

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES ZOO**

DATE: October 15, 2024

TO: BOARD OF ZOO COMMISSIONERS

FROM: DENISE M. VERRET, Zoo Director



SUBJECT: **LOS ANGELES ZOO ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS AND STATUS
REPORT**

The following is a list of animal transactions that have been approved. Funds from sales transactions will be deposited into the City's Animal Purchases and Sales account. All receiving institutions are accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) unless otherwise noted. Animal transactions support the Zoo's commitment to population management through participation in AZA Species Survival Plan (SSP) Program recommendations, animal welfare and conservation efforts. Transactions reflect loans, purchases and sales and include animals that are owned by the Los Angeles Zoo, but reside in the care of other AZA-accredited or approved institutions.

LOANS

Loan from Cameron Park Zoo in Waco, Texas of 1.0 Jaguar. This transaction will provide the Los Angeles Zoo with a breeding animal.

Loan to Dallas Zoo in Texas of 1.0 Southern tamandua. This transaction is an SSP breeding recommendation.

Loan transfer to West Texas Wildlife Preserve in Merkel, Texas 1.0 Masai giraffe. This transaction is an SSP recommendation.

Loan return to Natural Solutions Wildlife Enterprises in Yucca Valley, California of 1.0 Southern cassowary. This transaction will eliminate an unnecessary loan.

Loan from New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office in Albuquerque, New Mexico of 0.0.5 New Mexico ridgenose rattlesnake. This transaction will provide the Los Angeles Zoo with breeding specimens for the species recovery program

SALES

Sale to Racine Zoo in Racine, Wisconsin of 1.0 Masai giraffe. This transaction is an SSP companionship recommendation.

Sale to Zoo Atlanta in Georgia of 0.1 Cape thick-knee. This transaction is an SSP recommendation.

PURCHASES

Purchase from Ambystoma Genetic Stock Center in Lexington, Kentucky of 4.0 Axolotl. This transaction will provide the Los Angeles Zoo with exhibit specimens.

Purchase from Bugs of America in Portal, Arizona of 0.0.1 Desert hairy scorpion, 0.0.2 Sonoran giant centipede, 0.0.1 Desert blonde tarantula. This transaction will provide the Los Angeles Zoo with exhibit specimens for the Desert LAIR.

Births (9/1/24-9/30/24)

None

Deaths (9/1/24-9/30/24)

- 1.0 Arizona mountain kingsnake
- 0.1 Durango rock rattlesnake
- 0.0.1 Giant horned lizard
- 0.0.3 Golden poison dart frog
- 0.1 Great horned owl
- 0.1 Jumping pitviper
- 0.1 Southern pudu
- 0.0.1 Red rainbowfish
- 0.1 Shetland sheep
- 0.0.1 Vampire crab

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