later, on May 17, 2019, it came time for us to say goodbye, as Mumford moved on to a new home at Como Park Zoo in St. Paul, Minnesota. Mumford lived up to his Mumford and Sons' “Little Lion Man” inspired name in every way. This single cub was a mama's boy, refusing to stop nursing for months longer than his brother and two sisters, born the following year. He always wanted to train with his keepers and remained very approachable. We miss this special lion, but we love hearing stories from his new home.



Rupert



Priya

Red Pandas

Photo: (L) Ashley Bowen; (R) Brittany Merlo

Arriving in June 2019, Priya and Rupert were two of the first residents in our new climate-controlled quarantine rooms. Even before debuting to the public, they charmed keepers who would peek in on them throughout their 30-day quarantine. Once on exhibit, Priya (in the main exhibit) and Rupert (in the temperate forest area) became guest favorites as well. Priya is a very personable and interactive young panda, participating in Behind the Scenes encounters almost every weekend. She has been successfully trained for participatory x-rays so keepers can detect and monitor any future pregnancies with her full cooperation. Rupert is a shy, older gentleman. He loves to nap in his favorite perch at the crook of the tree in his habitat.



Mumford

Repopulating the Rainforest

After four and a half years, the rainforest reopened to the public in Spring 2019 and new animals were added throughout the year. Many might not know that a few animals, like Oro the macaw, Nigel the mot mot, Trixy our shama thrush, and the tamarins never left! They were the first to welcome back our human guests. In June, our long-time residents were joined by eight new bird species! The rainforest keepers had to quickly learn the personalities of each and make adjustments, so that everyone could live peacefully. Nigel, always keeping watch, continues to alarm call every time keepers change anything in the rainforest, including bringing daily food to Foley, the Hoffman's two-toed sloth that arrived in September 2019.



Photo: Ashley Bowen

What do the symbols mean?

As part of our mission of animal conservation, the Pueblo Zoo proudly cares for nearly 50 animal species that are at-risk in the wild. Many are listed as endangered, threatened, or vulnerable on the International Union of Conservation of Nature Red List (that's that red symbol). IUCN Red List animals and other critical keystone species are carefully managed by Species Survival Plans (that's that black and white rhino symbol). When you see these symbols at the zoo, they tell you that the Pueblo Zoo and our global partners are working to sustain these animals in zoos and in the wild.



LEAST
CONCERN

NEAR
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CRITICALLY
ENDANGERED

EXTINCT
IN THE WILD

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Killa and Cali

Photo: Ashley Bowen

Cotton-Top Tamarin

Cotton-top tamarins are long-time rainforest favorites. Crala and Cali lived outside of guest view during the four and half years the rainforest was closed, so they were happy to interact with guests again when the rainforest re-opened in the spring. Keepers mourned Crala when she passed away due to cancer in June. Meanwhile, Cali anxiously awaited a new mate. When Killa (pronounced Key-ah) was introduced to him in December, he eagerly squeezed through the chute joining her temporary exhibit even before keepers had fully removed the barrier. Cali and Killa formed an immediate bond and now keepers are hopeful for offspring.



CRITICALLY
ENDANGERED

Bali Myna

One of the most endangered species at the Pueblo Zoo may be missed by less attentive guests, as our Bali myna are greatly outnumbered by their exhibit-mates, the Rodriguez Island fruit bats, but keepers hope that with the introduction of Lady Katherine Elizabeth to Cornelius in November 2019, we may soon have a new representative of this beautiful bird! Cornelius and Lady Katherine are quite the pair. They enjoy singing to each other during the day, and he can often be found lovingly grooming her. Their favorite nesting material is strips of colored paper that keepers leave out for them, along with other items, perfect for nesting parents to be!



