



## Prospective Member Application

Oklahoma Zoological Society  
2018

*ZOOtroop is a young professionals' organization dedicated to volunteering and assisting the Oklahoma Zoological Society in supporting the Oklahoma City Zoo in its mission to be Oklahoma's premier destination connecting people and our world's vanishing wildlife and wild places. Its members bring creativity, energy, and a spirit of celebration to the Zoo and the Oklahoma Zoological Society.*

*The mission of ZOOtroop is to engage young professionals in the future of the Oklahoma Zoological Society and Oklahoma City Zoo.*

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### **Selection Criteria for ZOOtroop Members**

- Must be between the ages of 21-35 at the time of application.
- Must be able to attend 70% of ZOOtroop meetings/OZS events.
- Must be able to attend annual ZOOtroop retreat to be held July 15, 2018.
- Must be able to volunteer and attend at least two of OZS's functions during the fiscal year (July-June).
- Pay annual dues of \$100.00.

### **ZOOtroop Member Selection Process**

- All applications must be e-mailed by May 15, 2018.
- ZOOtroop members will be selected by a committee designated by the OZS Executive Director in conjunction with the ZOOtroop elected officers.
- Applications will be evaluated based on completeness, community involvement, relevant skills and experience, level of interest, and strength of recommendation letters.
- Results will be communicated no later than June 15, 2018.

### **ZOOtroop Member Commitments**

- Minimum two (2) year term.
- Terms begin on July 1 each year.
- Members may serve consecutive terms, up to a max of two (2) terms or four (4) years total.

**Completed applications must be e-mailed to [friends@zoofriends.org](mailto:friends@zoofriends.org). Please include both letters of recommendation with the application.**



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## I. General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Cell Work

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer mail be sent to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence Business

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

**Background Information (Education – Include degrees, honors and/or awards):**

## II. Relevant Skills and Experience

Please provide appropriate information relevant to any prior community service experience and/or professional skills. Commenting in each category may not be necessary. Additional paper may be attached.



**Community Service**

Any previous or current volunteer service experience, including organizations served, type of service, and length of service.

**Relevant Skills**

How can you help ZOOtroop and the Oklahoma Zoological Society's mission? Specifically, list any relevant skills applicable to business, fundraising, or marketing.

**Other Experience**

Describe any experience on governing boards or young professional groups of other community organizations. Tell us about any other relevant experience, skill set, or interest you would like us to know about you.

**III. Interest in the Oklahoma Zoological Society**

Please explain why you are interested in becoming a ZOOtroop member and supporting the efforts of the Oklahoma Zoological Society.

Please describe any ideas you may have to help ZOOtroop cultivate the Oklahoma Zoological Society and Oklahoma City Zoo.

#### **IV. Letters of Recommendation**

Please include two letters of recommendation from people who have personal experience with you (e.g., an employer, faculty member, co-worker, fellow volunteer, mentor, coach), who can comment on your leadership abilities and interest in our community. Both letters of recommendation should be included with the application.

#### **V. Candidate Affirmation**

I affirm that all information provided within this application is accurate and reflective of my personal beliefs. I understand the goals and commitments of ZOOtroop. If selected, I will devote the required time and fulfill my ZOOtroop membership obligations.

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Candidate Signature

Candidate Printed Name

Date

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