

Lazydays Employee Foundation 6th Annual Golf Tournament Raises Over \$124,000 to Support Local Youths

More than 90 sponsors and 144 golfers participated in the annual tournament, with all proceeds directly helping to improve the lives of at-risk children in Tampa Bay.

TAMPA, Fla. (<u>PRWEB</u>) May 18, 2016 -- The <u>Lazydays Employee Foundation</u> recently hosted its 6th Annual Golf Tournament to benefit at-risk youth in the Tampa Bay area, exceeding last year's fundraising results of \$124K from sponsors, supporters and registered players. All proceeds will fund programs designed to help create a brighter future and pave the way to success for local children in need.

This year's golf tournament raised the largest amount to date, thanks in large part to the generous support of over 90 sponsors. Among the event's major sponsors were Bank of America, which once again stepped up as Tournament Sponsor for the sixth consecutive year, and Platinum Sponsor Greenberg Traurig LLP.

The evening before the tournament, sponsors and golfers attended a kick-off dinner and silent auction at the Lazydays Crown Club. The 6th Annual Lazydays Employee Foundation Golf Tournament was held Friday, May 13, at the River Hills Country Club in Valrico, Florida. Nearly 150 golfers, comprising 36 teams, participated in the tournament and gathered for an awards luncheon immediately following the event.

In addition to playing 18 holes of golf and raising funds for the Lazydays Employee Foundation's charitable efforts, golfers competed in a series of challenges: longest drive, closest to the pin and three hole-in-one shootouts with an RV as the top prize.

"We are grateful for continuing support of our sponsors and golfers, and for the tireless efforts of our small but dedicated group of employee volunteers who worked behind the scenes. Together, they have made this tournament a resounding success year after year," said Janet Chiodi, chair of fundraising for the Lazydays Employee Foundation.

Chiodi added that proceeds from the event will go a long way toward helping fulfill the Foundation's mission: to measurably improve the lives of children by instilling hope, inspiring dreams and empowering them with education.

The 7th Annual Lazydays Employee Foundation Golf Tournament is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 5, 2017. Details and sponsorship/registration information will be posted at <u>http://www.ldef.org/golf</u> closer to the event.

For more information and photos from the 6th Annual Lazydays Employee Foundation Golf Tournament, visit Lazydays on Facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/LazydaysRV</u>. To learn more about the Lazydays Employee Foundation and its ongoing efforts to improve the lives of at-risk youth, or to make a donation, visit <u>http://www.ldef.org</u>.

About the Lazydays Employee Foundation

In 2005, the employees of Lazydays created the Lazydays Employee Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Today, 65% of the RV dealership's employees contribute through voluntary payroll deduction to the Foundation. Administered solely by employees as volunteers, the Foundation has contributed more than



\$1.5 million to make many historic changes in the Tampa Bay and Tucson communities. The Foundation supports the Lazydays House at A Kid's Place, Lazydays Homeless Youth Program, Ybor Youth Clinic and Tampa Bay Youth Outreach. 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, among others.

About Lazydays

Lazydays®, founded in 1976, is the world's largest RV dealership. Based on 126 acres outside Tampa, FL since 1996, Lazydays also has dealerships located in Tucson, AZ as well as three dealerships located in Loveland, Aurora and Longmont, CO.

Lazydays has the largest selection of RV brands in the nation featuring more than 2,500 new and pre-owned RVs, over 300 service bays and two on-site campgrounds with over 700 RV campsites. Lazydays RV Accessories & More offers more than 20,000 accessories online for your shopping convenience. Shop us online or visit one of our store locations in Florida, Arizona and Colorado.

Lazydays has built its reputation on providing an outstanding customer experience with exceptional service and product expertise, and as a place to rest and recharge with other RVers. More than a half million RVers and their families visit Lazydays every year, making it their "home away from home." Lazydays has been recognized as a "Top 50 RV Dealer" by RV Business and as one of Tampa Bay's "Top Work Places." The Lazydays Employee Foundation, supported by payroll contributions from 65% of Lazydays' employees, has contributed more than \$1.5 million dollars to make many historic changes for at-risk children in the Tampa Bay and Tucson communities.

For most people, Lazydays isn't just the beginning of their journey; it's very much a part of their ride. To learn more, visit <u>www.lazydays.com</u>.

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