



Do the Zoo for Less

During these difficult economic times, taking the family on a vacation to a far-off destination may be out of the question.

Cleveland Metroparks Zoo remains an affordable and close-to-home getaway for Northeast Ohio, offering an escape to the jungles of South America, the savannas of Africa and the outback of Australia.

Zoo tickets are just \$10 per person and \$7 for kids ages 2 to 11. Admission to the Zoo is always FREE for Zoo members and children under 2.

But here are some tips to make your next Zoo visit even more affordable:

Discounts and Deals:

- Admission to the Zoo is FREE for residents of Cuyahoga County and Hinckley Township on Mondays throughout the year. (From Memorial Day through Labor Day, if Monday is a holiday, the discount applies on Tuesday of that week instead.)
- The “Wild Wednesdays” promotion offers half-price admission to residents of six surrounding counties on select Wednesdays in the summer. For 2009, the schedule is July 8: Lake County Day; July 15: Lorain County Day; July 22: Summit County Day; July 29: Portage County Day; August 5: Geauga County Day; and August 12: Medina County Day.
- From June 15 to August 24, ride RTA bus 20Z to the Zoo and receive half-price admission to the Zoo that day with proof of purchase from the bus.
- Buy dollar-off tickets at Discount Drug Mart, Acme Fresh Market and AAA.

Get the Most for Your Money:

- Pack a cooler or picnic basket to save money on lunch. The Zoo offers several pavilions and shaded picnic areas, which can be used by the public or rented by private groups.
- Always park for free at the Zoo.
- Arrive early! You’ll avoid potential traffic due to the Fulton Road Bridge closing, and that way you’ll get to see more animals and exhibits.
- Ride the complimentary ZooTram from the front of the Zoo to the Primate, Cat & Aquatics Building to save time walking.
- The Zoo is open an extra two hours until 7 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from Memorial Day through Labor Day, so you can see even more Zoo for the same great price.