

# Departmental Presentations

## Little Rock Zoo

Wednesday, September 19, 2012



# LITTLE ROCK ZOO



\$1.4 million for operational expenses

Positions Filled as recommended by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums to maintain accreditation.

- Education Curator
- Education Keeper
  - Veterinarian
  - Office Assistant
- Marketing/Development Associate
  - Life Support Tech

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In the process of filling the following positions

- Assistant Visitor Services Manager
  - Custodian II
  - Development Associate
- Maintenance Technician
  - Cafe Supervisor
  - Farm Keeper
  - Registrar
- Carnivore Keeper
- Senior Primate Keeper

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## **Other operational dollars spent:**

Master Plan revision to the Zoo's 2001 master plan – RFQ process is complete and we will start the process in the next month

Professional Development – the Zoo will send three employees in the maintenance department to get LED certifications to help the Zoo be “greener” in its maintenance practices

Deferred Maintenance – funds have been used to repair roofs on buildings and do other general maintenance to keep exhibits and facilities up to date and working

Education – the Zoo revamped the Wild Wonders Animal Show

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