Lady Katherine Elizabeth



Cornelius



Raven with Joe Duran

Raven

Raven, who passed away on December 24, 2019, arrived at the zoo in 1995 from a rehab facility in New Mexico. The Chihuahan raven was believed to be just a few months old at the time. Raven was a confident character, never afraid to show you what he thought with a very loud caw! During his 24 years at the Pueblo Zoo, he enjoyed spray water baths, would mimic the word 'hello', and 'woofed' like a dog when treated with a squirt of water into his mouth. He loved enrichment, especially newspaper strips and anything with bells. He visited students and public events, dazzling crowds with his regalness. In his younger years, he was feisty and stubborn, but he grew fond of certain individuals over the years, even letting his chosen few hold him. As he grew older, he received warm baths and massages that seemed to lessen his arthritic discomfort. He is missed by many.

Pygmy Goat. Big Personality.

Rose the pygmy goat, who passed away on October 24, 2019 may have been small, but she had a huge, loving personality. She never failed to answer when a keeper would walk by and call her name. She was also the only goat in the yard that would walk on the teeter totter. She would walk up one side, get to the top and slowly lower it to the other side. She loved training, and she learned many behaviors like jumping on a bench and handshake with her hoof. In her later years, she received special soaked grain and supplements for her health. For other goats, separating them from the others may have been difficult, but not Rose! She was always ready and waiting for her keepers at the gate, even on her final day.







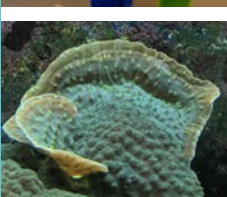
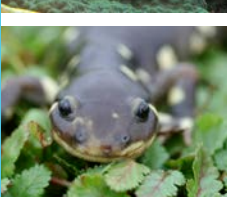

Rose

“My children love looking at the animals and love talking to the staff about what they see. I love the Plant. Grow. Fly. area for them as it allows them to use their imagination during play So thankful for the Pueblo Zoo.”

(2019 Donor Survey)



PUEBLO ZOO TOTAL POPULATION

		SPECIES	SPECIMENS
	MAMMALS	48	152
	BIRDS	36	94
	REPTILES	25	41
	ARTHROPODS	11	78
	INVERTEBRATES	10	15
	Non-Arthropods		
	AMPHIBIANS	7	16
	FISH	5	14

What's your favorite animal?

Keeper, Bethany Morlind



Igloo, the porcupine, is my favorite animal to work with. She is an incredible little gal who is full of personality and is always motivated to participate in training. Not only is she adorable and curious, but Igloo is also a quick study! Porcupines are a great group to work with as they are personable, quirky, surprisingly active, and mischievous (in the best way). I'm so lucky to get to work with the four that I do!

Keeper, Hollie David



Cayenne, our maned wolf, is not only beautiful, but also very smart. She is one of the animals I train, so I spend a lot of time with her, and she makes me look good! Cayenne has a unique gait, which all maned wolves display, where both legs on each side of their body move at the same time. She also exhibits a vocalization, unique to maned wolves, called a 'roar-bark' that she uses to communicate over long distances.

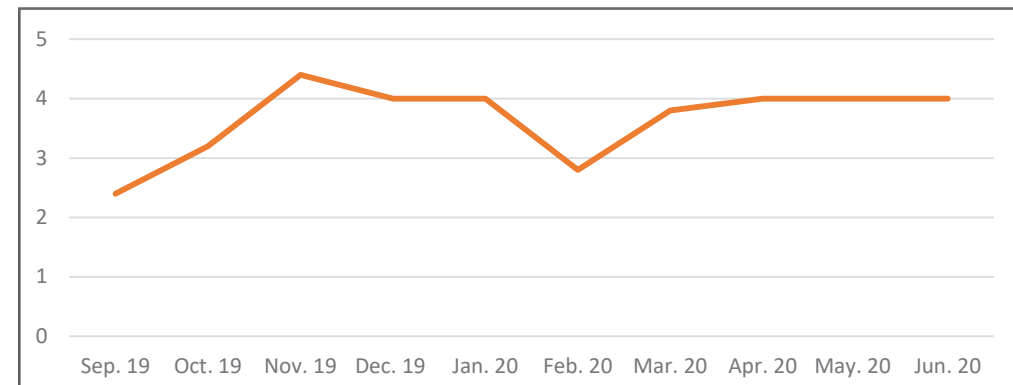
NEW ANIMAL WELFARE MODEL IMPROVES CARE FOR TIGER SALAMANDERS AND OTHERS

Does the animal receive a nutritionally complete diet? Does the animal have a comfortable living experience? Does the animal have good physical health? Can the animal exhibit natural, species specific behavior? Is the animal free of chronic stress?

