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Dallas Cowboys' Big Hits Sends \$43,000 from Reliant to The Salvation Army

— In its Second Year, Charity Competition Challenged Football Players to Hit Home Runs—

ARLINGTON, May 8, 2013 – It was a whole other ball game for Dallas Cowboys players today as they set aside the pigskin and instead hit home runs that raised \$43,000 for The Salvation Army Youth Education Town in the second annual [Reliant](#)-sponsored Home Run Derby.

The friendly competition pushed players to aim for the fences. Each ball that was hit out of the park earned The Salvation Army a \$1,000 donation and a chance to earn a \$2,000 donation with the last pitch. This year, Jason Hatcher came out swinging to hit 11 home runs plus the final \$5,000 money ball to win the challenge. A close second was Dez Bryant.

"The Home Run Derby is a fun opportunity to involve the community in our local charitable giving, and we appreciate the gracious sportsmanship and talents of the Dallas Cowboys participants," said Manny Rodriguez, Reliant Vice President of Sponsorships and Charitable Giving. "The Salvation Army provides important resources and services for those in need both locally and across the country, and we are happy to lend our support this year."

Those at the Rangers' Ballpark in Arlington home plate included Head Coach Jason Garrett, Jason Witten, Miles Austin, DeMarco Murray, Dez Bryant, Brandon Carr, Bruce Carter, Sean Lee, Jason Hatcher, and Doug Free. Pitches were thrown by Texas Rangers alumni Kevin Mench.

"Our players love the opportunity to give back to the community and interact with fans through Reliant's Home Run Derby competition," said Jason Garrett, Cowboys head coach and last year's Home Run Derby Champion. "The money raised will make a positive difference in the lives of numerous local youth through The Salvation Army's Youth Education Town in Arlington."

Last year was the first-ever Reliant Home Run Derby event in Dallas, which donated \$40,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters.

For more information about Reliant's philanthropic efforts, visit www.reliant.com/community.

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