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Eastern to Help Clean up the Streets

Willimantic, Conn.—More than 200 student volunteers from Eastern Connecticut State University will hit the streets of Willimantic on April 26 to clean streets, pick up trash, and paint buildings throughout the community. Organizers are asking for students and members of the community to participate in the daylong effort to be held from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

The campaign, called “Eastern Hits the Streets,” is in its fifth year. Eastern students will work in conjunction with Town Pride, Town Wide, the Town of Windham, Windham Parents Network, the Office of Community Service and Students Engaging in Revitalization and Volunteer Efforts (SERVE).

“We are asking students and the citizens of Willimantic to take time out of their Saturday to beautify our community and show some town pride,” said Julie Cappa, president of SERVE and an Eastern senior from Enfield majoring in political science. “In addition, we are hoping to bring the Eastern community closer to the Willimantic community. Students often overlook the amazing organizations and the unique culture here in Willimantic. This day gives students an opportunity to reach out and build a connection with the city, and will hopefully inspire them to perpetually engage in service activities.”

More than 14 nonprofit organizations will participate in this year's campaign, including the Windham Textile and History Museum, Holy Family Shelter, Windham Hospital, Garden Club of Windham, Connecticut Eastern Railroad Museum, Parks in Towns, Camp Horizon, Card Home for the Aged, Camp Meeting Association, Willimantic Food Co-op, Windham Area Interfaith Ministry (WAIM), Willimantic Whitewater Partnership, Windham Historical Society and the Town of Windham.

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