These are not casual questions. They are critical, science-based questions with specific criteria that must be met for an answer of “Yes” to each question. These questions are at the core of the “Five Opportunities to Thrive” model (Miller and Vicino, 2013). And, they’re questions that are now being asked zoo-wide, in routine evidence-based welfare evaluations.

“Data is at the core of our new animal welfare program,” explains Ashley Bowen, General Curator. “Each species is evaluated monthly by two or more keepers using the Five Opportunities to Thrive model. These evaluations then generate an average welfare score that is tracked over time, making it clear and evident when welfare is improving or declining.”

One of the first species to benefit from this new routine evaluation was the tiger salamanders. For years, they had been exhibited in the same tank with the same mostly aquatic propping. When answering the question, “Can the animal exhibit natural, species specific behavior?” early evaluators rated this a 1, the worst rating on the 1-5 scale. Seeing this, their keeper, Zack, sprung into action, aided by donor funds. He began researching tiger salamander



Tiger Salamander average data samples reflective of the “Five Opportunities to Thrive” model (Miller and Vicino, 2013) for three tiger salamanders sharing the same exhibit. On a scale of 1-5, monthly variables rated include: Nutritionally Complete Diet, Comfortable Living Experience, Good Physical Health, Exhibits Species Specific Behavior, and Free of Chronic Stress.

behavior, even attending a course in amphibian exhibit design. He ordered new materials, a larger tank, and began building a new habitat.

Once in their new exhibit, tiger salamander welfare ratings immediately went up, from an average rating of 2 across the five opportunities to a 4. Now, our resident tiger salamanders can bask, burrow, and soak, with ample room and multiple options for each behavior.

“I was proud to see Zack greatly improve welfare for our tiger salamanders after only a few evaluations. The skills he learned are now improving welfare for all our amphibians and inspiring other keepers to do the same,” Bowen praises.

More than 500 evaluations later, welfare is improving zoo-wide, and your donor funds are making it possible for keepers like Zack to take the time to make necessary changes.



Zack with Newman the tiger salamander

CONSERVATION DOLLARS AT WORK FOR ENDANGERED SPECIES

\$50,913

TOWARD ENDANGERED SPECIES SINCE 2015



When you visit the Pueblo Zoo, purchase a membership, place a quarter in the conservation kiosk, go on a behind the scenes experience, or make a special purchase in the gift shop, you are helping the zoo raise money to support our partner organizations making a direct impact for endangered species in the wild. In 2019, because of you, the Pueblo Zoo was able to contribute \$14,000 to field conservation work.



AZA Saving Animals From Extinction (SAFE) Founder Circle

AZA SAFE was founded in 2016 to coordinate existing conservation efforts of zoos and to foster and develop new action plans. Pueblo Zoo was a founding member. In 2019, AZA SAFE coordinated efforts to save twenty-five endangered species and helped AZA zoos direct \$231,000,000 to field conservation. **Our continued annual goal for this program is \$2,000.**



AZA SAFE African Penguin Project

Over the past 100 years, African penguin populations have declined 98%, largely due to the loss of guano historically used to form natural, protective nests. In 2017, only 27 natural guano nests were observed in two South African Penguin colonies. In 2018, AZA SAFE, funded by partners like the Pueblo Zoo, installed 200 innovative artificial nest boxes. By the end of breeding season, 80% had eggs in them and 56% led to a successful chick. In 2019, the AZA African Penguin SAFE team was able to return and install 600 more nests! **Our annual goal for this program is \$6,000.**



SANCCOB saves Seabirds - Annual Goal \$2,000

SANCCOB is an internationally recognized leader in rehabilitation and chick-rearing; contributes to research which benefits seabirds; trains people to care for the birds, and educates the public to develop behavioural patterns which benefit marine life and the environment.



