

Social Contribution Activities

Viewing issues from a global perspective, we always remain aware of the role to play as a good corporate citizen, see that our activities are at harmony with both local communities and the international community, and contribute to the rise of societies offering a higher quality of life. In order to realize this, we have identified three areas of focus in our basic activity guidelines, and are advancing social contribution activities in partnership with Group companies.

Basic Activity Guidelines on Social Contribution



1. Growth of Future Generations

ITOCHU Corporation shall conduct activities to support the sound development of youth as tomorrow's leaders and work for the emergence of fulfilling and vibrant communities.



2. Environmental Conservation

ITOCHU Corporation shall vigorously pursue activities of environmental conservation and contribute to sustainable social advancement.





3. Community Contribution

As a good corporate citizen, ITOCHU Corporation shall construct favorable relationships, and harmonize its business, with local communities.

Social Contribution Activities Action Plans

We have identified five "Basic Activity Guidelines on Social Contribution" in order to promote sustainable society, together with the local and international communities. Focusing on the 3 major areas, we promote social contribution activities based on the PDCA cycle. These activities also contribute to the achievement of SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals), which were established by the UN in 2015.

See P13 for details about SDGs.

CSR Issues/ Societal Issues	FY2017 action plans	Status*	FY2017 results	FY2018 action plans	SDGs
Promotion of domestic and overseas social contribution programs aimed at cultivating future generations [Basic Activity Guidelines 1 Growth of Future Generations]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Running of Eco Shop Pavilion at Kidzania Tokyo. Continue promoting the mobile learning center project in India. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have 700 children participate in activities at the mobile learning center. Enable 200 children to return to formal schooling. 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Eco goods including personal chopsticks, recycled soap and pre-organic cotton bags were changed regularly, resulting in a year-on-year increase in the number of visitors who experienced the pavilion. A total of 150,000 children have participated in the activities since the opening of the pavilion, and the pavilion has donated an amount sufficient for the purchase of about 150,000 seedlings to Kenya. This contributed to the recovery of about 66 hectares of tropical forest. A total of 700 children as planned, took part in activities at the mobile learning center and received opportunities to practice reading and writing. In addition, 210 of them were able to return to formal schooling. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Running of Eco Shop Pavilion at Kidzania Tokyo. Discover and promote new projects targeting the growth of future generations in Japan and overseas. 	1. 4. 10. 13. 15.
Implementation and follow-up on social contribution programs aimed at environmental conservation [Basic Activity Guidelines 2 Environmental Conservation]	<p>Start supporting a project for releasing manatees into the wild under the biodiversity conservation program based on the concept of "Field Museum" in Amazon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start setting up a lake for returning manatees to a semi-wild state. Conduct health checks of 13 manatees. Release six manatees into the lake to keep them in a semi-wild state. Release three manatees into the Amazon River. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Began meeting for setting up a lake in Manacapuru. Conduct health checks of 12 manatees. Release nine manatees into the lake to keep them in a semi-wild state. We conducted a health check on a manatee that was recaptured after being released into the Amazon River and confirmed that both the length of its body and its weight had increased and that the manatee had adapted to the natural environment after being released into the river. Release five manatees into the Amazon River. We asked more than 200 local residents to join us when we released the manatees. Through the protection of manatees, we raised their awareness of the importance of preserving biodiversity. We encouraged local fishermen to understand the importance of protecting manatees and had two of them participate in this project. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continue supporting a project for releasing manatees into the wild under the biodiversity conservation program based on the concept of "Field Museum" in Amazon. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct health checks of 17 manatees. Release eight manatees into the lake to keep them in a semi-wild state. Release five manatees into the Amazon River. Provide 100 local residents with learning opportunities. Have local fishermen understand the importance of protection of manatees, aiming to have two of them participate in this project. Construction of a facility (visitor center) in the Field Station, including a cafeteria and an exhibition hall where visitors can gather, is planned to begin in FY2018. 	13. 15.

CSR Issues/ Societal Issues	FY2017 action plans	Status*	FY2017 results	FY2018 action plans	SDGs
Facility management and awareness-raising activities aimed at regional contributions [Basic Activity Guidelines 3 Community Contribution]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support of ITOCHU Medical Plaza 2. Planning and operation of ITOCHU Aoyama Art Square. 3. Support the disaster-affected area effectively through ITOCHU Children's Dreams Fund. Contribute to the agricultural development of the area by supporting the sale and production of Takata no Yume as part of the activities for supporting disaster-affected areas through business activities, with a target harvest of 260 tons. 	<p>🌱 🌱 🌱</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provided support in terms of funding and information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Held Medical Business Administration Seminars for local medical professionals, which were useful for the management of clinics, on three occasions. A total of 182 people participated in the seminars. ■ Ran a human resource development program based on medicine-engineering collaboration on two occasions. A total of 124 people participated in the programs. ■ Held an exchange program with 11 overseas universities/medical facilities as an international medical exchange program. 2. As a way to help solve the various social issues we face, 16 exhibitions based on the theme of "social contribution through art" were planned and implemented in conjunction with exhibitors. Visitor numbers surpassed the previous year, with visitors since the opening exceeding 170,000 people. 3. Held events designed to help children achieve their aspirations from areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake through the ITOCHU Children's Dreams Fund on seven occasions. To support the sale of the Takata no Yume brand of rice launched by Rikuzen-Takata in Iwate Prefecture, an area affected by the earthquake disaster, we held a local product exhibition featuring the City of Rikuzen-Takata beside the Tokyo Head Office of ITOCHU on March 11. ITOCHU thus contributed to the agricultural development of the area affected by the earthquake disaster with 47 farmers engaged in production and a harvest of 200 tons. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to provide support in terms of funding and information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Hold the Medical Business Administration Seminar six times, with 200 participants. ■ Hold an exchange program with ten overseas universities/medical facilities as an international medical exchange program. ■ Implement human resource development program based on a medicine-engineering collaboration on two occasions and attract 100 participants. 2. Planning and operation of ITOCHU Aoyama Art Square. 3. Support the disaster-affected area effectively through ITOCHU Children's Dreams Fund. Contribute to regional agricultural development by supporting Takata no Yume through business activities. 	<p>3. 4. 10. 11.</p>

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Social Contribution Activities: Growth of Future Generations

ITOCHU Foundation

ITOCHU has promoted social contribution activities aiming for the sound development of young people since setting up the ITOCHU Foundation (which became a public interest incorporated foundation in 2012) in 1974. The foundation engages in activities for contributing to the healthy growth of children, such as two current major projects: subsidizing development of children's literature collections, and promoting development of an e-book library.

— Project for Subsidizing the Development of Children's Literature Collections

Since 1975, ITOCHU has been supporting private organizations and individuals who are engaged in grassroots activities for encouraging local children to read books. We have to date provided subsidies of approx. 1.06 billion yen to a total of 2,179 children's literature collections and other recipients (including overseas recipients) while boosting the project, for instance by adding a program for donating sets of books and a program for reading support for children in hospital facilities, very much in response to the changing times.

In FY2017, we provided the subsidies shown in the following table. In March 2017, a presentation ceremony for FY2017 Project for Subsidizing the Development of Children's Literature Collections was held with the participation of approx. 140 people working in children's reading and representatives from foundations, including recipients of purchase subsidies and recipients of the award for distinguished service to children's literature collections.

	Number of Subsidies (FY2016)
Children's book purchase subsidies	43 (of which, 1 overseas)
Reading support and purchase cost subsidies for children in hospital facilities	3
100 Children's Books Subsidies	26 (of which, 8 overseas)
Overseas Japanese school and supplementary school book subsidies	5
Award for distinguished service to children's literature collections	3
Total	80 (of which, 14 overseas)

* Please refer to P121 for supporting ten schools in the areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake through the 100 Children's Books Grant Conducted with Shareholders.



A Japanese school in Zug, Switzerland, which was granted book subsidies



The ITOCHU Foundation holds a presentation ceremony once a year for subsidizing the development of children's literature collections



Project for Promotion of E-book Libraries

Editing and distribution of Multimedia Daisy books

The Multimedia Daisy book is an international standard for digital books. Books of this standard incorporate diverse measures that are developed specifically for people who have difficulty reading due to disabilities or other factors. The books can be browsed on PCs and tablet terminals. ITOCHU Foundation edits picture books and children's books into Multimedia Daisy books and donates them to special schools and public libraries all over Japan. It has so far digitalized 309 titles and sent the books to a total of 5,448 locations.

