

TOTO Continues to Support Ongoing Community-based Activities to Realize a Sustainable Society

TOTO Decides on the 20th Funding Projects for the TOTO Water Environment Fund

Support Totalling 27.59 Million Yen to be Provided to 11 Groups in Japan and 5 Groups Overseas

TOTO LTD. (Headquarters: Kitakyushu, Fukuoka Prefecture; President Noriaki Kiyota) **has determined the 20th funding projects for the TOTO Water Environment Fund.**

As a result of the selection process, **11 groups in Japan and 5 groups overseas will be granted funding totalling 27.59 million yen.** With this additional funding, **combined with 7 groups that already have activities underway, in FY2025 TOTO will be supporting the projects of 23 groups in total.** **Since the TOTO Water Environment Fund was established in 2005, TOTO has provided assistance amounting to 499.08 million yen to 332 groups,** with the support activities spanning 43 Japanese prefectures and 18 countries overseas.

Having developed its business in relation to “water” since its founding, TOTO actively promotes activities that contribute to the development of local communities and protection of the global environment, based on the shared value creation strategy TOTO WILL 2030, which seeks to realize a sustainable society with clean, comfortable and healthy lifestyles by the year 2030. Through these efforts, TOTO aims to contribute to the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and continue to be a company needed by the world into the future.

About the TOTO Water Environment Fund

To realize a sustainable society, the TOTO Group believes that the activities of groups supporting local communities are just as essential as contributions through corporate business activities. Aiming to solve social issues in collaboration with groups supporting local communities, in FY2025 TOTO established the TOTO Water Environment Fund, and has provided support for ongoing activities that reevaluate the relationships between water and people’s lives in local communities.

Through a selection process that focuses on whether activities are rooted in local communities and questions whether the activities are ongoing rather than temporary, TOTO engages in projects with like-minded groups. The fund not only supports activities through subsidies, but also focuses on collaboration where Group employees from nearby business sites actively take part in volunteer activities.

Scenes of activities conducted by supported groups Photo: Scenes from past activities

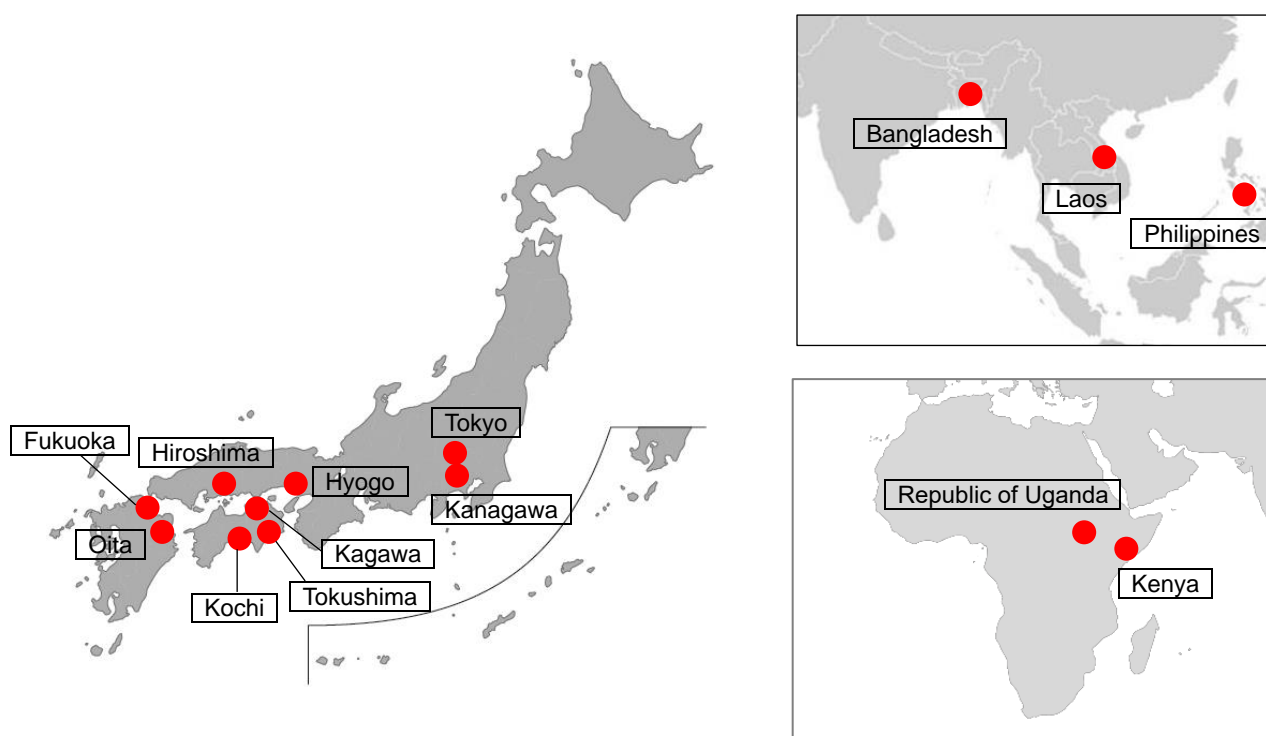


River cleanup activities (Okayama)



Rainwater tank installed at a school (Myanmar)

