

ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK 2011

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO

Sponsored by the University Student Union, USU Productions, and
The Jan & Bud Richter Center for Community Engagement and Service-Learning

19 students will be selected to participate in Fresno State's 2011 Alternative Spring Break (ASB). Two teams will provide service to two different community agencies. All candidates must submit an application and participate in an interview in order to be considered. Applicants must be dedicated to the program, be ready to have fun, and serve those in their community. Transportation will be provided from campus.

Selected participants will be required to:

- Attend ALL service days.
- Participate in 2 pre-service meetings.
- Participate in the group training on Friday, April 8 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Participate in 1 post-service meeting.
- Complete all reflection activities.
- Share their experience with the campus community.

Benefits of the Alternative Spring Break program include:

- Develop leadership skills through team building, communication, and organizational skills.
- Network with other students and community organizations.
- Be eligible to serve as Team Leader's in future ASB programs.
- Enhance personal and professional development.
- Complete 20-25 community service hours.

Applications due:

- **March 25, 2011 at 5:00 PM to the Student Involvement office in USU room 306.**

Service Site Description & Program Dates:

Alluvial Community Garden (4/16-4/19):

Participants who work on the Alluvial Community Garden will focus on projects such as building garden beds, planting perennials and ornamental plants, and preparing the garden for use by the community. This project will provide a lasting service and benefit for the whole community.

Sierra Foothills Conservancy (4/18-4/20):

Participants will work in conjunction with Sierra Foothill Conservancy to preserve our natural resources in the Central Valley. Some of the activities will entail trail cleaning and tree enclosures. This service will demand participants to be physically and mentally ready everyday, including hiking to the worksite. Students will be empowered to build teamwork, perseverance, and leadership skills through this experience.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact:

Melissa Jessen
mjessen@csufresno.edu

Shawna Blair
shblair@csufresno.edu

Alternative Spring Break is a great opportunity to network with local community based organizations; develop personal and professional skills; connect with your campus and local community, and create memories.