Red Panda Network - Annual Goal \$2,000

There may be as few as 2,500 red pandas remaining in the wild. Red Panda Network is committed to saving them through their community-based approach that is creating sustainable livelihoods that do not destroy habitat and fostering environmental stewardship among the people of Eastern Nepal.



Painted Dog Conservation - Annual Goal \$2,000

PDC is leading the fight to protect African Painted Dogs in Zimbabwe, employing 60 local villagers in their work. Through monitoring, rehabilitation, anti-poaching units, and conservation education and outreach, they are creating an environment where painted dogs can thrive.

Partnership with Zoo Keeper Association Raises \$10,000 More for Conservation

In 2019, the Pueblo Zoo began to deepen its long-standing partnership with the Southern Colorado Chapter of the American Association of Zoo Keepers (AAZK). AAZK's mission is to make a positive impact on the natural environment and inspire others to do the same, and in 2019 they made huge strides in doing this. Joint events included the Animal Art Show, hosted on zoo grounds in September. With 500 in attendance, AAZK and Pueblo Zoo shined a light on pollinator conservation while celebrating local artists. That same month, AAZK and Pueblo Zoo brought expert painted dog conservationist, Wilton Nsimango, to Pueblo. He spoke to a standing-room only crowd, opening the eyes of many to the threats painted dogs face in the wild. During ElectriCritters, AAZK members staffed the Candy Cane Cafe, raising funds to support conservation, as well as their professional development.



Through these and additional fundraising efforts, as well as the generosity of donors like you, AAZK was able to support Laramie Foothills Bison Conservation Herd, the Trees for You and Me initiative, Pueblo Zoo Plant. Grow. Fly., Snow Leopard Trust, Bat Conservation International, and Painted Dog Conservation.



SNAPSHOTS FROM THE FIELD

A speaker series
highlighting
local and global
conservation.

Snapshots from the Field, the zoo's monthly conservation talk series continued in 2019, bringing speakers from near and far. We heard about local species conservation efforts at Lake Pueblo State Park and Fountain Creek; learned about new opportunities for conservation through the Wolves at the Door lecture; and witnessed inspiring conservation efforts from Zimbabwe and other parts of Africa. Thank you to everyone who attended and everyone who volunteered their time as a speaker!

2019 Speakers & Topics

- Dionne Stein & Katie Vanelli, Cheetah Conservation Fund, "Bringing Hope to Cheetahs"
- Julie Fairman, Wildlife ACT, a local journalist's conservation story
- Gina Gley & Liz Jones, Conservation Tours: Two Keepers in Africa
- Doug Youngers, Lake Pueblo State Park, "Aquatic Invaders"
- Fountain Creek Water Sentinels, A clearer picture of Fountain Creek
- Wilton Nsimango, Painted Dog Conservation
- Anne Casey, Wolves at the Door
- Andrea Crockenberg, Pueblo's Recycling & Waste Diversion
- Ashley Bowen, Conservation with the Curator
- Jennifer Treviso-Torres, Conservation Colorado



Fountain Creek Water Sentinels



Two Keepers in Africa

BY THE NUMBERS

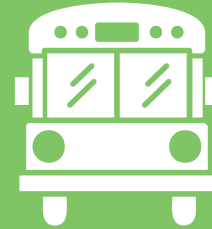
2019



28 outreach events
and library programs
reaching



1,243 children and **806** adults



140 field trips serving
5,289 students from
89 schools



423 programs
given to
7,766 students
from
45 schools

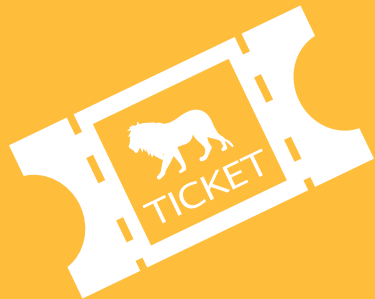


242 families received free admission through the “Check out the Zoo” library partnership

24 ambassador animals

12 Creature Feature articles

10 public talks in conservation speaker series reaching **224** people



Did you know that most students visit for free, or just \$2.75, thanks to district funding and generous donors?

