

23rd Annual Ride for Raptors

Dear Ride for Raptor Sponsor,

We would like to invite you to make a difference in our community. Every day, hawks and owls are injured when hit by cars or when a tree with a nest is cut down and chicks fall to the ground. These birds are critical to a healthy environment. They help control the populations of squirrels, rodents, and snakes in our backyards and neighborhoods. They are a pleasure to watch as they circle above our heads on the wind or hoot in the night as we fall asleep. They provide diversity to the eco-systems we depend on for our own survival. They represent our freedom as a symbol of our nation.

How can you help? The 23rd Annual Ride for Raptors is scheduled for Saturday, October 1, 2011 in Pendleton, SC. This charitable bicycle ride donates all proceeds to Carolina Raptor Center (CRC), a regional rehabilitation and education center that serves Western NC & SC and admits over 700 injured or orphaned raptors every year.

We would like you to consider becoming a sponsor of the 2011 Ride for Raptors. Both cash and in-kind donations are needed. In-kind donations might include food and supplies for ride rest stops; and printing of brochures, flyers, and ride maps. Cash donations will be used when in-kind donations are unavailable, such as for participant t-shirts or gas for support vehicles.

The benefits of the various levels of sponsorship are shown below.

Sponsorship Level	Name on Sponsor List in Packet	Name on T-shirt	Link to your Website on R4R Website	Sponsor's Promotional literature in rider registration packet	Logo on T-shirt	Six Free Admissions to CRC
OWL \$1 - \$249	X	X	X			
HAWK \$250 - \$499	X	X	X	X		
EAGLE \$500 +	X	X	X	X	X	X

Please contact us today with your sponsorship choice. The birds can't ask for your help so they have asked us to do so. We hope we can count on you.

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