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FOOD DRIVE PITS GRIZ AGAINST 'CATS

MISSOULA—

The Grizzlies and the Bobcats will take their age-old football rivalry a little further this year.

From Monday, Nov. 5, until “Brawl of the Wild” game day on Saturday, Nov. 17, the Griz and 'Cats will hold a competition to determine which team can collect the most donations for their local food bank.

The University of Montana Office for Civic Engagement is sponsoring “Can the Cats!” to help the Griz become the victors in this off-the-field competition.

Beginning Monday, Nov. 5, community members can bring donations of nonperishable food to the Missoula Food Bank, located at 219 S. 3rd W. Be sure to specify that the donations are for the Grizzlies.

“Can the Cats!” collection boxes also will be placed on campus in UM residence halls and in the University Center beginning Monday, Nov. 12.

Griz fans can take their donations to the game at Bozeman on Saturday, Nov. 17, and drop them off at the front gates – but don't forget to specify that the donation should be counted toward the Grizzlies. The weight of Griz food donations that day will be counted for

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the UM team but donated to the Gallatin Valley Food Bank in Bozeman.

The winner of the food drive competition will be announced during the 107th "Brawl of the Wild," which begins at 12:35 p.m. in Bobcat Stadium.

A department of UM's Davidson Honors College, the Office for Civic Engagement promotes community activism and civic responsibility.

For more information about "Can the Cats!" and volunteer opportunities in conjunction with the food drive, call Lauren Amato at 243-5531 or e-mail lauren.amato@mso.umt.edu.

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