Houston Zoo Q&A

<u>Q</u>: What is the history behind the Houston Zoo?

A: The Houston Zoo began in September 1922 and is accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. The Zoo houses over 6,000 animals, including 900 different species.

<u>Q: What does the Houston Zoo strive for?</u>

A: The Houston Zoo connects communities with animals, inspiring action to save wildlife. We hope to become a leader in the global movement to save wildlife.

<u>Q</u>: What are some popular exhibits at the Zoo?

A: Popular exhibits at the Houston Zoo include an Aquarium, Children's Zoo, Elephants, Birds, African Forest and Natural Encounters.

Q: How does the Houston Zoo encourage people to take action to conserve wildlife?

A: Every time someone visits the Houston Zoo, a portion of the ticket proceeds go towards saving animals across the world. Through camps and natural encounters, the Zoo strives to educate and help the community, both local and global.

<u>Q: What are some education programs offered by the Houston Zoo?</u>

A: The Houston Zoo offers Camp Zoofari, a program where students can camp out at the zoo for the day and interact with animals and visit the several sections of the zoo. The ZooMobile goes to schools and community events throughout the Houston area. There is also a Collegiate Conservation Program, which is a 10-week internship where ten people are chosen to train, learn and work at the Houston Zoo.

<u>O: What is the Houston Zoo doing to preserve wildlife?</u>

A: The Houston Zoo protects the Texas environment by creating biological inventories, protecting wetlands, developing partnerships, and increasing support for conservation on private lands. The Houston Zoo contributes to global conservation by investing in long-term conservation projects that invest in the local community.