

Marywood University

2018 Alternative Break Service Trip Program

----- SPRING BREAK TRIPS -----

Philadelphia, PA-Sarnelli House

Saturday, March 10 to Saturday, March 17, 2018

Fundraising Goal: \$300

The Blessed Sarnelli Community (BSC) is located in the Kensington section of Philadelphia. Their mission is to serve people who are poor and abandoned with the help of young adult volunteers. The ministry began there over ten years ago as a ministry of the Redemptorist community of priests and brothers. The service includes preparing and serving meals and sorting and distributing clothing and being present to those whom are served.

Learn more about Sarnelli House at <http://www.bscphilly.org/>

Montego Bay, Jamaica – Mustard Seed Communities

Saturday, March 10 to Saturday, March 17, 2018

Fundraising Goal: \$1,200

Mustard Seed Communities' home in Montego Bay, Blessed Assurance, is home to over 40 children and young adults with physical and developmental disabilities such as autism, Downs Syndrome, and Cerebral Palsy. Participants engage the residents in activities, play, and building relationships. The group will also visit and work at Jacob's Ladder, a residence for 400 adults. They will visit with residents and work on a project on their sustainable farm. A valid passport and specific immunizations will be required for this trip at the participant's cost.

Learn more about Mustard Seed Communities at http://www.mustardseed.com/site/PageServer?pagename=who_serve_disabilities

San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala- Medical Mission Trip

Saturday, March 10 to Saturday, March 17, 2018

Fundraising Goal: \$1,000

Participants will engage in direct clinical and health education experiences and will gain exposure to the social factors of health and the provision of medical care in a resource-poor area of the world. A typical day may consist of assisting local medical staff with clinics and home visits in areas surrounding San Lucas Toliman. In addition to these services, students may visit and possibly participate in community projects such as reforestation, construction, coffee processing and picking, and stove-building. Students participating in this medical mission trip will be highly encouraged to register for and complete the Interprofessional Medical Mission course (ND/NURS 322). This 3-credit course, scheduled for the Spring 2018 semester, offers an interprofessional approach to clinical screenings and assessments, client education, and health related service in communities in underdeveloped or developing countries. Students majoring in Nutrition and Dietetics, Nursing, or Physician Assistant and any student who has a healthcare background and/or is fluent in Spanish are encouraged to apply. A valid passport and specific

immunizations will be required for this trip at the participant's cost. Please direct questions regarding the course requirements to Mrs. Jessica Bodzio at jbodzio@marywood.edu.

Learn more about San Lucas Mission, Guatemala at <http://www.sanlucasmision.org/>

Hurricane Harvey Relief

Saturday, March 10 to Saturday, March 17, 2018

Fundraising Goal: \$800 aprx.

In recent weeks, Hurricane Harvey has devastated Houston, TX and surrounding areas. Participants may help with various forms of disaster relief, such as gutting out of homes, restoration cleaning and rebuilding. The host organization will be confirmed within the coming weeks.

Specific details will be provided as organizations as plans are confirmed. We ask that participants be flexible as plans for this trip are further developed.

----- **SUMMER BREAK TRIPS** -----

Guatemala - San Lucas & Chichicastenango

Sunday, May 20 to Thursday, May 31, 2018

Fundraising Goal: \$1,000

Students from Marywood have traveled to Guatemala to work with the San Lucas Mission for nearly 20 years. The San Lucas Mission responds to the needs of the people and is working to build the infrastructure necessary so that the people might grow out of poverty. Students will participate in a cross-cultural experience, working alongside Guatemalans, hearing from community members, and learning about the richness of the Mayan culture. Service projects include assisting at a coffee processing facility, reforestation project, Women's Center and new projects as they arise. After 5 days in San Lucas, the group will travel to Chichicastenango to lead educational activities for children at Anunciata School that promote learning of the English language and to build relationships with the children. A valid passport and specific immunizations will be required for this trip at the participant's cost.

Learn more about San Lucas Mission, Guatemala at <http://www.sanlucasmision.org/>

Miami, FL-DOOR

Sunday May 20 to Saturday May 26, 2018

Fundraising Goal: \$800

At the crossroads of North America, South America, and the Caribbean, Miami is a mix of cultures, languages, economic differences, classes, and nationalities. Against this diverse background, DOOR Miami's focus in on redefining service through discussions about faith, solidarity, and compassion while witnessing the contrasts of economic status, class, and nationalities in Miami. Participants will spend a week in the downtown Miami area and serve

the the surrounding communities of Little Havana, Overtown, Wynwood, and Little Haiti. Homestead, about an hour from Miami, provides the opportunity to serve within a migrant farm worker environment. The city of Miami will give participants the opportunity to hear Spanish, English, and Haitian Creole just blocks away from each other.

Learn more about DOOR at <http://www.doornetwork.org/miami/>