	FY2017	Total*
Number of titles produced	66 titles	309 titles
Recipients	1,121 locations	5,448 locations

* Total since FY2012



A reading function allows the electronic books to be read even in bed



The Power of Children's Books Exhibition that Her Imperial Majesty the Empress of Japan visited (Display of Multimedia Daisy books in 2014)

In 2016, ITOCHU Foundation digitalized a card game based on *Ogura Hyakunin Isshu* (a classical Japanese anthology of one hundred Japanese waka poems by one hundred poets) in response to a request from junior high school students with disabilities. The poems were read by junior high and high school students from Tokyo metropolitan special schools. Illustrations for scenes of the poems were created by students, including those from the art clubs of ten metropolitan high schools. The book was produced with cooperation from many quarters, including Nintendo Co., Ltd., which created and provided electronic data for the cards free of charge.



A completely blind junior high school student read the poems that were written in braille

In addition, the foundation sought the cooperation of prefectural libraries for a project to digitalize local folk tales jointly into *Nihon Mukashi-banashi no Tabi* (travelling around Japan to visit the settings of folk tales). Ten libraries from ten prefectures took part in the project, in which the following ten locally based folk tales were digitalized by joining the forces of many people, including those from art clubs of local high schools of each prefecture, picture-card story groups, and transliteration groups.

- *Nukada no tassai* (Ibaraki)
- *Minuma no fue* (Saitama)
- *Oni no senri-gutsu* (Yamanashi)
- *Yourou no izumi* (Gifu)
- *Hachi no on-gaeshi* (Mie)
- *Maada mada wakaran* (Yamaguchi)
- *Aoki Totaro* (Tokushima)
- *Dougo onsen no sagi-ishi to tama no ishi* (Ehime)
- *Matago to enkou* (Kochi)
- *Kusukue no ohanashi* (Okinawa)



Exhibition of illustrations of *Nukada no tassai* at Ibaraki Prefectural Library



The ten folk tales that were digitalized in FY2017

Barrier-free reading workshops

ITOCHU holds barrier-free reading workshops so that people can learn how to provide the joy of reading for children with disabilities. These workshops are held mainly for school personnel, librarians, and medical personnel to give them opportunities to learn the causes of reading difficulties, together with effective media and support methods for overcoming the difficulty.

In FY2017, the workshop was held on eight occasions in Saitama, Gifu, Akita, and other places with 412 participants.

Development of "Mobile Learning Center" Project in India with Save the Children

Together with Save the Children Japan, ITOCHU has run a project "Mobile Learning Center" in the M-East district of Mumbai, India, in hopes to reach out to children who do not attend school because they are living on the street or engaged in child labor. To support Save the Children Japan and Save the Children India, ITOCHU committed 25 million yen in the two years between November 2013 and March 2017. These funds were used to wrap the bus that operates as the mobile library; equip it with benches, blackboard, and bookshelves; and employ two persons (an education facilitator* and a counselor), which mimics the learning environment of an ordinary school classroom. The objective of the project is to serve as a bridge that will lead to children attending mainstream schooling by providing learning opportunities that incorporate audio and video-based teaching materials and are enjoyable for the participating children. Over the period, 2,695 children had the opportunity to learn through the mobile learning center, 592 of whom were able to return to formal schooling.



* Education Facilitator plays a role like a teacher at MLC. The facilitator will encourage children's active participation in learning activities.

Running of Eco Shop Pavilion in KidZania Tokyo

Since April 2012, ITOCHU has run its Eco Shop environmental pavilion in KidZania Tokyo, a facility for children to experience diverse types of work. ITOCHU operates the Eco Shop by utilizing the expertise in environmental education it has developed through the MOTTAINAI Campaign, a global environmental effort in which ITOCHU participates. To allow children to experience environmental activities, the pavilion provides visitors with opportunities to create original products such as Eco-Bag for Shopping, and My Chopsticks to Carry Along and recycled soap, all using eco-friendly materials. In August 2016, Out of KidZania with ITOCHU, a special program for allowing children to experience work of a trading company on site at the Tokyo Head Office, was held over two days. Out of KidZania is a program for nurturing children's problem-solving skills. Thirty elementary school children, selected from among applicants, analyze a variety of problems and make proposals from their unique point of view. The event had been held for three consecutive years. This time, the program was run with the cooperation from Euglena Co., Ltd. under the theme of "Experience the Creation of a Business using New Technology." They were divided into teams and worked

on the tasks of planning a new product that uses euglena to solve problems in the world and then proposing sales promotion strategy for the product. They gave presentations to senior employees in a business meeting room. All the teams came up with wonderfully individualistic and inventive proposals as good as any adult could produce. The children achieved significant personal development over the two days as young business persons of *sogo shosha*. At KidZania Tokyo, a popular venue for children, we will continue to provide them with opportunities to enjoy learning environmental preservation from a global perspective, offer a range of events for children, and help develop young people who will be leaders of sustainable society.



Children making soap from recycled materials



Children taking part in the Out of KidZania program are exchanging ideas seriously

Support the "House for Youth" in Philippines of NGO "Kokkyo naki Kodomotachi(KnK)"

In December 2009, ITOCHU provided support for renovation of the House for Youth, a home that helps young people become independent, located on the outskirts of Manila. Support was provided via Kokkyo naki Kodomotachi (KnK: meaning "children without borders"), an authorized Japanese NPO that supports street children, children who are victims of major disasters, and other children in developing countries. ITOCHU also provided support when House for Youth was again renovated in 2012 into a job training facility that helps children achieve independence.

In 2013, the underground floor and the roof of the house were renovated, enabling the facility to provide more job training courses, which allows more young people to acquire practical skills.

Since FY2016, ITOCHU has been once again providing financial support related to the operation of the House for Youth (4.5 million yen for three years). The funds are used to provide education, meals, mental health care, job training, and other necessities so as to restore the dignity of children in the House for Youth and help them grow into adults who can contribute to society. The support from ITOCHU is highly evaluated as a great foundation that leads to the stabilization of KnK Philippines' activities and enables them to continue.

In addition, employees from ITOCHU Manila branch regularly visit this facility for volunteer activities and other purposes.

In May 2016, a ceremony was held to commemorate the 15th anniversary of KnK Philippines' activities. Six employees from Manila branch participated in the celebratory event, bringing children's favorite fast food. In addition, during October to November of the same year, young employees from the Head Office experienced volunteer activities at this facility and in Payatas, a slam area. In December, when we hosted a Christmas Party that was held at the House for Youth, 11 local employees brought fast food, ice cream, and even Christmas presents to the children and deepened exchange with them through games and plays.



We received a letter of gratitude at the commemoration ceremony for the 15th anniversary of KnK Philippines



At the Christmas Party



With volunteers from ITOCHU Corporation, Manila Branch

Accepting Chinese university students for homestays

Since its inception, ITOCHU Corporation has supported the "Visit Japanese Enterprises and Feel Japan" program organized by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in China to give Chinese university students the opportunity to learn more about Japan. The program aims to promote friendship between Japan and China by having university students from China visit Japan twice a year and engage in citizen-based exchanges. In FY2017, the 18th in May and 19th in December, iterations of the program were run, with three employees from the ITOCHU Group accepting Chinese university students as hosts and enjoying citizen-based exchanges with their families.



A university student from China (second from the right) and her host family

Supporting Brazilian Elementary and Junior High School Pupils in Japan

Children attending school for Brazilians in Japan face a variety of problems, among them a lack of Japanese language proficiency, financially challenged facilities, insufficient learning materials and the large number who do not attend school at all. The current situation means that despite living in Japan, these children have little exposure to Japanese culture and the Japanese language.

