

Guidelines for Organizing a Darfur Olympic Torch Relay. Bring the Olympic Dream to Darfur. Urge China to Persuade the Sudanese Government to Protect Civilians and Engage in a Peace Process. Sponsored by Committee on Conscience – NJ, partnering with Olympic Dream for Darfur, STAND, Save Darfur Coalition

| STEP 1: Logistics | STEP 2: Create a Program | STEP 3: Make It Fun! | LEARN: Educational Resources |
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| <p>Date/Time. (suggested: Sunday afternoon, prior to winter break)</p> | <p>Opening Ceremony.</p> <p>Speaker: Brief remarks by speaker including information on the national and international relays taking place. Optional performance by school band and school musicians.</p> <p>Petition Tables. Tables with copies of a petition. Sample petition at http://CoC-NJ.home.comcast.net</p> | <p>Design T-shirts.</p> <p>Design relay team T-shirts with school colors to wear during the event. Wear the T-shirts as a way to promote the event during the weeks leading up to the event.</p> | <p>China – Sudan Connection.</p> <p>www.dreamfordarfur.org www.24hoursfordarfur.org http://blogs.ushmm.org/index.php/COC2/469/ Interview with Olympic Gold Medalist Joey Cheek by the US Holocaust Memorial Museum Committee on Conscience</p> |
| <p>Location. school grounds Choose route Choose hand-off points</p> | <p>Walking the Torch.</p> <p>Walk the torch from the Opening Ceremony to the first group. At each handoff, the groups join together. This process continues until the last group walks the torch to the end of the route. (Route can be a loop.)</p> | <p>Create a Documentary Film of your Work.</p> <p>Film the planning of your event. Interview students and teachers. Document all aspects of getting this event off the ground. Film the final program.</p> <p>Submit your documentary to Community on Conscience - NJ. We will have it edited, along with others, into a single documentary.</p> | <p>Speakers. Darfur Rehabilitation Project www.darfurrehab.org , 973.274.9424</p> <p>Voices from Darfur (voices@savedarfur.org) www.voicesfromdarfur.org 202.478.6176</p> <p>Survivors of past genocides in your community</p> <p>NJ Commission on Holocaust Education, Darfur Instructional Guide http://www.state.nj.us/education/holocaust/curriculum/index.html</p> |
| <p>Relay Teams. Sign-up participants to stand at each hand-off point to receive the passing of the Torch</p> | <p>Closing Ceremony.</p> <p>Speakers: Brief remarks about the event to all participants gathered at the end of the relay route. Suggested speakers include: school principal, 1-2 teachers, students, politicians, activists, corporate leaders, Darfuri refugees.</p> <p>Awards: Bestowing of ‘Olympic medals to those individuals who helped organize the relay</p> <p>Music: Performance by school band and student/teacher/parent musicians</p> | <p>Promote the Event.</p> <p>School: website, PA announcements, newspaper, flyers</p> <p>Newspapers: community papers, Star Ledger, Home News, church/temple newspapers</p> <p>Websites: post event on www.savedarfur.org, social networking sites, YouTube</p> <p>TV: community TV station (get interviewed!)</p> <p>Letters to the Editor: respond to editorials on the issue of Darfur, the Olympics</p> | <p>Learn More about STAND (Students Take Action Now for Darfur). http://www.standnow.org/</p> <p>Contact Ben@savedarfur.org for details on T-shirts and a sterno-type torch. (Ask for free promotional material.)</p> <p>Grants are available for 501 (c) 3 – related organizations: http://savedarfur.org/pages/grant_app/</p> <p>Community on Conscience – NJ http://CoC-NJ.home.comcast.net email: coc-nj@comcast.net</p> |