

Resources for Bringing Conservation Home to Your AAZK Chapter

Web links

Climate Change/Earth Day/General Conservation

<http://www.savenature.org>

<http://www.climateinterpreter.org/training/interpretation-activities>

<http://act.earthday.org/>

Current Green Practices Website: www.treehugger.com

Specific Conservation Initiatives

Native Pollinators

<http://www.stlzoo.org/conservation/wildcare-institute/center-for-native-pollinator-conservation/>

Certified Sustainable Palm Oil

Roundtable on Certified Sustainable Palm Oil

<http://www.rspo.org/en/>

The Philadelphia Zoo's Year of Orangutan "Unless" Campaign pdfs (palm oil related)

<http://unless.philadelphiazoo.org/resources/>

International Migratory Bird Day

www.birdday.org

Monterrey Bay Seafood Watch Initiative

Download a regional and/or sushi guide pdf to choose ocean-friendly seafood

http://www.monterreybayaquarium.org/cr/cr_seafoodwatch/download.aspx

Partners in Reptile and Amphibian Conservation (PARC)

<http://www.parcplace.org/locate.html>

Herpetology Atlas

<http://marylandnature.org/mara/>

Organizing Your Own Citizen Science Project

FrogWatch USA

<http://www.aza.org/frogwatch/>

Compilation of Citizen Science Projects

(Backyard Bird Count, Pigeon Watch, and many more)

<http://www.thedailygreen.com/print-this/citizen-science-47121401?page=all>

Do-it-Yourself Conservation

<http://www.stlzoo.org/conservation/doityourselfconservation/>

Science Projects

<http://www.scistarter.com/>

Water Monitoring

Promotes watersheds, public involvement in water quality issues, promotes stewardship, and provides water quality information that governmental agencies can use.

Hoosier Riverwatch: [www.riverwatch.in.gov/---](http://www.riverwatch.in.gov/)

Iowater: www.iowater.net.

Kentucky Water Watch: www.state.ky.us/nrepc/water/wwhomepg.htm

Government Resources

Find a Soil and Water Conservation District through the National Association of Conservation Districts (partnered with the Fish and Wildlife Service, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, and National Wildlife Federation).

www.nacdnet.org/

Projects from Zoos and Fellow AAZK Chapters

- workshops on urban container gardening
- honey tasting paired with learning about how to help bees and other pollinators
- trails restoration in parks
- removal of invasive plant species from parks
- butterfly and other pollinator gardening workshops
- tree planting in an area affected by a natural disaster
- tree planting to offset a specific carbon footprint
- volunteering at a conservation-oriented community group
- Build monofilament recycling containers for local fishing spot
- Open birding classes to the public, teach song id and collision prevention
- Learn frog calls, then make a flower pot toad abode

Grant Resources

The AAZK Conservation, Preservation and Restoration Grant

The purpose of the AAZK CPR Committee's Zoo Keeper Grant in Conservation is to encourage and support efforts in conservation conducted by AAZK members in zoological parks and aquariums around the world.

<http://aazk.org/about/grants/>

ZACC - Zoos and Aquariums Committing to Conservation Grants

<http://www.zaccconference.com/grants.htm>

IMLS Conservation Grants

<http://www.imls.gov/applicants/cps.aspx>

AAZK Conservation Grant Database

http://aazk.org/wp-content/uploads/research_grant_database.pdf

PDF Attachments

- St. Louis Zoo Missouri Bee Identification Guides (4)
- Toad Trackers at the Houston Zoo
- AKF Forum Article on Bird Collision Project at the Philadelphia Zoo
- Philadelphia Zoo Palm Oil Wallet Card

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