



# \$561,442 Raised for Santa Monica Public Schools

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524 donors contributed to the Santa Monica Education Foundation during its back-to-school campaign that raised \$561,442 to fund staff and programs at the Santa Monica public schools. An inspiring \$25,000 match from Kilroy Realty led the campaign, which also included two separate \$2,500 one-day matches from Harmony Hoefner Group / Compass and Santa Monica Music Center.

The money raised will fund arts programs, classroom aides, STEM and wellness programs at Santa Monica public schools.

“This back-to-school campaign was a fantastic way to kick off our fundraising efforts this year,” said Alison Havel, President of the Ed Foundation’s Board of Directors. “We are extremely grateful to Kilroy Realty for this generous matching gift opportunity. We also appreciate Harmony Hoefner Group, Santa Monica Music Center, and every donor who stepped forward to support our kids. While we still have a long way to go in our fundraising efforts, we are ecstatic about this phenomenal start!”

The \$25,000 match from Kilroy Realty ran from August 13 through August 31. During the match, two other local businesses offered one-day Flash Matches to encourage donations. The Harmony Hoefner Group / Compass matched \$2,500 in donations on August 24 and Santa Monica Music Center matched donations up to \$2,500 on August 31.

“Kilroy Realty is honored to support Santa Monica’s public schools and we are thrilled that our matching gift inspired so many people to donate,” said Philip Tate, Senior Vice President, Development and Government Affairs. “We are committed to doing our part to provide an excellent education to students, and we are proud that our support will help give students the vibrant education they deserve.”

Last year, the Ed Foundation’s annual fundraising contributed nearly \$2 million to fund staff

and programs in Santa Monica schools. Fundraising for the 2021-2022 campaign will continue through June 30, 2022.

For more information or to donate to support Santa Monica students, go to [smedfoundation.org](https://smedfoundation.org).

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