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# Indiana-based Spectra Student Living Forms Development Partnership with Warner University

Residence hall renovations and new development to arrive on campus

**LAKE WALES, FLA.** – <u>Spectra Student Living</u>, a student housing developer who energizes student living with tailored communities for student needs and strategic development goals, is partnering with <u>Warner University</u>, a co-educational, Christian University founded in 1968 by the Church of God as Warner Southern College, on two projects that will continue to revitalize student living on campus.

Phase one of the partnership is the renovation of Spencer Hall, a 43-room, 86-bed residence hall on campus. Renovations, approximately 18,000 square feet, include interior and exterior paint, replacing all windows, installing new electrical and plumbing, new bathrooms in all units, landscape with outdoor patio for residents, and much more. Completion of the renovated residence hall is slated for Aug. 2018, in time for students to move in and start their semester at Warner.

The second phase is the development and construction of a new residence hall on campus, which will be built on land Spectra Student Living recently acquired from Warner University. Construction will begin by Nov. 2018 and will be completed by early Aug. 2019.

The new residence hall and the renovated Spencer Hall will share amenities that will feature study lounges, a resident lounge with televisions, and much more.

Both phases represent a \$3.2 million total community investment.

"Spectra has allowed Warner University the best of both worlds," said Dr. David Hoag, Warner University president. "We're able to accommodate the housing needs of our growing student population while also working with the student body to address their needs. We're excited about these two projects and look forward to working with the innovative Spectra team."

This strategic partnership provides Warner the ability to address their needs in regards to the increasing number of student enrollments while also allowing university capital resources to focus on additional student necessities. Learning and social environments will be enhanced and the gap between oncampus growth and student engagement will continue to decrease.

"We strive to energize student living with tailored communities," said Justin Farris, managing partner at Spectra Student Living. "We put the needs of students first, which Warner University is a prime example of. The new community is an intentional and innovative development that provides the student with a more robust university experience."

This is especially important to Warner because all traditional students must live on campus.

Both parties believe that campuses are filled with opportunities that prepare students for personal and professional success, and integrated living spaces should be at the forefront of these opportunities.

"Students deserve living spaces as unique as they are and provide them a space to be successful," Farris noted. "When their lifestyle needs are met, their opportunities are endless and their goals are closer to attain than ever before."

Spectra Student Living is revitalizing the student living industry through genuine partnerships based on diligent market analysis and strategic planning.

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## **About Spectra Student Living**

Founded in 2017 and headquartered in Indiana, Spectra Student Living is a student living developer that places students' needs and desires above all else. By conducting thorough market analyses and firsthand student focus groups on each campus, Spectra lets student and industry data drive its design. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.spectrastudentliving.com">https://www.spectrastudentliving.com</a>.

## **About Warner University**

Founded as Warner Southern College in 1968 by Church of God pastors and laity, the institution became known as Warner University in 2008. Located in Lake Wales, Florida, Warner bustles with nearly 1200 students from over 30 states and 20 countries, all dedicated to learning in a vibrant Christian community. The undergraduate program includes 36 liberal arts and professional majors. The university also offers four graduate level programs designed for working professionals. Warner University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award Associate, Bachelor and Masters. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.warner.edu/">http://www.warner.edu/</a>.