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By becoming a member, you support world-class animal care, global conservation initiatives, and local learning initiatives—not to mention the perks!

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Welcome Guide
Guest Information and Map

Be Our Guest
Searle Visitor Center
The Visitor Center offers the following guest services:
• Information Desk
• Membership Services
• First Aid and Public Safety
• Lost & Found
• Stroller and Wagon Rentals
• Wheelchair Rentals and Accessibility Services
• Nursing Rooms

Zoo Hours
April–May September–October
10 a.m.–5 p.m. 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Memorial Day–Labor Day November–March
Weekdays 10 a.m.–5 p.m. 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
Weekends 10 a.m.–6:30 p.m.

While Lincoln Park Zoo is open 365 days a year, some rides and snack stations may be closed seasonally.

Need more to plan your visit? You’ll find it at lpzoo.org.
Join us online @LincolnParkZoo

More to Do at the Zoo
Nature Boardwalk
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Great goats, feed cows and chickens, and enjoy seasonal gardening activities at the zoo’s beloved urban farm exhibit, located next to Nature Boardwalk.

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Carousal and Train
All aboard the AT&T Endangered Species Carousel and Lionel Train Adventure! These family-friendly rides are located near the zoo’s East and West Gates, respectively. $3 per person per ride; value ride passes: 10 and 20 discounted ticket bundles available. Member discounts available at the Member Center.

Gift Shop
Find the perfect souvenir at the zoo’s gift shop, located on the Main Mall, from apparel to animal plushes to home décor and much more. Or shop online at lpzoo.org/shop.

Your Accessible Zoo
Sensory Bags
Available for checkout, sensory bags include items like noise-reducing headphones, a lighted magnifying glass, fidget toys, a wobble cushion, and tinted glasses. Free rentals available at Searle Visitor Center.

Wheelchairs
All public buildings at the zoo have at least one accessible entrance. Free rentals available at Searle Visitor Center.

Service Animals
Searle Visitor Center can provide tips to explore the zoo with a service animal.

Printed Scripts
Printed scripts for Seal Training & Feeding, Ape Cognition & Care, and Free-flight Feeding are available upon request immediately prior to the start of the program. Both are available in English and Spanish.

Accessible and Gender-neutral Restrooms
Check the map in this guide for the exact locations of accessible and gender-neutral bathrooms on grounds.

Find Out More
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Take Pride in Your Zoo!
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