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JCA Successfully Raised \$100,247 Committed Donations For China Earthquake Relief Within 2 Weeks

Dear JCA members, friends and donors,

Congratulation!

We are very pleased to inform you that as of today (5/29/08), we have successfully raised **\$100,247.17** committed donations for China earthquake relief within 2 weeks. This is a great achievement for all of us. This is a new milestone and new chapter of Jacksonville Chinese Association. We should be very proud of ourselves.

We would like to take this special moment to say **“Thank You!”** Thank you for your passion, your effort and your hard work. Thank you for job well done!

Compared to Chinese communities in other big cities in the US, Jacksonville Chinese community is relatively small. However, **our impact and contribution are huge.**

- Raising \$100,000 fund within 2 weeks.
- Probably the highest donation contributed per family in the US.
- JCA is able to lead, organize and host one of the largest charity art performance, silent auction and poster display in North Florida within 3 weeks time of preparation.
- We expect the charity art performance show will be full house at UNF Lazzara Performance Hall (1,400 seats) on June 15, 2008.
- All show programs are carefully selected, containing ~85% professional performance, such as Acrobatics, Ballroom Dancing, Vocal Imitation, Martial Arts, Live Music and Tenor, etc. The program book (draft) is now posted on www.usjca.org
- We plan to sell show tickets starting this Sunday. In addition to purchase show tickets for your family, please help to distribute the show tickets to your friends and coworkers.
- JCA will also sell custom-made charity event T-shirt (with heart, love and JCA logo). These are very specially designed and made T-shirts with limited edition.

Estimated T-shirt price is \$10. Please reserve your T-shirt order with Ping Shen (cell: 716-1608 & home: 363-1101).

- **All proceeds from this event (minus costs) will go to China earthquake victims. Your participation and generous financial support are greatly encouraged.**

With the quickly approaching of the charity event at UNF on 6/15/08, there are a few things that **we need you help immediately:**

- Forward the event flyer and seeking sponsorship letter to your employer.
- Forward website of JCA: www.usjca.org to your friends and contacts
- Offer your help to prepare and run the 6/15 event together.
 - Bring 1-2 at least \$20 worth goods for silent auction
 - Present 1-2 poster for display
 - Participate JCA's group singing on stage
 - Offer your donation and financial support to this charity event and show.

In a video production to commemorate its 10-year anniversary of founding, JCA proudly declared the following:

“It is all about people. Like the bridges over the St Johns River, we strive to connect the cultures and peoples of China and America; it is all about progress, like the water in the St Johns River, together, we press forward toward the ocean, toward a brilliant goal.”

At no other time have these words become more pertinent than the present moment as the catastrophic earthquake struck Wenchuan City in Sichuan Province, China on 5-12-2008, claiming more than 68,000 lives and injuring tens of thousands more.

With love and care from all of us in Jacksonville, from friends all over China and across the world, the sky will be bluer and the sun will shine brighter, the earthquake victims will get out of the shadows of the devastating tragedy faster. **Together, we will make a difference.**

Please help us rebuild communities and lives in the disaster-stricken areas of China.

Please join us to “Fill the World with Love”.

Thanks!

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