Locations of the 20th Funded Projects Under the TOTO Water Environment Fund



List of 20th Funding Project Recipient Groups Under the TOTO Water Environment Fund

| | Group name Project name | Area | Activities |
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| 1 | Shirako River Source and Waterside Association "Involving the local community to preserve the natural environment at the source of the Shirako River" | Tokyo | The project aims to preserve, restore and revitalize the natural environment at the source of the Shirako River, which is the habitat of endangered species that have become rare in Tokyo's 23 wards. Efforts are being made to enhance regular preservation activities and strengthen the relationship between the local community and the Shirako River. |
| 2 | DEXTE-K Tokyo "Sato-Umi" Aid in Nishinagisa | Tokyo | At the Kasai Tidal Flats, which are a Ramsar-registered wetland, the project will involve beach cleanup activities as before, and also convey the significance of this wonderful urban ecosystem and the appeal of the Kasai Tidal Flats through hands-on experience. |
| 3 | NPO Kurashi-Tsunagaru Mori Sato Kawa Umi Shonan Ikimono Gakkou Project: Healthy Children, Living Things and Local Communities | Kanagawa | The project will develop a location where children can interact with nature, implement a wide range of environmental learning activities, and promote biodiversity conservation activities and SDG movements through citizen participation. |
| 4 | BlueArch "Holding a Next-generation Environmental Learning Event Using Technology to Provide Opportunities to Learn About and Cultivate Marine Ecosystems While Experiencing the Gifts of the Sea" | Kanagawa | Working with skilled fishermen in the local community, the project involves giving children practical experience with measures to deal with the problem of seaweed bed degradation, which has become an issue for marine biodiversity, thereby giving children an opportunity to think for themselves about environmental issues. |

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| 5 | Ambitious Corporation Sotobori River Cleanup Project | Hyogo | The group has long been involved with cleanup activities for the Sotobori River which runs through the center of the city. This project will develop innovative solutions to make the activities more effective, while strengthening the dissemination of information aimed at local residents and government organizations, leading to increased awareness and an improved recognition of issues. |
| 6 | Furukawa River Dragonfly Survey Team “Awareness Raising Activities Contributing to Conservation of the Waterside Environment and Dragonflies of the Furukawa River” | Hiroshima | Focused on the Furukawa River that is home to half the population of dragonflies living in Hiroshima Prefecture, including endangered species, the project aims to convey the value of the Furukawa River to local residents, promote awareness of the importance of living things and the environment, and foster an awareness of conservation prompting people to protect and cultivate the environment. |
| 7 | Environment Tokushima Network “Let’s Reclaim Our Sea! Setouchi Future Sketch Program” | Tokushima | The project makes cleanup activities along the Setouchi Naruto coast an opportunity for hands-on learning for children, cultivating the next generation by providing them with a deeper understanding of issues through activities such as the creation of driftwood art and workshops. |
| 8 | NPO Clean Ocean Ensemble “River Waste Marine Outflow Prevention Project” | Kagawa | To address the issue where 80% of marine waste flows from rivers, the project will establish systems to improve collection efficiency using river waste collection equipment. |
| 9 | Jinde-Ike Pond Biological Research Group “Making the Jinde-Ike Pond and Surrounding Satoyama Rural Landscape into a More Biologically Diverse Environment” | Kochi | Endangered species of fauna and flora have been confirmed in the Jinde-Ike Pond, which was originally developed as an agricultural reservoir. The project will protect the biologically diverse nature of the pond through conservation activities including the “satoyama” rural landscape and surrounding area. |
| 10 | Higashi-Kusami School District Community Development Association “Water and Greenery Beautification Project Part 2: Passing the Nature of Our Hometown on to the Next Generation, From Mount Suisho to the Sone Tidal Flats” | Fukuoka | From the source of the river to the tidal flats, the project aims to preserve the water environment, and rural areas along transition areas near mountains/ponds/seas between city and nature, working with many citizens and local companies to preserve rare local species and conserve biodiversity, while fostering an awareness of the environment and leading rich natural habitats for future generations. |
| 11 | APU ECOS (Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University) Future Leadership With APU ECOS Project | Oita | Five projects related to the SDGs will be implemented not only within the university but in partnership with local community groups, including regular beach cleanup activities, environmental education and organic agriculture. The projects will help revitalized local communities, deepening connections between people from local children to the elderly, both in Japan and overseas. |
| 12 | NPO Go Share “Improving the Life-sustaining Water Environment on Pandanon Island in the Philippines” | Philippines | In the poorest area of a remote island far away from economically developed areas that is out of the reach of support, the project aims to newly install water storage tanks, hand washing stations and toilets in public facilities to provide better access to safe water and significantly improve sanitation, thereby improving the health of children suffering from infections from diseases or parasites. |
| 13 | Share the Planet “Promoting Rice Cultivation That Reduces the Impact on Underground Aquifers” | Bangladesh | In regions where the excessive pumping of well water has led to a deterioration in aquifers, causing shortages of both agricultural water and drinking water and creating social issues due to the release of arsenic, the project aims to reduce the burden on underground aquifers by promoting the widespread adoption of water-saving agricultural methods. |
| 14 | UN-Habitat Fukuoka Office “Activities to install underground rainwater storage tanks” | Laos | The activities involve the installation of tanks to store rainwater collected from the roofs of health centers and schools underground and create water of drinkable quality in regions that are highly vulnerable to climate change. |

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THE WEBSITE INTRODUCES DETAILS OF THE ACTIVITIES BEING CONDUCTED BY EACH GROUP, INCLUDING PHOTOS.
WE ALSO SHARE POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES AND LOCAL RESIDENTS, COMMUNICATING THE AIMS OF THE ACTIVITIES, THEIR SIGNIFICANCE AND

Shared Value Creation Strategy TOTO WILL2030

Cleanliness and Comfort; Wellness



Environment



Relationships



The Shared Value Creation Strategy, TOTO WILL 2030, will simultaneously realize environmental, social and economic value. In it, we have established the materiality issues of Cleanliness and Comfort;Wellness, Environment, and Relationships, that we will strengthen sustainability management and contribute to the achievement of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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