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## Wildlife Rescue calls on community

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FROM Esk to Dalby and south to the NSW border, Murray and Ray Chambers of Sunshine Coast Koala Wildlife Rescue will go to any length to save a life.

The Caloundra pair will travel 10 hours if needed to give one of Australia's iconic creatures a chance of survival.

And now they are calling on the community to give them a hand.

Since the group started in 2008, Ray and Murray have helped save more than 200 koalas - while working full-time as mechanics.

To continue their work, they need a new vehicle that is capable of travelling many kilometres each week. This comes at an estimated cost of \$40,000.

Murray says the number of callouts will increase as koala breeding season starts in June.

"We have done more than 300,000km with koala rescues and our truck's on its last legs," Murray said.

"We really need two twin cabs so we can respond to two calls at once, but one twin cab will be a great start."

Murray estimated fuel costs per month at up to \$2000.

"Releasing them back into the wild is just the most fulfilling feeling," Murray said.

"People say we should get paid, but we just love it. Our goal is to get them back in the wild where they belong."

Member for Caloundra Mark McArdle has called on the community for their support.

"Murray and Ray are on call 24-7 to help these endangered koalas and use their own resources to do so," Mr McArdle said.

"I would encourage people who can assist them from the business sector or the wider community to give these guys a helping hand."

Murray and Ray receive no government funding for their service and rely on donations and community support.

To make a donation or to sponsor the cause phone Murray Chambers on 0431 300 729.



Ray (left) and Murray Chambers help rescue injured wildlife especially koalas.

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