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Goodwill Opens New Eastside Center

Ohio Valley Goodwill recently opened a new service center in the Clermont County area of Cincinnati's Eastside. Located in Batavia, Ohio, this new service facility represents a precedent-setting collaborative agreement between both the Clermont and Hamilton County Boards of Developmental Disabilities. A gala Open House was held on Thursday, August 25th to celebrate the opening of the facility. The Eastside Vocational Services Center currently provides services to 20 individuals who were very enthusiastic participants in the Open House event. The Center is designed to serve individuals who reside in both Clermont County and on the Eastside of Cincinnati and can accommodate referrals as needed.

The new Goodwill Eastside program offers facility-based work training and a recreational option, as well as a community-based opportunity through participation in its training team housed in its Beechmont store location. "We are very excited about the diverse array of options that we are able to offer residents of both Clermont and Hamilton Counties," said Leslie McCurley, Assistant Director of Developmental Disabilities Services.

The Ohio Valley Goodwill staff team was delighted to welcome honored guests to the Open House event including State Representative Joe Uecker, Clermont County Commissioner Edwin Humphrey, Southwest Ohio Developmental Center Superintendent Jim Krumer and Program Director Frank Lengel. Other guests included Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services Transition Team members, Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities Team members, and a reporter from the Clermont Sun newspaper. The assembled guests were treated to a musical performance from program participant Kevin Brown, an informative video produced by Public Information Officer Michael Flannery, as well as tasty treats provided by Goodwill's Food Services Training program.

For more information about the new Goodwill Eastside Vocational Services Center or to schedule a tour, please contact Sharon Hannon, Marketing Specialist, at (513) 771-4800, ext. 6364 or email: shannon@cincgoodwill.org.

Ohio Valley Goodwill is grateful to both the Clermont and Hamilton County Boards of Developmental Disabilities for their support of this important new program and service for residents of the Eastside of Greater Cincinnati.



Leslie McCurley, Goodwill, Assistant Dir. of DD Services, State Representative Joe Uecker, Kevin Brown, Program Participant, Edwin Murphy, Clermont County Commissioner.



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Shanna Sutherland, Goodwill, Program Manager, East, Michelle Ruschman, Goodwill Site Supervisor, West, Paula Smith, Goodwill Site Supervisor, East, Heather Krenwinkel, Southwest Ohio Developmental Center

Ohio Valley Goodwill's Community Liaison John Briggs Named Unsung Hero



John Briggs – Goodwill Special Projects department with Unsung Hero award

The Board of Directors of the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans (NCHV) recently named John Briggs, Community Liaison of Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries, as its "Unsung Hero" in recognition of personal contributions and work with America's homeless veterans. John has worked at Ohio Valley Goodwill since 1987 and with Goodwill's Homeless Veterans Reintegration program since 1993. Each year the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans accepts nominations from its membership and selects one person they feel is most deserving of the Unsung Hero award from hundreds of submissions.

The coalition is a non-profit organization which is the resource and technical assistance center for the national network of community-based service providers that work in support of hundreds of thousands of homeless veterans each year. Once nominations for the Unsung Hero are closed, the NCHV board and staff select one person they feel is most deserving of the award. The award is indeed one which honors John's many years of dedication and service to our nation's homeless veterans. John was also recently recognized by the Board of Directors of Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries with a Certificate of Appreciation.

At Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries, John has worked with community agencies that serve veterans, and he works especially close with the Continuum of Care, a consortium of thirty-three agencies that provide service to veterans. John has also served as the Chairman of the Cincinnati Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), a data base management system that is used nationally to help track homeless veterans. He has also worked with other faith based organizations that serve veterans and worked at the national level to help develop concepts of potential legislation. John has served on a forum to develop permanent housing options for homeless veterans as well. In his role at Ohio Valley Goodwill, John has managed the annual spring Stand Down in Cincinnati and worked cooperatively with HUD agencies in Cincinnati to assist homeless individuals. He has also worked to help other non-veterans and especially individuals and families with specific issues. He has been a featured speaker at the VA Conference on Homelessness and has been an invited speaker before the National Coalition of Homeless Veterans.

John has been a resident of Finneytown since 1981 where he lives with his wife, Shirlee. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and holds graduate degrees from Kent State University and Indiana State. He is a published writer and an avid tennis player. John is committed to the needs of the population that he serves and represents. Goodwill congratulates John for this most deserving award.

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Goodwill Staff Participate In Fourth Annual SWORA 5K "Stroll To Success"

On Saturday October 8, 2010, a group of Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries Rehabilitation Services staff participated in the fourth annual South Western Ohio Rehabilitation Association's 5K "Stroll To Success" walk. Beautiful fall weather greeted the walkers on the special event which was held again in the Hamilton County Park District's Glenwood Gardens in Woodlawn. The special event was developed by SWORA in an effort to generate funds for a scholarship that aids persons with disabilities with any needs they may have to better prepare them for the job market. Items that may be purchased through the scholarship include clothing, assistance with traveling to and from the workplace, and other needs that the individual may have. "We have been so pleased with the response that we received for the event and the financial support that the walk has generated for services for men and women with disabilities," said SWORA member, Nancy VanderWoude, Goodwill's supervisor for the Office Procedures and Computer Technology training program. Because of her important position with the organization, Nancy knows first-hand about the needs of individuals with disabilities. "The scholarship fund will help many individuals with their needs that are a part of our training program. Preparing men and women for employment is so very important to their success," said Nancy.

