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*Pitch In For Baseball® and Extra Innings partner  
to run national equipment collection  
Collection bins will be placed at Extra Innings Training Center locations  
across the U.S.*

**MIDDLETON, MA** - Extra Innings has collaborated with Pitch In For Baseball (PIFB) and Wilson Sporting Goods to run a campaign to collect gently used baseball and softball equipment across the United States. Eighteen (18) Extra Innings Training Center locations scattered from the northeast to the west coast will place collection bins in the lobbies of their centers to encourage kids and parents alike to donate their gently used gear that they no longer need. The collected gear will be sent to Pitch In For Baseball who will redistribute it to kids around the world in need of equipment.

Wilson Sporting Goods will be providing a generous discount of 15% off products within any of their five brands to children who donate gently used gear to benefit Pitch In For Baseball. The promotion hopes to encourage and support youth philanthropy in a way that the children donating the equipment can personally connect to through the game of baseball or softball. Discount coupons can be redeemed at the Pro Shop which are located within each Extra Innings Training Center's locations. Extra Innings locations in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Texas all have at least one center participating in the drive. For a complete list of participating locations, please visit [pifb.org/collection-events](http://pifb.org/collection-events).

"We couldn't be more excited for this partnership with Extra Innings. One of our greatest challenges is accessing the gently used gear that is out there. This partnership adds 18 locations across the country, making it easier than ever for donors to drop off their gently used gear and help more kids play ball," says David Rhode, CEO and Founder of Pitch In For Baseball.

"We are proud to be working with Pitch In For Baseball. What their organization stands for is truly amazing and we are glad Extra Innings is a part of it," said Rob Nash, President of Extra Innings Companies.

Founded in 2005, Pitch In For Baseball (PIFB) is the central organization for the collection and redistribution of new and gently used youth baseball and softball equipment to underserved communities around the world. PIFB had distributed equipment and uniforms to more than 90 countries worldwide and every state in the United States impacting over 600,000 children in need. Based outside of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, PIFB is a 501 (c)(3) not for profit organization. For more information, visit [pifb.org](http://pifb.org) or contact Meredith Kim ([meredithk@pifb.org](mailto:meredithk@pifb.org)) at (215) 313-7476.

Established in 1996, Extra Innings is recognized as the nation's premier indoor baseball and softball training center, providing state-of-the-art practice facilities, professional instruction and a nationally recognized Pro Shop to fulfill the needs of players of all ages and ability levels in a fun, family atmosphere. With innovative training programs and 25 locations of state-of-the-art baseball and softball facilities that rivals most indoor training centers, everything players need to succeed is at their fingertips. By combining expert instruction, cutting-edge training methodologies, professional-quality training facilities, and a fun and motivating environment featuring youth athletes from around the world, Extra Innings creates memories to last a lifetime. For more information, please visit [extrainnings.us](http://extrainnings.us).

Wilson has been a leader in the sporting goods industry for over 100 years, in part because we round out our team with the best and brightest talent. We hire individuals who share our passion for sports and complement our desire to make Wilson the brand of choice for athletes everywhere. For more information, please visit [wilson.com](http://wilson.com)

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