

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES ZOO**

DATE: December 16, 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 sustainable 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.

OUTGOING

Donation to Toledo Zoological Gardens in Toledo, Ohio of 1.0 black-headed python. This transfer provided Toledo Zoo with an exhibit specimen.

Donation (ownership-only) to Fort Worth Zoological Park in Fort Worth, Texas of 3.0 Cape vulture. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Virginia Zoological Park in Norfolk, Virginia of 1.2 giant horned lizard. This transfer provided Virginia Zoo with exhibit specimens.

Loan transfer to Santa Ana Zoo in Santa Ana, California of 1.0 golden lion tamarin. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Donation to Toledo Zoological Gardens in Toledo, Ohio of 0.0.2 green tree python. This transfer provided Toledo Zoo with exhibit specimens.

Donation to Audubon Nature Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana of 0.0.3 green tree python. This transfer provided Audubon Institute with exhibit specimens.

Donation to San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance in San Diego, California of 0.1 mandrill. This transfer was an SSP transfer recommendation.

Donation to Audubon Nature Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana of 1.0 Mojave desert sidewinder. This transfer provided Audubon Institute with an exhibit specimen.

Donation to Audubon Nature Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana of 0.0.1 jumping pitviper. This transfer provided Audubon Institute with an exhibit specimen.

Loan transfer to North Carolina Zoo in Asheboro, North Carolina of 0.1 raven. This transfer provided North Carolina Zoo with a breeding specimen.

Donation to Toledo Zoological Gardens in Toledo, Ohio of 0.0.4 rough-scaled python. This transfer provided Toledo Zoo with exhibit specimens.

Donation to Santa Barbara Zoological Gardens in Santa Barbara, California of 1.0 white-cheeked turaco. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Donation to Toledo Zoological Gardens in Toledo, Ohio of 0.1 woma. This transfer provided Toledo Zoo with an exhibit specimen.

Donation (ownership only) to Albuquerque Biological Park in Albuquerque, New Mexico of 0.2 Cape vulture. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation (ownership only) to Albuquerque Biological Park in Albuquerque, New Mexico of 1.0 Southern three-banded armadillo. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

INCOMING

Donation from Lee Richardson Zoo in Garden City, Kansas of 0.1 Bali myna. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Donation from Clyde Peeling's Reptiland in Allenwood, Pennsylvania of 0.0.2 Giant Madagascar day gecko. This transfer provided exhibit specimens to the Los Angeles Zoo.

Donation from a private holder, Dominick Dorsa of 0.1 kea. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with a new species and participation in an AZA managed species program.

Donation from a private holder, Dominick Dorsa of 0.1 Major Mitchell's cockatoo. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with a new species for exhibit.

Donation from a private holder, Dominick Dorsa of 0.1 Northern palm cockatoo. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with a new species and participation in an AZA managed species program.

Donation from Utah's Hogle Zoo in Salt Lake City, Utah of 0.1 prehensile-tailed skink. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Births (11/1/25-11/30/25)

1.0 Chimpanzee

1.0 Southern gerenuk

0.0.1 Western lowland gorilla

Deaths (11/1/25-11/30/25)

0.1 Brazilian black tarantula

0.0.1 Emperor spotted newt

1.0 Fennec fox

1.0 Francois' langur

0.1 Giant horned lizard

0.1 Giant otter

0.1 Green aracari

0.0.1 Poison dart frog

0.0.1 Red rainbowfish

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