5. When you have trouble earning a living (生活に困ったとき)

【Public assistance】 (生活保護)

You can receive public assistance for living expenses, medical fees, etc., when you cannot earn a living or make a payment for hospitalization charges due to lack of income as a result of an illness or injury, etc. and are not able to manage even if you are receiving other assistance and/or support from your relatives.

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【Loan for living expenses】 (生活資金などの貸付)

Low-income households may be able to borrow some money to help improve their circumstances when they are having trouble earning a living temporarily. To be eligible, a means test is required. Inquiry Council of Social Welfare **5**072-222-7666 FAX 072-221-7409

【Consultation for returnees from China】 (中国帰国者相談)

Consultation service (*Chugoku Kikokusha Sodanshitsu*) is provided for returnees from China to discuss concerns, daily life problems, language-related issues, etc., in order for returnees from China to be able to settle smoothly in Japan and to lead a steady life.

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