

Departmental Presentations  
Little Rock Zoo  
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## **Zoo Education Classrooms** **\$120,000 (TS65A89)**

Three modular education buildings to serve our rapidly growing camp programs, afterschool programs, birthday parties, and other zoo rentals.

### **Update:**

Third classroom connected to broadband internet to facilitate interactive and virtual programming. Awaiting IT to connect.





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## **Public Address System (PA) (TS65A32)**

The Zoo is adding a PA system to communicate announcements with guests and staff on activities, schedules, and safety.

### **Update:**

Presidio began install & programming in October with a completion date of Nov. 4





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## **Wetland/Watershed Restoration Project**

Manage water runoff and to help the zoo better comply with ADEQ guidelines with a goal of zero discharge

### **Update:**

Topographical assessment & recommendations complete.  
Final bid recs forwarded.





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## **Collared Lizard Conservation Project \$68,000**

Partnership with the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, University of Central Arkansas and Arkansas Game and Fish to save the Eastern Collared Lizard, an indigenous species to Arkansas. Funds built a brumation shed for breeding for rerelease.

### **Update:**

Brumation shed, LED lighting and insulation ordered. Zoo staff will install when materials arrive.







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## **Camera System for Rhino Birth \$20K**

Installation of fiber and new live camera in anticipation of the arrival of a new rhino baby at the Little Rock Zoo in November. The live camera will allow keepers to monitor the health and wellness of the mother and calf and will then allow the public to watch the calf live on the zoo's website.

### **Update:**

Fiber has been installed and zoo is awaiting camera installation from vendor by end of October.





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### **Pathway Lighting & Electrical Upgrades \$40K**

The zoo will host a major light show this fall and conduit was run to light dozens of large animal lanterns along the pathway. The Zoo will also add permanent pathway lighting to enhance safety and add night time lighting ambiance.

### **Update:**

Conduit has been run and installation of the Zoo's light show, GloWILD!, has begun. Permanent pathways lights will be ordered soon.





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## **Veldt Drainage Improvements Project**

Alleviate drainage issues in animal holding areas while improving animal and keeper access to the Veldt habitat.

### **Update:**

Project to proceed at end of October with completion set for end of January 2022.







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## Upcoming Projects

- Planning construction of a central hay barn
- Completing fencing upgrade and habitat expansions to rhino yard
- Bidding other AZA related facility upgrades





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### Recap of Completed Projects:

- Colobus/Serval Habitat (2021)
- New Zoo Pathways (2020)
- Zoo Fencing (2020)
- Fair Park Roundabout Sculpture (2019)
- Point of Sale System Infrastructure (2018)
- Lion exhibit upgrades (2017)
- Tunnel overpass renovations (2017)
- West Primate renovation (2017)
- Roof Replacements (2016)
- Safety Barriers (2016)
- Lemur Fence Project (2016)
- Bush Dog & Otter Exhibit Renovation (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)





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### Recap of Completed Projects (cont.):

- New Information Station in the Grand Plaza (2014)
- New Ringtail Exhibit (2014)
- 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)