Photo: Ashley Bowen

CHEERS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

VOLUNTEERS DONATED 14,691 HOURS OF SERVICE EQUIVALENT TO 7 FULL TIME EMPLOYEES!



**We couldn't do this
without you.**

Interns	4,950 hours
Event Volunteers	1,990 hours
Animal Care	1,555 hours
Docents & Ambassadors	1,491 hours
Gift Shop	1,491 hours
Grounds & Maintenance	1,348 hours
ZooAlive Teens	971 hours
Board & Admin	389 hours
Llama Leaders	482 hours

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: Kathleen Wolf

There isn't much Kathleen Wolf hasn't seen in her ten years as a volunteer ranch hand. She started volunteering shortly after retiring to Pueblo. Her volunteer application was originally rejected - the volunteer coordinator at the time thought she would be happier as a docent. Being a ranch hand is hard physical labor! But, ten years later, Kathleen isn't slowing down. She easily spends 15 hours a week at the zoo, feeding animals, cleaning yards, and providing enrichment come sun, rain, or snow. In 2019 alone, she volunteered 703 hours.

What first inspired you to start volunteering? Why do you continue?

After my first visit, I loved it here so much that I immediately said, "I need to do something that will help this place be here." I would hate to see this zoo close for any reason, so I do everything I can to help. I've experienced a lot of zoo visitors over the years, and so many of them don't even know what some of these animals are. They don't know what a donkey is! So, the zoo needs to be here for education. And now, I have all these special animal friendships. I'm having fun! Volunteering isn't a chore. On my first day as a ranch hand, I worked with a keeper named Carl Beeman. He put me in the goat yard, and he said "you must rake up every

single little round black thing you possibly can." That's what I was trained to do, and then after I was doing that for a couple of months, he had me start working with the llamas as a member of the Llama Leaders, a wonderful group of dedicated volunteers.



Kathleen with ZJ, and Maggie

What has been your most memorable experience over the years?

From the beginning, the animals taught me to live in the moment. At the time, there were about a dozen pygmy goats, ZJ being one.

I became aware early on that they lived in this plane of existence where every single minute was an important minute. They didn't worry about things in the future or the past.

There have been times over the years when I have struggled with life's challenges, and I am able to just go in with the goats and say, "Okay, goats. Take care of me," and they do.

I know one of the alpacas in particular is very special to you. Tell me about Alex.

Being able to witness him being so enriched has been a special privilege for me. Alex had a reputation for being too hard to handle, so he wasn't able to go on walks with other llamas and alpacas. When the others would go on their walk, he would follow them along the fence, and I just felt bad that he was missing out. I can understand being afraid of being knocked down or hurt, but I wasn't afraid. I made helping him my mission, and now he is the best behaved of the group. He's able to go on walks with other volunteers now, too, but he still looks to me for comfort.

What is it like to build those sorts of relationships with animals?

I watch and learned a lot from the zookeepers. Maggie, another goat, is very skittish, but now she'll let me give her a good scratching, even without a treat. That makes me think she likes to be scratched, but she just didn't know it. That's immensely rewarding. Every day I feel like I can learn something else and be more useful. That's really because the keepers and staff and other volunteers make that possible. It's pretty cool.

EVENTS

Events are one of the main ways that you engage with the Pueblo Zoo. From community-focused events like Military Weekend and Dollar Day to fundraising events like Brew at the Zoo and Zoofari, you pack the zoo and share your Pueblo pride.

