

DARFUR ADVOCACY DAY

at The Washington Center

Are you concerned about the hundreds of thousands Darfurians who have been murdered, raped and displaced from their homes by the brutal Sudanese government and its janjaweed allies? Do you believe that ordinary Americans, especially students, have a right and a responsibility to end the genocide in Darfur? If you believe that your actions can really make a difference, you want to learn more about Darfur, and you would like experience lobbying your congressional representatives on Capitol Hill, then come to Darfur Advocacy Day at The Washington Center.

Date: Friday, July 25

Time: 3:00 -7:00 PM (Arrive by 2:30 to begin promptly at 3:00)

Address: The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars-
Second Floor of the Academic Center (Annex)

Speakers:

- Mohamed Yahya, Executive Director of the Damanga Coalition for Freedom and Democracy and survivor of the Darfur genocide
- John Heffernan, Director of the Genocide Prevention Initiative at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Amal Alagabo—Expert on Darfuri Women
- Representatives from Democratic and Republican congressional offices

Arab/Sudanese food will be served.

This event includes education about the Darfur atrocities and workshops to prepare you to lobby your congressional representatives in the week following the event (the last week of July). Attending Darfur Advocacy Day and visiting at least one of your congressional representatives will fulfill your civic engagement requirement. But even if you are volunteering for a political campaign, tutoring children, working in a soup kitchen or are involved in another civic participation activity, we hope you will attend this event to make a difference on Darfur. International students are also welcome, and can join the student delegations to Congress.

Three Washington Center students—Megan Morrissey, Jessica Douglas, and Watta Bundor -- will be taking the lead in organizing this event. Please email Megan at mmorri26@lion.lmu.edu if you are interested in attending. We only have room for 40 students, so please let Megan know by **July 18** if you plan to come. We can provide your agency supervisors with information about this event so you can leave your internship by 1:30 or 2:00 on July 25.

Please email Andrea Barron, Program Manager for International Affairs and Middle East Initiatives, if you have any questions (AndreaB@twc.edu).