On October 14, 2015, ITOCHU held ITOCHU Festa do Brasil, a Brazil-themed private party at KidZania Tokyo, for which ITOCHU Corporation is an official sponsor. The party commemorated the 120th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Japan and Brazil, and 240 Brazilian children from six elementary and junior high schools in Gunma, Ibaraki and Saitama Prefectures were invited to the party. With this party as the catalyst, in April 2016, a total of 45 Brazilian elementary and junior high school pupils from Ibaraki, Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba, and Saitama were invited to KidZania Tokyo to attend and enjoy a work experience aimed at career education. In addition, in June 2017, we agreed to cooperate in the activities of Fundação Associação Nippo Brasileira de Economia e Cultura (Japan-Brazil Economic and Culture Association) and donated tickets for KidZania Tokyo.



Pupils from Brazilian elementary and junior high schools fully enjoyed KidZania Tokyo

Holding summer school program on the environment

To build a more sustainable society, it is important that each one of us should try to live an eco-friendly lifestyle. From such a viewpoint, every summer since 1992, ITOCHU Corporation has been holding a summer school program on the environment for local children and employees' families as a means of raising awareness of environmental issues. To date, we have provided a cumulative total of more than 1,200 elementary school children with opportunities to learn about environmental and biodiversity conservation.



Up-close observation of the sea turtle

In FY2017, the class was held on July 28, 2016 in the form of two workshops, "Biodiversity: Sea Turtle Workshop" and "Disaster prevention: Natural Disaster Workshop," respectively, with 76 elementary school children taking part. During the first workshop, children closely observed a green turtle from the Ogasawara Islands and learned about its ecology and about endangered species. In the second workshop, they experienced a simulated avalanche and earthquake, through which they learned how natural disasters occur and how to respond to them.



The Natural Disaster Workshop

Accepting elementary and junior and senior high school students for company visits

In concert with the teaching guidelines of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology incorporating company visits into curriculum, ITOCHU Corporation has accepted company visits by elementary and junior and senior high school students to support "students understanding social roles and occupational lifestyles, and encouraging independence as a full-fledged member of society."

In FY2017, we accepted visits from eight schools in total, including the nearby Aoyama Elementary School, Aoyama Junior High School and Shiga Prefectural Hachiman Commercial Senior High School, the old school of Chubei Itoh II. We also accepted a company visit by students from Mikata Junior High School in Wakasa Town, Fukui Prefecture, which ITOCHU Chairman Eizo Kobayashi serves as the Furusato Taishi (hometown ambassador), for the third consecutive year. Mr. Kobayashi himself gave a lecture to the students from his home town.



Aoyama Elementary School's extracurricular class "observing the neighborhood from a high place"



Students of Hachiman Commercial High School explaining the attractiveness of local specialties from various parts of Japan, which they purchased on their own



Mr. Kobayashi gave a lecture to third-year students from Mikata Junior High School in Wakasa Town, Fukui Prefecture

Social Contribution Activities: Environmental Conservation

Support of Amazon Ecosystem Conservation Program

Starting in FY2017, ITOCHU Corporation has been supporting the new concept of "Field Museum," an ecosystem conservation program in the tropical forests of the Amazon, and the construction of the Field Station, a research facility, which are promoted by the Wildlife Research Center of Kyoto University with the National Institute of Amazonian Research for the purpose of conserving the environment and biodiversity. These projects constitute a part of the SATREPS project, on which the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) work jointly. In SATREPS, researchers from Japan and developing countries jointly conduct research on resolving global issues and the future of research outcomes by society.

The Amazon rainforest accounts for over half of all the rainforest acreage that remains on earth. It is called a treasure-trove of ecosystem. However, the valuable ecosystem is being lost in recent years due in part to the rapid economic development and deforestation attributed to the lack of environmental education for local residents. Jointly with the National Institute of Amazonian Research, the Wildlife Research Center of Kyoto University conducts research and dissemination activities for maintaining the valuable ecosystem of the Amazon. The Japanese and Brazilian institutes conduct joint conservation research and facilities development by using the advanced technologies that Japan excels at, which is expected to dramatically advance conservation research on various organisms and ecosystems, including research on water-dwelling animals (river dolphins, manatees) of the Amazon and the upper canopies of the rainforest, which have been challenging to study until now. The activities also include one for protecting the Amazon manatee, an endangered species, and ITOCHU Corporation supports a program for reintroducing the manatees to the wild. While an increasing number of manatees are taken into protective custody after being injured by poachers, it is difficult for the animals to return to the wild on their own. This has made it imperative to establish a project for reintroducing Amazonian manatees into the wild. The program aims to have at least nine manatees return to the wild and at least 20 manatees return to semi-captive environment in three years, with support from ITOCHU Corporation.

Concerning the support for the construction of the Field Station, a research facility, ITOCHU donated funds for the construction and development of a facility (visitor center), including a cafeteria and an exhibition hall where visitors can gather. Through these initiatives, ITOCHU will provide opportunities to experience a wide variety of plants and animals in the rich natural environment of the Amazon rainforests, contributing to the environmental education of both local residents and tourists. This is JICA's first industry-government-academia collaboration for conserving the Amazon's ecosystem.



The Amazon rainforest is the largest in the world and is said to supply one-third of all the oxygen on earth



The Amazon manatee is an endangered species



Visitor center in the Field Museum (conceptual rendering)

Activities to Restore the Tropical Rainforests and Conserve Borneo's Ecosystem

In 2008 ITOCHU Corporation celebrated the 150th anniversary of the company's foundation. To commemorate the anniversary, the Company decided to implement a social contribution program. A questionnaire conducted to determine what type of program to conduct found forest conservation to be the theme employees desired most strongly. Starting in FY2010, under this program, ITOCHU engaged in activities to restore the tropical rainforests and conserve the ecosystem in Borneo by collaborating with World Wide Fund (WWF) for Nature Japan. Saplings of tree species which are native to the island of Borneo were planted at regular intervals and on-site maintenance work, including weeding around each sapling, was continued after the planting, aiming to restore the forests. These tasks were performed by following methods that were agreed by the Sabah Forestry Department (SFD) and WWF Malaysia. The tasks were performed meticulously. For example, as many as around 60 species of trees, including Dipterocarpaceae species that are native to the area, were planted in conformity to the environment. Creative measures were devised to restore forests more effectively and improve the environment as a habitat of Bornean Orangutans. They include the planting of tree species which grow quickly (pioneer species), those which grow slowly (Dipterocarpaceae plant are the majority), and those that bear fruit as food for Bornean Orangutans, in accordance with the condition of each area. With regard to the planting of trees and their maintenance, which were undertaken for a period of seven years, WWF and SFD conducted on-site checks of each task to ensure that it was being performed in accordance with the standard, and corrective tasks were conducted where the standards were not followed. Planting and on-site maintenance work of all 967 hectares, where ITOCHU supported forest restoration, were completed on January 14, 2016. This is the largest area of responsibility for the restoration project undertaken by any private company.



Planting of tree saplings

Support for Activities for Protecting Green Turtles, an Endangered Species

For the purpose of conserving biodiversity, ITOCHU Corporation support activities for protecting green turtles, designated as an endangered species in the Red Data Book from the Ministry of the Environment of Japan. The support is provided via Everlasting Nature (ELNA), a certified NPO. ELNA was established in 1999 for the purpose of conserving marine lives in Asia and the marine environment surrounding them. It was certified as an NPO by Kanagawa Prefectural Government.

Green turtles lay their eggs in Japan on the sandy beaches of Ogasawara Islands. Humans have a great impact on the natural world and human life has significant implications for green turtles. For example, coastal development has reduced the availability of sandy beaches and green turtles eat refuse on the coast, mistaking it for food. As part of its activities for protecting green turtles, ITOCHU held the summer school program on the environment in July 2016. The event was designed for children from neighboring elementary schools in Aoyama and employees' families, who learned the importance of living creatures and the environment through a look at green turtles. To build a more sustainable society, it is important that each one of us should try to make our lives more eco-friendly. For this purpose, every summer since 1992, ITOCHU Corporation has been holding summer school program on the environment for local children as a means of raising their awareness of environmental issues. To date, a cumulative total of more than 1,200 elementary school children, representing future generations, were provided with opportunities to learn about environmental and biodiversity conservation.