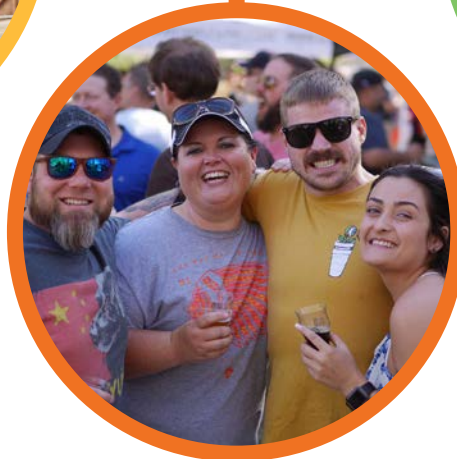
BREW AT THE ZOO

1,377 ticket holders raised an incredible \$40,000 for the zoo while indulging in beers from 23 Colorado craft breweries.



DOLLAR DAY

1,127 people were able to come to the zoo for just \$1 thanks to The Shandy Clinic.



HALF PRICE DAY

971 of you helped us celebrate Spring Break during our annual Half Price Day!

ZOOFARI

1,092 individual bids were placed on auction items, which raised a record \$86,300 for animals and education programs!

ZOO BOO

28 sponsors handed out 50,000 pieces of candy to 2,496 attendees.



ELECTRICRITTERS

Guests drank 2,184 cups of hot cocoa this year. Every cup supports the zoo and the conservation work of our keepers through AAZK!



SENIOR WEEK

629 seniors and their caregivers received free admission and special activities.

MILITARY WEEKEND

We got to say thank you by providing free admission to 1,402 individuals from military families.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY



In 2019, donors played a critical role in meeting the needs of our aging facility and infrastructure, as well as the budget realities created by the third year of mandated minimum wage increases. Contributed revenue comprised 26% of income, as many of the new donors engaged during the 2018 capital campaign became annual donors. On the expense side, the continued minimum wage increases were most evident in our animal care expenses, where the mandate affected both payroll and supply chain costs. Animal care costs grew by 10% in 2019. Special project grants allowed the zoo to invest in new dental equipment, a new truck, and improvements to the rainforest exhibits. As always, your donor support has allowed the zoo to continue to grow and meet new needs, and we take pride in being able to responsibly steward your funds.

SUPPORT & REVENUE

Total Income \$2,006,450

35% Government

**26% Donors, Foundations,
Events**

24% Tickets & Members

10% Earned Revenue

3% Program Fees

2% In-Kind



OPERATING EXPENSES

Total Expenses \$1,903,796

Before Depreciation

42% Animal Care

**20% Administration and
Support**

17% Grounds & Maintenance

6% Marketing & Fundraising

6% Education

6% Visitor Services

3% Special Projects



Detailed financials are available on [guidestar.org](https://www.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

Our deepest thanks go to the following thoughtful individuals and businesses who provided funding for animal care, education, and special projects this year.

\$10,000 and above

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Garone Nicksich Foundation
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The Packard Foundation Fund
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Xcel Energy Foundation

\$2,500 and above

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Black Hills Energy
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CK Surgical, LLC
Colorado Lottery
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El Pomar Foundation
Moniker Foundation
Pueblo Day Nursery Children's
Foundation

Pueblo Electrics Inc
Pueblo Humane Society
R-Buck Heating & Air Conditioning,
Inc.
The Rickman Pack
Ryals Family Foundation
Terrie Sajbel & John Hardy
The Shandy Clinic
Southern Colorado Community
Foundation
Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation

