

Gardens on Spring Creek & Butterfly Pavilion are bringing Butterflies to Fort Collins



Butterfly Pavilion Facts at-a-Glance

Vision: We believe that an appreciation of the environment begins with an appreciation of all living things. Every day we teach the young and old alike about the need for conservation, because with knowledge and empowerment we *will* protect the world's natural habitats for generations to come.

Mission: To foster an appreciation of invertebrates while educating the public about the importance of conservation of threatened habitats in the tropics and around the world.

History: Butterfly Pavilion officially opened to the public on July 15, 1995. As the first stand-alone invertebrate facility to receive association of zoos and aquariums accreditation, we are designed to showcase the diversity of these small wonders, their habitats, and the BIG role they play in ensuring the health of our environment. We are home to over living 5,000 invertebrates – animals without backbones - that make up 97% of all animal species on the planet. Over 5.5 million people have visited Butterfly Pavilion.

AZA accredited
Member of SCFD

Year founded: 1995

Address: 6252 W. 104th Avenue, Westminster, CO

Acres: Eleven Acres

Signature Events: Insectival, Bloomapalooza, Mariposa Day, Bug-a-boo, Butterfly Pavilion Gala, and Living Lights.

Programs: Butterfly Pavilion offers a wide variety of educational programs for adults and youth, half day and week-long camps for children during winter, spring and summer. A number of school districts include our in-facility and outreach programs as part of their curriculum. Additional programs include rainforest yoga, photography, and our newly launched Bee Keeping Boot Camp.

2016 Visitation: 307,763. Over 1.5 million people have held Rosie the tarantula.

Active Volunteers: 643 total volunteers, 30,027 hours in 2016

Staff Members: 72

