Salisbury Zoo
Volunteer Program

What is a Zoo Volunteer?
Zoo volunteers have an interest in wild animals, a positive attitude, and a willingness to learn. No experience is necessary—we will teach you everything you need to know.

What do Zoo Volunteers do?

Education
Volunteers help with education programs such as guided tours, live animal presentations, and school programs. Volunteers serve as on-site experts for our guests and share their knowledge of animals, nature, and conservation with visitors to encourage an appreciation of wildlife and inspire conservation of our natural world.

Special Events
Zoo volunteers can help out with special events such as Halloween Happening, Critter Christmas and Earth Day. Volunteers participate in event preparation, educational activities, animal enrichment, games, and fun.

Education Program Animals
Zoo volunteers have the opportunity to help with the care and handling of the Education Ambassador Animal collection. These animals are used in education programs at the zoo, in schools, and at community events. Volunteers must complete a pre-requisite number of hours and attend additional training to be involved.

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The Salisbury Zoo is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of zoos and aquariums in the areas of conservation, education, science, and recreation.
I agree to complete the required 100 hours of classroom training, 5 hours of homework and 15 hours of on-the-job training, and to volunteer a minimum of 50 hours per year.

Signature  Date

Signature of Guardian (*if under 18)  Date

Volunteer at the Salisbury Zoo

What are the Benefits of being a Zoo volunteer?

 Butterfly Giving back to your community—Give back to the community by helping a non-profit organization that is a valuable resource in the community. Volunteers also contribute to local and global conservation with their work at the zoo.

 Butterfly Learning—Zoo volunteers are always learning through on-the-job training, continuing education opportunities, and trips to other facilities. Volunteering at the zoo is a great way to learn more about something that interests you or to gain valuable experience for a future career.

 Butterfly Sharing—Volunteers have the opportunity to share their knowledge and their interest in nature, animals, and conservation. Volunteers often help to influence zoo visitors’ misconceptions about, attitudes regarding, and behaviors towards animals and nature.

 Butterfly Friendships—Make new and lasting friendships by interacting with people that share your interests and participating in the social opportunities available to volunteers.

 Butterfly Fun—Interacting with visitors, sharing knowledge about animals and nature, and spending time at the zoo is fun and rewarding.

How Do I become a Zoo Volunteer?
1. If you need more information, attend a Docent Open House Session
2. Fill out the application portion, detach and return it to the Education Department with your $50.00 training fee.
3. Attend all sessions of Docent Training.

What is required of Zoo Volunteers?
• No experience necessary—we will teach you everything you need to know.
• Must be at least 16 years of age.
• Volunteers are required to complete 10 hours of classroom training and 5 hours out of class training.
• There is a $50.00 training fee to offset the cost of training materials.
• Volunteers are required to serve a minimum of 50 hours each year (including 12 hours continuing education).

Questions?
Contact the Salisbury Zoo Education Department at 443.944.0636

What are the Benefits of being a Zoo volunteer?

蝶 显示了将你的社区回馈给--- 通过帮助非盈利的组织，它们对社区是宝贵的资源。志愿者也通过在动物园的工作对本地和全球的保护做出贡献。

蝶 学习---动物园的志愿者总是通过在职培训、继续教育机会和访问其他设施来学习。在动物园工作是了解你感兴趣的东西或获得未来职业宝贵经验的好方法。

蝶 分享---志愿者有机会分享他们的知识和对自然、动物和保护的兴趣。志愿者经常帮助影响动物园游客的误解、态度和对动物和自然的行为。

蝶 友谊---通过与有共同兴趣的人互动并参与志愿者的社交机会，志愿者可以建立新的和持久的友谊。

蝶 乐趣---与游客互动，分享有关动物和自然的知识，以及在动物园度过的快乐时光，都是非常有意义和值得的。

2020 Training Schedule:
All sessions run 6-8 pm

☑ March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31
☑ Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29