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Pathways LA Hosts Back-to-School Distribution for Community to Set Children Up for Success

Prominent child care nonprofit organization provides backpacks and school supplies for families in need as part of a back-to-school initiative.

LOS ANGELES— [Pathways LA](#), which provides a range of resources to support the continuum of care for young children, held their 3rd annual Back-to-school Distribution on Saturday. The event was for children ages 3-12 years old that are enrolled in Pathways LA’s Family Engagement program, which partners with parents and caregivers to promote strong parent-child relationships and healthy child development.

Volunteers distributed 350 backpacks filled with grade appropriate school supplies to help more than 140 local families prepare for the upcoming school year. Families also received snack bags filled with healthy treats, and had the opportunity to win prizes including lunch boxes, fidget toys, bubbles, coloring books, doodle boards, and Kroger gift cards.

“Many of the children we serve receive free and reduced-price meals at school and their families struggle to afford basic necessities like school supplies. Now more than ever, in recovering from a global pandemic, students need help accessing school supplies. Pathways LA plays a critical role in helping our children receive quality care and thrive academically,” said Tamika Farr, CEO of Pathways LA. “This event supports our mission as we aim to strengthen low-income and vulnerable working families, promote high quality early care and education services for children of all abilities,” Farr added.

The distribution was hosted at Pathways LA’s rooftop parking structure in Koreatown and was held in accordance with Los Angeles County COVID protocols.

Pathways LA aims to help working families and young children in their communities with school readiness. The Annual Back-to-school Distribution is one way that Pathways LA helps alleviate financial burdens on parents and sets children up to succeed academically.

To view photos of the event, click [here](#).

About Pathways LA: Pathways LA is committed to the healthy development and school readiness of young children from disadvantaged communities. Driven by data and innovation, our experts support the continuum of care that includes parents, child care providers, community partners, and policymakers. Learn more at: <https://pathwaysla.org/>

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