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Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries Receives International CARF Accreditation Distinction

Cincinnati, OH -- June 10, 2013 -- The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) has announced that Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries Rehabilitation Center, Inc. has been accredited for a period of three years for:

- Community Employment Services: Employment Supports
- Community Employment Services: Job Development
- Community Integration
- Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation Services
- Employment Skills Training Services

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of persons served. Of particular note, the CARF evaluators stated that “upon review of our records, we have also determined that your organization has achieved a level of “accreditation distinction” among your peers.”

The latest accreditation is the fourth consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body has awarded to Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries Rehabilitation Center, Inc. The CARF survey letter noted that Goodwill’s “achievement of four consecutive surveys with zero recommendations is rare and places it in a distinct group of organizations.”

Highlights of the 2013 CARF survey letter included the following statements:

“The commitment of the board, leadership, and staff members to its mission and vision promotes a culture of care and compassion for the individuals served and their families that permeates the entire organization. Its sterling reputation with community members; funding and referral sources; and, particularly, the persons served and their families reflects the high level of satisfaction expressed by all stakeholder groups.”

Ohio Valley Goodwill takes great pride in the personal success of the men and women with disabilities that the organization serves and is delighted that the 2013 CARF survey results reflect this level

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of commitment and dedication to its organizational mission. This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows Goodwill's full conformance to the CARF standards.

An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable. The 2013 CARF survey letter closed with:

"Please accept this letter of recognition as a commendation to your organization for your significant achievement and a sustained commitment to enhancing the lives of persons served in your community through high quality services."

As one of the largest providers of vocational training and job placement services in Southwestern Ohio, Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries has had a long history of excellence in the quality of services it provides to Greater Cincinnati. Each year, Ohio Valley Goodwill serves almost 3,000 men and women with disabilities and our nation's veterans.

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