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Oscar "Oz" Sanchez was born and raised in Los Angeles, CA. He joined the Marine Corps in 1996 and became a Reconnaissance Marine. After five years in the Marines, Oz decided to transfer to the Navy to serve as a Navy SEAL. In July 2001, during his transfer between branches, Oz was involved in a motorcycle accident that resulted in a spinal cord injury and the inevitable paralysis and neurological complications associated with it. After the accident, Oz's biggest fear was being defined by his injury. As a result, he developed a new sense of direction and vigor for life. He pulled out of his post-injury depression and once again took a proactive approach to living by dedicating himself to education and handcycling. Oz recently graduated from San Diego State University with a business degree and a minor in public communications and intends to return to school for a masters

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degree in exercise science. Oz is also an elite handcycle racer. In 2007 he finished his second season with the U.S. Paralympic Cycling Team and currently holds "Elite Athlete" status after competing in two World Championship events. Oz is ranked 2nd nationally and is among the top 5 handcyclists in the world and will represent the United States at the 2008 Paralympics in Beijing.

The generosity of supporters like you gives Oz the chance to compete at the highest level of his chosen sport.

### How Does CAF Help?

CAF provides funding directly to physically challenged individuals for the acquisition of adaptive sports equipment like sports wheelchairs, mono-skis, tandem bicycles, handcycles and sports prosthetics. Additionally, CAF provides funds to entry- and elite-level athletes for training and competition expenses. CAF also provides mentoring and fitness, and community outreach programs.

### How Can You Help?

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