

Media Advisory: September 24, 2018

PRESS CONFERENCE NOTIFICATION

## **Yazidi women and girl refugees in Canada need comprehensive trauma care now**

Date: September, 27, 2018

9:00 am Ceremony honouring Yazidi victims and survivors of genocide

10:00 am Press Conference

In attendance:

The Honourable Jenny Kwan, Member of Parliament, Vancouver East

The Honourable Mobina Jaffer, Senate of Canada, BC

Reverend Majed El Shafie, One Free World International

Angela Marie MacDougall, Battered Women's Support Services

Lorelei Williams, Butterflies in Spirit, Skatin and Sts'ailes Nations

Dr. Leora Kuttner, Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Professor of Pediatrics

Ellen Woodsworth, Women Transforming Cities

Margaret Dragu, Performance Artist

Women Refugees Advocacy Project members

Location:

The Women's Monument

*Marker of Change*

Thornton Park

Main St and Terminal Ave

Vancouver, BC

A group of women in Vancouver formed the Women Refugees Advocacy Project after reading about the suffering of the Yazidi female survivors in Canada in Chatelaine magazine and The New York Times. The unimaginable suffering of the Yazidi continues because they have not been provided with the comprehensive trauma care they were promised by the federal government. [i-ii]

More information to follow on September 26, 2018

Website: <http://womenrefugeesadvocacyproject.ca>

Petition: <http://tiny.url.com/YazidiTraumaCarePetition>

Contact: [wrapforjustice@gmail.com](mailto:wrapforjustice@gmail.com)

Footnotes:

[i] Chatelaine: <https://www.chatelaine.com/living/yazidi-refugees-canada-dasni-family/>

[ii] New York Times: <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/03/16/world/canada/canada-refugees-yaz...>