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The Lazydays Employee Foundation Donates \$10,000 to Tampa Police Department-Operated R.I.C.H. Houses

SEFFNER, **Fla**. - (September 17, 2013) – The <u>Lazydays Employee Foundation</u> donated \$10,000 to the <u>R.I.C.H.</u> (Resources in Community Hope) Houses run by the <u>Tampa Police Department</u>. The Foundation presented \$5,000 to the newly opened R.I.C.H. House in Robles Park, followed by an additional \$5,000 donation to support the original facility in Sulphur Springs. These R.I.C.H. Houses provide a safe place for local children to receive tutoring, homework assistance and drug and alcohol education, as well as enjoy recreational activities, holiday parties and summer camp.

As the Lazydays Employee Foundation presented the \$5,000 check during the Robles Park grand opening event, City of Tampa Mayor Bob Buckhorn said, "Lazydays is ALWAYS there for us."

Tampa Police Chief, Jane E. Castor, commented, "The <u>Tampa Police Department</u> is honored to be associated with the <u>Lazydays Employee Foundation</u>. This organization is such a blessing to our community. The Foundation has partnered with us for years on the Sulphur Springs R.I.C.H. House, providing the children in that area with a safe haven in which to learn and grow. The Foundation's members not only provide funding to keep the house open, they have invested sweat equity in putting on a new roof and a pavilion for the kids. And just when things couldn't get any better, the Lazydays Employee Foundation's team has helped us open a second R.I.C.H. House to serve the children of Robles Park."

In line with the mission of the <u>Lazydays Employee Foundation</u>, the <u>R.I.C.H. Houses</u> provide a refuge for disadvantaged youth under the age of 18 who come from households with an annual income under the national poverty level. They also offer a food pantry for needy families and present a positive environment for the local community to interact with law enforcement.

Castor added, "It is my sincerest hope that each member of the Lazydays Employee Foundation realizes the positive impact they have had, not only on our community, but on the life of each child that the R.I.C.H. House has touched. We are blessed to have an organization that realizes the importance of giving back and it is a personal honor to be associated with the Lazydays Employee Foundation. You make our community great."

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About Lazydays Employee Foundation

In 2005, the employees of Lazydays created the Lazydays Employee Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Today, over 62% of Lazydays employees contribute through voluntary payroll deduction to the Foundation. Administered solely by employees as volunteers, the Foundation has contributed more than \$1.2M to make many historic changes in the Tampa Bay community. The Foundation supports the Lazydays House at A Kid's Place, the Lazydays Homeless Youth Program and the Ybor Youth Clinic. In addition, the Foundation contributes to various local charities, including the R.I.C.H. Houses, the Joshua House, Lots of Hugs Learning Center and the Women's Resource Center, just to name a few.

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