



## The TJX Companies, Inc. Provides COVID-19 Update

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FRAMINGHAM, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The TJX Companies, Inc. (NYSE: TJX), today announced several actions related to its response to the rapidly changing market uncertainty from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Effective today the Company is closing all of its stores in the United States, Canada, Europe, and Australia for two weeks. In certain regions, including Germany, Poland, Austria, Ireland, and the Netherlands, and a number of U.S. and Canadian locations, the Company had previously closed stores based on several factors, including government or health department requirements. The Company is also closing its online businesses [tjmaxx.com](http://tjmaxx.com), [marshalls.com](http://marshalls.com), and [sierra.com](http://sierra.com). Further, the Company is temporarily closing its distribution centers and offices, with Associates working remotely when they can. We know our Associates are very concerned for their health and financial well-being, and we plan to pay our store, distribution center and office Associates for two weeks during these closures.

To further strengthen its financial position and balance sheet, and maintain financial liquidity and flexibility, the Company is taking the following actions:

- Drawing down \$1 billion from its revolving credit facilities.
- Suspending its share repurchase program.
- Evaluating its dividend program.
- Reviewing all operating expenses.
- Reducing capital expenditures.

The Company also announced today that it is withdrawing its first quarter and full year Fiscal 2021 financial guidance given on its February 26, 2020 earnings conference call. The Company is not providing an updated outlook at this time.

As the COVID-19 pandemic is complex and evolving rapidly, the Company's plans as outlined above may change.

### About The TJX Companies, Inc.

The TJX Companies, Inc. is the leading off-price retailer of apparel and home fashions in the U.S. and worldwide. As of February 1, 2020, the end of the Company's fiscal year, the Company operated a total of 4,529 stores in nine countries, the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Germany, Poland, Austria, the Netherlands, and Australia, and four e-commerce sites. These include 1,273 T.J. Maxx, 1,130 Marshalls, 809 HomeGoods, 46 Sierra, and 32 Homesense stores, as well as [tjmaxx.com](http://tjmaxx.com), [marshalls.com](http://marshalls.com), and [sierra.com](http://sierra.com) in the United States; 279 Winners, 137 HomeSense, and 97 Marshalls stores in Canada; 594 T.K. Maxx and 78 Homesense stores, as well as [tkmaxx.com](http://tkmaxx.com), in Europe; and 54 T.K. Maxx stores in Australia. TJX's press releases and financial information are available at [TJX.com](http://TJX.com).

### Important Information at Website

The Company routinely posts information that may be important to investors in the Investors section at [TJX.com](http://TJX.com). The Company encourages investors to consult that section of its website regularly.

### Forward-looking Statement

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