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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EIU STUDENTS, FACULTY TO LEND A HELPING HAND

CHARLESTON -- Teams of Eastern Illinois University students, faculty and graduates, as well as Charleston community members, will make a difference in someone's life when they participate in a week-long mission to various parts of the country for the Alternative Spring Break Program.

The program, sponsored by Newman Catholic Center's Student Volunteer Center at Eastern, will take place March 14 to 23. This year, 120 participants will be traveling to 14 sites, including sites that deal with the environment, homelessness, AIDS, urban and rural poor, inadequate housing issues, Third World issues, runaways and at-risk youth, and Native Americans.

Students have different reasons for becoming a part of the Alternative Spring Break, according to Lynn O'Dell, program coordinator and one of the site leaders. Some students participate in the program to help determine their career plans or gain experience. Other students choose specific sites depending on what they want to experience.

The most popular sites in this year's Alternative Spring Break are God's Love We Deliver in New York and Covenant House in New Orleans. Students choosing God's Love will help

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prepare and distribute 1,500 meals a day to homebound HIV/AIDS patients. At Covenant House, a shelter housing 80 to 100 16- to 21-year-old runaways, volunteers will work with maintenance projects and activities.

A special site this year is the Church Rebuilding Project in Millen, Ga. Those who go to Georgia will help rebuild the Gay's Hill Baptist Church, which is one of the many churches burned down in the Southeast as an act of racism or hatred.

Other Alternative Spring Break sites include:

Habitat for Humanity in Battle Creek, Mich., where participants will work to eliminate poverty housing through hands-on construction, building partnerships and increasing awareness of the need for affordable and decent housing.

St. Francis Inn in Philadelphia where volunteers can witness their faith through prayer and a simple lifestyle, serving meals in a soup kitchen and working in the thrift store.

Glenmary Home Missioners in Lewis County, Ky., where participants spend time at the Glenmary Farm in Appalachia. Volunteers will experience first-hand working with the poor of Appalachia.

Open Door Community in Atlanta, a community formed by people of many different backgrounds -- formerly homeless, poor, rich, privileged, black and white, young and old -- where they strive to eliminate racism, poverty, sexism and classism. Visitors of this site will learn about homelessness and poverty.

Narrow Ridge in Washburn, Tenn. where visitors will spend mornings working in organic gardens and afternoons in workshops. These workshops may even include building a solar water heater.

Catholic Charities in Minneapolis where volunteers will experience a wide variety of

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opportunities including working with children, working in a soup kitchen and helping at an AIDS hospice.

Christian Appalachian Project in Lexington, Ky., where more than 100 volunteers from around the country will gather to help the people of Appalachia by working on home repair projects and interacting with folks from the local community.

Sioux YMCA in Dupree, S.D., where volunteers will get a first-hand view of the lifestyle and situation of Native Americans on the reservation.

S.O.M.E. & Sojourners in Washington, D.C., where volunteers will spend a week helping to serve breakfast and lunch at a soup kitchen. The afternoons will be spent learning about the Sojourner community while working with their neighborhood center, After School Program and any other social ministry projects going on.

Anathoth Community Farm in Luck, Wis., a farm dedicated to the practice of non-violent intervention and sustainable agriculture and environmentalism.

Heifer Project International in Perryville, Ariz., which provides rural families around the world with food-producing animals and training in their care. HPI's International Learning and Livestock Center in Perryville is a 200-acre educational center, retreat center and livestock holding center.

ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK 1997 PARTICIPANTS

Antioch	Zolna, Marissa; Open Door
Arcola	Manna, Andrew; Anathoth Farm
Arlington Heights	Leonard, Kimberly; Anathoth Farm
Belleville	Reaka, Bryan*; Sioux YMCA
Bloomington	Enzweiler, Heidi; Habitat for Humanity
Bourbannais	Greenawalt, Keren; St. Francis Inn
Bridgeview	Sojka, Martha; Narrow Ridge Sojak, Dorothy; Habitat for Humanity
Buffalo Grove	Goetz, Amber; Open Door
Canton	Elkin, Kimberly; Sioux YMCA
Channahon	Rose, Amy; Sioux YMCA
Charleston	Clanton, Tonya; St. Francis Inn Corbin, Jennifer; St. Francis Inn DiBianco, Danielle; Narrow Ridge Forliano, Joanna; HPI Joyner, Al*; Glenmary Home Missioners Lanham, Roy*; Narrow Ridge Nefczyk, Julia; Sioux YMCA Perkins, Michael; Anathoth Farm Ring, Joe*; Open Door Saiani, Beatriz; Sojourners/SOME Tranchita, Mike; Narrow Ridge Wildman, Ernest; Glenmary Home Missioners
Chicago	Campbell, Angela*; Catholic Charities Cook, Vincent; Christian Appalachian Garcia, Patricia; Anathoth Farm Theobald, Daniel; Church Rebuilding Project
Coatsburg	Koettters, Lucy; Narrow Ridge
Crestwood	Houlihan, Thomas; God's Love
Crete	Tluczek, Brad; HPI
Crossville	Nolan, Joe; Narrow Ridge
Crystal Lake	Wise, Andrea; Covenant House
Danville	Carey, Reagan; Glenmary Home Missioners
Darien	Wolfframm, Katherine; Covenant House
Decatur	Custer, Casey*; Covenant House Hanneken, Lisa; HPI Johnson, Julie; Christian Appalachian
Deer Creek	Staley, Bobbi Jo; Christian Appalachian
Dieterich	Drees, Karie; Church Rebuilding Project
Duquoin	Hill, Laura; Sojourners/SOME
East Peoria	Kelch, Rich*; Christian Appalachian LaCroix, Amy; Church Rebuilding Project
Effingham	Emmerich, Joe; Covenant House
Elgin	Carlson, Catherine; Sojourners/SOME
Fairfield	Weber, Sarah; Open Door
Forsyth	Clifford, Tracy*; God's Love
Franklin	White, Annie*; St. Francis Inn
Geneva	Wengronowitz, Anne; Narrow Ridge
Glen Ellyn	Cogozzo, Michele; Sioux YMCA
Glenwood	Warren, Teresa; Christian Appalachian
Godfrey	Neuhaus, Melissa; Church Rebuilding Project
Hillsboro	Billington, Shannon; Sioux YMCA
Hoffman Estates	Tremblay, Christine; Church Rebuilding Project

