Dr. Syrulwa Somah, Executive Director-LIHEDE, will be on hand to formally welcome you, the Session participants, and guests to the meeting. The session will climax with light refreshments.



Thank you in advance for your interest and cooperation. We look forward to your participation and attendance.

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LIHEDE Information Session



"Culture-Driven Malaria Program"



March 29, 2008 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

243 North Fulton Ave. Baltimore, Maryland

Theme:

"Participating to Make a Difference in the new Liberia"

Conference jointly sponsored by North Carolina A&T State University & the Liberian History, Education & Development, Inc. (LIHEDE) in collaboration with Bong County, Liberian Ministries of Health& Social Welfare, Ministry of Youth & Sports, Firestone Natural Rubber Company, USAID, Liberia Agricultural Company (LAC), Liberia Environmental Watch (LEW), Malaria Foundation International, Cuttington University of Liberia, Dakar Etoiles Travel & Tours, African Alliance of RI, and United Bong County Association in the Americas.

Invitation and How You Could Help

You are invited to participate in a special information session of the Liberian History, Education, and Development, Inc. (LIHEDE). Come and learn about the work LIHEDE is doing in Liberia. Learn how you could join LIHEDE to help transform the lives of the war-weary people of Liberia.

Tidbits About LIHEDE

Since its founding in 2003, LIHEDE has been instrumental in promoting health and education in Liberia as a necessary first step to achieving historical accuracy and development in Liberia.

- In 2004, LIHEDE signed a memorandum of understanding with the African Methodist University (AMU) and the African Methodist Episcopal University (AMEU) in Monrovia to commence the first degree program in Liberian Studies based on a curriculum developed by LIHEDE.
- In 2005, LIHEDE hosted a symposium in the U.S. on combating Malaria in Post-Conflict Liberia, and two workshops in Liberia on the "Impact of Fake Drugs" in Liberia, and on "Restructuring the Liberian Military." Both of these workshops were aimed at addressing specific health, education, and security needs of Liberians.
- In 2006, LIHEDE organized and hosted, in collaboration of the Liberian Ministry of Health and other agencies, the first National Health Conference in Monrovia to address the malaria epidemic in Liberia. LIHEDE was invited during the Conference to the US Embassy to witness the historic announcement made by President George W. Bush via satellite granting Liberia \$14.8 million under the President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) funds to fight the malaria epidemic in Liberia.
- In September 2006, LIHEDE provided expert testimony on Global Solutions to Health Worker Migration before the U.N.'s The Ethical Globalization, a roundtable discussion, held at U.N. Headquarters in New York.
- Between late 2006 and early 2008, LIHEDE collaborated with the Liberian Ministry of Health to prepare a proposal to win a \$37 million grant from the Global Funds.

- LIHEDE sought funding from several sources to undertake various projects in Liberia, a Malaria Library Project, a Malaria Radio Station, an Ethanol Production Project, a Plantain Plantation Project, a Special Education, an Africana Central University Project, a Center for Liberian Youth Empowerment and Athletics Project, etc.
- LIHEDE launch a Cultural Driven Malaria Program in 2006 Using Sports (soccer) and local cultural practices a as vehicle to promote malaria awareness, treatment, and control in Liberia. The first phase of the Cultural Driven Malaria Program was held in the counties of Montserrado, Grand Bassa, and Bong. A second phase is slated for the counties of Lofa, Nimba, and Grand Gedeh in 2008.

LIHEDE has undertaken, and plan to undertake, other projects which you will of during the information session. But LIHEDE cannot do it alone. LIHEDE will need your help. That is why LIHEDE have come to you. We must all collaborate and work together to dismantle poverty, disease, and ignorance in Liberia through the choices we make or the routes we take. Information session is an opportunity for you to:

- Meet with LIHEDE officials in an informal setting
- Share general information, values, and ideas with Liberians and Friends of Liberia.
- Explore how all of us can worker together to help Liberia rise again
- Increase awareness of LIHEDE's projects in Liberia and how you can participate