Ohio Valley Goodwill salutes the efforts of its staff in helping to make this special event such a success again this year. Congratulations to SWORA for coordinating another outstanding program!

Annual Open House for Industrial Services and Area Businesses

Ohio Valley Goodwill's Industrial Services division was pleased to host its annual Open House on the morning of Friday, November 4th with a breakfast event at the corporate facility in the Village of Woodlawn. The annual event is designed as a way to introduce local businesses to the service offerings available through Goodwill's Industrial Services division and to acknowledge the long standing associations that the organization has with its partners. Guests were



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welcomed by Goodwill CEO, Joe Byrum, who greeted the visitors, outlined Goodwill's programs and presented a snapshot of the organization's mission. More than 30 business partners attended the annual event.

Featured speakers for the event were Nathan Bachrach and Ed Finke of The Financial Network and radio station 55KRC's "Simple Money" program. Their informative presentation on regional and international business trends provided the audience with insights into where business leaders may see their economic activity headed in the coming months. The speakers also responded to questions from the audience. Following the presentation, guests were provided with an overview of the offerings available through Goodwill's Industrial Services division and its contract services department. "We are proud of the services that Goodwill is able to provide to our business partners through the contract work that our organization is able to provide," commented Todd Schrieber, Goodwill Industrial Services Marketing Manager. Ohio Valley Goodwill has long been offering local and regional businesses quality work services options such as assembly work, packaging, inspection, sorting, janitorial services and many other business related tasks.

Guests were also provided with a comprehensive tour of the corporate facility and a detailed look at the Industrial Services and contract services work area. "We were so pleased that our business partners and many new companies were able to share their time with us to see the work that we are currently engaged with here at Goodwill Industries," commented Todd Schrieber. Ohio Valley Goodwill thanks its business partners for their service and dedication to the organization and continued commitment to its mission to put people to work!

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries Coordinates Annual Fall Stand Down For Homeless Veterans

Sunny fall skies greeted dozens of veterans at the Bellevue, Kentucky Veterans Club for the 9th Annual Northern Kentucky Stand Down on Friday, October 1st. The annual event for homeless veterans is held annually each fall at the Bellevue Veterans Club and is planned to draw attention to the needs of homeless veterans and to provide a variety of services for them. "We plan the Stand Down each year so that our veterans can have the opportunity to come together to receive service from a host of providers at one location," said Bill Darnell, Goodwill's Grants Manager. Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries is one of the major sponsors of the annual Stand Down. In addition to Goodwill Industries and the Bellevue Veterans Club, other sponsors include the Northern Kentucky One Stop and the Cincinnati Veterans Administration.



Staff from the Cincinnati Veterans Administration Medical Center at NKY Stand Down

Throughout the day, services were available to veterans at the Stand Down which included: medical, dental, eye care, social services, employment, career opportunities, legal aid and expungement. Members of the Veterans Administration were also available for benefits counseling. The annual Stand Down is organized each year as a means to draw attention to the needs of homeless veterans and to provide services for them. "We are always so grateful to our sponsoring organizations for assisting us with this event because it helps to reach so many veterans, and it provides so many needed services," said

Fusco. Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries has been offering services for homeless veterans since the early 1990's and has been active in the Northern Kentucky community for more than ten years.

Goodwill salutes all of our nation's veterans and thanks them for their dedicated service to our country.



Goodwill's Service Guild Sponsors Annual Fall Mini-Fest

Friday, September 30th and Saturday, October 1st signaled the start of fall at Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries with the annual Service Guild's 2011 Mini-Fest. The semi-annual event is sponsored by the volunteer organization and held at the corporate facility in the Village of Woodlawn. The two-day event is planned and presented by the Guild as a way to promote the organization and as a means to raise funds in support of their mission to assist Goodwill with its programs and services for men and women with disabilities and our nation's veterans. The annual event features homemade baked goods and candy, an "Elegant Junque" booth, special items from the Guild's Treasure Island Gift Shop, a bevy of books, and the always popular grilled hot dogs during lunchtime. Also on hand was the Woodlawn Fire Department who offered blood pressure screening during the two-day festival.

"We are so happy to be able to assist Goodwill through our efforts from the annual mini-fest and the traditions we have created through these special events," said Nancy Horton, Service Guild President. The Service Guild has been hosting the annual festival for over

25 years to benefit the Goodwill organization and its mission to put people to work. "We are always delighted to reach out to the public and to offer our special fall festival for so many Goodwill supporters," added Horton.

The Goodwill Service Guild has more than 100 volunteers who have worked diligently for over 75 years to advance the mission of Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries. "We are very grateful for the support that the organization receives from the Goodwill Service Guild and for the programs that they offer throughout the year," said George Palmer, Director of Public Relations and Marketing. "The semi-annual mini-fest helps to promote our very important mission to the public and helps to make more people aware of the important work that we do on behalf of people with disabilities," added Palmer. Goodwill thanks the Service Guild for its dedication and commitment over the past many years!

Look for the next mini-fest in the spring!



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For more information about Goodwill's programs and how your contribution can help, please visit our website at:
www.cincinnati-goodwill.org

We thank you for your support and wish you the happiest of holidays!



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Amelia, OH 45102
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4051 Commercial Dr.
Cincinnati, OH 45245
(513) 752-0067

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Bellevue, KY 41073
(859) 291-1333

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Cincinnati, OH 45242
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Florence, KY 41042
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Harrison, OH 45030
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Independence, KY 41051
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7385 Wooster Pike @ Kroger
Cincinnati, OH 45227

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