

# Hope of Sudan



## Lost Boys Birthday Celebration

Join us on Sunday afternoon, January 4 at Truman College to celebrate the New Year, the Lost Boys Birthdays, Sudan's Comprehensive Peace Agreement and the Sudanese Independence Day.

Enjoy traditional Sudanese food and dancing, hear from Chicago Bulls forward, Luol Deng, Olympic flag bearer Lopez Lomong, Special Envoy to Sudan Richard Williamson, women's inspirational speaker Adueli Riak and listen to the music of Dynamic.

Decades of war in the Sudan – and the ongoing genocide in Darfur – led to the deaths of over two million people.

**What:** Fourth Annual Lost Boys of Sudan Birthday Celebration

**When:** Sunday, January 4

2:00 pm Sudanese food served

3:00 pm Program

4:00 pm Social time

6:00 pm End

**Where:** Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson Avenue in Chicago

**Cost:** Free – Donations to the Lost Boys Scholarship Fund are encouraged.

This catastrophe caused the flight of thousands of refugees to the United States. Illinois Sudanese have survived unimaginable adversity and are working to build new lives for their families.

Some community members are “Lost Boys,” who walked thousands of miles after their villages were destroyed and their family members killed during Sudan’s civil war.

Arriving in the United States with no proof of a birth date, the Sudanese Lost Boys were all assigned January 1 as their official birthday.

We come together as one this January 4 to celebrate their remarkable journey.

For information go online to [sudanesecommunitycenter.org](http://sudanesecommunitycenter.org) or [lostboyschicago.com](http://lostboyschicago.com) or call Karly Kupferberg at 630-904-3333 or Onam Liduba at 773-818-7239.