

Sustainable Green Practices at Your Zoo:

Recycling, Composting & Sustainable Operations
Through Community
Partnerships





The Tulsa Zoo has a wide reach and involvement with Sustainable practices that focus on:

Wildlife Conservation - Exhibited & Wild Animals People - Cultures & Economically

Operations - Green Practices



Connecting, Caring, Advocating for Wildlife, People and Wild Places.

How do we define Sustainability?

Wildlife Conservation:

To ensure that our conservation strategy, public awareness, and technical roles effectively support conservation of local and global biological diversity w/respect & consideration to community & cultures

Green Practices:

Fundamental value that moves us toward our goal of environmentally neutral operations.

Water - Gas - Energy - Materials & Products - Waste



Strategic
Plans
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How we do accomplish sustainable operations?

Water - Decrease water usage by increasing conservation and efficiency measures.

Atmosphere & Energy - Decrease greenhouse gas and air pollution emissions by increasing energy conservation and efficiency measures, initiating renewable energy use and emphasizing sustainable transportation choices, monitoring are actions

Materials & Products - Increase percentage and variety of environmentally responsible products and materials used at the Tulsa Zoo. Use a green approach with the collective construction management strategy and on-site construction projects.

Waste - Divert maximum amount of waste away from landfills through source reduction, reuse, composting, recycling and waste to energy programs.

What we focus on:

Green Practice Initiatives

- Energy and resource efficiencies
- Stewardship of resources
- Knowledge of and sensitivity to our impacts on the environment
- Practicing more sustainable consumer options
- Reducing our ecological footprint through on-site initiatives and community partnerships that foster green practices
- Participate in Sustainable Tulsa's ScoreCard and Business Member



Sustainable Tulsa's Program member



Smarter business practices can add up to savings. The Scor3card program is an interactive tool to help you assess and track your business's sustainability efforts.

VERIFICATION OF ACHIEVEMENT



2018 SCOR3CARD METRICS

OVERALL SCORE

CORNERSTONES COMPLETE

Presented To

TULSA ZOO

Upon the Completion of the 2018







- Helped create the program
- Scor3card Coach Tulsa Drillers
 American Airlines

EARTH FRIENDLY COMMITTEE

The primary roles of The Earth Friendly Committee is to create an atmosphere of awareness within the Zoo and to possibly identify and answer questions centered on our green practices program and to help identify opportunities and help foster green practices





Earth Friendly products at our Gift Shop

- •Mr. Ellie Pooh (products made from Elephant Pooh)
- •Ocean Sole (products made from flip flops that wash up on the beaches in Africa
- •Dynasty Glass products made from recycled glass, Stone Age Arts Fair Trade
- •Elephant Friendly Ivory products made from tagua nuts
- •Art Studio (Fair Trade)
- Acacia Creations (Fair Trade)
- •Ember Arts (Fair Trade)
- •Souvenirs (Made in the USA and some from recycled materials)
- •Plastic Bag Free 2016
- •Plastic Lid & Straw Free 2017
- •Single use plastic H20 bottle free 2018
- ·Plastic packaging with Toys







Important Operational Sustainable Practices

- The Tulsa Zoo is a sustainable restaurant member of the Seafood Watch Program
- Palm Oil free vending, restaurant and catering service
- Grow our own herbs and vegetables
- Grow and sell native plants for Waystations















Our Zoo Recycling Streams & Partnerships

Prior to 2012 the Tulsa Zoo had only been recycling 3 items such as plastic bottles, aluminum cans and cardboard. Currently, the Tulsa Zoo in total has 19 different recycling streams of waste. Any material that is not recycled, repurposed or donated, is then transferred to Covanta to be converted into renewable energy at the energy from waste plant.

1,900 pounds of Recyclables per week
6,880 pounds or 3 tons of Refuse per month







2. Paper

MURRE

3. Card Board





4. Fluorescent Bulbs



5. Alkaline Batteries



6. Glass



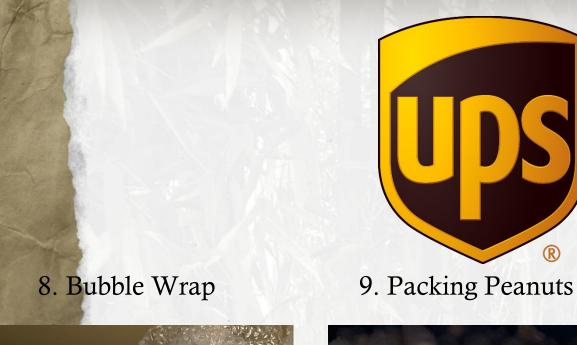




7. All Fleet Tires and Golf Cart Tires











10. Inflatable Packaging

























14. Zoo Fleet, Rechargeable and Pb Batteries







16. Markers







FOUNDATION

17. E-Waste

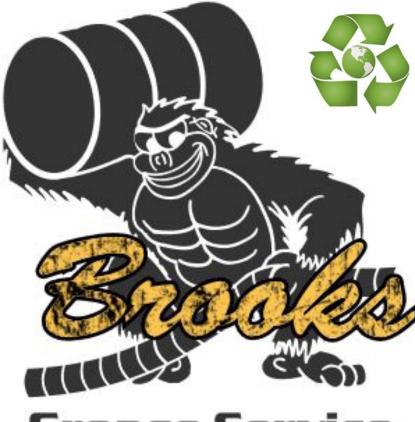






18. Fleet and Train Oil





Grease Service

19. Cooking Oil

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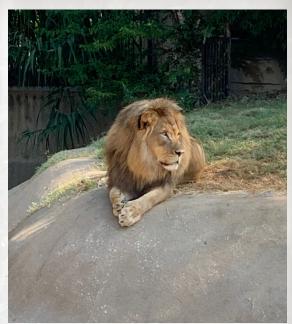
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QUESTIONS?

