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YEAR IN REVIEW

2021-2022

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**DENISE VERRET**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
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FRONT: A female green aracari arrived at the Zoo in May 2022 as part of a Species Survival Plan (SSP) breeding recommendation. This small member of the toucan family inhabits tropical forests in northeast South America.

BACK: Caiman lizard

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# From the CEO & Zoo Director

The Los Angeles Zoo started its 2021-2022 fiscal year off with inspired action by launching its first-ever Conservation Strategic Plan (CSP). On July 22, 2021, Director of Conservation Dr. Jake Owens hosted a live virtual keynote, which featured messages of support from Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and Councilmember Nithya Raman, outlining the Zoo's historic plan dedicated to wildlife conservation. The CSP aligns with the Zoo's efforts to have a collective impact both here in Los Angeles and around the world by leveraging our knowledge, expertise, partnerships, and engagement with diverse communities to focus on changing the landscape of conservation. As I said then at the launch, Los Angeles is our City—and this is our world. It will take all of us working together to preserve it.

As you'll read in these pages, the Zoo's cornerstone conservation programs saw great progress during the last fiscal year. The advancement of these programs could not be achieved without our members, donors, and guests who come through our gates to support our mission.

Our Learning & Engagement division worked to expand our partnerships with diverse communities, and in autumn 2021, guests had the unique opportunity to participate in the Hispanic tradition of Día de los Muertos with the Zoo's first-ever Beloved Pets Ofrenda. Co-created with the Zoo's Learning & Engagement staff and our partners at Plaza de la Raza Cultural Center for the Arts & Education, the Beloved Pets Ofrenda was designed to honor the memory of cherished animal companions that have passed away. The Zoo will continue to form partnerships within our community to further represent the diverse cultures that make up this beautiful city.

Equity and accessibility continue to be at the forefront of our work. In June 2022, the Zoo launched its first-ever Paid Internship Program to create a sense of belonging to the science, conservation, and zoological fields among diverse communities that have been systemically excluded from these professions. This program provides interns a paid opportunity to work directly with our Zoo professionals on real-world projects and gain valuable work, research, and personal development skills while gaining an empathy for nature. This is the beginning of a long-term plan to meaningfully engage all our communities with even more opportunities.

The Los Angeles Zoo closed out its fiscal year with more than 1.4 million guests visiting their Zoo, which warms my heart to see after the unprecedented pandemic we experienced over the last few years. We cannot discount the fact that the pandemic, outcries for social justice, rising global tensions, and continued efforts to combat the effects of climate change have immensely changed us. I am, however, optimistic that we are on the right path toward a stronger future. If we can take anything away from this past fiscal year, it's this: recovery takes time, but together, we can make it through these challenging moments and build a more resilient future. We will continue to frame our future so that we can all succeed together, and I cannot wait to share updates on our continued progress with you next year.



JAMIE PHAM

**Denise M. Verret**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
& ZOO DIRECTOR

# From the GLAZA President & Chair



JAMIE PHAM

In our first year with no attendance restrictions or reservation requirement since the start of the pandemic, the L.A. Zoo is thriving thanks to our wonderful members and donors. By June 2022 we had more than 43,000 membership households—a marvelous rebound from the low of 35,000 that we experienced during the pandemic. All of us at the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association are deeply grateful for your generosity during this turbulent time.

You mourned with us when our beloved friend and trustee Betty White passed away on the last day of December 2021. In addition to heartfelt notes left at the Zoo's beautiful white rose garden, people from around the world made gifts in Betty's memory. With a generous match from GLAZA trustees, nearly \$250,000 was raised—an incredible tribute to Betty's love for animals and the L.A. Zoo.

We remembered Betty at the Beastly Ball on June 4 by honoring Stephen Badger as the inaugural recipient of the Betty White Conservation Hero Award. The Ball also recognized authors B. Natterson-Horowitz and Kathryn Bowers for their longstanding relationship with the Zoo and their groundbreaking books *Zoobiquity* and *Wildhood*. Honoring Betty made this year's Ball deeply emotional, and we were thrilled that it also raised more than \$1.4 million, the third highest in the event's history.

Our ongoing recovery from the pandemic included full forgiveness of two federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans, a total of \$2 million that made a huge difference for us over the last two years. The State of California made its very first allocation to GLAZA and the Zoo, \$2.21 million for four capital projects: a Cape vulture habitat, swan pond, inclusive restroom design study, and the Angela Collier Garden event space. Many thanks to our dear friend Senator Anthony Portantino who made this allocation possible! The generosity of foundations, corporations, and individual philanthropists was also exceptional this year, including a \$1 million gift from an anonymous donor for the Zoo's Conservation Strategic Plan.

This Spring, we launched the Conservation Council for emerging leaders passionate about wildlife and nature. Our volunteer program grew with the inauguration of the Specialty Docent Program, an innovative way for people who work during the week to share their interpretive skills with Zoo visitors on weekends. The engagement of our wonderful staff, trustees, donors, and volunteers underscores the idea that zoos are inhabited by both animals and people, and the humans in our Zoo family are truly amazing.

