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2024 check presentation – picture left to right: Kip Eriksen (Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship), Kirt Walker (Nationwide), Tim Robinson (Nationwide Children's Hospital)

Record-setting donation of \$3,802,610 for charitable organizations in central Ohio announced for 2024 Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship

OFFICIAL KORN FERRY TOUR FINALS EVENT HAS RAISED NEARLY \$30 MILLION FOR THE HOSPITAL SINCE THE TOURNAMENT'S INCEPTION IN 2007

Columbus, Ohio – Tournament Officials announced today that the 18th playing of the Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship, concluded September 22, 2024, at The Ohio State University Golf Club – Scarlet Course, raised a record total \$3,802,610 for central Ohio charitable organizations, including \$3,607,590 for pediatric cancer research and treatment at Nationwide Children's Hospital. This marks the fourth year in a row the Korn Ferry Tour Finals event has exceeded the \$3 million mark. Since its inception in 2007, the Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship has donated nearly \$30 million in support of the hospital's pediatric cancer program.

"The Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship continues to reach impressive fundraising heights each year,
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truly setting the bar as a best-in-class Korn Ferry Tour Finals event,” said John Carter, president and chief operating officer for Nationwide Financial and chairman of Champions of the Community, the host organization for the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship. “We’re incredibly grateful for the steadfast support of our business partners, the commitment of our tournament staff and volunteers, and the willingness of our Patient Champions to share their stories.”

“The Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship has helped provide hope to children with cancer and their loved ones for 18 years, with nearly \$30 million donated to support innovative research and care,” said Tim Robinson, chief executive officer of Nationwide Children’s. “We are grateful for the dedication of the tournament’s sponsors, volunteers and supporters for helping make our work possible.”

The 2025 Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship will be contested the week of September 15-21, at The Ohio State University Golf Club – Scarlet Course and will be the second of four Korn Ferry Tour Finals events.

“On behalf of HNS Sports Group and our entire tournament team, I want to thank our Board of Directors, Nationwide and all of our corporate partners, The Ohio State University Golf Club, our volunteers and fans,” said Kip Eriksen, Executive Director. “Every year we are inspired by the level of support provided to this tournament and we are incredibly thankful to all who graciously donated their time, effort and resources to help us raise funds for charitable organizations in central Ohio. Looking to the future, we are determined to build upon this year’s success and continue our mission to grow the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship and its impact in our community.”

For information concerning tickets, how to become a volunteer and general tournament news, please visit www.ncc-golf.com.

Stay connected with the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship on X at @NCHC_Golf, on Instagram at @NCHCGolf, and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/NationwideChildrensChampionship>.

ABOUT THE NATIONWIDE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship is owned and operated by Champions of the Community, Inc., an Ohio non-profit corporation. The event is one of four Korn Ferry Tour Finals tournaments that will determine the 30 players who earn PGA TOUR playing privileges for the 2025 season and their eligibility position under the TOUR’s enhanced qualifying system. Featuring a purse of \$1,500,000 the tournament is conducted to showcase the best golf on the Korn Ferry Tour on one of the most challenging venues in the world, The Ohio State University – Scarlet Course, for the enjoyment of spectators and to benefit charitable organizations in central Ohio. For more information, call 614-764-GOLF or visit our website at www.ncc-golf.com.

ABOUT NATIONWIDE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

Named to the Top 10 Honor Roll on U.S. News & World Report’s 2023-24 list of “Best Children’s Hospitals,” Nationwide Children’s Hospital is one of America’s largest not-for-profit free-standing pediatric health care systems providing unique expertise in pediatric population health, behavioral health, genomics, and health equity as the next frontiers in pediatric medicine, leading to best outcomes for the health of the whole child. Integrated clinical and research programs, as well as prioritizing quality and safety, are part of what allows Nationwide Children’s to advance its unique model of care. Nationwide Children’s has a staff of more than 14,000 that provides state-of-the-art wellness, preventive and rehabilitative care and diagnostic treatment during more than 1.7 million patient visits annually. As home to the Department of Pediatrics of The Ohio State University College of Medicine, Nationwide Children’s physicians train the next generation of pediatricians and pediatric specialists. The Abigail Wexner Research Institute at Nationwide Children’s Hospital is one of the Top 10 National Institutes of Health-funded free-standing pediatric research facilities. More information is available at NationwideChildrens.org.

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ABOUT KORN FERRY TOUR

Founded (1990), owned and operated by the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour identifies and develops golf's next stars, preparing them to compete and win on the game's biggest stage. The Korn Ferry Tour, which has served as a path to the PGA TOUR since its inception, will award 30 PGA TOUR cards based off its points list in 2024, with the No. 1 player earning exemptions into the following year's PLAYERS Championship and U.S. Open. With more than 650 PGA TOUR titles, 32 major championships and seven FedExCup champions, Korn Ferry Tour alumni make up 83 percent of the PGA TOUR's current membership. To learn more about the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour and to follow the season-long quest for PGA TOUR cards, visit PGATOUR.COM or follow the Korn Ferry Tour on social media. At least seven Korn Ferry Tour events are televised annually on Golf Channel in the United States, with tournament coverage available internationally in more than 170 countries and territories via 23 media partners.

ABOUT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

The Ohio State University Department of Athletics is completely self-supporting and receives no university monies, tax dollars or student fees. The Department of Athletics sponsors 36 fully funded varsity teams – 17 for women, 16 for men and three that are co-educational – and is committed to providing the very finest in academic and athletics support in an effort to provide its more than 1,000 student-athletes with a quality, life-changing experience at Ohio State.

ABOUT HNS SPORTS GROUP

HNS Sports Group is well-positioned to assist companies that find value in the golf industry and build and execute comprehensive golf branding or sponsorship strategies. Effectively understanding the golf marketplace today is a significant challenge, the HNS Sports Group team possesses over 125 years of collective experience that is applied to lead companies in their efforts to maximize value from golf sponsorship and event participation. To learn more about HNS Sports Group, visit www.hnssports.com.

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