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### LSG supports national plan to revitalize Canada's Chinatowns

In the wake of COVID-19 and the significant impact on Canada's Chinatowns, the Montreal-based Centre for Research Action on Race Relations has reached out to formal organizations dedicated to the economic, social and cultural revitalization of Chinatowns in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto and Winnipeg, to join in its call for Ottawa to establish a "National Action Plan to Build Back Canada's Chinatowns."

On behalf of the Legacy Stewardship Group, Co-chairs Michael Tan and Kimberley Wong have signed a statement to support the effort. The statement noted since the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic, and particularly as a result of the malicious association of the coronavirus with persons of Chinese descent, anti-Asian racism is on the rise across the globe.

"In Canada, as in elsewhere, this increase in anti-Asian racism has manifested itself in the form of physical assaults, racist insults, harassment and vandalism targeting Asian Canadians of all ages as well as places of business and worship.

"Although much of the hardships faced by Chinatowns across the country could be attributed to government lockdown orders and a dramatic and sudden reduction in tourism and commercial activities, anti-Asian racism has also played a major role in the difficulties faced by many Chinatown businesses. Businesses, workers, and even residents in Chinatown continue to face barriers in accessing existing government economic, social and cultural relief measures."

The proposed action plan will focus on four key areas: 1) equitable economic aid; 2) accessible job creation and training; 3) innovative environment renewal; and 4) infrastructure investment and enhanced cultural, social and tourism vitality.

### Public safety project looking for program coordinator

A community-based public safety initiative proposed by the Streets, Safety, and Public Realm Working Group under the Legacy Stewardship Group is seeking a program coordinator to supervise and undertake a wide range of responsibilities for the six-month project.

In response to increasing safety concerns such as thefts, discarded needles, graffiti, vandalism, human waste and racist harassment on streets, the pilot program aims to improve public safety for residents, businesses and visitors to Chinatown.

The pilot will engage local

storefront businesses and residents as volunteers to record and document incidences for the program coordinator.

Validated businesses may also register with the pilot program to provide temporary refuge to pedestrians or visitors seeking help from safety-related issues.

For a full list of the responsibilities for the position and more information about the pilot project, please contact Fred Kwok, Chairman of the Chinese Cultural Centre at [chairman@cccvan.com](mailto:chairman@cccvan.com).

### New mural to celebrate achievements of Chinese Canadian women

A community-driven commemorative mural and storytelling project aimed at celebrating the contributions and legacies of Chinese Canadian women who helped shape Vancouver's Chinatown since the late 1800s was launched earlier this month. The "Suzhou Alley Women's Mural" project, to be located on the Lim Sai Hor Kow Mock Benevolent Association Building at 525 Carrall Street, is expected to be completed in the summer of 2022.



Lim Sai Hor Association Building

The artist team would like to hear from Chinese-Canadian women who have a connection to Vancouver's Chinatown.

Their participation and contributions will help inform community storyboards that will become the foundation for developing conceptual artist sketches and designs for the mural.

For more information on the project, please visit [www.suzhoualley mural.ca](http://www.suzhoualley mural.ca) or email [info@cinevolution.com](mailto:info@cinevolution.com) to connect directly with the artists.

### Community helps Chinatown seniors get COVID-19 vaccinations



Over 250 seniors, mostly Chinese elders living in Chinatown and the surrounding area, received their COVID-19 vaccinations on March 30 at a one-day pop-up clinic at the Carnegie Community Centre, thanks to the coordinated efforts by dedicated staff from community service organizations, volunteers and others working with Vancouver Coastal Health and supported by the Legacy Stewardship Group and the Chinatown Transformation Team.

In addition to reaching out to seniors to help them register for vaccinations, staff from different organizations and groups, including the LSG Improving Living Conditions of Low Income Residents Working Group, Downtown Eastside SRO Collaborative, Yarrow Intergenerational Society, Second Mile Society, Carnegie Community Center, Downtown Eastside Women's Center, hua foundation and Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House, also provided translation and assistance to transport some of the residents to the clinic and ensured its smooth operation.



