

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES ZOO**

DATE: July 21, 2026
TO: BOARD OF ZOO COMMISSIONERS
FROM: DENISE M. VERRET, Zoo Director
SUBJECT: **LOS ANGELES ZOO ANIMAL UPDATES 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 (ownership only) to Dallas Zoo in Texas of 1.0 Aruba Island rattlesnake. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium in Nebraska of 1.0 Cape thick-knee. This transfer was an SSP recommendation.

Donation (ownership only) to Denver Zoo Conservation Alliance in Colorado of 1.0 Eastern black-and-white colobus. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Blank Park Zoo in Des Moines, Iowa of 1.0 Harbor seal. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Donation (ownership only) to Busch Gardens in Tampa, Florida of 0.1 Hippopotamus. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation Happy Hollow Park and Zoo in San Jose, California of 1.0 Jaguar. This transfer was an SSP recommendation.

Donation to Landry's Downtown Aquarium Houston in Texas of 1.0 Laughing kookaburra. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Donation (ownership only) to Zoo Miami in Florida of 1.0 Southern hairy-nosed wombat. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Fresno Chaffee Zoo in California of 1.0 Tammar wallaby. This transfer was an SSP recommendation.

INCOMING

Loan in from San Antonio Zoological Gardens and Aquarium in Texas of 1.0 Banded rock rattlesnake. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with a specimen for breeding.

Donation from San Antonio Zoological Gardens and Aquarium in Texas of 0.0.1 Desert blonde tarantula. This transfer provided the Los Angeles Zoo with specimens for exhibit and breeding.

Donation from Zoo de Granby in Quebec, Canada of 0.1 Jaguar. This transfer was an SSP breeding recommendation.

Loan in from Dallas Zoo in Texas of 1.0 Southern gerenuk. This transfer is an AZA studbook breeding recommendation.

Births (6/1/26-6/30/26)

None

Deaths (6/1/26-6/30/26)

1.0 Black howler (ownership only)
1.0 Fiji banded iguana
0.0.1 Golden poison dart frog
0.0.1 Goyder River rainbowfish
0.0.1 Mimic poison frog
0.1 Nigerian dwarf goat
0.0.1 Red piranha
1.2 Snow leopard
0.1 Visayan warty pig