

Departmental Presentations

Little Rock Zoo
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Colobus/Serval Exhibit: \$900,000 (TS65A90)

Construct a new colobus monkey/serval exhibit scheduled to open in early 2020.



Update:

Construction continues on the new Colobus/Serval exhibit. Contractors are pouring concrete and installing landscaping this month.

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ZOO Trails Project \$312,000 (TS65A32)

Engineering documents and funding for Transportation Alternative Program Grant from the Arkansas State Department of Transportation to renovate pathways inside the Zoo.

Update:

The Trails bid has been awarded and the project will be scheduled to begin in late fall. Capital tax funds will be used to supplement the grant award to complete the project (\$796,400 total project cost - \$480,000 from grants)



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- **Zoo Education Classrooms**
\$120,000 (TS65A89)

Two modular education buildings to serve our rapidly growing camp programs, afterschool programs, birthday parties, and other zoo rentals. Cost includes buildings, infrastructure, and interior buildout.

Update:

Classrooms are complete and housed a highly successful summer Zoofari season. We are planning for one additional classroom building.



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- **Zoo Fencing \$120,000 (TS65A79)**

Constructing new fencing throughout the Zoo, including at the renovated education building, elephant exhibit, Arkansas Farm and Diamond Express Train area.

- **Update:**

Project is with City's legal department for contracting, scheduled to begin this month.



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- **Point of Sale System (POS) (TS65A89)**
The current POS is outdated and no longer supports patches or upgrades. A new system will increase efficiency and assist with sales volume.
- **Update:**
 - The Zoo is upgrading each piece of the current POS system under contract, including software, network infrastructure, and new hardware. Final installation is underway and training is underway for front gate and café staff. All remaining costs will be general operating costs.



Upcoming Projects

- Planning construction of a central hay barn
- Adding an additional Education Classroom
- Building a pasture for additional encounters at the Arkansas Heritage Farm





Recap of Completed Projects:

- Fair Park Roundabout Project TS65A32 (2019)
- Point of Sale System Infrastructure TS65A89 (2018)
- Lion exhibit upgrades TS65A90 (2017)
- Tunnel overpass renovations TS65A81 – TS65A84 (2017)
- West Primate renovation TS65A32 (2017)
- Roof Replacements TS65A79 (2016)
- Safety Barriers TS65A71 (2016)
- Lemur Fence Project TS65A32 (2016)
- Bush Dog & Otter Exhibit (2015-2016)
- AR Heritage Farm (2015-2016)
- Reticulated Python Exhibit (2015)
- Train Pit Renovation (2015)
- Veterinarian Hospital X-Ray Equipment (2015)
- Renovations to Camel Exhibit (2013-2015)
- Critical Staffing Positions Filled (2012-2015)
- New Greenhouse (2014)
- New Information Station in the Grand Plaza (2014)
- New Ringtail Exhibit (2014)



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Recap of Completed Projects (cont.):

- New Roof on the Tropical Birdhouse Building (2014)
- New Train Tracks for the AR Diamond Express Train (2014)
- Renovations to Chimp Exhibit (2014)
- Renovations to Upgrade the Amphitheater Animal Holding (2014)
- Tiger Exhibit Renovations (2013)
- New Great Ape Exhibit Shade Structures (2013-2014)
- Visitor Experience Upgrades: Landscaping, Electronic Menus and Info Signs (2013-2014)
- Constructed New Walk-in Fish Freezer (2012)

