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CHATHAM HABITAT WELCOMES 50 COLLEGE STUDENTS ON ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK

SILER CITY, N.C. – Chatham Habitat for Humanity is hosting students from the University of Virginia, University of New Hampshire, Hamilton College and Husson University for their 2020 Collegiate Challenge. The event, which occurs annually, will take place March 8-20, as students volunteer on Habitat construction sites in Siler City and lodge with community partner organizations.

The students, who are choosing to forgo traditional spring break plans to volunteer, will spend four days in a row building on site. They will also have the chance to explore the local community, and are given the opportunity to meet and work with members of the surrounding neighborhoods. The students' universities have made financial contributions to aid with the building process.

Working with the students will be eight "Care-A-Vanners". These volunteers have made cross-country treks in their RVs to participate in the building blitz. Care-A-Vanners travel to Chatham Habitat twice a year, once during the fall and once during the spring Collegiate Challenge. They join the students in building homes, learning about affordable housing and getting to know the community partners.

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Chatham Habitat holds a variety of special events throughout the year, in addition to Collegiate Challenge. In Spring 2020, from April 30 to May 2, they will host their annual Women Build, which saw 90 women come together to build houses and learn about the local community in 2019. Chatham Habitat also organizes home dedications, in which partner families are able to celebrate the completion of their Habitat homes. To learn more about Chatham Habitat and affordable housing, visit the Chatham Habitat for Humanity [website](#).

About Chatham Habitat for Humanity

Chatham Habitat for Humanity is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that works in partnership with God and people to create self-help opportunities for families to own affordable homes, improve their lives, and strengthen their communities. To find out more about Chatham Habitat for Humanity and its other volunteer opportunities, please visit chathamhabitat.org.

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