These exciting developments not only demonstrate our resilience but also point toward the realization of our Vision Plan, the exciting road map for the future of the Zoo that made considerable progress this year. We look forward to celebrating the future of the Zoo with you!

**Tom Jacobson**  
GLAZA PRESIDENT

**Brian Diamond**  
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TOM JACOBSON
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INSPIRING OTHERS

In the weeks following Betty’s death, her fans and friends began donating to the Zoo and other animal welfare organizations in her honor. The L.A. Zoo received more than 2,400 individual donations, including corporate gifts from the Walt Disney Company, Pink’s Hot Dogs, Madame Tussauds Hollywood, and San Francisco’s Holy Name School. GLAZA also received a significant increase in new volunteer applications.

Photo by JAMIE PHAM



BELLE OF THE BALL

Emcee Joel McHale introduced an emotional tribute to Betty White during the Beastly Ball on June 4, 2022. The Zoo’s gala fundraiser was one of Betty’s favorite events. From its debut in 1971, she attended nearly every year, with a few exceptions when she was filming out of town.

Photo by JAMIE PHAM

Remembering Betty White

Betty White passed away on December 31, 2021, just weeks shy of her 100th birthday. Betty's involvement with the Los Angeles Zoo stretched back more than five decades. A lifelong animal lover, she was a longtime GLAZA trustee and donor, Zoo Commissioner, the City of Los Angeles' Ambassador to the Animals, and an honorary zookeeper. Betty often quipped that she had to stay in show business to pay for her animal business—and she wouldn't have it any other way. Throughout her busy Hollywood career, she remained a steady presence at the Zoo, working behind the scenes to raise funds for new habitats for the animals. She was a vocal advocate for animals and the people who care for them—and an early champion of conservation. This Annual Report is dedicated to her memory.



TAD MOTOYAMA



ROSE GARDEN

Throughout the month of January, friends and fans flocked to the Zoo to visit a special memorial rose garden erected in Allen Ludden Plaza, named for Betty's beloved husband. Displayed among the garden's silk roses were cards with personal messages, memories, and drawings from Zoo staff, volunteers, and guests.

Photo by JAMIE PHAM



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On what would have been Betty's 100th birthday, January 17, 2022, the Zoo welcomed Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, City Council Member Nithya Raman, and other distinguished guests to the garden for a special tribute.

Photo by JAMIE PHAM

community & equity

2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW



The Los Angeles Zoo regularly reaches beyond its borders to the community at large, working collaboratively with a variety of organizations to engage diverse audiences and ensure that the Zoo is accessible and welcoming to all.

Family Nature Club

The Zoo's Learning and Engagement Division initiated a new partnership with the City's Recreation and Parks Department to bring free nature play programming to Griffith Park. The team facilitated nine events from October to June, engaging 344 community members in outdoor play and exploration.



LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT



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Earthly Enrichment

The LGBTQIA+ volunteer network Gay for Good mobilized a team of volunteers to help the Zoo celebrate Earth Day in 2022. The team of 26 decorated dozens of globes and boxes to be given to our animals as enrichment. Novel enrichment items provide mental and physical challenges, encouraging animals to explore and interact with their environment.



OUTWARD BOUND

The Zoo began partnering with Outward Bound Adventures (OBA) in Fall 2021. OBA is dedicated to providing access to nature and environmental education for low-income, gang-impacted, and historically excluded adults and youth.

Photo by LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT



KULTURECITY

In March 2022, the Los Angeles Zoo received official certification as a sensory-inclusive venue from KultureCity. As part of this certification, the Zoo's staff were trained on varying sensory needs, and the sensory-inclusive components employed throughout our Zoo. The Zoo is now part of a network of more than 900 KultureCity-certified venues.

Photo by CARL MYERS

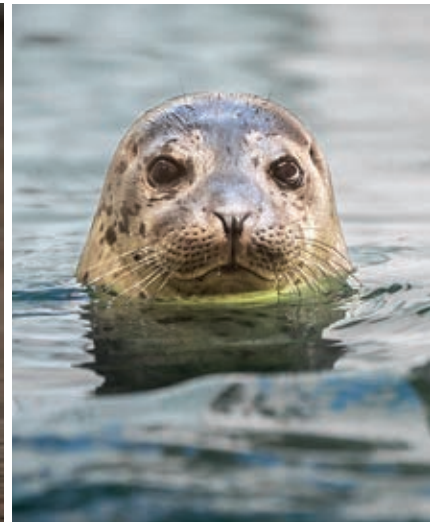
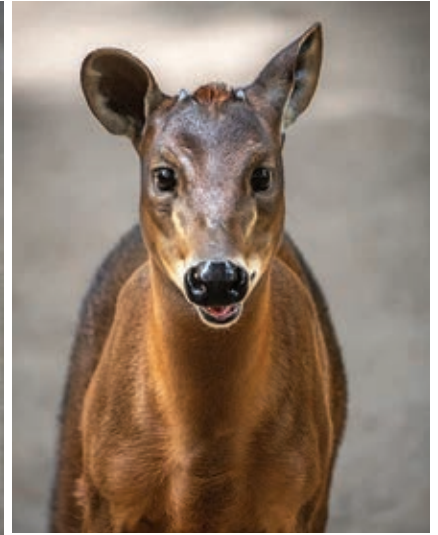
The year's notable births and hatchings include (clockwise from top left): a black-and-white colobus monkey, yellow-backed duiker, five Mangshan pitvipers, a harbor seal, and three slender-tailed meerkats. Maintaining healthy, diverse zoo populations is crucial to the long-term survival of many threatened or endangered species.