Children participating proactively in the summer school program on the environment



A lecture being given during the summer school program on the environment

Support for Manila Hemp Plantation Rehabilitation Project

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the establishment of our Manila branch in 1912, in June 2012 we signed a project agreement with the Fiber Industry Development Authority of the Department of Agriculture and the St. Ann's Family Service Cooperative, a local agricultural cooperative. Based on the agreement, ITOCHU donated ¥2 million, the amount needed to plant and grow 90 hectares of Manila hemp (about 144,000 plants), and planting had been completed by June 2016. In addition, the project is expected to absorb approximately 18 tons of CO₂ a year.



Support for tree-planting activities in Kenya through exhibition at the KidZania Tokyo Eco Shop

Since April 2012, ITOCHU Corporation has operated Eco Shop, an environmental pavilion giving children actual experience of eco activities, in KidZania Tokyo, a facility devoted to vocational experience for children. For each child visiting, the pavilion donates an amount equivalent to the cost of one seedling to the Green Belt Movement, a tree-planting program in Kenya. By the end of March 2016, about 150,000 children had visited to participate in the activities at the pavilion, and the pavilion had therefore donated an amount sufficient for purchase of about 150,000 seedlings to Kenya. Besides tree planting, the funds are used in Kenya for various other purposes, including facilities for storage of rainwater to permit the continuation of forest revival and the holding of workshops for local residents to educate them about ecological approaches to sound utilization of forest resources. In FY2018, ITOCHU will renew this pavilion under the theme of "Amazon Ecosystem Conservation" as an initiative for promoting the Project to Support Returning Amazonian Manatees to the Wild (Manatee Homecoming Project). The amount obtained by multiplying the number of child visitors to the pavilion by ten yen will be sent to Brazil as the cost of milk for Amazonian manatees.



Donation to the Green Belt Movement of an amount equivalent to the cost of one seedling for the tree-planting program for each child visitor



Tree-planting activities in Kenya (photo courtesy of the Mainichi Newspapers)

Social Contribution Activities: Community Contribution

Establishment of ITOCHU Medical Plaza for Contributing to Development of Kobe Medical Industrial City

In October 2014, ITOCHU Medical Plaza, a facility aimed at conducting international medical exchange, opened in Kobe Medical Industrial City, one of the largest medical clusters in Japan. ITOCHU Corporation has donated 500 million yen for construction to the Foundation for Kobe International Medical Alliance, which is the primary operator of the facility. There is great expectation locally and internationally for the development of the center for human resource development, including education and technical training of overseas physicians and healthcare practitioners mainly from Southeast Asia, projects for accepting trainees from overseas, and a variety of research projects such as joint development of medical equipment with universities and other institutions and seminars for local healthcare business operators. In FY2017, ITOCHU held an exchange program with 11 overseas universities/medical facilities as an international medical exchange program. In addition, ITOCHU held Medical Business Administration Seminars for local medical professionals, providing useful information for the management of clinics, on three occasions. A total of 182 people participated in the seminars. A human resource development program involving medical-engineering cooperation was also held on two occasions, and a total of 124 people took part.



ITOCHU Medical Plaza

Local Hub of CSR Activities: ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE

In October 2012, we opened ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE in the CI Plaza next to ITOCHU's Tokyo Headquarters. We established the facility as a base for our CSR activities aimed at contributing to the development of future generations, making local contributions through art, and contributing to art and cultural promotion, both in Japan and abroad. In Aoyama, an area that thrives with a variety of cultures, we showcase artwork that reflects fresh perceptions and present exhibitions that serve as a bridge for international exchange. In FY2017, the following 14 exhibitions were held, and as of March 2017, ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE had welcomed approximately 170,000 visitors since opening. ITOCHU will continue to address a range of social issues through art and regularly present exhibitions to contribute to creation of the culture of life in local communities.



ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE

Period	Exhibition	Issues	Summary
March 21, 2016 to April 18, 2016	Get in touch "Warm Blue MAZEKOZE Art II"	Social independence of the disabled people	This art exhibition, which was held in the previous year on the theme of blue, the concept color for World Autism Awareness Day (April 2), was held again by Get in touch (Chizuru Azuma, Representative), starting on the World Down Syndrome Day.
April 23, 2016 to April 30, 2016	TOKYO Teshigoto Exhibition	International exchange	The first exhibition of TOKYO Teshigoto project, which is being undertaken by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government and the Tokyo Metropolitan Small and Medium Enterprise Support Center, was held, featuring traditional crafts of Tokyo. It also unveiled new products that were developed through collaboration between artisans and designers.

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May 3, 2016 to May 31, 2016	Bicycle Expo 2016: Moulton Exhibition - the Wonderful World of Small Wheeled Bicycles -	Community Contribution	The Bicycle Expo was held for the fourth consecutive year. This time, it featured a valuable collection of small-wheeled bicycles of Alex Moulton, who contributed to the development of bicycles in the late 20th century and was decorated with the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.
June 6, 2016 to June 25, 2016	LOVE THE MATERIAL in AOYAMA	Development of the future generation	This exhibition was held to introduce contemporary crafts created by a new generation of artists in Japan. More than 100 contemporary craft works that were born out of a love for a wide variety of materials such as metals, ceramics, and glass were exhibited.
July 7, 2016 to July 24, 2016	Sachi Murai Photo Exhibition - FantaSea	Environmental Conservation	Photographs of the dreamy world under the sea, taken by Sachi Murai, an underwater photographer, were selected and exhibited. This exhibition helped preserve biodiversity by expressing the mysterious power and beauty of the sea and thus communicating the importance of environmental preservation.
July 27, 2016 to August 27, 2016	HAPPY BIRTHDAY EARTH - Change the World with Children's Art -	Development of the future generation	KIDS EARTH FUND (KEF), a non-profit organization, held an exhibition of paintings by children from various parts of the world who had been traumatized by terrible events, such as wars or disasters. Art workshops for children were also held in time with the summer vacation season.
September 7, 2016 to September 19, 2016	Photography Exhibition Tohoku/ Okinawa by Masaru Tatsuki and Ryuichi Ishikawa	Development of the future generation	This was the first part of the photography exhibition curated by photography critic Mr. Minoru Shimizu, with the purpose of developing future generations. It featured photographs themed on Tohoku/ Okinawa, which were taken by Mr. Masaru Tatsuki and Mr. Ryuichi Ishikawa, winners of Kimura Ihei Award that is dubbed the Akutagawa Award of the photography community.
September 22, 2016 to October 2, 2016	Daisuke Nakashima Photo Exhibition Entitled "Image no Kanshoku (Feel of the images): taken with iPhone"	Development of the future generation	This was the second part of the photography exhibition curated by photography critic Mr. Minoru Shimizu, with the purpose of developing future generations. It featured photographs taken by Mr. Daisuke Nakashima, a photographer, with the iPhone. The photographs were exhibited using 100 iPhones and iPads, presenting contemporary art with the most popular device.
October 5, 2016 to November 6, 2016	The Works of 10 Young Edokiriko Artisans - Glass and Kiriko	International exchange	It was the fourth exhibition of the works of young Edokiriko artisans. This time it was themed on Glass and Kiriko. Coordinated by Director Jun Michida, the exhibition introduced the multifaceted charms of Kiriko by using mirrors.
November 11, 2016 to December 20, 2016	Shoko Kanazawa Calligraphy Exhibition - Prayer for Peace -	Social independence of the disabled people	It was the third exhibition of works by Shoko Kanazawa, a female calligrapher with Down syndrome. The works exhibited this time reflect what Ms. Kanazawa felt and what she wanted to communicate in 2016. During the year, people around the world pinned their hopes on peace due to such events as U.S. President Barack Obama's visit to Hiroshima, a city that was devastated by an atomic bomb in World War II, and the peace festival that was held in Rio de Janeiro.

