



The Huntington's Institutional Mission Statement

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Breaking it down

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How the Conservatory Exhibition Fits In

The overall goal is to promote botanical science education through displays and interpretation.

Specifically, the "big idea" or theme for *Plants Are Up To Something* is:

You can use your scientific skills of observation, comparison, measurement, and analysis to understand the amazing things that plants do.

The focus is on what visitors can do, so the exhibits are self-guided. The Conservatory is set up to be a place where visitors make their own choices about what to see and do, while having access to helpful, friendly volunteers and staff who can answer questions or lead guided experiences at the facilitation stations (information desk or bog table).