#### **CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN ZOO**



### **Job Posting**

**Position**: Animal Keeper

**Salary**: \$20.40-\$22.95 per hour (commensurate with experience)

**Benefits**: This is a fully benefited position, including group medical, dental, vision, life, and disability insurance; paid holiday, vacation, and sick time; retirement plan; zoo membership; eligibility for the bonus program; and discounts on concession and gift shop purchases.

Do you have a passion for primates and purposeful animal care? Cheyenne Mountain Zoo is seeking an Animal Keeper to join our dynamic Primate World team, home to an array of charismatic species —from Western lowland gorillas and orangutans to tamarins and naked mole rats. With a baby gorilla expected soon and early plans underway for a new, state-of-the-art primate facility, this is an exciting opportunity to be part of a team that is shaping the future of primate care and wellbeing here at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo.

#### What You'll Do:

- Provide top-notch daily care, environmental enhancements, and training for a diverse group of primates (and yes, the mole rats too).
- Learn to apply behavior analytical procedures to build relationships with animals, teach behaviors for cooperative care and inform environmental enrichment strategies.
- Design and deliver unforgettable moments for Zoo guests—Keeper Chats, Behind-the-Scenes Tours, and interactive learning experiences.
- Maintain a strong, team-based relationship with our veterinary staff to provide the highest standard of medical care.
- Collaborate with an awesome team to advance animal care and wellbeing in one of the most dynamic zoo settings in the country.

### Who You Are:

- A passionate animal care professional with at least five years of paid zoo experience (preferred). At least half of that time with large primates is a bonus!
- Degree in Biology, Zoology, or related field? Great! But experience matters just as much.
- Confident working around gorillas, orangutans, and other primates—safely, calmly, and compassionately.
- Curious, observant, and quick-thinking—especially when it matters most.
- Great talking to humans whether they are co-workers or curious Zoo guests.
- Organized, tech-savvy, and excited to contribute ideas to improve care and connection.
- Available to work weekends, holidays, and flexibly as needed (because animals don't take weekends off).

# Perks of the Job:

- Work in the scenic beauty of a mountain zoo, with fresh air and big views.
- Be part of a team that's shaping the future of primate care and exhibit design.
- Play a key role in major animal milestones—new births, habitat designs, and enrichment innovations.

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Make a difference in conservation, education, and animal wellbeing every single day.

Ready to swing into action?

Apply your skills in a role where passion, purpose, and primates all come together.

To apply: Submit your resume and cover letter on Indeed by September 1, 2025.