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Veteran Receives Needed Wheels for the Holidays

TAMPA, FL (December 18, 2013) –State Farm, Ferman Chevrolet and Wheels of Success will grant the Christmas wish of a local veteran and his family by helping them get back on the road.

This is the second car State Farm and Wheels of Success have distributed to a vet in the past two month through its *Vehicles for Veterans* program. Started with funding from State Farm, the program is designed to assist members of our military with personal transportation to ease their transition into the civilian workforce after serving our country. So far, the partnership between State Farm and the *Vehicles for Veterans*’ program has gotten seven working vets and their families back on the road.

State Farm and Ferman will make the special presentation to Tobias Lee on Wednesday, December 18, at 10:00 a.m. at Ferman Chevrolet, 9751 East Adamo Drive, Tampa, FL 33619.

Lee is a security guard with a 10-month-old son, who needs transportation to get to work. His wife also needs a way to get to job interviews and to take their young son to doctor appointments. This car will provide Lee and his family with safe and reliable transportation to get to work, stay healthy, and open doors for further career advancement and success.

This is the twelfth vehicle State Farm has donated to help families waiting for wheels, and the third Ferman has generously reconditioned to get ready for the road. Founder and CEO of Wheels of Success, Susan Jacobs, says “It is because of community partners such as these that we can provide as many vehicles as we do, considering our limited funding and staff. We cannot thank our partners enough for their continued support in honoring local veterans. This delivery is 100% their doing.” Wheels of Success would like to thank Tampa Crossroads for connecting us with Lee and his family.

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