



Pitch In For Baseball® and Mattingly Charities Announce Strategic Partnership to Help More Kids Play Ball

Charity led by former MLB player and current manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers partnering with global nonprofit to help reduce barriers to play

PHILADELPHIA, PA – September 2015 - Pitch In For Baseball (PIFB), a not-for-profit that collects and redistributes new and gently-used baseball and softball equipment to communities in need and Mattingly Charities, a nonprofit focused on helping underprivileged youth by supporting programs which promote baseball and softball participation in conjunction with other developmentally related activities have announced a partnership to increase access to the game for kids.

Within this partnership, PIFB will serve as a charitable vehicle through which Mattingly Charities' Board members will recommend projects. PIFB will also provide the equipment for the launch of an RBI program in Don Mattingly's hometown of Evansville, Indiana in 2016. Mattingly Charities and PIFB will periodically identify joint projects. Mattingly Charities has donated an estimated \$300,000 worth of equipment to PIFB.

“Our mission is to ensure that a lack of baseball equipment never stops anyone from playing baseball,” said Roy Smalley III, former MLB All-Star and Board President of Pitch In For Baseball. “Pitch In For Baseball and Mattingly Charities share a passion for kids who want to play ball. As a former teammate of Don [Mattingly]’s, I am thrilled that we are able to join forces again, this time to ensure that kids have the gear they need to play.”

“Mattingly Charities is proud to team up with Pitch In For Baseball to support their mission to collect and distribute new and gently used baseball/ softball equipment to boys and girls to promote interest in baseball.” said Don Mattingly, Manager Los Angeles Dodgers. “As Mattingly Charities launches Mattingly RBI (Reviving Baseball In Inner Cities) during the Spring of 2016, in Evansville, Indiana, together we hope to provide disadvantaged youth with that opportunity to experience the game I love so much.”

People can support the efforts of PIFB by donating new or gently-used equipment, or by making a financial donation. To make a donation or learn more about the organization and this partnership, visit www.pifb.org.

About Pitch In For Baseball

Founded in 2005, Pitch In For Baseball® (PIFB) is a Philadelphia based 501(c)(3) not for profit organization that provides new and gently used baseball and softball equipment to boys and girls in the United States and around the world who want to play ball but lack the equipment to do so. PIFB reduces barriers to play and promotes youth development by providing equipment directly to leagues, schools, and organizations around the world to start, continue, and/or expand their programs. Over the past decade, Pitch In For Baseball has donated more than \$4 million worth of equipment to 500,000 under-resourced kids in nearly every state in the U.S. and 80 different countries. People can support the efforts of PIFB by donating new or gently-used baseball equipment or by making a financial donation. To donate or for more information, visit www.pifb.org.

About Mattingly Charities

Founded by Don Mattingly, Mattingly Charities serves underprivileged youth by supporting programs which promote baseball and softball participation in conjunction with other developmentally related activities. Mattingly Charities will provide funding and services and equipment for baseball, softball, and ultimately other sports, and related youth development activities, for the benefit of underprivileged youth, youth leagues, and social welfare and related organizations. 100% of the efforts of the organization will be focused on these activities. To learn more, visit www.mattinglycharities.org

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