SUPER TROOPERS

The Zoo's chimpanzee troop expanded with the arrival of two males in early 2022. Eight-year-old Mshindi (above) and 22-year-old Pu'iwa have been slowly integrated into the group, which is managed in a fission-fusion fashion in which chimps can separate into subgroups and have a choice of who they spend time with during the day. This mirrors the species' behavior in the wild.

Photo by JAMIE PHAM





SPECIAL DELIVERY



The Zoo welcomed twin babirusas in July 2021. Due to complications during labor, the piglets were delivered via Caesarean section—a procedure rarely performed in zoos. The Zoo participates in the Species Survival Plan (SSP) for this species, which is vulnerable to extinction due to hunting and habitat loss.

Photo by JAMIE PHAM



TAKING FLIGHT

Three blue-throated macaw chicks hatched here in the last fiscal year. The L.A. Zoo is helping to save this critically endangered species through our successful breeding program and ongoing support of field conservation efforts in Bolivia.

Photo by LORI ROGALSKI



SLOW AND STEADY

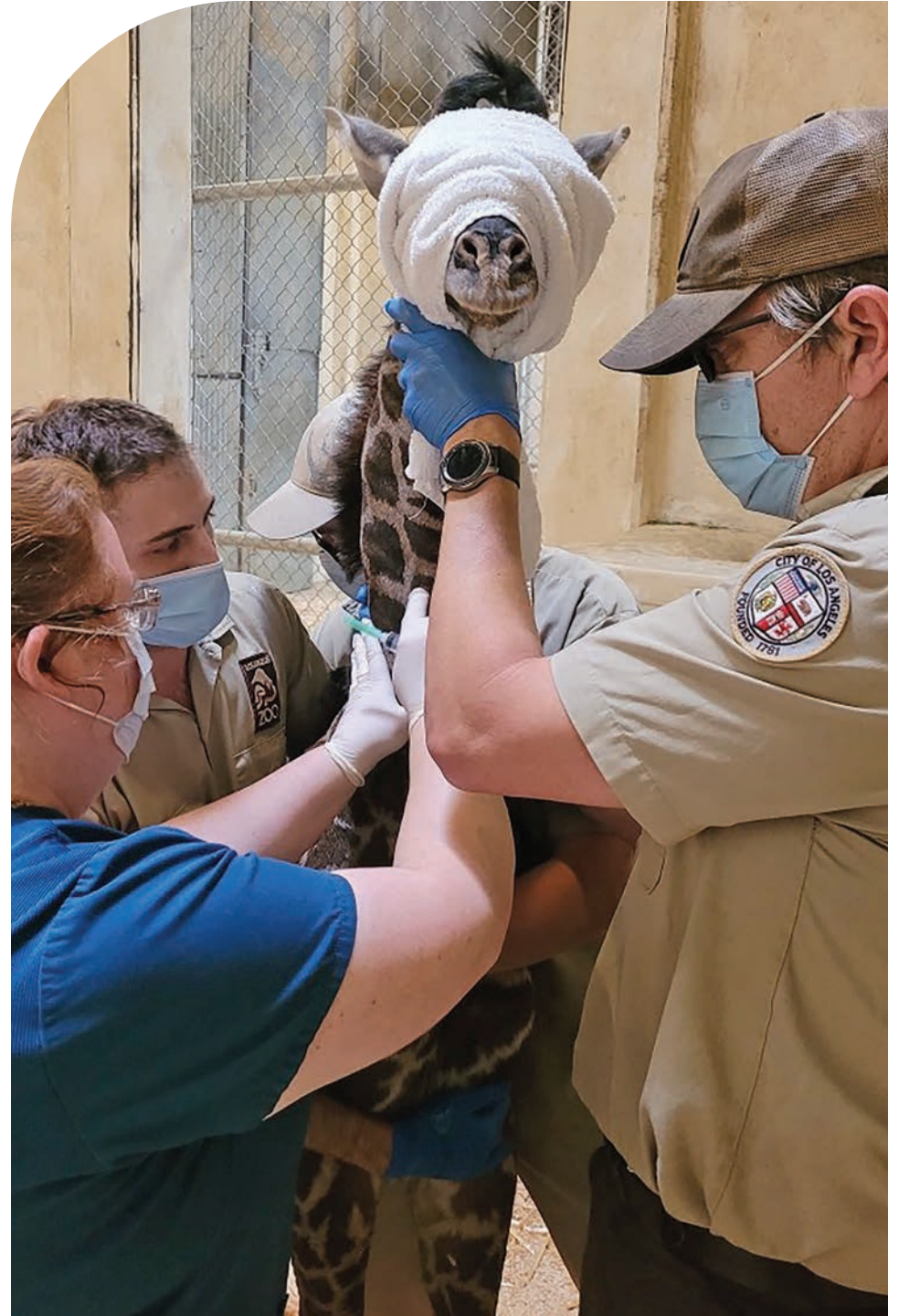
The hatching of a Roti Island snake-necked turtle at the Zoo in June 2022 was a major milestone in the recovery of this species, which is now considered extinct in the wild. These turtles disappeared from the wild due to overcollection for the pet trade and now only exist in human care.

