

## News from U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC)

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### **Spratt Announces Grant for Winthrop AmeriCorps**

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) announced today that the AmeriCorps program at Winthrop University has been awarded a \$246,338 grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service, the federal agency that administers the program.

AmeriCorps is a network of national service programs that engage more than 50,000 Americans each year to meet critical needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment.

Winthrop AmeriCorps has six full-time and 39 part-time members, who tutor some 950 low-income students in grades K-5. According to the Corporation, nearly 80% of the students increase literacy scores by one grade level.

“This is a highly competitive grant,” said Spratt. “I’m delighted to see Winthrop AmeriCorps win the money.”

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