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The Honorable David Ryu, Councilmember
Health, Education and Neighborhood Councils Committee
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ZOO DEPARTMENT RESPONSE - YOUTH PROGRAM SURVEY (C.F. 16-0596)

Please find attached the Zoo Department's response to the Committee's request for the Youth Program Survey (Council File No. 16-0596). One of the Zoo's goals is to grow and sustain an engaged community, expanding our reach and positively influencing public participation in our mission. Serving the youth of Los Angeles is an integral component to achieving this goal. The Zoo's youth programs serve children of all ages and strive to create fun, engaging and lasting experiences. Our commitment to accessibility and inclusion for youth is evidenced by our free access to the Zoo for all Los Angeles Unified School District schools and Recreation and Parks recreation center groups.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at your convenience (323) 644-4264.

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Youth Program Survey: Fiscal Year 2017-18

- 1) Please complete the survey and email the final copy to cao.youthsurvey@lacity.org.
- 2) Description of your Department's existing efforts to coordinate youth services among City Departments section is at the last row of the survey.

Department: Zoo		Contact Person: Dan Keeffe		Phone #: 323-644-5368		E-mail: dan.keeffe@lacity.org	
Youth Program Title	Description of Services Provided	Funding Source (General Fund or Provide Specific Special Fund Title)	Amount	Number Served	Number Served (Actual or Estimated)	Age Range of Number Served	
Free Access to the Zoo	The Zoo offers free admission to the Zoo for all LAUSD school groups visiting on field trips, along with docent-guided tours for enriching learning experiences.	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	-	46,011	Actual	5-18	
Free Access to the Zoo	The Zoo offers free admission to the Zoo for all Recreation and Parks recreation center groups visiting on field trips.	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	-	3,259	Actual	5-14	
Discounted Access to the Zoo	The Zoo offers a significantly discounted admission fee to the Zoo (\$3 per student) for all non-LAUSD school groups visiting on field trips, along with docent-guided tours for enriching learning experiences.	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	-	55,110	Actual	5-18	
North Hollywood High School Zoo Magnet Program	The Zoo offers free access to the Zoo Magnet High School students including course instruction and job shadowing opportunities.	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	\$ 3,500	300	Actual	14-18	
Zoo Pals Program	Zoo Pals helps eligible Title I schools, elementary through high school, bring their students to the Zoo by providing a scholarship to cover the costs of bus transportation and zoo admission to entire classrooms.	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	\$ 32,774	3,695	Actual	5-18	
ZooCamp	Connection to wildlife and nature through immersive camp experiences at the Zoo. Skills developed include critical thinking/problem solving/social and emotional health and growth.	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	\$ 29,023	2,142	Actual	4-12	
Youth and Family classes at the Zoo	Youth and family experiences led by Zoo facilitators to learn about and connect to animals in the Zoo. Outcomes and skills include Family communication, environmental identity, and community building	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	\$ 3,329	519	Actual	2-12	
Zoopendous Nights Scout/Group Overnight	Scout and group overnight programs give youth a chance to sleep in the Zoo while learning about animals. Skills developed include teamwork, critical thinking, and connection to community	Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund	\$ 24,039	1,824	Actual	6-12	

Description of your Department's existing efforts to coordinate youth services among City Departments: N/A