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Vaughan to Run for Local Hospital on Sunday May 29, 2011

VAUGHAN, ON - For the 7th consecutive year, residents of city of Vaughan and York region will run, jog and walk in support Vaughan's first hospital. As a Community initiative, "Run for Vaughan" has donated \$300,000 to Vaughan Health Care Foundation and had over 1,100 participants in 2010.

The Run for Vaughan is a 10km and 3km run and 3km walk that takes place in Maple, Ontario. In addition to attracting many professional and amateur runners and walkers, the Run for Vaughan is a family event that attracts participants from across the region.

Everyone is welcome at Run for Vaughan; from children to seniors and mothers and fathers with baby strollers. There will be lots of fun, food, prizes and carnival. Many participants canvass the community for pledges and become eligible to win amazing prizes generously donated by the community.

Run for Vaughan is supported by the City of Vaughan, Region of York and local businesses. Once again, RBC has signed in as the Corporate Partner for the Run for Vaughan.

Funds from the Run for Vaughan are donated to the Vaughan Health Care Foundation, a not-for-profit foundation operated by the City. "The past Run for Vaughan events have helped to raise considerable funds for our foundation, and perhaps more importantly, helped to raise awareness that Vaughan remains the largest city in Canada without its own hospital" said an official from the Vaughan Health Care Foundation.

This 7th Annual Run for Vaughan event will bring members from the community together for two great causes - to create awareness for the need of a local hospital and to help raise money for our first hospital in Vaughan.

The Chair of the Run for Vaughan, Farhan Khan said, "Getting involved in the Run for Vaughan is a great way to give back to the community," he added. "All committee members and supporters are proud to raise funds for the new hospital."

The Run for Vaughan will take place on Sunday, May 29th at 8:30 a.m., starting from the Bait-ul-Islam Mosque, 10610 Jane Street, north of Major Mackenzie Drive. The event's interactive website, www.runforvaughan.com, includes full details, as well as online registration and donation forms.

Donations can be made at any of the Royal Bank branches in Vaughan. Royal Bank customers can have their donation amount transferred directly from their accounts. Customers of other banks can make donations in cash or by cheque. All donors will receive Charitable Donation tax receipts from the Run for Vaughan organizing committee.

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