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**Dallas Cowboys' Big Hits Sends \$50,000 from Reliant to the Salvation Army**

*–Reliant's Third Annual Charity Competition Challenged Football Players to Hit Home Runs–*

**DALLAS, May 28, 2014** – It was a whole other ball game for Dallas Cowboys players today as they set aside the pigskin and instead hit home runs, raising \$50,000 for the Gene and Jerry Jones Family North Texas Youth Education Town of The Salvation Army in the third annual Home Run Derby sponsored by Reliant.

The friendly, but fierce competition pushed players to hit as many homeruns as possible, with each hit out of the park generating a \$1,000 donation from Reliant and a \$2,000 donation for sending the final pitch over the fences. This year, Barry Church came out swinging to raise \$8,400 to win the challenge. Close behind was Jason Witten with \$8,300.

"The Home Run Derby has turned into an annual opportunity for us to join with the Dallas Cowboys in our local charitable giving, while enjoying a bit of the great American pastime," said Tom Hughes, Executive Director of the Reliant Foundation. "The Salvation Army is a community staple and the resources and services it provides for those in need across the country made it an easy decision to help support again this year. The Cowboys' display of enthusiasm, sportsmanship and dedication for this cause was wonderful to witness and we're all looking forward to next year's event."

Those at the Rangers' Globe Life Park home plate included Head Coach Jason Garrett, DeMarco Murray, Doug Free, Barry Church, Jason Witten, Bruce Carter, Dez Bryant, Brandon Carr, and Tyron Smith. Pitches were thrown by Texas Rangers Alumni German Duran. Cowboys' Rookies were also in attendance, lending a glove to shag balls and interacting with The Salvation Army Youth Education Town kids in attendance.

"Interacting with some of our youngest fans while helping support the Salvation Army is always a highlight for the team," said Jason Garrett, Cowboys head coach. "Having even a small role in helping to change the lives of children in the Salvation Army's Youth Education Town in Arlington is an experience we will all carry with us forever and we're proud to have assisted in raising funds for such a worthwhile organization."

Last year Reliant's Home Run Derby event raised \$43,000 for The Salvation Army in the greater metroplex command, and over the course of three years, the event has raised over \$130,000 for The Salvation Army and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

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