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Brumbies Support OzHarvest Canberra

As part of the CA Brumbies' involvement in the Canberra community the players and key support staff will embark on an off-road charity mountain bike ride from Canberra to Mt Kosciuszko to raise funds for OzHarvest Canberra and Outward Bound's Regional Community Partnerships program.

The charity ride will depart from Parliament House on Tuesday 24 November and after more than 200 kilometres will finish on top of Mt Kosciuszko on Thursday 27 November. The players and support team will be doing it tough, camping under the stars and riding through very undulating terrain.

Having the CA Brumbies recognise our work and feel motivated to support us in such a spectacular, if not gruelling way, is mind blowing! We are incredibly proud and grateful to have the CA Brumbies as a partner for this event." said OzHarvest coordinator Dave Burnett said.

OzHarvest Canberra began operating in February 2008 and has delivered over 280,000 meals to over 40 refuges and charities in the ACT and Queanbeyan. Along the way it has rescued over 80 tonnes of good food from being dumped as landfill, re-distributing an average of 1500 kilograms of good food each week.

"The feedback we receive from the charities we deliver to is one of the great rewards for our work. We hear stories of a charities whose food bill has dropped dramatically, and others who are finding that folks in need of counselling and support are coming back regularly into centres because of the promise of such great food." commented Mr Burnett.

"Having been operating in Canberra now for almost two years we have been humbled by the way Canberraians have taken OzHarvest to heart. In such a short amount of time we have grown to become part of the landscape and goodwill is evident as we get around the city on our daily run. We often get a wave or a toot from motorists at the lights, or donation pressed into our hand as we deliver the goodies. One of greatest joys of our work is to see the real soul and generosity of our city in action every day" concluded Mr Burnett.

You can help the CA Brumbies raise much-needed funds for OzHarvest Canberra with cash donations to the cause by visiting the OzHarvest website www.ozharvestcanberra.org and click on donations.

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