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Chicagoland Chicken Enthusiasts Presents The 9th Annual Windy City Coop Tour



Chicago, IL Sept. 9, 2019 – The [Windy City Coop Tour](#) is back for its 9th year showcasing backyard poultry, eco-yards and urban livestock across Chicago! During this self-guided tour, hosts open their yards to visitors and share their experience keeping backyard livestock in an urban setting. The Windy City Coop Tour provides access to local examples of the broader nation-wide movement toward sustainable yards.

Cost: Free and open to the public!

When: Saturday September 21 10:00AM-1:00PM and 1:00-4:00PM
Sunday September 22 10:00AM-1:00PM and 1:00-4:00PM.

Where: [Windy City Coop Tour 2019 Map](#)

How: To choose your itinerary, see: [2019 Tour Site Info for Visitors](#)

What can Visitors do on the Tour?

- Visit any of 22 diverse locations spanning 17 of Chicago's 50 wards.
- Dispel common myths and misconceptions about urban livestock.
- Learn about gardening, composting, native plantings, and rainwater harvesting -- as part of sustainable urban lifestyles.
- See a coop made from a backyard playset in Norwood Park.
- Feed some goats at GlennArt Farm.
- Learn about beekeeping in Edgewater.
- Find out what a "chicken tractor" is in Douglas Park.
- Discover hugelkultur in Bronzeville.

Why Hosts are Part of the Windy City Coop Tour

"We want to foster and support a healthy ecosystem in our backyard." - The Silvestros, Bronzeville

"We have a lot of great information to share! We are proud of our homemade set-up that has grown each year and hope to share our knowledge with others." - Michael Marchi, Old Irving Park

"We look forward to hosting the Tour because we first went on the Tour before we even owned a home, and it's fun to show others what can be done!" - The Vallartas, Galewood

"We are dedicated to the restoration of community on the West Side of Chicago. Having chickens and goats serves as an attraction and an education base." -Carolyn Ioder, Austin

We love sharing our experience of a life of having chickens in the city. Our chickens are more popular in our neighborhood than we are!" - Chris Koster, East Douglas Park

Many sites are wheelchair accessible, and Tour hosts speak one or more of four languages. For details, visit www.ChicagoChickens.org.

The Windy City Coop Tour is organized by [Chicagoland Chicken Enthusiasts](#), a network of local poultry keepers and their allies moderated by [Angelic Organics Learning Center](#). This press release is published on the web as [2019 Windy City Coop Tour PR](#).

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