Period	Exhibition	Issues	Summary
December 23, 2016 to January 15, 2017	Let's Celebrate the New Year of 2017 with Art of Various Roosters!	Development of the future generation	This was the third occasion of the New Year event themed on the Oriental Zodiac of the year. A total of 120 young and energetic artists aged 35 or younger exhibited their artworks featuring rooster.
January 17, 2017 to January 25, 2017	Exhibition of the Future of Calligraphy	Development of the future generation	This was a group exhibition by eight young and energetic calligraphers, including Mr. Hisashi Yamamoto, who had inherited the style of the late calligrapher Mr. Yuichi Inoue. It promoted the world of calligraphy in art settings at home and abroad.
January 28, 2017 to February 14, 2017	Exhibition of Kazuyuki Suto, an Up-and-Coming Japanese-Style Painter: Wind Blowing Through Seasons	Development of the future generation	This was an exhibition of works by Mr. Kazuyuki Suto, some of whose works have been used in ITOCHU's picture calendar for 2017. It showcased many large works of his Japanese-style paintings with the theme of the seasons and wind and a focus on small familiar creatures.
February 20, 2017 to March 6, 2017	The 2nd Art Project Exhibition of the Tokyo Metropolitan Schools for Special Needs Education "My Color, My Shape, My Shine"	Social independence of the disabled people	Held jointly by Tokyo Metropolitan Government Board of Education and Tokyo University of the Arts Faculty of Fine Arts, this exhibition showcased 50 pieces of work selected from among 830 pieces created by students of 44 Tokyo Metropolitan Schools for Special Needs.



Sachi Murai Photo Exhibition - FantaSea



HAPPY BIRTHDAY EARTH - Change the World with Children's Art - Workshop entitled "Let's paint picture on white cloth together!"



The Works of 10 Young Edokiriko Artisans - Glass and Kiriko



Shoko Kanazawa Calligraphy Exhibition - Prayer for Peace - Live calligraphy performance

The Second ITOCHU Summer Concert Held at Suntory Hall

Starting in 1991, ITOCHU Corporation held Lobby Concert at its Tokyo Head Office, which took place 23 times. In 2015, ITOCHU moved the venue of this concert to Suntory Hall and began to hold it as the ITOCHU Summer Concert, a new series. The Second ITOCHU Summer Concert was held on July 20, 2016 and attracted more than 1,900 people, more than the previous year. Starting off with a performance by the New York Symphonic Ensemble (NYSE) conducted by Mamoru Takahara, in the second half the orchestra and chorus of Tokyo Metropolitan Mita High School comprising some 98 members all joined to produce an unprecedentedly powerful performance. For the performance with local high school students, started in 2015 with the aim of encouraging future generations, the students fully demonstrated the fruits of the two workshops with Mr. Takahara and their hard practice thereafter, delivering an excellent performance although they were nervous. The performances were met with thunderous applause and cheers.



Mini talk show by Keiko Takeshita, conductor Mamoru Takahara, and Chairman Kobayashi



The first performance at Suntory Hall

Local Contribution Activities at Overseas Offices

ITOCHU Corporation maintains 103 overseas offices in 62 countries around the world (as of April 1, 2017). In addition to making local contributions through our business activities in each region, as a member of these local communities we consider local issues and how ITOCHU can contribute in its own way, and undertake local contribution activities in each region.

The following is an excerpt of the activities we conducted in FY2017.

United States

Employee volunteers brightened up a public school in Bronx

ITOCHU International Inc. (III) supports local non-profit organizations that organize volunteering, fund-raising and charity initiatives in a range of areas, such as the environment, public schools, children in need, domestic violence shelters and transitional housing facilities. On October 22, 2016, a team of 30 III executives, employees, family and friends, including President & CEO Yoshida, spent their Saturday at a public school in Bronx, NY, painting walls, drawing murals and creating laminated signs and badges for students. They were among 4,000 volunteers at around 70 public schools across New York City's five boroughs participating in the annual New York Cares Day for Schools, working together to brighten up public schools and motivate students.



Guatemala

Supporting a mobile hospital project

Unex, a Group company that collects, selects and exports coffee in Guatemala, supports a mobile hospital project run by the coffee exporters' association. With a mobile truck carrying a repurposed coffee export container, the mobile hospital travelled to nine locations across six departments (administrative regions) in Guatemala, mainly coffee producing regions, offering dental care and general medical care to coffee producers. Fearing steep medical costs, many people in these areas avoid visiting hospitals or dental clinics. Through the mobile hospital, 1,068 dental patients and 2,561 regular medical patients received care.



United Kingdom

Donation to the UK-Japan Music Society to promote understanding of Japanese and European cultures

ITOCHU Europe has been supporting the UK-Japan Music Society since it was founded in 1991 with the aim of facilitating cultural exchanges through the music of the two countries. In 2016 the society celebrated its 25th anniversary and visited Japan to hold concerts at six venues.



Azerbaijan

Supporting the restoration of facilities damaged by fire with SOS Children's Villages

A fire occurred at a facility operated by the international NGO SOS Children's Villages, which protects children's human rights. Immediately afterward, ITOCHU Oil Exploration Azerbaijan (CIECO AZER) decided to offer its support, allowing the NGO to quickly engage in restoration work. After the facility was restored, a letter of appreciation along with handmade gifts of thanks from the children were received, and are now proudly displayed at the company's offices.



Kuwait

Taking Part in Beach Cleanup Campaign Dubbed "Operation Turtles"

ITOCHU's Kuwait office has taken part in "Operation Turtles", a beach cleanup campaign organized by the Kuwait Environment Protection Society and the Embassy of Japan in the State of Kuwait. The cleanup was held on November 12, 2016. ITOCHU employees and their families made an effort to clean up Shuwaikh Beach and preserve the marine environment.



China

Supporting Underdeveloped Areas through "Warming the Western Regions" Plan

At various sites in the China bloc, ITOCHU is engaged in a range of social contribution activities geared towards the needs of each region. ITOCHU (China) Holding Co., Ltd. (Beijing), embracing the "MOTTAINAI" slogan, has taken part in a "Warming the Western Regions" plan organized by the Beijing Public Service Development Promotion Association and the Beijing Blue Butterfly Foundation. For five consecutive years ITOCHU employees have taken part, donating around 470 unneeded winter garments and more than 50 books and stationery items to the western region, which is an underdeveloped area in China.



South Korea

Cleanup Activities in Mangwon Hangang Park

ITOCHU Korea engages in volunteer activities twice a year. In March 2017, it carried out cleanup activities in Mangwon Hangang Park, a location of deep historical significance. The Han River, or "Hangang," is a major river in South Korea which is also used for tap water. As an activity in which employees, their families and children can take part together and contribute to environmental conservation, ITOCHU Korea planned the cleanup along the riverside, promenade and other such places. On the day, about 40 bags of trash were collected.



Singapore

Supporting Children with Cerebral Palsy through Donation to CPAS

ITOCHU Singapore made a donation of S\$10,000 donation to Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore (CPAS), which offers life, employment and educational support to children suffering from cerebral palsy. As thanks for its support, ITOCHU Singapore was presented with pictures drawn by children with cerebral palsy. The pictures are proudly displayed in each of the meeting rooms in the new office in an effort to raise awareness among employees.



Australia

Participation in Cleanup Australia

The first Sunday in March each year is designated Clean Up Australia Day, a concerted effort across Australia to clean up the nation's parks and beaches. Employees of ITOCHU Australia also take part, joining volunteer activities organized by the Japanese Society of Sydney each year. On March 5, 2017, cleanup activities were run at Lane Cove National Park north of Sydney, where participants contributed to environmental protection amid Australia's abundance of nature.



Kazakhstan

Sponsorship of the Japan Pavilion at EXPO Astana 2017

The Almaty Office sponsored the Japan Pavilion at EXPO Astana 2017, which is being held from June 10 to September 10, 2017 in Astana, Kazakhstan under the theme of future energy. Support for the Japan Pavilion, which introduces Japan's experience and challenges related to energy through unified cooperation between industry, government, academia and the private sector, gave a boost to Kazakhstan's expo.



Local Contribution Activities at Domestic Locations

Tokyo Head Office

ITOCHU employees take part in community cleanup activities around our Tokyo Headquarters. As members of the local community, they clean up the street and distribute items for raising awareness by cooperating with the local residents' association, local schools and staff of other companies in the area.



