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“Zoo Brew & Wine Too” *presented by Chase* at the Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo

The Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo will host **Zoo Brew & Wine Too *presented by Chase***, a new adults-only, after-hours fundraising event, on Friday, August 23 from 6-9 PM.

This all-new event will feature craft beers, wines, and local food from more than 60 vendors. Tickets include unlimited sampling of foods from more than 25 restaurants and unlimited sampling of dozens of beverages, including beer, wine, and hard cider. Live music by the Todd Harrold Band, James & the Drifters, and Ivory West will be featured on three stages. Zoo animals and exhibits will provide a unique backdrop for the event. Each attendee will receive a souvenir pilsner glass.

“Chase is thrilled to provide continued support of our outstanding Children’s Zoo, and to partner with so many great local food and beverage suppliers for this new event – the combination will make for a great evening!” said Jim Cook, Chase Market President.

“Because the zoo is a self-supporting facility, **Zoo Brew & Wine Too** is an important fundraising tool for us,” says Zoo Director Jim Anderson. “We are grateful to Chase for signing on as our Presenting Sponsor.”

Tickets for **Zoo Brew & Wine Too *presented by Chase*** cost \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. Designated Driver tickets cost \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Designated Drivers will wear a special wristband and will not receive any alcoholic beverages at the event. Attendees (including Designated Drivers) must be ages 21 and older. All attendees will be carded at the gate. Only 1,500 tickets will be sold for the event.

To purchase tickets for **Zoo Brew & Wine Too *presented by Chase*** and see a complete list of restaurants and beverages at the event, go to <http://kidszoo.org/programs-and-events/zoo-brew/>

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About the Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo: The Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo is northeast Indiana’s largest tourist attraction, hosting more than 500,000 guests annually. The zoo was voted Indiana’s

#1 "Gotta-Do Summer Attraction" in 2012 and is consistently named one of the nation's **Top Ten Zoos for Kids** by national media outlets.

The zoo is a conservation leader, contributing \$50,000 annually to local, regional, and international efforts to protect wild animals and habitats, and participating in cooperative management programs for 15 endangered species.

As a self-supporting facility, the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo receives no tax dollars for operations. The zoo's operations are funded entirely by earned revenue and donations.

The zoo is open April 20-October 13, 2013. Admission is \$13.50 for adults; \$10.50 for seniors age 60+; and \$8.50 for children ages 2-14. Babies age 1 and under and Zoo Society Members are admitted free.