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Chiba Bank Announces Receipt of 2nd “Regional Revitalization SDGs Finance Award”

February 14, 2023 - The Chiba Bank, Ltd. (President: Tsutomu Yonemoto) (“Chiba Bank” or “the Bank”) today announced that on Monday, February 13, 2023, the Bank received the Japanese Cabinet Office’s 2nd “Regional Revitalization SDGs Finance Award” for its public-private partnership-based regional revitalization initiative that utilizes the “Chiba SDGs Promotion Network”, which acts as a framework for promoting the dissemination of SDGs throughout the region.

The award is designed to accelerate regional revitalization initiatives through partnerships between local governments and regional financial institutions, with the Cabinet Office selecting and offering commendation to highly-effective projects that utilize the concept of SDGs.

As an ongoing partner of regional communities, the Chiba Bank Group will continue to proactively develop regional revitalization initiatives and contribute to the sustainable development of regional economies.

【Overview of the award】

Title	Public-private partnership-based regional revitalization initiative that utilizes the “Chiba SDGs Promotion Network”
Award recipients	“Chiba SDGs Promotion Network” [Representative Local Government] Chiba Prefecture [Representative Regional Financial Institution] The Chiba Bank, Co., Ltd. [Affiliated Groups] The Keiyo Bank, Ltd., The Chiba Kogyo Bank, Ltd., Chiba Credit Guarantee Association, Chiba Prefecture Chamber of Commerce Association, Chiba Association of Corporate Executives, Chiba Prefecture Executive Federation Chiba Prefecture Business Federation, Chiba Federation of Commerce and Industry Association, Chiba Prefectural Federation of Small Business Association, Chiba Prefectural Committee of the Associations of Small-and Medium-Size Enterprises
Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In November 2021, the “Chiba SDGs Partner Registration System” was established in Chiba Prefecture as a way to build momentum for the promotion of SDGs among companies within the prefecture and support concrete initiatives. • In January 2022, a total of 12 regional financial institutions and economic associations within Chiba Prefecture, including Chiba Bank, that agree with the purpose of the “Chiba SDGs Partner Registration System” (the “award recipients” listed above) participated in the establishment of the “Chiba SDGs Promotion Network” as a means to spread awareness of SDGs and support companies working on SDGs initiatives. • By building a framework designed to bring Chiba Prefecture's business community together in order to raise awareness of SDGs and the partner registration system, 1,614 organizations joined the program (as of January 30, 2023), which has been highly praised for helping expand the base of companies working on SDGs initiatives.



(Pictured: Mr. Odaka, Cabinet Office Minister for Special Missions with the “Chiba SDGs Promotion Network” award recipients during the award ceremony.)