

## About the YMCA/FCSC

The **YMCA Foreign Community Supporting Committee (FCSC)** was established under the National Council of YMCAs of Japan in 1958 to raise financial and moral support for YMCA activities across the country.

Our Honorary Chairmen, the ambassadors of Australia, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States, work together with a regular committee of members from the international business community to help mobilize support from foreign and Japanese individuals and companies.

The YMCA/FCSC's fundraising activities include a letter-writing general campaign, embassy charity concerts and balls, corporate sponsorships and grants, and charity runs held at YMCAs throughout Japan.

For over four decades, monies raised through these efforts have made possible the growth and expansion of YMCA programs, particularly those for mentally and physically challenged children, and other worthy YMCA initiatives.

***The YMCA Foreign Community Supporting Committee is a group of ambassadors and international business, community and social leaders who desire to contribute to Japanese society.***



Photo: Sendai YMCA

### Goals

- To support YMCA programs throughout Japan
- To enhance the relationship between the YMCA/FCSC and the community
- To raise more than ¥100 million annually



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## YMCA Foreign Community Supporting Committee (FCSC) 2003 Report



### Supporting and Raising Awareness of YMCA Activities throughout Japan



Photo: Yokohama YMCA

## 2003 Overview

More than ¥55 million was raised in 2003, going to assist mentally and physically Challenged Children across Japan.

It was also another record year for the Charity Runs – both in the number of participants and the amount of money raised – with future runs looking to be even bigger and better.

The Annual Charity Concert combined members of the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra for a Viola Quartet performance, in the first half, with the wonderful sounds of jazz from the Mike Price Trio for the second half.

Additionally the Grand Gala Charity Ball at the British Embassy continued the tradition of elegant embassy charity events.



*Photo: Chiba YMCA*

The YMCA/FCSC administers its funds as efficiently as possible, deducting only direct operating costs from gross proceeds.

More than 4,500 participants joined over 100 camps and programs across the country – from Hokkaido to Okinawa.

In addition to three Free Schools, various efforts to improve facilities at local YMCAs and other projects continued to provide more freedom and a better quality of life for all concerned.

## YMCA/FCSC Challenged Children Project

The YMCA/FCSC Challenged Children Project began in 1987 with funds raised from the first Tokyo YMCA International Run distributed to some two dozen camps and programs.

The project has since grown to 13, two embassy charity events, corporate partnerships, and other activities that support over 4,500 young people and 2,000 educators through 100 local camps and programs.

The Project has two main goals:

**(1) To support the development of challenged children** through camp activities and fellowship in the outdoors; development of self-confidence and skills for independent living and learning; support of facilities for the challenged and training programs and research to assist educators and other resource people.

**(2) To support and promote challenged children's integration into, and acceptance by, mainstream society** by holding friendship camps for challenged and non-challenged children and by providing experience and training for volunteers and professionals.

### Outstanding Supporters in 2003

Supporter	Description of Support
Ambassador of the United Kingdom	Host of Annual Grand Gala Charity Ball
Ambassador of the Czech Republic	Host of the Annual Charity Concert
Nestle Japan Group	Cash Donation and Support of Runs (¥5M)
State Street Bank	Cash Donation and Support of Free Schools (5M)
Citibank	Cash Donation (¥1M)
CRAFT Golf Club	Cash Donation (¥1M)

## 2003 Fundraising Activities and Income

Charity Runs	¥33,790,585
General Campaign	6,028,411
Charity Events (Ball & Concert)	7,245,200
Corporate Sponsorships	8,500,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>¥55,564,196</b>

## 2003 Disbursements and Expenses

Challenged Children Project	¥26,743,717
Corporate Granted Projects	10,401,121
National Council Support	2,927,000
Administrative Costs	5,113,621
Charity Run Costs	9,028,190
Kenrick Award	141,111
Charity Events (Ball & Concert)	658,820
<u>Balance for Disbursement in 2004</u>	<u>550,616</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>¥55,564,196</b>

## 2003 Kenrick Memorial Award



The 2003 Douglas Kenrick Memorial Award for Outstanding Volunteer Activities was awarded to Ms. Isayo Jo, from the Osaka YMCA.

Ms. Jo has been involved with assisting hard of hearing youth since 1976, and has been a support member of the Osaka YMCA since 1982.

In addition to being able to sign in four different languages, Ms. Jo has also been involved with compiling a sign language dictionary, and has held summary writing classes for volunteers, teachers and other organizations participants.

*Douglas Kenrick was one of the founding members of the YMCA/FCSC and, thanks to his outstanding efforts, this award is presented in his memory.*