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TOKYO YAMATHON A CHALLENGE FOR CHARITY - EVERY YEAR SINCE 2010

29 TUBE STATIONS ON FOOT IN ONE DAY

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USPA NEWS - First TOKYO YAMATHON was held on November, 2010. Hundred-ten people participated and twenty-nine teams were competing. Thanks to this event, they managed to raise 129,000 JPY for OXFAM JAPAN's DEMOCRATIC OF CONGO relief effort. Since they carry on challenges for other causes...

The TOKYO YAMATHON Board members are a part of the IVG (International Volunteer Group) which is a group of volunteers who work together to support charities throughout JAPAN. They have good relationship with OXFAM JAPAN whom they have represented on many occasions. Also they are partner with a host of other initiatives, such as NADIA and Movember.

The aim of YAMATHON is to create awareness within JAPAN about a varity of issues, both within JAPAN and around the world.

First held in 2010, the YAMATHON is a physical and navigational challenge that gives team of three of four a chance to test endurance, have fun in the process and raise money for good cause.

This challenge starts and ends at the TOKYO TOKIA Building just three minutes from TOKYO Station. Teams must visit all twenty-nine stations on the YAMANOTE Line, and take a photo in front of each, all this in less than twelve hours. It is an playing field wether the teams include adults, children, babies,... The teams are encouraged to get creative and to have the freedom to pick their own routes. As long as they get their twenty-nine photos and return to home base within twelve hours.

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