

Grants Committee Recommendation – Friends of the Library

The PPCC Grants Committee is pleased to recommend a grant of **\$5,200** from donations that PPCC has received to the Friends of the Library to assist with the creation of an outdoor space for patrons.

The Palisades Library was destroyed in the fire. As a bridge to continue serving Palisadians, the LAPL is opening a temporary facility on the library site. This consists of two trailers/bungalows in the former parking lot area, leaving the footprint of the prior library building free for rebuilding the new structure. The bungalow closest to Alma Real consists of a community meeting room with a table that can accommodate twenty people. The other bungalow contains the “traditional” library facilities.

The temporary Palisades Library is scheduled to be “officially” opened in a brief ceremony on Friday, February 27, with the head of the Los Angeles Public Libraries in attendance. The Friends of the Library intends to convert the remaining parking lot area into an outdoor space to be used by library patrons and others. They propose purchasing outdoor furniture such as 9’ sun umbrellas, tables and chairs, as well as providing landscaping that will be temporarily stored in containers (and planted once the library is rebuilt).

The grant recommended by the PPCC Grants Committee provides \$2,200 for the removal of burned/dead plants from the area, as well as \$3,000 towards the purchase of furniture. The Palisades Library was an important community space prior to the fire. The Grants Committee believes that supporting its continuing operations while the permanent facility is rebuilt will support the goal of overall Palisades Fire Recovery. The Grants Committee urges the PPCC Board to approve a \$5,200 grant to the Friends of the Library for the purpose described above.

By the PPCC Grants Committee:

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