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Tokyo Marathon Foundation

Tokyo Marathon 2027 Charity
Record-Breaking Total Donations of 1,422,568,866 yen
Cumulative Donations Since the 2011 Event: 8,509,487,463 yen
Thank you to everyone who supported and donated.

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Tokyo Marathon Foundation Charity RUN with HEART accepted donations and recruited Charity Runners for the Tokyo Marathon 2027 [to be held on Sunday, March 7, 2027], bringing in a record-breaking total of 1,422,568,866 yen in donations. As a result, the cumulative total of donations received since the 2011 event has reached 8,509,487,463 yen. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to everyone for your generous support and contributions. As the Tokyo Marathon approaches its milestone 20th edition, we are deeply grateful for the unprecedented level of support we have received.

Total Donations Hit a Record High of 1.4 Billion Yen, with the Cumulative Total Since the 2011 Event Reaching 8.5 Billion Yen

Through hosting the Tokyo Marathon and the Tokyo Legacy Half Marathon, the Tokyo Marathon Foundation aims to create “events that contribute to society” and is actively engaged in social contribution initiatives that leverage the power of sports. For the Tokyo Marathon 2027 Charity, the Foundation is working with 38 Charity Programs operating 40 Recipient Programs. The donations generously contributed by everyone will be used, through the Recipient Programs selected by the donors themselves, for activities aimed at addressing various social issues, including sports promotion, environmental conservation, refugee assistance, support for children, and animal welfare.

Trying Out a New Initiative: “P2P Fundraising”

Furthermore, as part of our efforts to explore new ways of giving that allow more people to participate in charity, we introduced Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Fundraising on a pilot basis for select Recipient Programs, drawing participation from both Japan and overseas. P2P Fundraising is a giving method in which supporters themselves become fundraisers (ambassadors). By sharing their personal passions and challenges, they call for donations and support within their immediate networks—such as family, friends, and colleagues—thereby expanding the circle of support. We saw strong potential for this approach to generate new donations and support by raising awareness among individuals who previously had no connection to the Tokyo Marathon Charity.

The record-high total of donations raised this time can be attributed to the growing circle of supporters—including Charity Runners—who embraced the mission of the Tokyo Marathon Charity. Participation is not limited to runners making their own donations; individuals can also get involved by supporting someone else’s challenge. Support can spread through each person’s everyday connections, including family, friends, and colleagues. Through these new forms of giving, the Tokyo Marathon 2027 Charity will continue to expand opportunities for both “runners” and “supporters” to come together and contribute to society.

Tokyo Marathon 2027: Messages from the Charity Runners

Below, some of the many Charity Runners who are tackling social issues by running in the Tokyo Marathon share their thoughts and hopes.

Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program 1

Running has always been more than a sport to me. It is a way to connect with others, overcome challenges, and experience the joy of movement. My greatest inspiration comes from participating in Duo events, where I run while pushing a racing wheelchair with an athlete with disabilities. Together, we prove that sport has the power to unite people regardless of physical ability.

Running in Duo events has changed my understanding of what it means to be an athlete. Rather than focusing on personal records, our goal is to share the excitement, freedom, and accomplishment that running brings. Every training run requires teamwork, trust, and determination. We overcome hills, weather, fatigue, and other challenges together, and every finish reminds us that inclusion makes sport more meaningful.

This experience has shown me how sports create opportunities for participation and belonging. These values closely align with the Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program, which promotes lifelong participation in sports and encourages a society where everyone can enjoy the benefits of physical activity.

Supporting the Sports Legacy Charity is meaningful because its mission reflects what I experience in every Duo run: sports break down barriers and strengthen communities. As a charity runner, I hope to help expand access to sports for people of all abilities and inspire future generations to lead active, healthy lives.

Participating in the Tokyo Marathon through the Sports Legacy Charity would allow me to combine my passion for running with my commitment to inclusion. Running with Duo has taught me that the true legacy of sport is not measured by finish times, but by the lives it touches. I would be honored to support the Sports Legacy Program and help advance its mission through my participation in the Tokyo Marathon. [USA]

Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program 2

Running has taught me that every step can carry a purpose beyond yourself. That is why I want to run the Tokyo Marathon in support of your foundation, which helps children and adolescents affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake.

I come from Mexico, a country that lived through its own devastating earthquake in 1985. That history is part of who we are. Entire neighborhoods gone overnight, families left with nothing, communities that had to rebuild from zero. I grew up hearing those stories, and they shaped the way I see resilience. When disaster strikes, what pulls people through is not just materials or infrastructure. It is connection, purpose, and the will to keep moving forward.

