

MEDIA ADVISORY

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University of Rhode Island students join Atlanta Habitat and Atlanta Police Recruits for an Alternative Spring Break *Neighborhood Cleanup, March 17*

Spring Break will have a different meaning for 23 University of Rhode Island students who decided to pack their cleaning gloves instead of swimsuits and join Atlanta Habitat for Humanity and Atlanta Police Training Academy Recruits to clean up a northwest Atlanta neighborhood.

The volunteers will walk the English Avenue neighborhood, starting at its entrance, to collect debris and haul it to a dumpster, perform light landscaping, and much more. They are expected to cover about 21 square blocks.

As a catalyst for neighborhood revitalization, Atlanta Habitat has built more 50 houses on Atlanta's Westside. This neighborhood cleanup effort is part of the nonprofit homebuilder's larger commitment to making sure affordable homeownership is a part of the dramatic transformation happening on the Westside.

WHO: Approximately 50 University of Rhode Island Alternative Spring Break students and 26 Atlanta Police Academy Recruits from Class 248

WHEN: 9 a.m. – noon, Friday, March 17, 2017

WHERE: 426 Elm Street NW, Atlanta 30318. (see map)

About Atlanta Habitat for Humanity

Atlanta Habitat for Humanity transforms communities through neighborhood revitalization, education, innovative development and partnerships. As one of the largest affiliates of Habitat for Humanity International, Atlanta Habitat has built more than 1,400 houses—impacting the lives of more than 5,000 families and 100 neighborhoods—since 1983. In addition to constructing affordable, green, quality homes, the nonprofit homebuilder also rehabs existing structures and performs minor repairs for qualifying homeowners. Houses are sold to first-time homebuyers through zero-interest mortgages in Atlanta and South Fulton County. Visit www.atlantahabitat.org or at follow us @atlantahabitat.