

# Outdoor Animal Habitat Activity

Head out to your neighborhood park, backyard space or Hoyt Arboretum to build habitats for animals.

## Supplies:

- **Work Gloves (optional)**

## Instructions:

- Build habitat for wildlife such as song birds, voles, chipmunks, squirrels, rabbits, salamanders, and insects. These animals use piles as dens or nesting spots, to shelter from bad weather, to escape predators, and to forage.
- Find a good spot slightly off trail, in an out of way place or in your backyard to gather sticks, moss, leaves and branches. Place collected items on top of each other to build a pile for habitat.
- You can frequently check on piles to see what wildlife are using them!
- If building a pile in a public area, make sure that it is small and not in a use area. If no good location is present, it is possible to make a pile as practice and put back items when done.



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