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El Paso Zoo & Botanical Gardens to Host Gender Reveal for Newborn Giraffe

WHO: El Paso Zoo and Botanical Gardens

WHAT: Gender Reveal Announcement for Newborn Giraffe
WHEN: 3:30 p.m., TOMORROW, Wednesday, February 5

WHERE: El Paso Zoo, 4001 E. Paisano Dr.

The El Paso Zoo and Botanical Gardens invites members of the media to a special gender reveal celebration for its newest family member—a newborn giraffe.

The Zoo recently welcomed the birth of a healthy six-foot-tall calf, born to mother Gigi and father Juma. This is the second giraffe calf born at the El Paso Zoo, and is a testament to the Zoo's commitment to wildlife conservation.

The gender reveal event will be streamed live on the El Paso Zoo's Facebook and Instagram pages, beginning at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 5.

Currently, the giraffe calf is in a private, off-exhibit area, where Zoo staff are closely monitoring its health and providing specialized care to ensure its well-being. The Zoo will continue to share updates regarding the calf's health, progress, and future public viewing opportunities through its website and social media channels. A name for the calf will be announced in the coming weeks.

The Zoo's first giraffe calf, Obi, was born in April 2023 and will soon be transitioning to his new home at the Dallas Zoo. There, he will join a herd of female giraffes with the goal of contributing to the conservation of his endangered subspecies.

For more information about the El Paso Zoo, visit www.ElPasoZoo.org

<u>MEDIA</u>: Members of the media interested in covering the event are asked to arrive before 3:15 p.m.

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About the El Paso Zoo and Botanical Gardens

The El Paso Zoo and Botanical Gardens stretch across 35-acres and house animals representing over 220 species, including critically endangered species. Accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA), the El Paso Zoo celebrates the value of animals and natural resources. It creates opportunities for people to rediscover their connection to nature. To learn more, visit www.ElPasoZoo.org.



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