Denver Zoo

Women in Conservation Fund

Application 2023

Program Fund Overview

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In order to create and activate positive change in wildlife conservation, women need more access to opportunities, resources and networks. Gender-related inequalities are often at the core of environmental degradation and other socio-economic challenges that need to be addressed in unison to protect biodiversity.

The goal of the Women in Conservation Fund is to provide financial support for capacity strengthening and increased access to the opportunities and resources that women need to prepare or continue their work in wildlife conservation. Each year two individuals; who identify as a woman, who are pursuing opportunities to further their own conservation career development and to engage their community in wildlife conservation, will receive an award based on the strength of their application. Applications must include: overview of academic achievement (not a requirement to be eligible); participation in wildlife conservation activities; focus of work; statements of objectives; and a letter of recommendation. The fund award amount is $5,000 (USD).

Deadline for all applications is **November 25, 2023.** Chosen applicants will be notified by email no later than December 10, 2023. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. Please note, application narratives can be submitted in the language of your choice if English is a barrier to submission.

*\*A note on terminology: The “women” in this application includes cisgender women, transgender women, femme/feminine-identifying, genderqueer and nonbinary individuals, who have historically been excluded from the environmental space. -Planet Women website, copyright 2021.*

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Completed Electronic Applications should be submitted to:

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Program Fund Checklist

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Applicant must:

* Gender identify as a woman
* Be at least 18 years of age
* Possess basic English language proficiency- needed for funds dispersal and administrative communications purposes
* Be a national from one of Denver Zoo’s field conservation program areas **- Peru, Laos, or Indonesia.** Preference is given to applicants who demonstrate an intent to work in that country/region in wildlife conservation.
* Be actively engaged in wildlife conservation efforts (could include volunteerism, academic programs, employment, community driven programs)
* Submit one letter of recommendation from an individual who is familiar with your conservation work (e.g., a current or recent instructor or mentor in wildlife conservation or a professional colleague or supervisor)
* Complete all application sections and essay questions (see above for language information)
* Upon receiving funding, agree to allow Denver Zoo to share your story (e.g., participate in an interview about your work, permit sharing of your story and images online, through social media, and in Denver Zoo publications)
* Submit a brief final report along with photos representing the impact of the und on your work.

I hereby verify that the statements in this document are true to the best of my knowledge and grant my permission for the information contained herein to be shared with the “Women in Conservation Fund” selection committee and scholarship donor(s).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Education and Work/Volunteer Information (Note: Enrollment in an academic institution is a not an eligibility requirement for this fund)

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Are you currently enrolled in an academic institution? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If so, please provide the name of the academic institution: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Website or contact information for the academic institution: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Degree of Study \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Academic Advisor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Contact Information \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you receiving other funding or scholarships? If so, what type? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a staff member or volunteer with a conservation-related organization (NGO, governmental, community-based, etc.)?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If so, please provide the name of the organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please describe your experience (work, volunteer, academic or other) in the field of wildlife conservation. **200** words or less)

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If awarded the Women in Conservation Fund – how will you work to strengthen the capacity of your community/partners? (**200** words or less)

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What is your personal interest in wildlife conservation (200 words or less)?

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What impact do you hope to have in the field of wildlife conservation? Be as specific as you can – example: describe the species, communities, and strategies with which you intend to work (200 words or less).

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