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16th annual FIT For Charity Run Announces 2020 Beneficiary Organisations

Tokyo's financial industry unites again in support of local non-profit organisations

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Tokyo's financial industry will hold the sixteenth Financial Industry in Tokyo (FIT) For Charity Run during the month of December 2020 as an online virtual event. Funds raised during this event will be donated to the following eight non-profit community organisations operating in the Kanto region: **NPO ADDS, Carers Japan, Specified Nonprofit Corporation LightRing., Pirika Association, NPO Saitama Youth Support Net, NPO Tokyo Community School**.

The selected charities address the following areas of need: elderly & nursing care; children and youth with special needs (not including poverty); environment & biodiversity; poverty; people with disabilities; education.

FIT For Charity Run is organised by the financial community and related industries in Tokyo, aiming to raise funds for non-profit organisations that serve the local community. FIT For Charity's Organising Committee was established in late 2004 soon after a major earthquake struck off the coast of Sumatra triggering a tsunami across the Indian Ocean. The first FIT For Charity Run was held in 2005, and has now grown to become a landmark annual event spanning the capital city's financial sector.

The most recent fifteenth FIT For Charity Run was held on January 19, 2020. That effort raised about JPY55.5 million driven by the support of 111 companies and about 5,190 participants. The funds were divided equally among that year's eight selected beneficiary organisations based in the Kanto region. FIT For Charity Run is dedicated to supporting underfunded non-profit community organisations serving important but not necessarily well-recognised issues.

Yuko Endo (GAM), Co-Chair of FIT For Charity Run 2020, said: "This year marks the 16th FIT For Charity Run, an event organized and participated by volunteers in financial services and related companies. This year, due to COVID-19, we are not able to meet together and will go online. We are delighted to see many of sponsors and participants from the finance industry continue to support the event in addition to our valued donors from across many industries who provide goods and services free of charge. With the support of all those involved, we will continue to pass through a high rate of funds to our beneficiaries as we realise our theme this year to "Unite and Evolve". I would like to express my gratitude once again to everyone for their support of our beneficiary organisations in their efforts to solve problems in the society in which we live. This year, the event will be different from past, but we would like to ask for your continued understanding and cooperation so that everyone can enjoy safely."



Ayano Yoshida (FIL Investments (Japan) Limited), Co-Chair of FIT For Charity Run 2020, said, "This year's FIT For Charity Run, our 16th annual event, will be held in a new online format due to the novel Coronavirus. 2020 has brought us many challenges and I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the many companies and participants who have supported us this year, as well as the volunteers who have planned and shaped the event, to allow us to continue our support for beneficiary organisations working on social issues in our community. Unlike in previous years, we will not be able to gather at one venue physically as a community, but we hope that this will be an opportunity for the financial industry in Tokyo to unite in a new format as a virtual community. We would like to ask for your understanding and cooperation to ensure the health and safety of our participants is a priority throughout the event this year. I sincerely wish for the end of CoVid-19 pandemic and for a safe world."

This year will be our first event to be held online. An online run means that we will not host a single venue in one day event, but a virtual event through the month of December where participants can run wherever they like and record their activity in our FIT App (powered by Relola). There are three types of activities: running, walking, and cycling. We will announce the top 10 total distances accumulated for each type of activity and award the top 3 fundraising firms. Additionally, we have plans to allow participants who post their activities to the FIT App a chance to win luxury hotel accommodation tickets, meal vouchers and other gifts.

FIT receives official recognition and support from the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, Nikkei Inc. and The Asahi Shimbun Company. The event demonstrates the commitment of financial companies and their employees who strive to make a difference in the communities in which they operate.

FIT For Charity Run continues to welcome sponsors and participants from Tokyo's financial industry and related fields. The participation fee for runners and walkers is JPY5,000 per individual (free for children under 16). Those interested in corporate sponsorship, participating as a runner or walker, or volunteering can find further information on the FIT For Charity website at:

http://fitforcharity.org/2020/how-to-get-involved.html



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Overview	
Event name:	FIT For Charity Run 2020
Organiser:	FIT For Charity Run 2020 Organising Committee
Koen supporters:	The Tokyo Metropolitan Government, Nikkei Inc. The Asahi Shimbun Company
Schedule:	2020.12.1 – 2020.12.31
Programme	Run Walk Cycle
Participation fee:	JPY5,000 per person (children under 16 are free)
Target participants:	Those working in the financial and related industries and their family and friends
Website:	http://fitforcharity.org

About the Financial Industry in Tokyo (FIT) For Charity

The Financial Industry in Tokyo (FIT) established the FIT For Charity Run to provide people in the financial and related fields in Tokyo with an opportunity as an industry to support local charities. FIT For Charity chooses to make a difference to its community by raising money for local non-profit community organisations serving important but not necessarily well-recognised or understood needs, and which might possess only limited fund-raising capabilities. For more information, please visit http://fitforcharity.org/about.html

2020 Beneficiary Organisations (In alphabetical order)

NPO ADDS	Carers Japan
http://www.adds.or.jp/	https://carersjapan.jimdofree.com/
Specified Nonprofit Corporation LightRing.	Pirika Association
http://lightring.or.jp/	https://corp.pirika.org/
NPO Saitama Youth Support Net	NPO Tokyo Community School
https://saitamayouthnet.org/	http://tokyocs.org/

FIT For Charity Run 2020 Organising Committee (In alphabetical order)

BGC Shoken Kaisha Ltd., Bloomberg L.P., Deloitte Japan, Deutsche Bank Group, DTCC, FIL Investments (Japan) Limited, GAM, Grant Thornton, IHS Markit, KPMG Japan, Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group,Inc., Morgan Stanley, SMBC Nikko Securities Inc., UBS Group, Wells Fargo Securities Japan, White & Case LLP / White & Case Law Offices (Registered Association)

FIT For Charity Run 2020 Sponsorship (In alphabetical order)

Sponsors (minimum donation of JPY500,000)

Aberdeen Standard Investments (Japan) Limited, Asurion Japan Holdings G.K., Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited, BlackRock, Bloomberg L.P., BlueBay Asset Management International Limited, BNP Paribas, Citi, Crédit Agricole Group, Credit Suisse, Deloitte Japan, First Brothers Co., Ltd., GCA Corporation, Goodman Japan Limited, Grant Thornton Japan, Hitachi Capital Corporation, HSBC Group, Ichigo Asset Management,Ltd., IG Securities Limited, Invesco, J.P. Morgan, Japan Securities Depository Center, Incorporated, Jones Lang LaSalle K.K., KPMG Japan, Macquarie Group, Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group,Inc., Morgan Stanley, NAITO Securities Co., Ltd., Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd., PIMCO Japan Ltd, PwC Japan Group, Refinitiv, Royal Bank of Canada Group, Schroder Investment Management (Japan) Limited, SMBC Nikko Securities Inc., SMBC Trust Bank, Standard Chartered, T. Rowe Price Japan, Inc., The Prudential Gibraltar Financial Life Insurance Co., Ltd, The Tokyo Star Bank, Limited, UBS Group, White & Case LLP / White & Case Law Offices (Registered Association)



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