JAPAN RELIEF FUND

By: Japanese Community Coalition of Houston on March 22, 2011

As we are all aware, the Northeastern region of Japan has recently been afflicted with catastrophic disasters. The earthquake and tsunami have left many people homeless, lacking food and water and in need of basic supplies. In an effort to demonstrate support for those impacted by these disasters, the four Japanese Community Organizations in Houston (Japan-America Society of Houston, Japan Business Association of Houston, Japanese Association of Greater Houston, and the Japanese American Citizens League Houston Chapter) have united together to form the "Japanese Community Coalition of Houston (JCCH)" to provide support to Japan and organize a method by which monetary donations can be collected and remitted directly to the local authorities in Japan for use in aid to the impacted regions of Japan. America and Japan have had a long history of supporting one another and now, more than ever before, Japan and its people are in need of our support.

All donations raised for this endeavor will be used to fund the "Japan Relief Fund". This Fund will combine all donations received by each respective organization, which will then be transferred to the Consulate-General of Japan at Houston office. The Consulate-General of Japan at Houston office will subsequently remit the combined donations directly to the Japan Red Cross for use in the relief efforts for Northeastern Japan. All contributions are tax-deductible. Also, at the upcoming annual Japan Festival on April 9th & 10th, JCCH will adopt the slogan "Ganbare Japan, We are with you" as an expression of our support for Japan and will also provide festival visitors with further opportunities to give donations to help the Japanese people.

To contribute to the Japan Relief Fund, you may mail your checks to any one of the organizations' addresses listed below. Please make checks payable to the respective organization and be sure to reference <u>"Japan Relief Fund"</u> in the memo field. For more information, please visit the websites of the respective organizations. Thank you very much for your consideration of this most urgent and important matter.

Please make your check payable to any one of the following organizations:

The Japan-America Society of Houston

4543 Post Oak Place, Suite 220 Houston, TX 77027 Tel: (713)-963-0121

Make check payable to: The Japan-America Society of Houston

www.jashouston.org

Japanese Association of Greater Houston

P.O. Box 22499 Houston, TX 77227-2499 Tel: (713)-818-2326

Make check payable to:
Japanese Association of Greater Houston

www.jagh.org

JBA Houston Foundation, Inc.

12651 Briar Forest Drive, Suite 105 Houston, TX 77077

Tel: (281)-531-4018

Make check payable to:

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www.jbahouston.org

Japanese American Citizens League Houston Chapter

4302 Waynesboro, Houston, TX 77035

Tel: (713)-729-7808

Make check payable to:

JACL Houston

www.jacl-houston.org