

# Zappas Donates \$8,400 to PATH

Lauren Zappas, one of the newest sales partners at Amalfi Estates, donated \$8,400 from her commission to PATH (People Assisting the Homeless), after her first home sale.

"I think that Lauren is a fantastic role model for millennials," said Amalfi owner Anthony Marguleas, who noted that she is just 24 years old.

Marguleas, a longtime Pacific Palisades resident, oversees a philanthropic real estate brokerage that gives 10 percent of its commissions back to one of five charities (selected by the client): American Cancer Society, Make a Wish, SPCA LA, PATH and Homeboy Industries.

"Since 2014 we have been fortunate to have given away \$534,000," Marguleas said. "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

PATH Director of Development Georganne Barrett said, "On average, PATH has a gap of \$1,000 in funds to ensure that a person crosses the threshold into their new home.

"This funding supports basic needs such as food, clothing and other necessities; transportation to job interviews and vital appointments; application fees, security deposits, moving costs, and household essentials; and programs that provide empowerment such as life-skills training, personal



(Left to right) PATH's Associate Director of Community Partnerships Andrea Murray and Director of Development Georganne Barrett accept a \$8,400 check from Lauren Zappas and Anthony Marguleas of Amalfi Estates.

finance workshops, cooking classes, and much more," Barrett said.

"Due to Amalfi's support, we are directly able to help eight households end the homelessness they were experiencing and cross that threshold into stability," she said.

"With a state average of three individuals per household, Amalfi Estates, with this one donation, has touched the lives of more than 24 vulnerable Angelenos that needed support during a critical time in their lives."

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## Writing Contest Awards Ceremony Is October 4

The Palisades Library's summer children's creative writing contest winners will be announced at a ceremony on Wednesday, October 4, at 4 p.m. in the library's community room, 861 Alma Real.

The event is hosted by the Friends of the Library, and everyone who entered will receive a certificate for free ice cream at Sweet Rose Creamery on Monument.

The top three winners in each age category will earn gift certificates (\$100, \$50 and \$25) to Diesel Bookstore in the Brentwood Country Mart.

Actors Bill Jones and Christine Kjudjian will once again perform the prize-winning entries in each of the five age-group categories.

On display will be bookmarks, book covers and pop-up books that were judged for the first time this year. The top three winners in each category will also receive gift certificates to Diesel Books.

Refreshments will be served. Winners are not notified in advance, but the performances of the winning pieces will be videotaped for those who are unable to attend.

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