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Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group

Expansion of Education and Experience Opportunities for Children
through Collaboration with Chance for Children

Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (President & Group CEO: Toru Nakashima, hereinafter referred to as “SMBC Group” collectively refers to our group companies) will donate a total of JPY 450 million over the three years from FY2026 to FY2028 to Chance for Children; a public interest incorporate association (Representative Director: Yusuke Imai, hereinafter referred to as “CFC”), to further develop initiatives that SMBC Group and CFC have jointly undertaken since FY2023.

SMBC Group positioned “Social Value Creation” as one of its management pillars in its previous Medium-Term Management Plan, “Plan for Fulfilled Growth,” which began in FY2023, and has been working to solve social issues. SMBC Group started collaboration with CFC from FY2023 by providing financial support and employee secondment. These collaboration is named “CHANCE!”, a project designed to provide children with educational and experiential opportunities.

The main collaboration between SMBC Group and CFC are as follows:

Financial support (Study Coupon)	Donation of JPY 300 million, enabling more than 1,500 children to attend clam schools and extracurricular lessons
Employee secondment Employee volunteers	Employee secondment to manage the coupon project Employee volunteers who regularly communicate with children which use coupons as mentor, probono participants utilizing their work skills to support CFC operations
Collaboration with local governments	Launch of “After-School Empowerment Project” with Kamakura City and CFC.

SMBC Group will further strengthen its collaboration with CFC, throughout the latest Medium-Term Management Plan’s materiality “Thriving People,” starting from FY2026 for social value creation. Specifically, SMBC Group will donate a total of JPY 450 million over 3 years and continue to provide study coupons. In addition, we will facilitate broader collaboration with local governments by leveraging the knowledge gained through initiatives with Kamakura City and other partners and

develop model projects, verify their effectiveness and disseminate information in order to facilitate both support for children and the sustainability of this project.

As a front runner in social value creation, SMBC Group will continue working to eliminate disparities in education and experience opportunities for children. Through these efforts, we would like to realize a society where children who will shape the future can fully expand their individual potential. SMBC Group will also help build a society where children's access to learning and enriching experiences is supported by all, transcending industry and sector boundaries.

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