

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES ZOO**

DATE: July 15, 2025

TO: BOARD OF ZOO COMMISSIONERS

FROM: DENISE M. VERRET, Zoo Director 

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

The following is a list of animal transfers that have been completed. Funds from sales 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 transfers support the Zoo's commitment to population management through participation in AZA Species Survival Plan (SSP) Program recommendations, animal welfare and conservation efforts. Transfers reflect loans, purchases, sales and donations 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 transfer to Sedgwick County Zoo in Wichita, Kansas of 0.1 Chacoan peccary. This transfer was an SSP recommendation.

Loan transfer to Woodland Park Zoo in Seattle, Washington of 1.0 White-fronted marmoset. This transfer was an SSP recommendation.

Loan transfer from Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania in Prospect, Australia of 2.0 Tasmanian devil. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with a rare species to exhibit in the Australia area of the Zoo.

SALES

Sale to Sedgwick County Zoo (SCZ) in Wichita, Kansas of 0.2 Magnificent tree frog. This transfer was a breeding recommendation.

Sale to Sedgwick County Zoo in Wichita, Kansas of 2.2 Giant horned lizard. This transfer provided SCZ with a rare species.

DONATIONS

Donation to Sea World in San Diego, California of 5.2 American flamingo. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Charles Paddock Zoo in Atascadero, California of 0.4 American flamingo. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to San Diego Zoo Safari Park in Escondido, California of 1.0 Andean condor. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Tracy Aviary in Salt Lake City, Utah of 1.3 Bali Mynah. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to North Carolina Zoo in Asheboro, NC of 1.0 Giant horned lizard. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Audubon Nature Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana of 0.1 Giant horned lizard. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Audubon Nature Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana of 0.1 Green anaconda. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to San Diego Zoo Safari Park in Escondido, California of 1.0 Knobbed hornbill. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation from Cleveland Metroparks Zoo in Cleveland, Ohio of 1.0 Masai giraffe. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation from Byron Wusstig in Castaic, California of 0.1.5 Socotra Island blue baboon tarantula. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with captive bred species for display.

Donation to West Texas Wildlife Preserve in Merkel, Texas of 1.2 Turkmenian markhor. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Births (6/1/25-6/30/25)

0.0.1 California condor
0.0.2 Congo peafowl
0.1 Grevy's zebra
0.0.1 Mimic poison frog

Deaths (6/1/25-6/30/25)

0.1 Black-headed weaver
0.1 Chacoan peccary
0.0.1 Giant horned lizard
0.1 Greater flamingo
0.2 Grevy's zebra
1.1 Nigerian dwarf goat
0.0.1 Rainbowfish
0.0.1 Red piranha
1.0 Ring-tailed lemur

0.1 Shetland sheep

0.0.1 Striped leporinus

0.0.1 White-lipped island pitviper

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