Photo by IAN RECCHIO

The newest member of our giraffe herd was a newsmaker from day one. At 6'7", the baby boy was the tallest calf ever born at the Zoo. Keepers helped keep the calf calm as veterinarians performed the post-birth examination. This vital first check-up is standard procedure for all zoo births, big and small.

Preventive care is key to ensuring that every animal at the Zoo thrives. In addition to closely monitoring our animals for any sign of illness, the Gottlieb Animal Health & Conservation Center staff routinely perform physical examinations, run diagnostic tests, and administer vaccines. Thanks to portable diagnostic equipment and training protocols, these exams are more likely than not conducted while the animal is awake and in its habitat. In the last fiscal year, we entered 7,741 medical notes for our animals, and only 152 of those represent anesthetized exams. We collected 2,635 diagnostic samples, of which 1,451 were fecal samples and 447 were complete blood cell counts (CBCs). Fecals represent a big part of our wellness program as they are an easy, non-invasive diagnostic test.

The Zoo's Medical Advisory Board (MAB), composed of 68 members from a broad range of medical specialties, continues to consult on special cases. This support is critical to improved patient outcomes as it leverages the varied professional expertise of its members. These collaborations also provide invaluable opportunities for growth and information-sharing across disciplines. We are grateful to these extraordinary individuals for lending their time and talents to the Zoo.



DR. BRANDON BOREN



JAMIE PHAM

COMMITMENT TO CONSERVATION

Endangered species around the globe are benefiting from conservation grants or field assistance provided by the Los Angeles Zoo in Fiscal Year 2021–22. The programs we support engage in a variety of conservation activities, including studying wild populations, creating sustainable breeding programs, reducing habitat destruction, strengthening community engagement, and promoting peaceful coexistence between people and wildlife. In these pages, we spotlight some of these programs and the impact that we’ve made, thanks to the support of our generous members, donors, and friends.



CONSERVATION STRATEGIC PLAN

We launched our groundbreaking Conservation Strategic Plan (CSP) in July 2021. The plan—the first in the L.A. Zoo’s history solely dedicated to wildlife conservation—identified six focal areas where we will prioritize our growth and impact: California conservation, social and environmental justice, illegal wildlife trade, human-wildlife coexistence, conservation translocation, and evidence-based conservation. In this first year of implementation, we’ve made great strides in advancing our goals, particularly in the areas of California conservation and social and environmental justice.



MILESTONE

Condor Chicks

We hatched 12 California condor chicks in the Spring 2022 breeding season, furthering the genetic diversity of this incredible species. Five wild condors were brought to the Zoo for veterinary treatment, and four chicks were sent to our partner facilities for future release to the wild. Our condor staff accompanied biologists into the field to perform three nest checks.

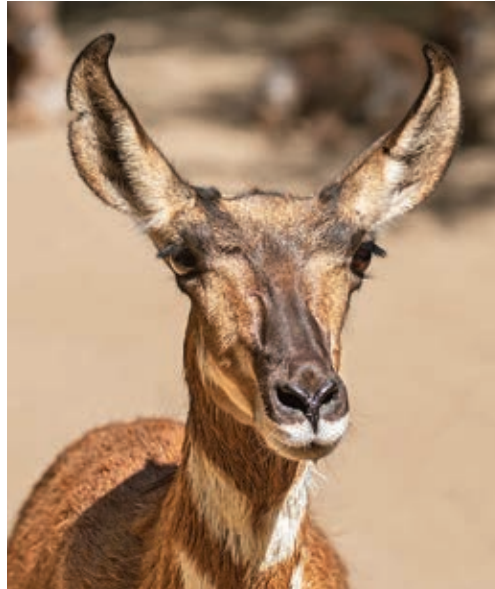
LOUANNE BRICKHOUSE

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MILESTONE

Pronghorn Preservation

In November 2021, L.A. Zoo staff traveled to Baja California, Mexico, to participate in the first-ever release of collared peninsular pronghorn to the wild. Eight captive-reared pronghorn were fitted with GPS tracking collars, then released. Zoo staff also helped develop interpretive graphics for the Peninsular Pronghorn Visitor Center near the reserve.



JAMIE PHAM

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Through a generous donation from the L.A. Zoo—and with their team’s expertise and effort—it has been possible to create a magnificent exhibition in which the peninsular pronghorn is not only the protagonist but also the link to the area’s natural, cultural, and regional values.