Osaka Head Office

FY2017 marked the eighth year of activities carried out in conjunction with the Amanosato Zukuri no Kai (Amanosato revitalization group) in Katsuragi-cho, Ito-gun, Wakayama Prefecture. The program involves companies and the residents of rural areas utilizing local resources while engaging in safe and secure rice farming, promoting local production for local consumption, and taking part in collaborative efforts to preserve the local landscape. Young employees of the Textile Company engage in the spring planting and autumn harvest each year as part of their training. In 2016, planting took place on May 30 with the harvest on October 2, with a total of 139 employees and their family members taking part. Young employees also helped with the transportation of heavy goods and facility improvements, including the removal of dirt from ditches, thereby deepening exchanges with members of the Amanosato Zukuri no Kai.



Chubu Branch

The Chubu Branch conducted its annual cleaning activities around the Nagoya ITOCHU Building on November 15, 2016. A total of 30 people, including 25 employees of the branch led by General Manager Kawashima and five others from ITOCHU Group companies, took part in the activities on the warm autumn day. Splitting up, they picked up a large amount of rubbish in an area within a radius of 200 meters of the building.



Kyushu Branch

Since 2011, Kyushu Branch has been involved in the Happy Toys Project (a project in which stuffed animals are sent out to children), which is organized by Felissimo Corporation, a mail-order company. In this project, more than 51,000 stuffed animals, which were made by hand using old clothes and other materials, have been sent to children in 57 countries and regions, including Japan, as ambassadors of smile, with the aspiration of having flowers of smiles bloom on the faces of the children who receive them.



Chugoku & Shikoku Branch

The Chugoku & Shikoku Branch actively participates in regional contribution activities including Hiroshima Ekiden Race cleanup volunteer activities, Zero Waste Clean Walk, Flower Festival cleanup volunteer activities, Clean Ota River and the volunteer cleanup of the area around the Mazda Zoom-Zoom Stadium Hiroshima. The branch has also supported cultural events and concerts, and its employees purchase products from local welfare workshops on a voluntary basis, among other activities.



Hokuriku Branch

On October 30, 2016, the Hokuriku Branch took part in the 25th Hohoemi Sports Festa Kanazawa, a sports event held for people with disabilities. 18 people including employees and their family members from the ITOCHU Group participated as volunteers assisting with the running of events and overall operation, and took the opportunity to deepen exchanges with everyone taking part. Approximately 300 participants were also very happy with the event.



Social Contribution Activities: Humanitarian Assistance

Support for the Great East Japan Earthquake Reconstruction

We undertake long-term support for the reconstruction of areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake that struck in March 2011.

See P118 for details.

Disaster Relief for Kumamoto Earthquake

In April 2016, we made a donation of 10 million yen to Japan Platform, an international emergency humanitarian aid organization, for disaster relief in respect of damage caused by the earthquake in Kyushu area centering on Kumamoto prefecture. Money donated to this organization is distributed to member NGOs and used for direct onsite support to ensure efficient, prompt emergency aid in the event of a natural disaster.

In addition, during April 18 to 27, we carried out emergency employee fundraising to support the earthquake disaster relief effort in Kumamoto and collected 2,565,754 yen. The company matched the same amount received from employees and donated the total of 5,131,508 yen to the Central Community Chest of Japan. The money will be divided between the community chest of Kumamoto prefecture and its counterpart in Oita prefecture in accordance with the level of the damage, sent to them, and distributed directly to people affected by the disaster via local governments of the affected areas.

In response to a request from Kumamoto City, we provided relief goods needed in affected areas for people in shelters by early May. They include 1,200 portable toilets, 1,700 pieces of underwear and innerwear, and 1,000 pillows (featuring the use of PrimaLoft® that was adopted by U.S. Army and Navy for protection against cold in cold regions).

In addition, in July, or about three months after the disaster, employees from Kyushu Branch joined together with disaster volunteers. At the houses of individuals who were affected by the disaster, the employee volunteers took out furniture and household goods, disposed of them, and cleared the area around each house.

Aid to Areas Affected by Major Natural Disasters

For humanitarian reasons, we donate money and provide supplies for emergency relief for those affected by natural disasters both in Japan and overseas.

We collaborated with local branch offices and related organizations to provide the following aid.

— Recent examples

Ecuador Earthquake (Apr. 2016)	US\$20,000 (Approx. ¥2,130,000)
Kumamoto Earthquake (Apr. 2016)	¥10,000,000
Damages from heavy rainfall which resulted from Typhoon No.18 (Typhoon Etau) (Sept. 2015)	¥5,000,000
Nepal Earthquake (Apr. 2015)	¥2,000,000
Torrential rainfall in Hiroshima (Aug. 2014)	¥5,000,000
China: earthquake in Yunnan (Aug. 2014)	300,000 RMB (Approx. ¥5,130,000)

Social Contribution Activities: Great East Japan Earthquake Reconstruction Support

The Great East Japan Earthquake that struck in March 2011 wrought severe damage across eastern Japan. ITOCHU Corporation takes a long-term view as it continues to provide support for recovery efforts.

ITOCHU Children's Dream Fund

The ITOCHU Children's Dream Fund is part of the disaster support activities that ITOCHU Corporation has been conducting since March 2013. It is aimed at providing aid to the children in the areas afflicted by the Great East Japan Earthquake. In FY2017, the following support was provided through the ITOCHU Children's Dream Fund. We will continue to support the children's dreams in various ways going forward.

Supporting Youth Baseball by Holding the ITOCHU Children's Dreams Cup

To support the efforts of children in Rikuzentakata City, which was devastated by the disaster, the ITOCHU Children's Dreams Cup youth baseball tournament involving all five youth sports groups in the city was held twice, in spring and autumn.

The spring and autumn tournaments, held June 11-12 and October 1-2, 2016 respectively, both took place on the grounds of Rikuzentakata Otomo Elementary School, with ITOCHU Group employees also taking part in the events as volunteers. At the autumn tournament, current and former members of the Baseball Clubs from ITOCHU Group companies played friendly games and deepened exchanges with the children.



ITOCHU Children's Dreams Rugby Scrum Held

The city of Kamaishi in Iwate Prefecture, known as a "rugby town," has been selected as one of the host cities for the ninth Rugby World Cup, which will be held in Japan in 2019. To support the dreams of many Kamaishi children who aim to become rugby players, ITOCHU Corporation invited 16 elementary school students who belong to the Kamaishi Seawaves Junior team to Tokyo on November 19-20, 2016.

On their first day, the children served as child player escorts for the official professional rugby game at Chichibunomiya Rugby Stadium. The next day, coached by Mr. Hidehito Izumi, a player who helped the Nippon Steel Corporation Kamaishi Rugby Club win the All-Japan Rugby Football Championship seven times, and 10 ITOCHU employee volunteers with rugby experience, they played a friendly rugby match with children from the Nerima Rugby School team, and the children deepened their bonds through rugby.



■ Friendly Games with Competitive Youth Baseball Teams from Fukushima Held at Jingu Stadium

ITOCHU Corporation invited children of competitive youth baseball teams in Fukushima, who even now are still living with deep anxieties that are not immediately visible, to Jingu Stadium, and conducted friendly games with Tokyo little league baseball teams on March 5, 2017. This was based on children's needs, identified by local NGOs, arising from children in Fukushima having restrictions on their outdoor activities, and not being able to practice sports as much as they would like. With the full cooperation of Meijijingu Gaien and the Tokyo Yakult Swallows, children used the same locker rooms and practice areas as the professional baseball players, given the experience of being a professional baseball player for one day.

The rubber baseball game between Onahama Junior Baseball Club and Redsuns (Bunkyo Ward, Tokyo) ended in a 0-0 draw following a pitching duel. The hardball game between Fukushima Little and Kodaira Little ended with a walk-off win by Kodaira Little 4 to 5. After the games, the children enjoyed a lunch provided by FamilyMart with employee volunteers of ITOCHU, including members of ITOCHU Group's baseball club, and other people.



