



**Japanese Canadian Survivors
Health and Wellness Fund Society**

January 24, 2024

February 1, 2024, Launch Date for Japanese Canadian Survivors Health & Wellness Fund

Dear Japanese Canadian Community,

On February 1, 2024, the online application portal for the Japanese Canadian (JC) Survivors Health & Wellness Fund (JCSHWFS) will open. The Team has diligently worked to create an application process that is simple, efficient, and ensures that your information is secure and protected.

The launch of the program is scheduled for February 1st, 2024, at 10:00 AM PST. The event will be livestreamed to allow the JC Community to attend remotely. The program will provide details on the grants available and the application process. Instructions to watch the livestream will follow.

Outreach Workers are available across Canada to support JC Survivors with their applications and will be hosting regional events to provide more information and assist with applications in-person.

The online application will be accessible on our website, www.jcwellness.org on February 1st until March 31, 2025. Applications can be filled out by a Survivor, a trusted representative or through an Outreach Worker.

Two grants are available for Japanese Canadian Survivors:

- Grant 1 (\$650): For Survivors who did not receive the 2021 Grant that was offered between September 1 to October 31, 2021.
- Grant 2 (\$4500): A new grant to support living Survivors with their individual Health & Wellness needs.

Eligible Survivors must:

- be of Japanese descent
- be born before April 1, 1949
- have lived in British Columbia before April 1, 1949, OR had parents or grandparents who lived in British Columbia before April 1, 1949
- have been directly impacted by the actions of the BC government before April 1, 1949

All grant applications will go through a validation process. Outreach Workers will be contacting each applicant to securely validate their eligibility and identity. Once applications are processed, a cheque will be mailed to the Survivor within 6-8 weeks.

Please check our website <https://jcwellness.org> for further information regarding the grants, eligibility criteria, documents to prepare and frequently asked questions. The website will be updated prior to the launch on February 1st with more information.

We, the Board of Directors and staff, appreciate your patience, and eagerly anticipate the February 1st launch with you.

Sincerely,

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