



2008 EKV ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK TRIPS

St. Louis, MO

Service: Literacy, Mentoring, Tutoring
 Community Partner: AmeriCorps St. Louis
www.americorps-stl.org

Overview: AmeriCorps St. Louis has distinguished itself as one of the leading AmeriCorps programs in the nation. The impact of AmeriCorps St. Louis on the region is profound. Each year, their organization serves in hundreds of urban St. Louis schools. Thousands of students who may otherwise fall through the cracks are given an academic foundation. Through the support of volunteer mentors and tutors, kids are given the opportunity to receive one-on-one attention that so many young people need.

Volunteers will work to attack the root cause of poverty in the St. Louis area – illiteracy. Students will have the chance to work one-on-one with elementary students as tutors, become middle school mentors, and participate in a wide-variety of after-school projects. Student volunteers will develop strong relationships with a lasting impact. There will also be opportunity for other service projects targeting poverty, hunger, conservation, etc. Students will also have an entire day to explore the city of St. Louis and enjoy some of AmeriCorps special events such as a climbing wall. Participants of this trip will be responsible for collecting children's books prior to the trip.

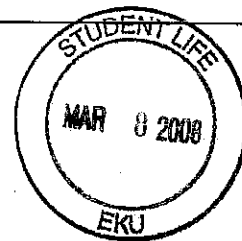
Biloxi, MS

Service: Youth Development, Construction, Park Restoration, Poverty, Animals, and others
 Community Partner: Hands on Gulf Coast
www.handsongulfcoast.org

Overview: Since Hurricane Katrina hit in August 2005, dedicated volunteers have been working hard in Biloxi to help the community pick up and start again. Volunteers from around the country have helped in everything from clearing debris to tutoring kids to beautifying parks to rebuilding homes. It's in that spirit that they continue to engage volunteers from across the nation, along side residents of the Gulf Coast in building community and rebuilding homes. Projects in the past have included removal of trees, gutting homes, walking dogs, delivering supplies, etc. Free time will include some beach time as well as a possible day-trip to New Orleans.

Jacksonville, FL

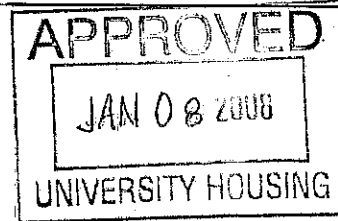
Service: Poverty, Hunger, Homelessness, Construction, Disabilities
 Community Partner: Presbyterian Social Ministries, Inc.
www.urbanmission.fpcjacksonville.org



Overview: This trip will offer an exciting experience for groups to reach out to the people of low income families and the homeless in Jacksonville. Projects will vary from day to day. Some of the assignments you will be involved with include: working soup kitchens, helping build homes, working at a food bank, working in group homes for people with disabilities, working with the Salvation Army, etc. The beach is less than 30 minutes away and Florida theme parks are 2 1/2 hours away! Our free day could possibly be spent visiting Universal Studios or Disney World!

Charleston, SC ***This trip is for Non-Traditional students only***

Service: Housing, Homelessness, Poverty, Construction
 Community Partner: Sea Island Habitat for Humanity
www.seaislandhabitat.org



Overview: Sea Island Habitat welcomes volunteers of all skill levels on the construction site. NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY! – just the willingness to help build a new life for a deserving family. We provide supervision and tools. Work includes: foundation preparation, framing, vinyl siding, roofing, landscaping, painting, trim work, and much more!

Space for each trip is limited so sign-up today! Cost will be no more than \$125/person. Any full or part-time student welcome!

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