



We would like to thank everyone who participated directly or indirectly for making our Holiday Gift Program 2009, an *ultra* success. We accomplished our mission in providing close to 100 gift baskets to injured soldiers from ALL wars.

Our Operations Manager, Neal Bellinger, even got to fulfill his goal of putting a basket in a soldier's hands from all wars that we have had... from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Iraq and Afghanistan. He was happy to have achieved this personal goal.

This Holiday Gift Program 2009 could not have been possible without our Sponsors and many volunteers and SFS would like to pay special thanks to them:

Office Depot Foundation, Boca Raton FL

Mary and her staff, Christopher and Sabrina for their gracious gift so we could purchase the items for our baskets for our Holiday Program 2009

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Mayor Lois Frankel , West Palm Beach, FL. for taking the time and effort to literally be part of the program not just as a speaker but as a participant handing out baskets to our soldiers and marines. Special thanks to Chase, Mayor Frankel's aide for helping to make it possible for her to come and believing in our Mission for the Holiday Program, owe you one buddy.

Mayor Tomas P. Regalado, Mayor of Miami Beach, FL. for taking the time and effort especially considering he just took office and changed his schedule to be there and participate in the Holiday Program. For literally sitting down one on one with some of the soldiers to speak to them about their problems face to face. Eric Durand, Mayor Regalado aide for helping us to put the program together.

To all the Media that showed up to both events!

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A heartfelt special thanks to all the men and women that have sacrificed so much to keep us safe and free here at home and to those that have made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives and limbs for us.

We at SFS, will never forget you, and all we ask is that you contact us with your urgent, short term or long term needs so we can in some way make a difference in your lives, especially the children. So please contact us at our headquarters, 561-860-3173 or via email, sfsneeds@gmail.com.

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Shopping for Soldiers