

# MADD invites youth to meet on underage drinking

As part of its new Youth In Action initiative, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) will host a National Youth Summit in Washington, D.C. High school students representing every congressional district in the United States will convene May 10-13 to explore solutions to the underage drinking problem.

Event highlights include individual visits with congressmen and briefings with key national officials. The four-day

Summit will conclude with a national media event where youth delegates will announce their recommendations to help tackle the underage drinking epidemic.

One student delegate and one alternate from each of the nation's 435 congressional districts will be selected by MADD to attend the Summit. In addition, adult advisors from every state will be chosen. Applicants should have a strong commit-

ment to addressing the problem of underage drinking. They must also be willing to work with their local MADD chapters and community leaders to implement their recommendations when they return from the Summit.

Students interested in serving as delegates at the National Youth Summit must complete an application and return it to MADD postmarked by Jan. 28. Selected delegates must find local sponsors to

cover cost of transportation to Washington, D.C. as well as a \$100.00 registration fee. All other expenses will be covered by MADD.

The Summit is one of seven youth programs in MADD's Youth In Action initiative, which was announced in 1996. MADD believes it can have a greater impact on underage drinking by recruiting young people as partners in its new youth programs.