\$1,000 and above

A & K Roofing and Gutters
AAZK - Southern Colorado
Alice N. Jenkins Foundation
Allstate, Brian Corsi
Catherine Anderson
Mona Askwig
Mike & Rae Ann Blazer
Blazer Electric Supply
Beverly Brill
Lillian & Alexander Bui
Capek Family Foundation
Cheryl Cavalli
Sidney Clutter
Community First Foundation
Ellen Cooney
William Crain
Credit Union of Colorado
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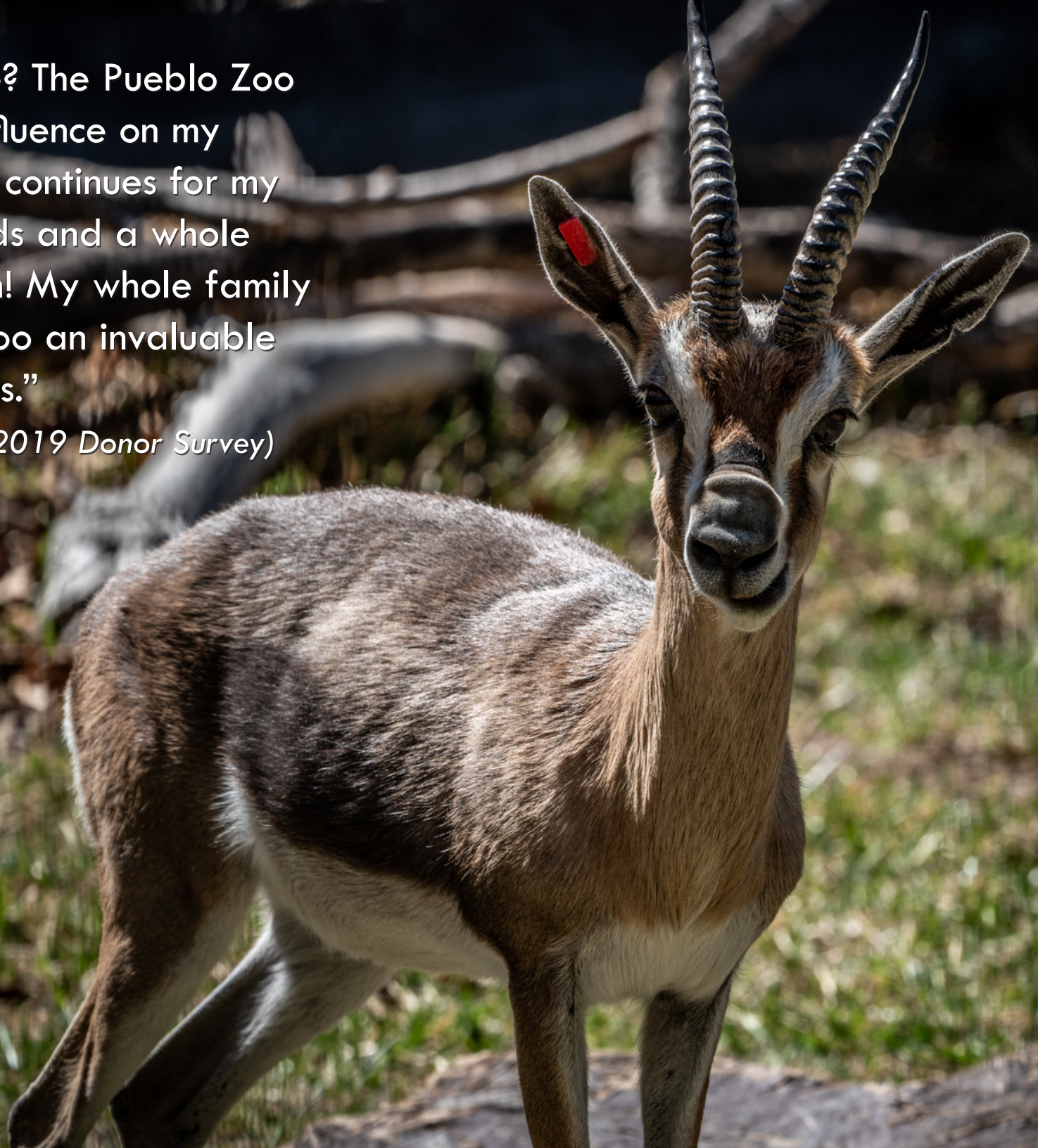
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