Sports gave me that. Running gave me that. And I believe it can give that to the children and adolescents who are still finding their way after 2011. The work your foundation does is not just about athletics. It is about giving young people a reason to show up, a team to belong to, and proof that life can be rebuilt with intention and joy. As a mother and a runner, every kilometer I run in Tokyo will carry something real with it. Gratitude for what I have. Respect for what others have lost. And a genuine desire to stand with the young people who are still writing their story after one of the most difficult chapters any community can face.

Running is not only about crossing a finish line. It is about choosing to move forward, together. [MEX]

Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program 3

Running has been a major part of my life for many years, and having completed nine marathons while raising funds for charities in four of them, I've learned that the impact of a race can extend far beyond the finish line.

I would be honored to run the 2027 Tokyo Marathon in support of the Relief and Support Projects for the Disaster-Affected Areas of the 2024 Noto Peninsula Earthquake. While I may not have a personal connection to the region, I strongly believe in supporting communities as they rebuild and recover from devastating events. The resilience shown by those affected is inspiring, and I would be proud to use my passion for running to help contribute to those ongoing recovery efforts.

For me, fundraising is an opportunity to bring people together around a meaningful cause. By combining my love of running with the chance to support individuals and families impacted by the earthquake, I hope to make a small but meaningful contribution while representing the spirit of community and compassion that the Tokyo Marathon embodies. [USA]

Plan International Japan

Running the Tokyo Marathon has been a dream of mine for many years. It is one of the last two Abbott World Marathon Majors I need to complete all six, and I may become the first Bolivian woman to achieve this milestone at 64 years old.

What makes this opportunity even more meaningful is the chance to combine my personal goal with giving back. I would be proud to support Run for Girls by raising funds for its important social initiatives. Knowing that every step I take in Tokyo will also help improve the lives of girls would make this marathon even more special. I truly

believe that running has the power to inspire positive change, both personally and within our communities. [BOL]

CARE International Japan

The many miles and marathons I have completed over the years have allowed me to build confidence and strength that has forever changed my life, both as an athlete and as a woman. Running has taught me to conquer self-limiting beliefs and to bet on my own capacity, not just for the destination but for the journey of self-discovery it takes to get there. That gift is exactly what too many women and girls in developing countries and conflict zones are denied. I would be honored to dedicate my Tokyo Marathon miles to giving them access to the strength, resources, and agency to live an equitable life. I'd be proud to play a role in CARE's work and help raise awareness here and at home. [USA]

Japan Committee, Vaccines for the World's Children

Running has always been much more than a sport for me — it is a way of challenging myself, inspiring others, and connecting people through a shared purpose. By participating in the Tokyo Marathon charity program for Japan Committee, Vaccines for the World's Children, I want my effort and passion to contribute to something far greater than the finish line: giving children around the world access to life-saving vaccines and a healthier future.

As a marathon runner and someone deeply involved in the global running community, I believe every step can carry hope, and this race is an opportunity to turn endurance into impact. [GRE]

■ Breakdown of Donation Amounts by Recipient Programs

Recipient Programs		Amount of donation
1	Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program 1 Creating and passing on a society in which people can enjoy new lifestyles through sports	97,206,000 yen
2	Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program 2 Education work for areas stricken by Great East Japan Earthquake (Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima)	8,152,000 yen
3	Tokyo Marathon Foundation Sports Legacy Program 3 Relief and Support Projects for the Disaster-Affected Areas of the 2024 Noto Peninsula Earthquake	25,484,000 yen
4	Ronald McDonald House Charities Japan Operating "Ronald McDonald House""Ronald McDonald Family Room"	234,755,000 yen
5	Peace Winds Japan Development of protection and transfer activities to save dogs' lives, as well as training for disaster relief and therapy dogs.	154,965,922 yen
6	Action against Child Exploitation(ACE) ACE is dedicated to the elimination and prevention of child labour and the safeguarding of children's rights	78,708,999 yen
7	Japan for UNHCR Sports and educational support to nurture the will to live among refugee children and youth who have been forced to flee their homes due to conflict	60,114,723 yen
8	Plan International Japan Run for Girls! Towards a society where everyone is equal! Support education and independence and give girls more choices in life.	53,487,000 yen
9	Gold Ribbon Network Such as: support for children with childhood cancer, including scholarships for survivors, travel expense support for treatment, financial assistance for single-parent households, and research grants to improve cure rates and QOL	61,752,000 yen
10	Kamonohashi Project To create a society where children do not suffer from abuse. Prevention of child abuse and rehabilitation of children who suffered from abuse cases.	44,746,613 yen
11	Special Olympics Nippon Foundation We provide sports for people with intellectual disabilities as possible and to make the society where everyone can feel happy with or without disabilities.	24,267,000 yen
12	Room to Read Japan Room to Read is creating a world free from illiteracy and gender inequality through education. Donations in multiple currencies and corporate matches are accepted.	25,922,000 yen
13	NPO KIDSDOOR We provide free educational and social spaces for underprivileged children where they can study, eat, interact with others, etc.	41,224,000 yen
14	Japan Cancer Society Operating free telephone consultation services for cancer patients and their families, promoting cancer prevention and screenings, raising public awareness based on accurate knowledge and providing grants for the cancer care and research.	56,491,000 yen
15	Certified Nonprofit Organization Family House Providing residential facilities and care for children fighting critical illness and their families during medical	26,763,663 yen
16	Japanese Para Sports Association We aim to create a vibrant, inclusive society by promoting and expanding parasports and enhancing athletic performance in a positive cycle.	20,753,000 yen
17	Teach For Japan One day, all children will have the education, support, and opportunity to shape a better future for themselves and all of us.	36,352,505 yen
18	CARE International Japan Now support women and girls who are facing difficulties in developing countries and conflict zones such as Ukraine	31,336,720 yen
19	WaterAid Japan Delivering clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene for everyone, everywhere.	31,705,959 yen
20	The Public Interest Incorporated Foundation Solaputi Kids' Camp Inviting children with serious illnesses and their families to a dream campsite with on-site medical care.	20,721,109 yen
21	Pride House Tokyo NPO We strive to build a society where LGBTQ+ people can live safely as their authentic selves. By operating Pride House Tokyo Legacy, we provide vital support services and advocate for an inclusive world through sports and community engagement.	34,823,000 yen
22	Friends Without A Border Japan Run for children! Help build medical services rooted in Laos. Delivering compassionate care, cuddles and smiles.	19,073,000 yen