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### 督導組支持制定全國性振興加拿大唐人街計劃

由於新冠疫情對加國各地唐人街做成嚴重的打擊，設於蒙特利爾的「種族關係研究行動中心」最近向溫哥華、多倫多、愛民頓、卡加利及溫尼珀各市專責重振唐人街經濟、社會和文化的組織發出了函件，邀請他們加入發聲要求聯邦政府制定全國性行動以重建加國的唐人街。

文化傳承督導組共同主席黃壯慈和譚聖佑對此項行動表示支持，並已代表督導組簽署了一份聲明。聲明文件稱新冠疫情的出現，加上有人將疫情和華裔人士作出惡意的聯繫，令全球各地針對亞裔的種族歧視行為大幅上昇。

『在加拿大和其他地方，種族歧視出現的形式包括針對不同年齡亞裔人士的肢體攻擊、辱罵、滋擾以及在商舖和宗教場所作出塗鴉行為。

『雖然唐人街面對的各種困難其中多數是因為政府實施封閉令及旅遊業和商業活動驟降而引起，針對亞裔的種族歧視亦對唐人街的商戶做成很大的困擾。而唐人街的商戶、僱員甚至是居民持續面對無法獲得政府提供經濟、社會和文化上援助的困境。』

建議中的行動計劃將會集中在以下四個主要範疇：

- 1) 公平的經濟援助；
- 2) 獲得工作職位和培訓機會；
- 3) 具創意的環境更新和基建投資；以及
- 4) 增強文化、社會和旅遊業方面的活力。

### 公共安全計劃誠聘統籌員

一項由文化傳承督導組轄下的街道、安全及公共空間工作小組所發起的公共安全項目，正在招聘一位計劃統籌員以管理和協助該項目的進行。

這項為期六個月的公共安全試驗計劃，目的是要回應唐人街內包括盜竊、棄置針筒、塗鴉、破壞財物及公眾地方的糞便和種族歧視滋擾等日趨嚴重的問題，以改善區內居民、商戶和遊客面對的治安情況。

該計劃現正徵求唐人街地舖商戶和居民成為義工，協助統籌員將發生的事件記錄在案。

參與計劃的商舖亦可為需要求助的行人或遊客提供臨時庇護的地方。

查詢計劃詳情或統籌員職責範圍的人士，請發電郵與中華文化主席郭英華聯絡：chairman@cccvan.co

### 全新壁畫計劃表揚傑出華裔女性貢獻

一項由社區主導的紀念壁畫計劃在本月較組時展開，以表揚溫市傑出的華裔女性自1800年代開始對塑造唐人街和社區長期發展所作出的重大貢獻。

這幅「蘇州巷女性壁畫」預計在明年夏天完工並在卡路街525號林西河總堂大樓外牆展出。

項目的藝術家團隊希望聽到與溫市唐人街有緊密聯繫的女性的意見。

公眾參與和提供的意見，將會有助創作構思草圖和壁畫設計以作為社區故事版的基礎。

查詢更多有關計劃的詳情及參與問卷調查，請登入 [suzhoualley mural.ca](http://suzhoualley mural.ca) 或電郵 [info@cinevolution.com](mailto:info@cinevolution.com) 與項目的藝術家直接聯



林西河總堂大樓

### 唐人街社區組織協助長者接種新冠疫苗



唐人街社區內多個熱心的社團組織，在文化傳承督導組和唐人街經濟文化發展專案小組支持下，與溫哥華沿岸衛生局合作於3月30日在加麗基社區中心設立了一個臨時注射站，為超過250位居住在唐人街單人住房及其他類型房屋的長者接種新冠肺炎疫苗。

參與這項行動的義工和職員來自不同的社區組織，包括市中心東端單人住房合作社、文化傳承督導組轄下的提高低收入生活條件工作小組、世代同行會、溫哥華人生第二里程協會、加麗基社區中心、市中心東端婦女中心、hua foundation及市中心東端鄰舍中心等。他們不但前往長者居住的32座大廈幫助他們進行登記，更帶領有需要的人士前往疫苗注射站，並且提供翻譯服務和協助注射站順利運作等。