

PRESS ADVISORY

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Shower baby gorilla with love, save gorillas *Virtual baby shower for new baby gorilla and family*

WHAT: Woodland Park Zoo is throwing a virtual baby shower for its new baby gorilla—a girl born January 29, 2021! The western lowland gorilla is the second baby for Nadiri (naw-DEER-ee) and the first between her and dad, 21-year-old Kwame (KWA-may).

HOW: Through March 5, visit www.zoo.org/growingupgorilla/donate and make a gift of any size. Shower donations will help support the zoo's gorillas and their cousins in the wild, which Woodland Park Zoo supports through the [Mondika Gorilla Project](#) and [Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund](#).



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INFO: As an infant, Nadiri was partly hand-reared. She didn't immediately pick up her newborn to nurse or keep her warm enough the first day. Shortly after birth, gorilla and veterinary staff stepped in to provide round-the-clock care for the baby including bottle feeding her human infant formula, keeping her warm and providing her with short visits with her mother. Since those introduction sessions, the baby is now with mom full-time and she has started to nurse, but continues to be supplementally bottle-fed by the gorilla keepers.

The new baby girl is a half-sister for both little Kitoko born last March and 5-year-old Yola, who is Nadiri's first-born. She doesn't have a name yet but will be named soon.

Stay tuned to updates and milestones by visiting zoo.org/growingupgorilla and following the zoo's Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. #GrowingUpGorilla.

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