

COYOTE 101:

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Coyotes are wild animals and play a vital role in the ecosystem. They eat a large number of rodents, keeping the rodent population under control. As coyotes become more prevalent in urban spaces, it is our responsibility to manage our behavior/environment to limit and control interactions with coyotes. Doing so will help prevent escalated encounters with coyotes. Here are a few helpful tips to ensure safe coexistence with coyotes in the neighborhood:

- **DO NOT FEED OR ATTEMPT TO DOMESTICATE COYOTES**

Coyotes are wild animals and to ensure they are kept wild, it is imperative we do not nurture them. Note: It is **ILLEGAL** in the County of Los Angeles to feed coyotes and other wild life in urban and suburban areas.

- **REMOVE ATTRACTANTS**

Food, water, and shelter are an oasis for coyote activity. Attractants can be described as but are not limited to pet food, unsecured compost or trash, fallen fruit from trees in private yards or in parks, artificial lakes, swimming pools, pet water dishes, sheds, decks, crawl spaces, sumps, unattended pets, and feral cats.

- **SUPERVISE PETS AND SMALL CHILDREN**

Coyotes' natural diets consist of small mammals, so it is important to accompany any being that may be similar in size and make-up. Keep pets and small children within close proximity when in a densely coyote populated area.

- **KEEP COYOTES WARY**

If a coyote approaches you or comes in your yard, be as big, mean, and loud as you can. If you're with a small child or animal, pick them up and back away slowly and carefully while maintaining eye contact. If you are in immediate danger or have been attacked call 911 immediately!

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- **Want to learn more about coyotes in your neighborhood?**
- **Want us to speak with your neighbors, organizations, or groups?**

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