



CONSERVATION IS A MAJOR PILLAR OF OUR WORK AT ZAA.

Through the ZAA Global Conservation Fund together and with support programs from our accredited members, ZAA directs vital conservation dollars to aid in the survival of many keystone species and a number of other threatened or endangered species on all seven continents. Our NGO partners in this important work are diverse and share our commitment to wildlife conservation through habitat preservation, in-situ and ex-situ propagation of wildlife, research, and in-range country education programs. We see this critical funding for in-situ efforts making a real difference and producing results that are measurable. For example, ZAA supports projects dealing with human/wildlife and predator/prey conflict avoidance, anti-poaching patrols, supporting progressive community outreach and conservation-education programs along with base-line biological and ecological data on endangered and threatened populations. Beyond NGO support, ZAA members are also involved with endangered species reintroduction programs and rescue/rehabilitation efforts.

ZAA CONSERVATION & ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS



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ZAA offers an annual program of Conservation Initiatives Grant awards up to US \$5,000 to help support future and ongoing conservation research projects. A wide variety of proposals are considered, however field

programs, studies and multidisciplinary approaches to species conservation, habitat preservation, and biodiversity enhancement are encouraged. Programs that directly contribute to species and habitat conservation including ex-situ research, as well as rescue and rehabilitation of injured or ill animals are also considered.

Sadly, modern-day conservation of threatened or endangered species cannot simply be limited to protecting or reintroducing animals in their native ranges. For many, the "wild" is disappearing as humans encroach on their natural habitats. To ensure species' long-term survival, captive

propagation of wildlife in managed breeding programs has become an essential part of the conversation and the only insulation against a potential collapse of wild populations.

Our managed breeding programs at ZAA are named the Animal Management Programs (AMP). Our AMP species management programs are coordinated across the family of ZAA members and are managed by a Species Manager as well as a Studbook Keeper. Periodically the Species Manager for an AMP will work with a population management advisor to develop recommendations from a breeding and transfer masterplan using the population's genetic and demographic data to promote a stronger population structure for the future. AMPs are recognized by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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