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The three service sites for this year's Alternative Spring Break program are Chattanooga, Tennessee; Savannah, Georgia; and Pulaski, Virginia.

STUDENT

Spring Break is March 13-17



A previous Alabama spring break trip

Read more about the upcoming trips:

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — Approximately 50 Winthrop University students will spend their March 13-17 Spring Break helping others.

From constructing a new hiking trail to helping those in need to working with non-profit agencies, students will find lots of opportunities to engage in meaningful community service through the **Alternative Spring Break** program.

Offered by the Center for Career and Civic Engagement, Alternative Spring Break gives students the chance to complete communitybased service projects in other cities while also learning more about the cultures and world around them.

This year's three service sites include repeat visits to Savannah, Georgia, and Pulaski, Virginia; and a new visit to Chattanooga, Tennessee.

\*Savannah, Georgia: As one of the oldest cities in America, Savannah buzzes with history, creativity, arts and culture. Students on this trip will focus on food insecurity and poverty, and work with Hands On Savannah, an organization that finds critical needs in the area and finds people to help meet those needs, all in the spirit of volunteerism and community.

**\*Pulaski, Virginia:** Pulaski is a small Appalachian town with a unique lifestyle and culture. Students will work with the organization Beans and Rice, Inc., a company whose mission is to make a positive impact on the local community, on a variety of service needs.

\*Chattanooga, Tennessee: Chattanooga has received national recognition for its renaissance in the downtown area and the redevelopment of the riverfront. Students will help construct the Cumberland Trail, a new ambitious hiking trail project. It's truly a grassroots effort, with communities along the trail and others driving the project. Students on this trip will hike every day to get to the trail.

Past trips have sent students to Selma, Alabama; Atlanta, Georgia; Harlan, Kentucky; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; St. Augustine, Florida; and New Orleans, Louisiana.

Interested in learning more about Alternative Spring Break, including how to participate next year?

Contact **Laura Foster**, program director for volunteer and community service, at 803/323-2520 or fosterl@winthrop.edu.

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