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THE GIVING IT BACK AND PAYING IT FORWARD REAL ESTATE NEWSLETTER | MAY 2022



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With The Consumer Real Estate Team, Your Referrals Help the Kids!



MIND YOUR Mom!



Just about every May I sit down to write Homeward Bound; I write about Mom's Day. And why not... it is a very special day for very special people.

My Mom used to tell me, seemingly repeatedly, to do this and do that, not to do this and not to do that. ALL, I recall, very valuable advice. Looking back on it all these many years later, I can say she was, and still is, a very wise woman.

Mother's Day is celebrated to honor mothers and women who have brought peace and progress to the world. It serves as a reminder of what mothers do for us. Even though we are able to – and definitely should – spoil our mothers on any day throughout the year, setting aside a special day gives us an excuse to express our highest gratitude.

So here is a shout out to all Mom's – *Happy Mother's Day!!*
(see inside for details)

**Your Referrals
Help The Kids!**



Benefiting



Here To Serve Big!!! Investing in the People of Our Great Community.

If you or a friend are thinking about refinancing or purchasing a new home, make sure to choose a mortgage company you can trust!

A mortgage lender with experience, proven results and a give-back philosophy!



Statistics Show Most Veterans Aren't Using VA Loan Benefits

VA loans are a great benefit for eligible service members, veterans and their surviving spouses. It allows you to qualify for a low-cost mortgage when you're looking to purchase or refinance, even if your credit isn't perfect and will live in the home you're buying with the loan.

Interest Rate Reduction Refinance Loan

If you have an existing VA-backed home loan and you want to reduce your monthly mortgage payments—or make your payments more stable—an interest rate reduction refinance loan (IRRRL) may be right for you. Refinancing lets you replace your current loan with a new one under different terms.

Find out if you're eligible—and how to apply.



Call me today for a free consultation. I am here to help with your real estate needs.

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Mothers make the world go 'round. Need proof? According to a study released by the Center for Global Development, women took on an additional 173 hours of childcare in 2020, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, compared to an extra 59 hours for men in the household. Not to mention, according to Gallup, women already have primary responsibility for laundry, cleaning, and cooking. To the surprise of pretty much no one, moms do it all. And for all they do, they're celebrated just one day out of the year, on Mother's Day.

Whether you are able to celebrate in person or will connect through phone calls or video chats, let's show our moms, grandmothers and the other maternal figures in our lives that we care.

Epecially the Moms who are sitting right now by their Child's hospital bed not too far from where I type this...

We do that by donating a portion of our income from home sales to this very worthy cause.

Right now, there are kids at CHLA who are trying to beat the Cancer Monster and other nasty debilitating diseases. Children's is one of the best non-profit hospitals at treating kids, even leading the way in early diagnosis of autism and recovery of spinal cord injury. The Mom's with kids being treated at Children's are most likely NOT thinking about their special day this month. They are simply just being "Mom" doing what a real loving Mom does. God bless them for it.

A Real Estate Company that Gives Back

AND remember, your REFERRALS help the Kids!

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Children's Hospital of Los Angeles is Making a Difference Today and for Tomorrow



Your referrals help the kids...

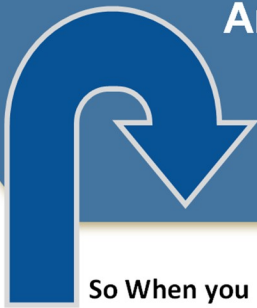
You may know someone considering buying or selling a home. If so, please refer them to our team. Not only will they benefit from our award-winning service, a very worthy cause will benefit as well.

Just give me a call or pass on my number. Thank you for giving this some thought.

A core value at our company is "the size of the hole you give through is directly proportionate to the size of the hole you receive through."

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

In order to provide their lifesaving work and keep family medical bills to a minimum, Children's Hospital of Los Angeles depends on Sponsorships and Donations.



So When you hear me say "YOUR REFERRALS HELP THE KIDS..." they really do!

When You Put Others First, You Will Never Be Second!

As part of our Go Serve Big Mission, we proudly give back to those on our community who need help the most. In this case, the amazing kids with amazing Mom's at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

My Mom told me to give all I could, no matter what I was doing. Many years later, I get to repeat it here and do all I can to help you, your referrals and try and help Children's Hospital continue their leading edge care and keep the costs to those families to a minimum.

**Thank you in advance for your referrals!
My number is 310-877-3612.**

Over the decades of helping thousands and thousands of families sell or buy the place they call home, we have met so many wonderful, loving, caring people. We are so grateful. Thank you for reading over this month's Homeward Bound and thank you for referring anyone you know considering buying or selling to my team. They will be in good hands and a very worthy cause will benefit as well.

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Photo courtesy of Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

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Over the last two decades of helping thousands of families sell their home and/or buy another, we have met some wonderful, loving, caring people.

People like you! So your referrals can rest assured that not only will they get the award-winning service we are known for and the guarantee to back it up, but that a solid portion of the income we receive will go toward a very worthy cause.

Refer your friends, neighbors, associates or family members considering making a move:

- 1** You can fill out the enclosed response card with someone you know considering a move and mail back to me.
- 2** You can pass along our business card to them. I have enclosed a couple here for that purpose.
- 3** You can go to www.ReferralsHelpingOthers.com and enter their contact info online or forward the link to someone you know considering a move.
- 4** Of course you can always call me direct as well at 310-877-3612.



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Why I Support Children's Hospital of Los Angeles:

I have lived and raised my family in greater Los Angeles for more than 30 years. I remember when I first heard about a young person close to our family suffering from a nasty disease and getting treated for that at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. It was then that I began to pay closer attention to the work they do at that hospital. Since then, I have learned that it is a collection of hard-working health care professionals, most making their home right here in Los Angeles County, all coming together for a common cause. That cause is to help young people overcome unfortunate health issues that life sometimes throws our way.

Being in greater Los Angeles, I take pride in supporting all the good work they do at Children's Hospital of Los

Angeles. My team rally's around our annual goal of raising money and donating portions of our income to help Children's in their quest to heal young people when they need healing. My team and I are committed to providing outstanding results for our buyers and those wishing to refinance that are referred to us by our past clients. I have discovered that Children's Hospital of Los Angeles shares similar commitments to their patients. And since their services survive on sponsorships and donations we are happy to contribute and proud to support them.

I encourage you to visit their website at www.chla.org and check out how they are making a difference in the lives of children and their families!