



**Alternative Spring Break Detroit,  
March 12-17, 2006**  
Project Volunteer's Week-long Service Project

***Why Detroit?***

- It's our own backyard. We go to school here. We play here. We are influenced by what happens here.
- Each of our stories has become heavily woven into the fabric of Detroit. We all have a stake in what becomes of it.

***Our Agenda***

- During ASBD, we will use a variety of experiences to better understand and enjoy our own backyard. Though volunteering is the essential backbone of the ASBD experience, we will also provide you with the opportunity to learn about Detroit (past and present), dine at ethnic restaurants throughout the city, visit local art galleries and other cultural hot spots, as well as get to know how movers and shakers of non-profit organizations, local government, WSU, urban businesses, and the art community are playing a starring role in city revitalization.

***What we hope to accomplish***

- We hope to facilitate a greater appreciation for the City of Detroit. Through volunteer service, learning experiences, and cultural awareness, we hope to dispel many of the negative stereotypes attached to Detroit.
- The most vicious of rumors about Detroit is that it is stagnant in terms of growth and possibility. Our goal is for participants to come away with the awareness of the dynamic nature of our urban core, and recognize what is happening now to shape its future.
- Ultimately, we hope that ASBD fosters positive, multidimensional attitudes about the metropolitan area; from the City of Detroit to the most rural of its suburbs. Through this new breed of perspectives we can overcome prejudices that have held us back from fully enjoying the opportunities this region has to offer.

## Alternative Spring Break Detroit Participant Application 2006

### Personal Information:

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- Best Way to contact you: Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_
- Food Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_
- Special Diet: \_\_\_\_\_
- Year: \_\_ Freshman \_\_ Sophomore \_\_ Junior \_\_ Senior \_\_ Graduate Student
- Major: \_\_\_\_\_
- Age: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- Significant Medical condition (s) that we should know about: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Are you interested in participating in fund-raising activities to decrease or eliminate your participant fee (\$55\$\*)? \_\_\_\_\_ \*tentative

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**The following is our form of a take-home test. Do not fret; it is not timed and there are no right or wrong answers. The questions listed below hold two purposes. One, they convey what ASBD is all about so that you can decide if our program is right for you. Two, they help us get a better idea of who you are.**

**Please respond to our questions on a separate piece of paper.**

- ✓ What is your primary reason for wanting to participate in Alternative Spring Break Detroit?
- ✓ Do you have previous experience with volunteer service? If not, what has prompted you to get involved now? (Prior service involvement has no bearing on selection.)
- ✓ Alternative Spring Break Detroit is a substance-free program. This means no alcohol or drugs. We have a no tolerance policy, which means that if you are caught using alcohol or drugs you will be immediately sent home from the program. What do you think our reasoning is for holding this policy?
- ✓ Which issue appeals to you the most? \*\* Why? (1=most interested, 3=least)
  - Crime/Blight \_\_\_\_\_
  - Hunger and Homelessness \_\_\_\_\_
  - Art and Education \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Note: You are not guaranteed your 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> choice, although we will try our best to adhere to your requests\*\*
- ✓ A group of your friends is planning a trip to Cancun for spring break. They ask you why you'd rather participate in Alternative Spring Break Detroit than go with them. How do you respond?
- ✓ We will be living in Detroit for the duration of ASBD at Fort Street Presbyterian Church, located five blocks from the Detroit River. There is not an option or going home during this time. Do you have any concerns with this? Why?
- ✓ What do you feel you can contribute to the community in which you would be working and the groups you will be working with during ASBD?

**We understand this application can be limiting to your creative nature. Feel free to use any medium necessary to express yourself (e.g., art, music, prose, or stick figure collage ☺ )**

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**Indicate the times you are available to interview during the following dates. Please try to be flexible. All applications are due February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006. Interviews will be granted on a rolling basis, so turning in applications before the due date is not only welcomed, but also suggested.**

**Mondays:**

**Tuesdays:**

**Wednesday:**

**Thursday:**

**Friday:**

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**The application deadline is Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. Hand in applications to the Project Volunteer Office in room 313 of the Student Center Building, drop it off at the Dean of Students Office (C.O. Audra Forsberg), or email completed applications to Alternative Spring Break Coordinator Aaron Cook at [aw1159@wayne.edu](mailto:aw1159@wayne.edu).**

**Again, please keep a flexible schedule so we can get to know you! Interviews will be approximately 20 minutes in length.**