



# CITY OF DORAL

## Office of the City Manager

### Letter to Council

LTC 131-2017

To: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Edward A. Rojas, City Manager

Date: November 9, 2017

Subject: City of Doral Police Explorers (Post 1211) Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

The City of Doral Police Department Neighborhood Resource Unit (NRU) and the Explorer Post 1211 conduct a yearly food drive to assist the needy in our community. With the assistance of the City of Doral's community members and all participating city schools, our aim every year is to assist the needy families in our great community through local area schools and churches. We will also help with various charitable entities throughout Miami-Dade County, serving the greater community we live in as well.

Approximately 500 turkeys and 800 canned food bags will be purchased and collected this year for distribution to the needy. The collection of non-perishable foods to create Thanksgiving baskets for the less fortunate in our community will begin on Monday, November 6, 2017 and run through Thursday, November 16, 2017 at all participating schools and businesses. The distribution of the food will take place Monday, November 20, 2017 through Wednesday, November 22, 2017. The NRU unit will provide one (1) Lieutenant, two (2) Sergeants, seven (7) NRU officers and the Police Explorers in a joint effort with the Ronald Reagan/Doral Academy High School(s) to make this holiday special for needy families throughout our community.

The ultimate goal of the City of Doral Police Department is to identify and assist as many needy families in our community as possible, so they could enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday with their respective families and loved ones.

Through the NRU's community policing efforts and other community policing programs, the City of Doral has generated goodwill and loyalty among its residents and developed effective working relationships with both residents and business owners. Through participation in these initiatives and other programs, residents come to possess a true understanding of the added value of a professionally managed,

community-focused police department and of their own roles in helping to maintain a high quality of life in their communities.

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c: Albert P. Childress, Deputy City Manager  
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