Homewood	Clausing, Kris; Narrow Ridge
Hoopeston	Cornelius, Shannon; Church Rebuilding Project
Humboldt	O'Dell, Lynn* ; HPI
Joliet	Kiernan, Sarah; HPI
	Smith, Julie; Covenant House
Lacon	Klein, Kristal; Narrow Ridge
LaGrange	Wert, Kelly; Sojourners/SOME
Langley, Brit. Col.	Pearce, Kelly; Open Door
Libertyville	Leong, Sarah; Habitat for Humanity
Lombard	Savage, Kristen; Catholic Charities
Lynwood	Combs, Rebecca; St. Francis Inn
Maroa	Shaw, Bob* ; Habitat for Humanity
Mattoon	Farrier, Jaymee; Open Door
	Osborne, Lori; Open Door
	Purcell, Melanie; St. Francis Inn
Midlothian	Hoehn, Dawn; Catholic Charities
Momence	Ciaccio, Megan; God's Love
Mt. Prospect	Fulkerson, Jenny; Christian Appalachian
Mt. Vernon	Albright, Sara; Catholic Charities
	Davis, Amanda; Catholic Charities
	O'Rourke, Jennifer; Covenant House
Mt. Zion	Wheeler, Amanda; Sioux YMCA
Naperville	Zientarski, Kim; Catholic Charities
Normal	Lathem, Angela; HPI
	Ramholz, Debbie; Christian Appalachian
	Wright, Sara; Covenant House
Northbrook	Erickson, Krista; Anathoth Farm
	Erickson, Brian; Christian Appalachian
Oak Lawn	Russell, Tricia; Anathoth Farm
Orland Park	Kaszubski, Adam; Narrow Ridge
	Sreniawski, Brian; Sioux YMCA
O'Fallon	Smith, Paul; Narrow Ridge
Palatine	Feuerborn, Anne; Open Door
	Kelleher, Kristina; Anathoth Farm
	Sanders, Sere; HPI
Palos Hills	Miller, Carla; St. Francis Inn
Pana	Nance, Joanna; Sioux YMCA
Park Ridge	Kubica, Kristine; Church Rebuilding Project
Peoria	Lee, Rachel; God's Love
	Nowlan, Matt; God's Love
Philo	Eckert, Craig* ; Anathoth Farm
Plano	Dominy, Deana; Open Door
Rantoul	Barrett, Courtney; Habitat for Humanity
River Forest	Spanuello, Mary; Covenant House
Rochelle	Horner, Danah; Sojourners/SOME
Rockford	Johnson, Sarah; Sioux YMCA
Rockton	Smith, Sarah; Catholic Charities
Roselle	Delgado, Blanca; Sojourners/SOME
Schaumburg	Alden, Chris; Catholic Charities
	Pourch, Valerie; Sioux YMCA
	Weed, Erin; God's Love
Shelbyville	Boester, Erin; Glenmary Home Missioners
Shorewood	Krumdick, Matt; Covenant House
Strasburg	Bearden, Joddie; Glenmary Home Missioners

Tinley Park

Thomas, Beth; Glenmary Home Missioners
Leonard, Peggy; Narrow Ridge

Tolono

Navickas, Joe*; Sojourners/SOME
Frahm, Elizabeth; Sojourners/ SOME

Tuscola

Doud, Gary*; Church Rebuilding Project

Nofftz, Nicole; Catholic Charities

Randell, Jill; Catholic Charities

Waterloo

Rusteberg, Heather; Habitat for Humanity

West Frankfort

Morris, Elizabeth; Open Door

Wheaton

Brunsen, Amy; Sioux YMCA

Zedan, Tsianina; Open Door

***-Site Leader**