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Along the way, riders will pass through Foster, Sweet Home and Brownsville on day one; Waterloo, Corvallis, Crabtree, Aumsville, Silverton, Mt. Angel, Canby and Woodburn on day two; and Woodburn, Wheatland, Amity, Salem and St. Paul on day three.

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To participate in Tour DaVita, riders each raise a minimum of $750 in donations and pay their own travel expenses. Their individual fundraising combined with donations from DaVita HealthCare Partners and other corporate sponsorship is expected to contribute more than $800,000 for the DaVita Village Trust.

The DaVita Village Trust is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded by DaVita HealthCare Partners. Its mission is to improve kidney care and chronic kidney disease awareness while saving lives through early-detection testing, kidney care education and increased access to dialysis treatment in underserved communities around the world.

Participants also will volunteer during a Village Service Day at Marion-Polk Food Share in Salem, Oregon. Tour DaVita riders will bring nonperishable foods to donate as well as assist with food delivery to the local warehouse to support the nonprofit's mission to end hunger. The volunteer event will benefit residents in Polk and Marion counties in Oregon. DaVita HealthCare Partners hosts Village Service Days as part of its Trilogy of Care and is a way to give back to local communities. To learn more about the Trilogy of Care, visit davita.com/csr.

Tour DaVita, which is organized by Backroads, the "world's #1 active travel company(™)," has previously taken place in Tennessee/Alabama (2007), Wisconsin (2008), Michigan (2009), Washington State (2010), Connecticut/New York/Massachusetts (2011), Iowa (2012) and South Carolina (2013).

To date, Tour DaVita has helped raise more than $5 million for nonprofits dedicated to raising awareness for kidney disease, providing kidney screenings and expanding access to dialysis care in developing countries. Participants have collectively ridden more than 533,000 miles over the course of seven years.

DaVita Kidney Care thanks ASD Healthcare for supporting Tour DaVita through its diamond sponsorship this year.

For more information about the eighth annual Tour DaVita, please visittourdavita.org or Facebook at facebook.com/tourdavita. For more information about the DaVita Village Trust, please visit davitavillagetrust.org. For more information on Backroads, please visit backroads.com.

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