VICTOR SANCHEZ SOTOMAYOR, PENINSULAR PRONGHORN RECOVERY PROGRAM

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CARL MYERS

MILESTONE

Conservation Committee

The Zoo’s Conservation Committee furthered its work to engage with local communities and strengthen staff and volunteer involvement in our mission. They hosted several events, including maintenance and monitoring of the Bette Davis micro-forest project in Griffith Park, nature outings, and habitat restoration and cleanups.

MILESTONE

Mountain Frog Recovery

In August 2021, the Southern Mountain Yellow-Legged Frog Recovery Program transferred 150 L.A. Zoo-hatched tadpoles and 125 wild tadpoles received from UCLA to the Aquarium of the Pacific to headstart as a cohort for an eventual release. In September 2021, 504 tadpoles from the L.A. Zoo were released into their native habitat in the San Gabriel Mountains.



IAN RECCHIO



SPOTLIGHT

Komodo Dragons

The mission of the Komodo Survival Program (KSP) is to protect and manage populations of the Komodo dragon. In collaboration with Komodo National Park, the KSP conducts large-scale Komodo dragon population monitoring in eastern Indonesia. The long-term objective of the program is to ensure that this national park remains a protected habitat for Komodo dragons.

“For more than a decade, the Los Angeles Zoo has generously supported the Komodo Survival Program. L.A. Zoo funding has been used to conduct several activities including surveys used to count the annual number of breeding females and observe their nesting activities using camera traps. This research is essential to estimate the size of the annual nesting population and also the potential number of Komodo dragon hatchlings that will enter the population. This knowledge helps contribute to informed decisions regarding the management and conservation of this endangered species.”

ACHMAD ARIEFIANDY
PROJECT MANAGER, KOMODO
SURVIVAL PROGRAM



ASOCIACIÓN ARMONÍA

SPOTLIGHT

Blue-Throated Macaws

The blue-throated macaw is critically endangered due to habitat loss and the illegal pet trade. The L.A. Zoo has successfully bred this rare bird in its Avian Conservation Center and contributes to its conservation in the field. The Bird Endowment’s Nido Adoptivo Nest Box Project raises funds to install artificial nest boxes in the Laney Rickman Reserve in Bolivia to increase nest site availability. Since 2018, the Zoo has sponsored the installation of 20 artificial nest boxes in key nesting areas, resulting in seven blue-throated macaw chicks fledging in the wild.

“Bird Endowment and our partner Asociación Armonía are truly grateful for the generous support of the Los Angeles Zoo in saving the blue-throated macaw from extinction. When this project started 15 years ago, only 100 to 150 remained in the wild. Today, its numbers have increased significantly. Today, there are 400 to 450—an incredible 113 having fledged from our nest boxes. Thanks to support from the Los Angeles Zoo, the blue-throated macaw is flying toward a brighter future!”

DOROTHY PATERSON
PRESIDENT/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BIRD ENDOWMENT



DANIEL BYERS

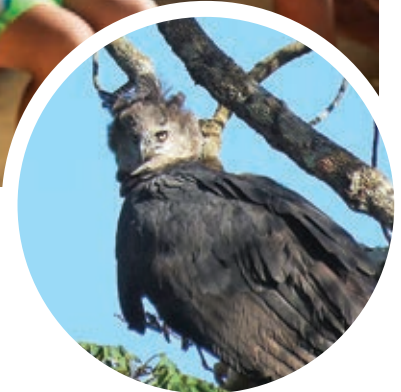
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Harpy Eagles

The largest eagle in the Americas, the harpy eagle is declining rapidly in certain portions of its range due to deforestation and human persecution. Since 2007, the L.A. Zoo has supported the Peregrine Fund’s efforts to monitor and preserve harpy eagle populations and increase local resilience through science, education, and community engagement.

“With the generous and steady support of the Los Angeles Zoo, the Peregrine Fund is protecting the largest harpy eagle population in Central America, located in the Darien-Choco Region of Panama within one of the most biodiverse rainforests on the planet. Specifically, during 2022, the L.A. Zoo contributed to (1) developing the capacity of 30 indigenous Emberá and Wounaan people in agroforestry and forest restoration techniques, (2) conducting 184 field patrol and vigilance trips to monitor 46 pairs of harpy eagles and their nesting areas, assuring their survival and protection, (3) training 50 indigenous people as mentors for conservation, and (4) reaching more than 10,950 people with our environmental education campaigns.”

EVAN R. BUECHLEY, PH.D.
V.P. OF CONSERVATION, INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS, THE PEREGRINE FUND



DAVID BEJERANO



ANDREW BERNARD/GRACE

SPOTLIGHT

Gorillas

The L.A. Zoo has partnered with the Gorilla Rehabilitation and Conservation Education (GRACE) Center since 2015. GRACE’s mission is to provide rehabilitative care for rescued Grauer’s gorillas and to work alongside communities in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) to promote appreciation and conservation of wild gorillas and their habitat.

“A gorilla-sized thank you to L.A. Zoo! Your impact was really felt in 2022. First, youth members of GRACE’s Conservation Clubs and the L.A. Zoo’s Zoo Pals program connected across continents. They learned about gorillas and participated in a meaningful cross-cultural exchange.

