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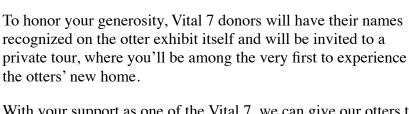
Wine Country Zoo is a small, family-run sanctuary. Our mission is simple yet powerful: to provide lifelong care for animals in need, offer ethical and meaningful wildlife experiences, and bring comfort to people through therapy programs for critically ill and end-of-life children in the Bay Area. Every animal we care for becomes part of our family, and every community member we serve is touched by that same compassion.

Although we are a small organization—just Brandi, Daniel, Riley (our daughter), and a dedicated group of volunteers—we've already rescued 73 animals in 2025 alone, including alligators, kangaroos, sloths, otters, and more, on top of the 150 animals already in our care. We also give back to the community by bringing animals and education to schools, expos, and visiting various hospitals for emotional support throughout the Bay Area, across California, and sometimes even out of state. These moments create lasting connections between people and wildlife, and your support helps make them a reality.

Right now, we need your help with a project especially close to our hearts—
rebuilding our Asian small-clawed otter habitat. These playful, beloved animals bring joy to every guest, but to protect them from avian flu, we've had to completely rebuild their home. In the improved exhibit, guests will be able to see them swim underwater and play as they would in the wild.

We first thought about doing the project ourselves but quickly realized it was beyond our expertise. Thankfully, a wonderful company is donating their labor, but we still need to cover \$14,000 in materials and \$2,500 in shipping from Texas to California.

This is where *The Vital 7* come in. We are seeking just 7 donors who can each contribute \$2,000–\$3,000. Together, this small but essential group will make the entire project possible. As a small facility, your donation goes further here than at a large zoo—every dollar makes a <u>direct</u> impact on animal welfare, conservation education, and community outreach.





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With your support as one of the Vital 7, we can give our otters the safe, enriching environment they deserve, while also creating a lasting gift for the community to enjoy.

With gratitude,







Become One of the Vital 7 for our otters!

Thank you for considering a gift to help create a safe, enriching home for our otters! Your donation directly impacts the lives of our animals and the experiences of our visitors.

Project Goal: \$14,000 - We are looking for 7 donors who can contribute \$2000+. Any additional funds raised will be used to complete the remainder of the exhibit, including a new roof, concrete work, heated house, and filtration system.

Ways to Donate:

- **1. Online:** Visit our secure donation page at <u>WineCountryZoo.org</u> to give via credit card or PayPal.
- **2. Check:** Make checks payable to *Wine Country Zoo* and mail to: Wine Country Zoo PO Box 1780 Rohnert Park, CA 94927
- **3.** Contact Us Directly: Call or email us to discuss your donation, arrange a gift in person, or learn about sponsorship opportunities:
 - Phone:405-543-7351
 - Email: Info@WineCountryZoo.org

Every contribution, no matter the size, brings us closer to providing our otters with a safe, enriching, and joyful environment. Thank you for your generosity and for being part of our small but impactful community!