■ ITOCHU Children's Dream Snowboard School Held

On February 4, 2017, the ITOCHU Children's Dream Snowboard School was held at the Urabandai Ski Resort in Fukushima prefecture as a gift to children from Iwate, Fukushima, Miyagi, and Ibaraki prefectures who dream of being snowboarders. The event was supported by Ski Association of Japan, and snowboarders including Olympians Natsuko Oshida (Vancouver Olympics) and Michiyo Hashimoto (Salt Lake City Olympics), as well as Hayato Imai, Futa Adachi, Kaito Suzuki, and Hyuga Hashimoto, took part in the school as instructors. In the morning, the children received lessons designed to develop general snowboarding skills. In the afternoon, a timed race was held as an opportunity to show the results of the lessons. In the lessons given by professionals, the children's eyes were shining with the valuable experience that made them dream of becoming snowboarders. Those children with top placings received Japanese snowboard team uniforms by AIRWALK, a brand for which ITOCHU owns the master licensing rights.



■ ITOCHU Kodomo no Yume English Summer Camp in Rikuzentakata held as the Fourth Phase of ITOCHU Children's Dreams Fund

Over two days on July 30 and 31, 2016, the "ITOCHU Kodomo no Yume English Summer Camp in Rikuzentakata" was held. With ten employee volunteers from ITOCHU Corporation, a total of 26 children, from fourth year elementary school students through to first year junior high school students gathered in response to a public call, joined with 20 university students, including international students from the United States and elsewhere as well as returning Japanese students studying at universities such as Rikkyo University and Iwate University, which have signed collaborative agreements with Rikuzentakata City on regional revitalization and other areas, enjoyed a summer camp in English together with ten employee volunteers from ITOCHU Corporation. English was used as the language for communication during the two-day camp, which gave the children an opportunity to come into contact with different cultures through sports and activities often seen at American summer camps, such as camp fires.



■ Collaborating with TMSO (Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra) on supports for the affected areas through music

ITOCHU Corporation and the TMSO have been collaborating on supports for the affected areas through music since FY2014.

Together with the TMSO, ITOCHU cosponsored the TMSO × ITOCHU Class Concert 2017 which was held on January 16-17, in order to cheer up children who were hit hard by the earthquake in Fukushima prefecture. For this third event, Members of the TMSO visited and held string quartet classroom-style concerts at Katsurao Elementary School, Tomioka Daiichi and Daini Elementary Schools and Namie Junior High School, where some students need to travel extended periods from various locations because temporary school buildings have been erected on the grounds of old factory sites or condemned schools, as well as Kawauchi Elementary School, which despite being re-opened, has only a third of its original student population. In the classroom-style concerts, the students were taught how to play the violin by the performers. Then, while giving explanations in a quiz type, the musicians played famous pieces such as "The Nutcracker" from Tchaikovsky. Finally, there was a joint session with the chorus "Believe" and "To the Light of the Future", an original song written by Namie Junior High School students.

For FY2017, in addition to the class concert, on February 22, ITOCHU also collaborated with the TMSO in holding the concert "Boku-to-Watashi-to-Orchestra (You, I and the Orchestra): Let's Unite Together by the Rings of Music," with the participation of about 3,600 elementary and junior high school students in Iwaki City. The large chorus of students singing together along with the orchestra allowed them to enjoy sharing an emotional experience with friends. In addition, nine students from Katsurao Elementary School, which was visited for the class concert, were invited to the performance. Afterward, they had an excellent time interacting with the conductor, playing quiz games, taking a tour around the hall and experiencing a surprise performance by the orchestra members.



■ ITOCHU *Takata no Yume* Project

ITOCHU Corporation supports sales of the *Takata no Yume* (Takata's dream) brand of rice launched by Rikuzentakata City in 2012 through its food material sales company ITOCHU Food Sales and Marketing Co., Ltd.

Since the autumn of 2013, the city of Rikuzentakata in Iwate Prefecture, which suffered enormous tsunami damage, has been striving to establish *Takata no Yume* as a local brand of rice to ensure regional competitiveness and symbolize the revitalization of its agriculture. Under the project, volunteer employees from the ITOCHU Group engage in exchanges with local farmers in the production process. We provided ongoing support in FY2017 from planting in May to the harvest in October. In addition, to increase the visibility of *Takata no Yume*, we have instituted a number of PR measures, including one involving restaurants around the Tokyo Head Office. On March 11, 2017, a food fair featuring Rikuzentakata City was held at ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE, and employee volunteers of ITOCHU Corporation presented *Takata no Yume* to visitors together with city officials of Rikuzentakata.



Utilizing the platforms and expertise of the ITOCHU Group, we support the disaster-affected region through the project by providing assistance from production through to sales to ensure the success of *Takata no Yume*.

Activities to Support Disaster-Affected Areas through the ITOCHU Foundation

Activities with the ITOCHU Foundation in Tohoku for Sending Picture Books to Southeast Asia

Shanti Volunteer Association engages in activities of sending Japanese picture books to children in Southeast Asia, by affixing labels showing text translated into local languages on the picture books. Every week, employee volunteers of ITOCHU affix the labels on the picture books together with the ITOCHU Foundation by using a dedicated kit purchased from Shanti Volunteer Association. Since FY2015, these activities have been expanded to children in areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake. In FY2017, a total of 462 people took part in these activities at 16 locations including family libraries, libraries, and elementary, junior high, and high schools in Fukushima, Iwate, and Miyagi Prefectures with the support of seven organizations promoting children's book reading locally.



Students of Ofunato High School affixed labels showing text translated into local languages.

The 100 Children's Books Grant Conducted with Shareholders

Since FY2013, ITOCHU Corporation cooperated to ITOCHU Foundation's activity of subsidizing development of children's literature, by donating the money of paper costs and postage fees saved through shareholders' consent to receive shareholder information electronically.

In FY2017, a total of 4,958 shareholders agreed to this initiative. By utilizing the money saved and the same amount of money matched by ITOCHU Corporation, ITOCHU Foundation sent new sets of books via local book stores to the following ten schools in areas significantly damaged by the Great East Japan Earthquake.



Children of Onagawa Elementary School, to which books were donated

FY2017 recipients

Iwate Prefecture	Touni Elementary School (Kamaishi City), Johoku Elementary School (Morioka City), Funakoshi Elementary School (Yamada Town)
Miyagi Prefecture	Onagawa Elementary School (Onagawa Town), Yuriage Elementary School (Natori City), Sakamoto Elementary School (Yamamoto Town), Arahama Elementary School (Watari Town)
Fukushima Prefecture	Soma Municipal Iitoyo Elementary School (Soma City), Ono Municipal Iitoyo Elementary School (Ono Town), Yumoto Third Elementary School (Iwaki City)

Other Activities to Support Recovery Efforts

Food Fair Featuring Rikuzentakata City, Iwate, and Other Events Held at ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE to Support Reconstruction from the Great East Japan Earthquake

On March 11, a food fair featuring the produce of Rikuzentakata City was held with the participation of city officials of Rikuzentakata as sales staff. Various foodstuffs from Rikuzentakata, including kelp, soy sauce, apples, tomatoes, and other local specialties, along with Takata no Yume, a local brand of rice that the ITOCHU Group supports, were on sale at the event. Employee volunteers from ITOCHU Corporation and ITOCHU Food Sales and Marketing Co., Ltd. which sells food ingredients, worked alongside the city officials as sales staff. Freshly puffed rice made using Takata no Yume, which was professionally cooked on site, and boxed lunches featuring rice balls of Takata no Yume made by a restaurant in the neighboring area, were among the products that proved highly popular with visitors. Many customers asked about the current conditions of Rikuzentakata City, such as the recent state of the city. In this way, the event encouraged numerous interactions made via food.



On the same day, an art exhibition by Get in touch also opened at ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE. Get in touch is a general incorporated association represented by Chizuru Azuma, an actress, and conducts ongoing PR activities with the objective of raising awareness of minorities dealing with afflictions in life. The art exhibition was held with the wish that "Let's make a society where people understand about minorities daily in preparation for emergency situations." The event included a special exhibition of an artwork entitled "Kibou no Ippon-matsu (a pine tree of hope)" by Asuka Tasaki, an artist with a disability who resides in Rikuzentakata City. In addition, a moment of silence was observed following time signal, and "Gareki to Radio (rubble and radio)," a movie for supporting disaster-affected areas, was shown. In this way, visitors to ITOCHU AOYAMA ART SQUARE felt sympathy for the affected areas on the day.

Social Contribution Activities: Support for Volunteer Work by our Employees

ITOCHU strives to heighten employees' awareness of volunteer activities. In one such effort we have introduced a system that lets employees take up to three days of annual volunteer leave and volunteer programs in which they can participate on holidays or during lunch breaks.

