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Security First Employees Fill 34 Thanksgiving Boxes for Local Families

Security First's annual Giving Thanks food drive supports the Volusia Thanksgiving Basket Brigade

ORMOND BEACH, Fla. -- Nov. 19, 2026 -- What begins with an empty box at Security First Insurance becomes something much bigger by Thanksgiving.

Employees across the company came together again this year for Security First's annual Giving Thanks food drive, filling **34 boxes with food and grocery gift cards for local families**. Teams also transformed ordinary boxes into colorful creations as part of a friendly decorating competition before donating them through the Volusia Thanksgiving Basket Brigade.

Each Thanksgiving season, Security First employees come together to help local families through food and grocery gift card donations to community organizations. Over the past four years, the Giving Thanks contest has built on that commitment, growing from 18 filled baskets in 2023 for the Volusia Thanksgiving Basket Brigade to 34 this year.

"Our employees have such a generous heart, and Giving Thanks is one of the ways they come together to support families in our community," said Melissa Burt DeVriese, President of Security First Insurance. "There's plenty of creativity and friendly competition along the way, but at the end of the day, it's about neighbors helping neighbors and putting food on the table this Thanksgiving."

This year's top three entries were:

- **First Place:** Team Crispy Chaos (People + Culture Team)
- **Second Place:** Surprise! It's All Gravy (Customer Support Team)
- **Third Place:** The Turkey Vacationers (Sales + Marketing Team)

While the winners earned bragging rights, every contribution helped fill boxes for local families.

The Giving Thanks food drive is part of the Security First CAREs program, which connects employees with opportunities to support local communities throughout the year. This year's filled boxes will be donated to the Volusia Thanksgiving Basket Brigade to help local families gather around the table this Thanksgiving.

For more information about Security First's CAREs program, visit our Community Involvement page or contact SFCares@SecurityFirstFlorida.com.

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About Security First Insurance

Headquartered in Ormond Beach, Florida, Security First Insurance protects what matters most to hundreds of thousands of Floridians. Since opening its doors in 2005, the company has grown from a small startup into one of the state's largest and most trusted homeowners insurance providers—backed by over a century of insurance expertise and a team of nearly 400 insurance professionals who live and work in the communities they serve.

Whether responding to hurricanes, hailstorms, tornadoes or everyday emergencies, Security First has been on the ground—rebuilding roofs, restoring homes, and helping families recover—storm after storm, year after year®. The company's First Choice Repair Network®, launched to combat contractor fraud and ensure fast, reliable repairs, has become a lifeline for customers facing disaster.

Led by President Melissa Burt DeVriese, one of the few women at the helm of a homeowners insurance company in Florida, and CEO Locke Burt, a former Florida State Senator who helped shape key insurance legislation in Florida, Security First combines deep policy expertise with boots-on-the-ground responsiveness. It's not just about writing policies—it's about redefining what it means to show up for Floridians in times of need.

With a Financial Stability Rating® of A, Exceptional from Demotech, Inc., Security First continues to invest in solutions to keep Florida's families protected—today and for generations to come.

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