Second, L.A. Zoo provided funding for a new radio campaign. Written and produced by GRACE Educators, the campaign highlighted the connection between healthy forests, healthy gorillas, and healthy communities. More than 15,000 people learned about Congo forests because of your support.

Third, L.A. Zoo made it possible for GRACE educators to expand their outreach into a new village this year. In partnership with a community association, they built a sustainable woodlot to provide an alternative to cutting trees from the forest for household use. This benefits people and protects gorilla habitat.”

TOMMI WOLFE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GRACE



GRACE GORILLAS

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*A gorilla-sized thank you to L.A. Zoo!
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”
TOMMI WOLFE, GRACE

SPOTLIGHT

Painted Dogs

Painted dogs are one of the most endangered mammals in Africa, with poaching and habitat fragmentation the greatest threats to their survival. The Painted Dog Research Trust works to protect and expand the population of painted dogs in Zimbabwe. The L.A. Zoo has been supporting this vital work since 2018, funding extensive wildlife surveys, anti-snare tracking collars, and camera traps to monitor the movements and behaviors of painted dogs. As a result of these efforts, the species has bounced back from a population of less than 200 to more than 700 individuals.

“Over the years, the L.A. Zoo’s support has been not only consistent but made a huge difference, and so embodies our motto ‘Your Support Is Their Survival.’ Such long-term conservation partnerships make all the difference from the point of long-term planning. The latter was particularly salient as we all struggled through COVID yet managed to keep not only all of our staff but also packs of painted dogs alive ... Teamwork at its best!”

DR. GREG RASMUSSEN
FOUNDER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
PAINTED DOG RESEARCH TRUST



SPOTLIGHT

Saola & Muntjac

For several years, the Los Angeles Zoo has supported efforts to safeguard two of the rarest mammals on Earth: the saola and the large-antlered muntjac. Found only in the Annamite Mountains bordering Vietnam and Laos, both species are in desperate need of conservation intervention. With funding from the L.A. Zoo, Re:Wild is conducting extensive wildlife surveys in central Vietnam's Truong Son forest—the first ever performed using modern field methods.

“The preliminary findings from the interview and camera-trapping surveys in the Truong Son forest area are encouraging. Clearly, this area is an important stronghold for many rare and endemic species, and we believe it is possible that large-antlered muntjac and saola still occur there (though, if they do, their numbers are critically low). Without support from the Los Angeles Zoo, we would never have been able to conduct this project. We are especially grateful to the Zoo for supporting conservation work for two species that are not held anywhere in captivity. What an amazing example of how zoos can give back to conservation everywhere.”

ANDREW TILKER
ASIAN SPECIES OFFICER, RE:WILD

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JAMIE PHAM

SPOTLIGHT

Gharials

With an estimated 650 adult individuals remaining in the wild, the Indian gharial is classified as critically endangered. The L.A. Zoo has provided multi-year support to the Gharial Ecology Project (GEP) of the Madras Crocodile Bank Trust, which monitors and conserves gharials in the Chambal River, one of the most pristine and undeveloped watersheds remaining in India. Recent L.A. Zoo funding enabled the GEP to purchase tracking radios and deploy satellite tags on gharials to collect data on their movements and activity patterns—information that will be vital to informing future management strategies and conservation actions for the species.



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Tapirs

The Baird’s tapir is one of the most ecologically important species in Central America. By dispersing seeds, they regenerate tropical forests and play a key role in fighting climate change. With fewer than 4,500 adult Baird’s tapirs estimated to remain in the wild, the L.A. Zoo is proud to support the Costa Rica Wildlife Foundation (CRWF)’s efforts to conserve this iconic endangered species. With the support of the Zoo and other partners, CRWF engages farmers, tourism operators, community members, and local authorities in a collaborative program to reduce human-tapir conflict and improve economic stability in the area.

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Statement of Activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022

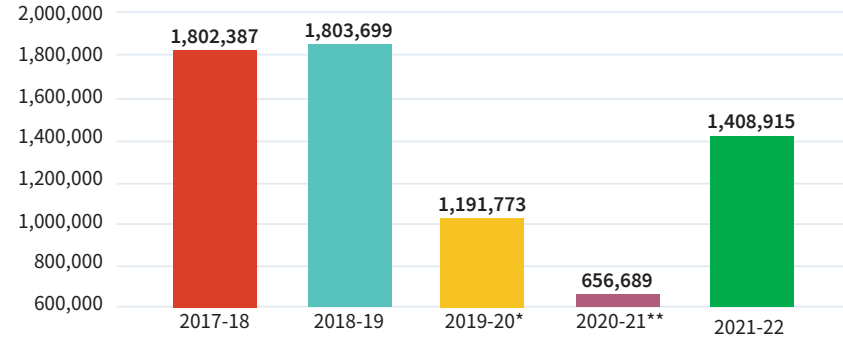
REVENUE	\$
General Fund	1,178,711
Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	863,031
Admissions receipts	15,681,761
Nighttime ticketed events*	813,539
Concessions*	2,434,934
Membership*	1,336,233
Other receipts	1,439,415
TOTAL REVENUE	23,747,624

