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## **Fun Flutters, Feeds and Flies at the Toledo Zoo**

Toledo, Ohio— Fun comes in all forms. At the Toledo Zoo, it may flutter, feed or fly. But it's all free to visitors with paid admission to the Zoo.

### Nature's Neighborhood

Opened in 2009, Nature's Neighborhood gives kids a chance to connect with an amazing array of animals, from the familiar to the exotic. This summer, Nature's Neighborhood offers programs all day long for young or young-at-heart visitors. At 10:15 a.m., visitors can make pet treats. At 12 noon and 2 p.m., Zoo staffers present fun, animal-themed shows at the Fisher-Price® Discovery Stage; the theme may change, but the fun will stay the same! The afternoon wraps up with spider feeding at 3 p.m., and aviary feeding/enrichment at 4 p.m.

### Butterfly Conservation Center

The Butterfly Conservation Center is now open through mid-August, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., near the Broadway entrance. Visitors can "try out" conservation tasks, like counting (simulated) butterfly eggs or moving larvae, and get a first-hand look at small-scale oak savanna and fen habitats that support native butterflies. These habitats showcase the Zoo's important work to conserve native species of butterflies, including the federally endangered Karner blue and Mitchell's satyr.

The Toledo Zoo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is located on the Anthony Wayne Trail (US 25), four miles south of downtown Toledo. For more information and all the affordable fun at your Toledo Zoo, please visit [www.toledo zoo.org](http://www.toledo zoo.org) or call (419) 385-4040. Lucas County residents are admitted free of charge each Monday from 10 am to noon. ID showing proof of residency is required.

*The Toledo Zoo is committed to inspiring others to join in caring for animals and conserving the natural world. As part of that mission, The Toledo Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), a leader in global wildlife conservation. AZA member institutions are dedicated to providing excellent care for animals, a great experience for visitors and a better future for all living things.*

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