Employee volunteers supporting recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake

Volunteer efforts to support recovery that were begun immediately following the earthquake were continued during FY2016, with 65 volunteers from the ITOCHU Group taking part. Current activities are mostly for indirect support for the recovery of those living in the affected areas, provided mainly through events planned under the ITOCHU Children's Dream Fund. Specifically, volunteers have engaged in rice planting, harvesting, other farm work, land-clearing work, support for the holding of local events, an English camp for children, and conducting tournaments of youth baseball clubs.

A true recovery of the areas affected by the disaster is still expected to take some time, and moving forward we will continue with volunteer activities fitted to circumstances in the region.



Support Activities for the World Food Programme (WFP)

With the hope of alleviating hunger and poverty worldwide, we have been serving as a council member of the Japan Association for the WFP, a nonprofit organization that focuses on building support in Japan for the World Food Programme (WFP) and its hunger relief operations.

In May 2017, End Hunger: Walk the World was held in Yokohama and Osaka. A total of 601 employees and their family of ITOCHU Corporation and ITOCHU Group companies participated in Yokohama while 189 took part in Osaka. This is an annual event to raise money and awareness for the WFP's efforts to fight child hunger and malnutrition. Moreover, in order to support the activities of WFP, ITOCHU carried out fundraising and held panel exhibitions for introducing the WFP's activities in December at its Tokyo Head Office.



Participated in End Hunger: Walk the World held in Yokohama (left) and Osaka (right)

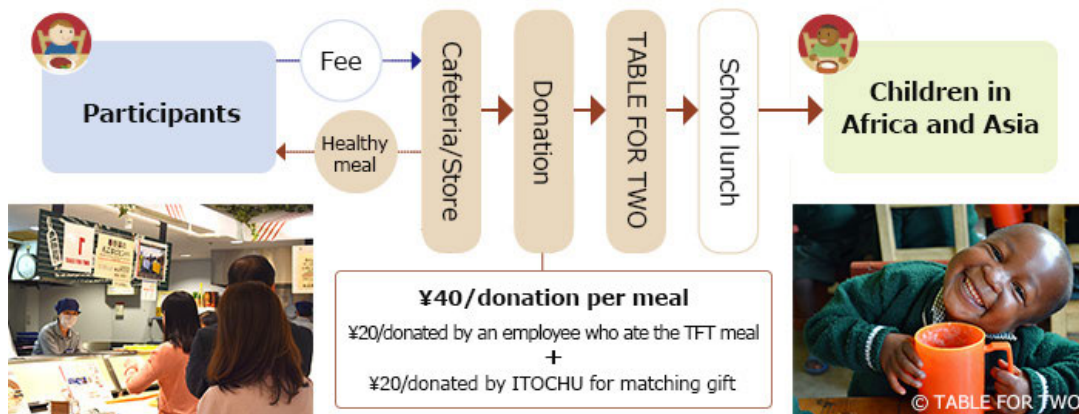
TABLE FOR TWO (TFT) Fighting to Fix the Food Supply Imbalance between Developing and Developed Countries

TABLE FOR TWO (TFT) is a social contribution program based on the concept of people in developed countries sharing a meal with those in developing nations beyond the restrictions of time and space so as to simultaneously work toward solving the problems of hunger faced by developing nations and obesity and lifestyle-related diseases faced by industrialized countries.

TFT was established in Japan in October 2007, and in April 2008 in the corporate cafeterias in Tokyo, Osaka, and Nagoya ITOCHU introduced the TFT program at full-scale ahead of other companies.

For each healthy TFT meal purchased by employees, a donation of 20 yen is automatically made. ITOCHU has introduced a matching gift program under which it donates an additional 20 yen per TFT meal purchased by its employees. This means that a total of 40 yen per meal is used to provide school lunches for children in developing nations via the TFT program.

The cafeteria at the Tokyo Head Office serves TFT dishes daily.



Our initiatives in the FY2017

July 2016 was dubbed "TFT THANK YOU Month." During this month, a glass of fruit vinegar drink, ideal for hot summer days, was offered free of charge to each employee who purchased a TFT dish as an expression of gratitude and as a way to promote the dishes further. In October 2016, we launched "Takata no Yume wo Tabete Todokeru (Delivering Aid by Eating Takata no Yume)! TFT World Food Day Campaign" to coincide with World Food Day on October 16. We took independent initiatives such as the development of time-limited menu items, which use the Takata no Yume brand of rice launched by Rikuzen-Takata City and supported by ITOCHU Group, providing support for the Great East Japan Earthquake reconstruction and providing international cooperation at the same time, and publicity for TFT through video. In FY2017, 27,318 TFT meals were purchased, which led to a donation of 1,092,720 yen (equivalent to 54,636 school meals) in conjunction with a matching gift program from ITOCHU. In recognition of these activities, ITOCHU was commended as a platinum supporter of the program in May 2017.



Limited time menu for "Takata no Yume wo Tabete Todokeru (Delivering Aid by Eating Takata no Yume)! TFT World Food Day Campaign" and photographs of children supported by the TFT program displayed in the cafeteria

Other Volunteer Programs in which Employees can Participate

Support for Child Chemo House through installation of vending machines

To support operation of the Child Chemo House, the Japan's first specialized childhood cancer treatment facility, we have installed beverage vending machines specially designed for Chemo House in our Headquarters in Tokyo and Osaka. We donate an amount equaling 6%-10% of sales from all beverage vending machines installed in the buildings to Child Chemo House. In FY2016, we donated a total of 2,521,662yen from total sales of 420,277 bottles.



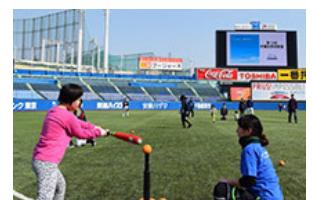
Blood drive by the Japan Red Cross Society (Tokyo Head Office) Held in January and July

Twice a year, a blood drive by the Japan Red Cross Society is held in the Tokyo head office. Today, precious donated blood is not only used during surgeries but also widely utilized in the treatment of illnesses such as leukemia, making blood donations even more important. While there are cases where people are unable to give blood due to their physical condition on the day, an overseas stay or local regulations, each time many employees including those from Group companies head to the venue to do their part.

For FY2017, blood drives were held on July 22, 2016 and January 27, 2017, with 97 employees (out of 106 applicants) and 91 employees (out of 123 applicants) giving blood respectively.

ITOCHU Baseball Class (Tokyo Headquarters)

As part of nurturing young people, thinking that we want to give disabled children the opportunity to challenge themselves in a variety of activities, and that we would like to help create opportunities for them to explore their own potential, we have sponsored the classes since 2007. The 9th ITOCHU Baseball Class in FY2016 was held on March 6 at a new venue, the Jingu Stadium, which is located close to head office. Fifty children with a variety of disabilities were joined by approximately 80 ITOCHU Group volunteer employees, including members of the Sogokai Baseball Club. The children received instructions from Futoshi Yamabe and Ryu Kawabata, former professional baseball players who are now staff members of the front office of Yakult Swallows, with the volunteers supporting each one of them. The class was filled with smiles... Expressing a common sentiment, the guardian of one child said, "I was able to see my child excited in a way I don't see at home or at school." The event is very popular and the number of volunteers is increasing year by year.



Campaign to Deliver Picture Books (Headquarters in Tokyo and Osaka, Nagoya Branch, Kanazawa Branch)

Participants in this campaign affix labels bearing text translated into local languages on corresponding pages of Japanese picture books and send the books to children in Southeast Asian countries as gifts. A room on the fifth floor of the Tokyo Headquarters is offered for these activities during lunchtime every Thursday.



Selling Bread from the Swan Bakery

The Swan Bakery was established by the Yamato Welfare Foundation with the aim of encouraging employment for people with disabilities at reasonable wages. Since May 2008, we sell bread from the Swan Bakery every Wednesday in the employee cafeteria at the Tokyo head office. The endeavor has met with a favorable reception. Many employees make a point of purchasing the products, and the members of the bakery are "grateful that so many people buy our products each time."