* Transfers from GLAZA

EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM	\$
Animal care, wellness & conservation	10,684,591
Facility maintenance & operations	6,395,262
Learning & engagement	1,032,654
Public relations	140,743
Administration	5,494,374
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	23,747,625

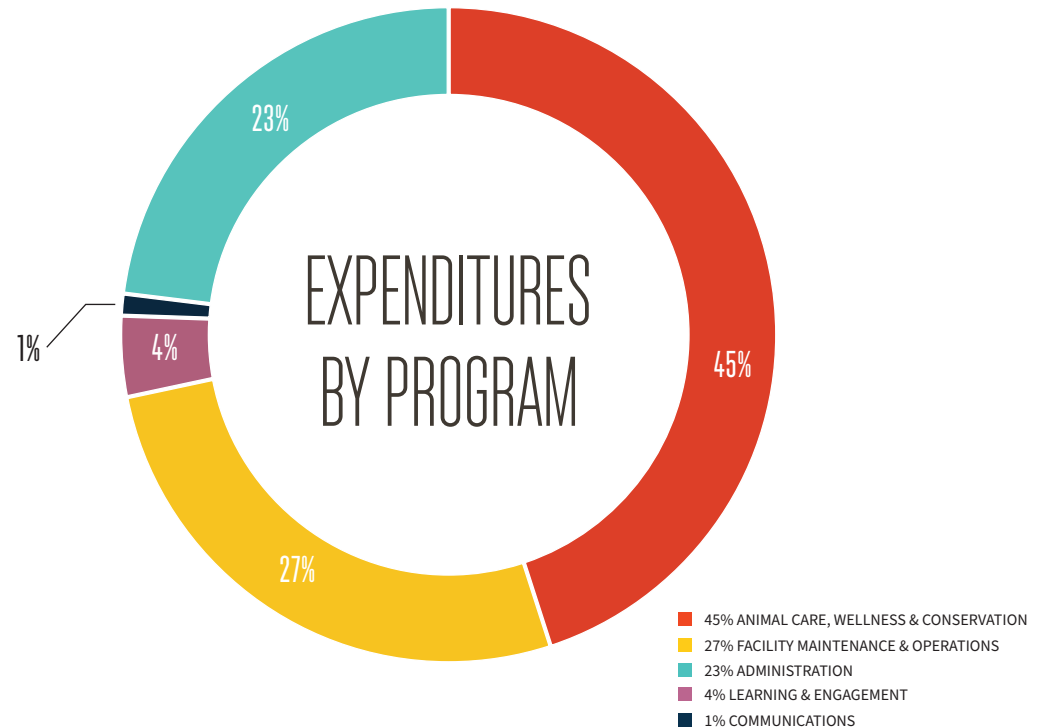
ATTENDANCE HISTORY

Includes all nighttime ticketed event attendance



* Zoo closed to the public 3/13/20 through 6/30/20 due to COVID-19 pandemic

** Zoo closed to the public 7/01/20 through 08/26/20 and 12/07/20 through 02/15/21



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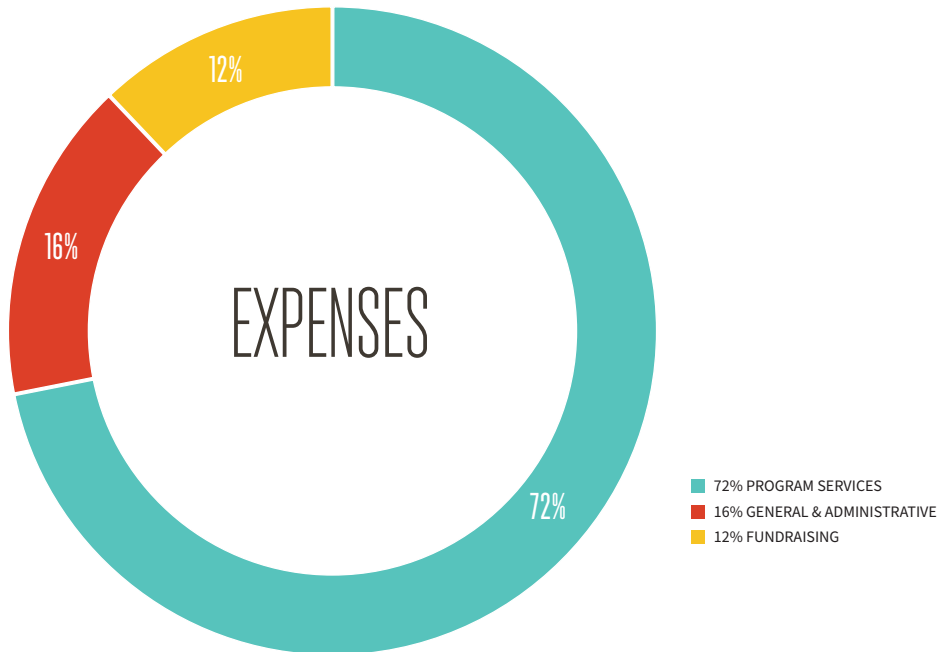
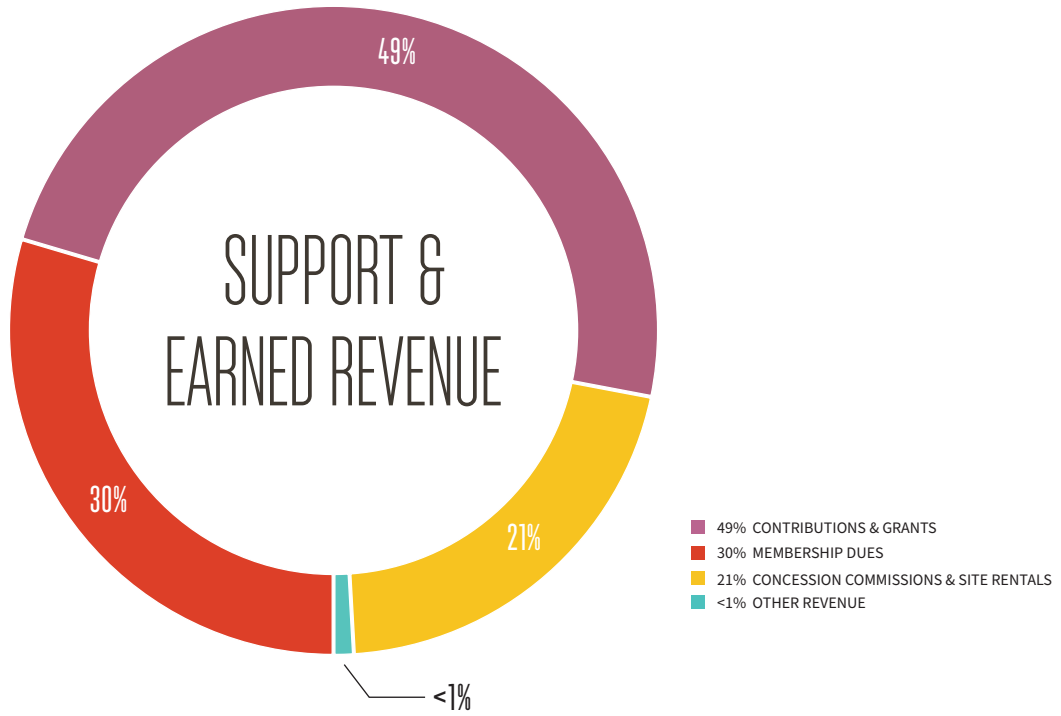
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SUPPORT & EARNED REVENUE		\$
Membership dues	5,135,821	
Contributions and grants	8,526,516	
Concession commissions and site rentals	3,575,634	
Other revenue	7,655	
TOTAL SUPPORT AND EARNED REVENUE	17,245,626	
NON-OPERATING GAINS & LOSSES		\$
Net investment loss	(4,312,084)	
Gain on forgiveness of PPP loan	2,025,000	
TOTAL NON-OPERATING GAINS & LOSSES	(2,287,084)	
TOTAL REVENUE	14,958,542	

EXPENSES		\$
Program services	10,483,792	
General and administrative	2,251,430	
Fundraising	1,761,016	
TOTAL EXPENSES	14,496,238	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	462,304	
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	41,427,084	
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	41,889,388	

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MURIEL'S RANCH

