



# News Release

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### **Festival Partners with Stingray Chevrolet for the 2026 Charity Raffle**

Plant City, FL – Feb. 13, 2026 – The Florida Strawberry Festival is proud to announce its continued partnership with Stingray Chevrolet and Unity in the Community for the 17th Annual Stingray Chevrolet Charity Raffle. This year’s raffle features a brand-new 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 1LZ Coupe, generously donated by Stingray Chevrolet, with all proceeds benefiting Unity in the Community, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting underprivileged families and youth programs in Plant City.

#### Raffle Details:

- Grand Prize: 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 1LZ Coupe
- Ticket Price: \$5 per ticket
- Purchase Locations:
  - Stingray Chevrolet Dealerships
  - Florida Strawberry Festival Grounds during the event
  - Online at Stingray Chevrolet’s Charity Raffle Page
- Drawing Date: March 8, 2026, at 5:00 PM on the Festival Grounds

#### About the Grand Prize:

The 2026 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 1LZ Coupe represents the pinnacle of Corvette performance, engineering, and design. Built for both the track and the street, the Z06 delivers an exhilarating driving experience unlike any other Corvette ever produced.

#### Key highlights include:

- Engine: 5.5L naturally aspirated V8 engine producing up to 670 horsepower
- Transmission: 8-speed dual-clutch automatic transmission
- Race-inspired design: Wide body stance with advanced aerodynamics
- Performance-focused interior: Driver-centric cockpit with premium materials
- Track-capable engineering: Derived directly from Corvette Racing technology

All taxes, title, and dealer fees are included, allowing the lucky winner to take delivery and drive away with ease.

“Our partnership with Stingray Chevrolet and Unity in the Community reflects the Festival’s ongoing commitment to giving back to Plant City,” said Florida Strawberry Festival Chairman Pam Warnock. “This raffle offers our guests an incredible opportunity to win a world-class vehicle while supporting programs that make a real difference in our community.”

Over the past 16 years, the Stingray Chevrolet Charity Raffle has raised more than \$3 million for Unity in the Community, providing critical funding for local charitable initiatives and youth programs. The Florida Strawberry Festival is honored to help continue this meaningful tradition and encourages festivalgoers to participate in the raffle to support the Plant City community.

“This raffle represents the best of what a community partnership can be,” said Joel Rogers Dealer Principal of Stingray Chevrolet. “As we move forward under new ownership, our commitment to Unity in the Community and the Florida Strawberry Festival remains stronger than ever, and we’re excited to keep tradition that Steve and Susan Hurley created moving forward.”

For more information about the raffle and to purchase tickets online, please visit Stingray Chevrolet’s Charity Raffle Page.

### **About the Florida Strawberry Festival**

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, more than 650,000 visitors enjoy headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce, and the Festival’s famous strawberry shortcake. The 2026 Florida Strawberry Festival will take place February 26 through March 8 in Plant City, Florida. For more information, visit [flstrawberryfestival.com](http://flstrawberryfestival.com).

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