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RBC marks tenth year of its Race for the Kids

PORT OF SPAIN, May 13, 2025 — This year marks the 10th anniversary of the RBC Race for the Kids (RFTK), an annual event that offers 5K and 15K races dedicated to supporting the RBC Caribbean Children's Cancer fund.

Each year, RFTK brings together thousands of runners, walkers and community supporters to raise critical funds to provide testing and healthcare for children affected by cancer. Over the past decade, the event has grown to a powerful movement, proving that every step taken is a step toward a brighter future.

Since the Fund's inception in 2008, 370 children have been assisted with treatment mainly in pathology, which includes blood work, MRIs, pulmonary testing and bone scans. According to the medical team that has supported most of the pediatric cases, the funds provided help facilitate life-saving diagnostic tests, which ultimately helps with precise diagnoses leading to optimum care and overall better survival.

This year's milestone Race will take place on Sunday, September 14, 2025, with the starting point moved back to the RBC head office on St Clair Avenue. Registration for the public will open on May 19, with a limited early bird special. To mark the tenth anniversary, the Bank said there would be a new t-shirt design and a special commemorative medal.

Inviting runners, walkers, wheelchair users to the event, Managing Director RBC Royal Bank Trinidad and Tobago, Marc Jardine acknowledged, "We value your participation. Your time and effort to help unlock much needed resources to fight paediatric cancer are critical to setting up youth for a thriving future."

The 2024 edition of the race had over 5,300 registrants and raised over one million dollars for the RBC Caribbean Children's Cancer Fund. RBC works with the Trinidad and Tobago Cancer Society who uses the funds for treatment and testing of paediatric cancer patients across the Caribbean.

According to the Society, "The RBC Children's Cancer Fund has been a lifeline for many families facing the unimaginable challenge of childhood cancer. As administrators of this vital fund, we know first-hand the difference it makes." In encouraging the public to support, Robert Dumas, Chairman of the Trinidad and Tobago Cancer Society, added, "your participation helps us bring hope, care, and healing where it's needed most."

"As a purpose-driven, principles-led organisation, we have a role to play in addressing barriers and helping to enable all people, especially youth to achieve their full potential," said Chris Duggan, Head Caribbean Banking. "When I participated in last year's race, I was inspired by the commitment to the cause. Every step we take together helps unlock resources for youth to build a brighter future and turn ideas into reality," he added.

The public can look forward to an exciting race day experience and there will be live entertainment and family-friendly activities after the races. To learn more about this year's RFTK - the tenth anniversary - visit http://www.raceforthekidstt.com/.

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