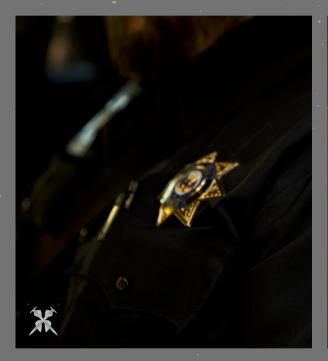


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# POST ELECTION DAY SECURITY

Well folks it's done, another midterm election has come and gone. It cannot be denied that in recent years the concept of voting has become more important to people.

Of course, there are still those with cynical viewpoints who might say voting has no purpose and that it's all a waste of time and money. Well if there is one thing that I've noticed is that wealthy people don't like to waste time or money and they spend a lot of money so their candidates can win.

Even before 2020 there have been those, within both political parties, that have questioned both the results and the security of ballots. Theories ranging from stolen ballots, fake or faulty voting machines, tunnels under ballot boxes, and so forth have eroded our confidence in a free and fair election. But we are not here to talk about the numerous conspiracy theories that run rampant around election time. This blog will hopefully give you, the security-informed reader some peace-of-mind about what took place for our electoral security in 2022.

## A TALE OF TWO Turkeys

Each year many of us enjoy the tradition of the President pardoning the Thanksgiving turkey. This simple act of mercy to a simple farm bird, gives us a warm feeling in our hearts and helps unite the country on a day that encourages unity. The tradition of pardoning a turkey on Thanksgiving dates back to the JFK administration.

However, the origins can be traced back to a hundred years prior. In 1863 President Abraham Lincoln granted clemency to a turkey, and while this act of compassion didn't continue during the 19th century, it did set its mark in history.

"Let's keep him going." President Kennedy said, on November 19,1963. The president, surrounded by aids, watched with a smile as a sign laced with a golden ribbon and bow was draped around a large white turkey sporting a peculiar underbite. "Good eating Mr. President," the sign read. You may ask, why is such an event relative to the security field?

During the Obama administration two turkeys from Foster Farms in Northern California left the farm and traveled to the airport via special motorcade escorted by their own secret service and executive protection entourage.

During their journey to D.C but the turkeys flew aboard a private United Airlines jet and the plane's designation was changed to "Turkey One".

If you think about it, such excessive methods are not unexpected. After all this is the President, we are talking about and all things the President goes near must be secured.

However, this is a tale of two turkeys.

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SACRAMENTO SHERIFF'S TSY PR★JECT

## TOY DRIVE!

This year, GPF chose to participate in the Sacramento Sheriff's Toy Project. The Sheriff's Toy Project provides several services to other non-profit organizations and departments fostering symbiotic relationships that help us better serve the children of the Sacramento Area. Some of these services we are able to offer to the public as well.

Donate a toy from the Sacramento Sheriff's Toy Project Wish List, send your receipt to the HR team by December 2nd, and you will receive 20 rewards tickets. Let's make the holidays a little bit brighter!

Visit the link <u>here</u> to learn more.



We are so thankful for the people we employ who make Guardian Protection Force possible. With the holidays rapidly approaching it's important to give a quick thank you to all of our officers and administrative staff who have kept the GPF ball moving forward for another year. Due to the fact we were unable to hold a company event in August we intend to combine our annual holiday party with the company event, and for the first time since 2019 it will be in person. We've planned a family aquarium trip and have many prizes to raffle off in show of our appreciation.

Few, even among those in GPF, can fully grasp the effort that goes into making this private security company operational. Believe it or not the administrative staff, which number less than fifteen, spend grueling amounts of time in meetings and in front of the monitor.

On average they login over 20,000 hours every year keeping GPF operations, logistics and payroll run smoothly. That's a lot of screen time. This coupled with our amazing armed and unarmed officers who pick up extra shifts and volunteer for events, truly make Guardian a principal security company.

Read the full blog <u>here.</u>