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23	Kokkyo naki Kodomotachi (Children without Borders) Providing educational opportunities to underprivileged children in Cambodia, the Philippines, Bangladesh!	23,921,136 yen
24	TOKYO TOY MUSEUM / NPO Association for the Arts, Toy and Playing The Inclusive art museum in Shinjuku.	29,142,240 yen
25	NPO Sodateage Net With the mission of "connecting youth and society," we support children and youth who are socially isolated.	15,195,887 yen
26	Tokyo Development Foundation for Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries. We prevent the global warming and succeed healthy forests to the next generation by developing a low-pollen forests.	10,804,000 yen
27	Japan Environmental Education Forum Japan Environmental Education Forum is an international NGO that believes in the power of environmental education to create sustainable society.	17,941,000 yen
28	NPO Florence Providing welfare support to single parents, economically impoverished families, and other families in need in Japan in the area of children and child-rearing, and working to solve the root of problems and bring new value to society.	13,873,000 yen
29	ADRA Japan We strive for a world where everyone can live with dignity and hope. In times of war and disaster, we stand alongside those affected, delivering support tailored to their needs—whenever and wherever it is needed.	10,606,600 yen
30	Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning Creating a society where everyone can be healthy and choose their own lives	12,449,000 yen
31	Japan Marrow Donor Registry Promotion Conference Enlarging bone-marrow Donor program and gathering greater number of donors. Providing counseling and financial consultation services for leukemia patients.	12,134,000 yen
32	Tokyo Disaster Prevention & Emergency Medical Service Association We teach necessary skills and knowledge about "Self-Aid and Mutual Aid" which are vitally important during disasters. We also teach knowledge and skills about first aid in order to carry the precious "Baton of Life" to safety.	8,835,470 yen
33	Japan Association for Refugees Provide comprehensive assistance, including medical, food, housing and other support, to refugees who have fled to Japan, enabling them to have a normal life.	11,298,690 yen
34	Children's Cancer Association of Japan Children's Cancer Association of Japan (CCAJ) was founded in Oct. 1968. Our mission is to support children with cancer and their families aiming to conquer the disease and improve their quality of life.	7,006,000 yen
35	Chance for Children, Inc. Chance for Children is committed to supporting children living in poverty, and providing them with access to out-of-school activities, such as sports, music, arts & culture, nature programs, free schools, and private tutoring.	8,951,000 yen
36	NPO MadreBonita Providing postpartum care programs and raising awareness to solve social problems that originate in the postpartum period	10,393,000 yen
37	Japan Committee, Vaccines for the World's Children 4,000 children lose lives every day to preventable diseases. Give vaccines & save lives!	11,608,000 yen
38	Non-Profit Organization Japan IDDM Network Support for research aimed at eradicating the incurable disease "Type 1 Diabetes" incurable to curable!	10,602,630 yen
39	World Vision Japan Fullness of life for every child on earth through transformational development, humanitarian emergency response and advocacy	10,151,000 yen
40	The Nippon Foundation 【The Nippon Foundation Kids Support Fund】 One in three children in Japan faces economic, family and educational difficulties during the school year. We are committed to giving hope for the future to children with various difficulties in their lives.	8,851,000 yen

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