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NFL.COM VOTERS SELECT
BUCCANEERS QB CHRIS SIMMS & SEAHAWKS RB SHAUN ALEXANDER
AS WEEK 10 FEDEX AIR & GROUND NFL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Quarterback **CHRIS SIMMS** of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and running back **SHAUN ALEXANDER** of the Seattle Seahawks are the **FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week** for games played on November 13-14, the NFL announced today.

Simms threw for 279 yards on 15 of 29 passing, throwing three touchdowns and recording a 119.8 passer rating in the Buccaneers' 36-35 victory over the Washington Redskins. He threw touchdown passes of four, 24 and 30 yards.

Alexander ran for 165 yards and three touchdowns on 33 carries in the Seahawks' 31-16 victory over the NFC West-rival St. Louis Rams. He scored on touchdown runs of four, six and 17 yards.

Simms and Alexander were selected from among finalists in air and ground categories through 53,286 fan votes on NFL.com. The other FedEx Express NFL Player of the Week finalists were quarterbacks **JOEY HARRINGTON** of the Detroit Lions and **PEYTON MANNING** of the Indianapolis Colts, while running backs **EDGERRIN JAMES** of the Indianapolis Colts and **ADRIAN PETERSON** of the Chicago Bears were the other finalists for the FedEx Ground NFL Player of the Week.

Simms received 38 percent of the fan votes for FedEx Express NFL Player of the Week, while Manning received 36 percent and Harrington received 26 percent. Alexander's 65 percent of the fan votes for FedEx Ground NFL Player of the Week beat out Peterson's 21 percent and James' 13 percent.

Fans voted for more than their favorite players. The weekly **FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week Awards** are also a win for the local community. Along with the player awards, FedEx is awarding All Children's Hospital and Children's Hospital, the children's hospital in each winning market, a check for \$5,000.

The children's hospitals in the two season-long winner's markets, announced at this year's Super Bowl, will be awarded \$25,000 each. That means that FedEx will deliver nearly \$250,000 to local children's hospitals around the country in recognition of the **FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week Award** winners.

FedEx, the premier global provider of transportation, e-commerce and supply-chain management services, is the Official Delivery Service Sponsor of the NFL, Super Bowl and Pro Bowl. Through the weekly FedEx Air and Ground awards, FedEx recognizes those NFL players who represent the same speed, precision and teamwork that their customers have come to expect from the full range of FedEx air, ground, freight and international shipping services.

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	<u>EXPRESS (AIR)</u>	<u>Charity</u>	<u>GROUND</u>	<u>Charity</u>
Wk 1	Drew Bledsoe, Dal.	Children's Medical Center Dallas	Willie Parker, Pit.	Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh
Wk 2	Carson Palmer, Cin.	Children's Hospital of Cincinnati	Thomas Jones, Chi.	Lutheran General Children's Hospital
Wk 3	Donovan McNabb, Phi.	The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	Children's Hospital Foundation
Wk 4	Eli Manning, NY Giants	Tomorrows Children's Fund	LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	Children's Hospital Foundation
Wk 5	Brett Favre, G.B.	Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	Tatum Bell, Den.	Children's Hospital Foundation
Wk 6	Carson Palmer, Cin.	Children's Hospital of Cincinnati	LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	Children's Hospital Foundation
Wk 7	Brett Favre, G.B.	Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	LaMont Jordan, Oak.	Oakland Children's Hospital
Wk 8	Jake Plummer, Den.	Children's Hospital Foundation	Tiki Barber, NYG	Tomorrows Children's Fund
Wk 9	Carson Palmer, Cin.	Children's Hospital of Cincinnati	LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	Children's Hospital Foundation
Wk 10	Chris Simms, T.B.	All Children's Hospital	Shaun Alexander, Sea.	Children's Hospital

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