At VT Engage, our vision is to inspire active citizens and strengthen communities.

As Virginia Tech’s service-learning and civic engagement center, our mission is to collaborate with communities, students, and faculty to cultivate sustainable, mutually beneficial partnerships through engaged service, learning, and reflection.

**Active Citizens Continuum**

Member > Volunteer > Conscientious Citizen > Active Citizen

Our programs are designed to help our students explore what *Ut Prosim* means to them and to develop along Breakaway’s Active Citizens Continuum, which explores how individuals see their roles in society.

Our goal is to move students from a “member” role, where they are not concerned with their role in sole problems, to an “active citizen” role, where community becomes a priority in their values and life choices.

/ Aspirations for Student Learning & Our Core Values

**Authentic community partnership**
Partner with communities and organizations to identify opportunities for collaborative problem solving that align with everyone’s mission.

**The Campus Kitchen at Virginia Tech**

**Awareness of self & civic identity**
Promote programs and opportunities that encourage participants to think about how their perspectives, biases, and values influence the work that they do.

**SERVE Living Learning Community**

**Development of active citizens**
Strive to create opportunities for students to engage with individuals, organizations, and communities to develop and enhance the practice of active citizenship.

**Student Leadership Team (STEP UP)**

**Responsible action grounded in scholarship**
Facilitate the exchange of ideas and celebrate advances in scholarship and practice that come from bringing together the expertise of the academy and our partners.

**Faculty Fellows**
A $1 million gift from alumnus Kevin Crofton becomes endowment that awards need-based scholarships.

VT Engage moves to Student Affairs.

A new name, VT Engage: The Community Learning Collaborative, emerges following an evaluation of our history, vision, and philosophy.

The Center for Student Engagement & Community Partnerships is established under Outreach & International Affairs, uniting the Service-Learning Center, the original VT-ENGAGE program, and other service endeavors.

A coalition of faculty, students, and community partners, launch an initiative to formalize service-learning at Tech.

The John E. Dooley Student Engagement Grant program is established to fund students interested in implementing or expanding community-based civic engagement projects.

SERVE Living Learning Community is formed.

VT-ENGAGE launched to honor 4/16 victims. The initiative is designed to engage the VT community in service, with a goal of completing a total of 300,000 hours by April 16, 2008.

A $1 million gift from alumnus Kevin Crofton becomes endowment that awards need-based scholarships.

The Campus Kitchen at Virginia Tech launches.