VICTORIA, BC — The City is pleased to support Victoria’s four largest Japanese Canadian organizations joined together to create “Support Japan 2011” to raise funds for emergency relief efforts in Japan.

“Japan has survived a horrific disaster and there is much that can be done locally to assist those who have lost their homes,” says acting Mayor Charlayne Thornton-Joe. “Our thoughts go out to everyone affected by this crisis and we support any effort to help.”

Over the next few months, Support Japan 2011 will organize a number of events ranging from craft and bake sales to silent auctions, dinner functions and tea ceremonies to raise funds for the Japan relief effort.

On Saturday, March 26, 2011, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Support Japan 2011 will be at the Hillside Centre with cultural entertainment and activities, personal stories and paper crane folding lessons. People are invited to make a donation, fold a crane, write a message and buy a Support Japan 2011 t-shirt.

On Saturday, April 9, 2011 at 7 p.m. a Dinner Gala will be held at Golden City Restaurant with special Japanese cultural entertainment.

Support Japan 2011 will work with the Consul General of Japan in Vancouver and organizations within Japan to ensure the most effective distribution of funds.


For more information on Support Japan 2011 events or to find out how to get involved visit www.vncs.ca

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