Home to Shetland sheep and Nigerian Dwarf goats, the contact yard at Muriel's Ranch has always been a favorite destination for young Zoo visitors and their families. The Max H. Gluck Foundation has been funding the Ranch since its opening in 2001, providing countless children with an interactive and memorable educational experience. While Muriel's Ranch has experienced closures since the start of the pandemic, the care for its animal residents remains a top priority.

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43,829 HOURS OF SERVICE

282,110 GUEST ENCOUNTERS

81 NEW VOLUNTEERS



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Last year, the Volunteer Division reevaluated its programs with an eye toward increasing diversity and engagement. One outcome of this time of transition was the creation of a new Docent Specialist program. These docents receive comprehensive training in a specific subset of the Zoo's flora and fauna. The first class of avian specialists took flight in April. "The docent specialist program has brought new voices and faces to the program, providing a more accurate representation of our local community," says Director of Volunteer Programs Kirin Daugharty.

SHINING STARS

At the Zoo's annual volunteer recognition brunch, 66 volunteers were honored for milestones ranging from 500 hours to 35 years of service! Docents Heather Evans and Muriel Horacek received the President's Silver Star Award and General Volunteer Jo Ann Orgel received the Shining Star Award.

AZA AWARD

The Docent-Led Virtual Field Trip program won the 2021 Volunteer Engagement Award from the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). Originally designed to meet the needs of students stuck at home during the pandemic, this innovative program continues to expand the Zoo's reach today.

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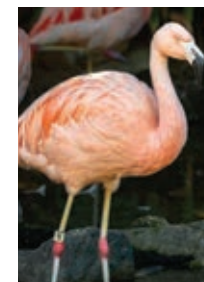
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