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### Last Year Your Donations Allowed Goodwill To ...

- Provide employment, job training and support services to over 2,100 individuals with disabilities and/or disadvantaging conditions,
- Pay over \$6.5 million in wages and benefits to disabled/disadvantaged employees,
- Provide contract packaging services for 13 companies at our East Campus resulting in 40,356 hours of paid work experience for individuals in training,
- Place 335 disabled and disadvantaged individuals into jobs in the community who earned wages totaling over \$2 million during 2008,
- Place 152 workers in temporary assignments at community businesses through Goodwill Staffing Services and,
- Provide janitorial services for over 409,000 square feet of office space in the community.



### **Goodwill Stores and Donation Centers**

### **STORES\***

### TULSA

2800 Southwest Blvd. 102 S. Garnett 19021 E. 51st St.

2210 W. Washington St. (91st & 145th E. Ave), **Broken Arrow** 1204 N. Lynn Riggs, **Claremore** 3826 E. Frank Phillips, **Bartlesville** 8525 N. 117th East Ave., **Owasso** 715 S. George Nigh Expressway, **McAlester** 2102 Range Line Road, **Joplin, MO** 

\*For store hours, visit our Web site www.goodwilltulsa.org or call (918) 584-7291

### **DONATION CENTERS**

#### **TULSA**

2800 Southwest Blvd./Goodwill (open 24 hours) 102 S. Garnett/Goodwill Store

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19021 E. 51st St./Goodwill Store

3807 S. Harvard/Storefront\*

51st & S. Harvard/Stein Mart/Trailer

9242-H S. Sheridan/Storefront/Sterling Plaza

1691 S. Yale/Storefront/Seventeen Hundred Yale Mall

 $6933 \,\, S. \,\, Sheridan/Storefront/Plaza \,\, Village \,\, Shopping \,\, Center$ 

8028 S.Yale/Storefront/Country Hollow Shopping Center 10925 S. Memorial/Storefront/South Park Shopping Center

8125-M East 51st St/Storefront/Memorial Park Shopping Ctr.

### BIXBY

14625 S. Memorial/Storefront/River Run Shopping Ctr.

### **BROKEN ARROW**

91st & 145th East Ave./Goodwill Store 1027 N. 12th/Storefront\*/ Kenosha Crossing Shopping Center

#### **JENKS**

211 W. Main St./Storefront\*

### **SAPULPA**

1022 E. Taft/Storefront

### **OWASSO**

8525 N. I 17th East Ave./Goodwill Store

### **BARTLESVILLE**

3826 E. Frank Phillips Blvd./Goodwill Store

### **CLAREMORE**

1204 N. Lynn Riggs/Goodwill Store

### McALESTER

715 S. George Nigh Expressway/Goodwill Store

#### **IOPLIN**

2102 Range Line Road/Goodwill Store

\*THIS LOCATION IS A FREE-STANDING BUILDING For donation hours or information on special pick-ups call: (918) 581-1200 or visit us at www.goodwilltulsa.org

## Raymond Howze Retrains for a new Economy

aymond Howze came to Goodwill's Tulsa WORKS program in September 2008 after being referred by a graduate of Goodwill's Forklift Operation Training program. Raymond had been a curbside baggage handler at the Tulsa International Airport for many years and had been making a decent living.

He saw the handwriting on the wall with the ever increasing gas prices and the implementation of the airline companies charging



\$25.00 or more for luggage taken on a flight. As passengers began to take fewer trips with less checked luggage, Raymond's tips steadily diminished. He thought to himself he had better invest time in retraining.

He came to forklift class and completed it with perfect attendance. He also signed up for the Rewards for Success program, and participated in our mock interviews. It was during the mock interviews that Resource Manufacturing

realized that he would be a great candidate for one of their clients.

Raymond went to work through Resource Manufacturing at Thyssenkrupp Materials as a forklift operator. He stayed on Resource Manufacturing's payroll for ninety days and was recently granted a permanent position with Thyssenkrupp.

At a recent Goodwill Rewards for Success banquet Raymond was a featured speaker and thanked the Tulsa Area United Way (which provides funding for Tulsa *WORKS* and the Rewards for Success programs) and Goodwill for this opportunity.

### Teara Works Her Way Up

eara Jackson-Finley is a resolute young woman with an 11year old daughter. She is
determined to be a good
mother, finish her education
and become self-sufficient. While
welfare has been a part of her
past, she does not want it to be a

part of her future.

We first met Teara at a job fair sponsored by Goodwill, and even then it was evident that she had the drive to make things happen. At the job fair, she received information about Goodwill's Tulsa WORKS program and immediately availed herself of the training.

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Rewards for Success is a program within Tulsa *WORKS* that is available for adult participants and their school-aged children. It is designed as an incentive program for meeting goals and a deterrent for dropping out of the program prior to completion. Teara and her daughter, Cinnamon, both enrolled in the program and are working on their objectives as a family.

One of Teara's highest goals is to complete her bachelor's degree through Southeastern Oklahoma State University. She has enrolled in 13 hours of online classes this semester in order to do just that. In addition, she has gained part-time employment as a personal care aid with Healthcare Innovations. She is particularly pleased with this employment, as it will allow her to care for her daughter and finish her education.

We salute Teara on her way to self-sufficiency and as she role models success to Cinammon.

## New Store Is A Hit!





Mission, Vision and Values



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## Goodwill and D'Ezekial Wilson are a Winning Team

oodwill Industries of Tulsa's Transitional Work
Adjustment Training and Supported
Employment programs teamed up to help
D'Ezekial Wilson hit a home run in
employment by providing the support
services that he needed at just the
right time. Then D'Ezekial provided

the effort.

D'Ezekial was a 17-year-old senior at McClain High School when he was referred to Goodwill for vocational training by the Department of Rehabilitation Services in 2007. He attended McClain in the morning and came to Goodwill's Transitional Work Adjustment Training pro-

gram in the afternoon, located at our retail store at 102 S. Garnett. D'Ezekial has developmental disabilities and needed additional assistance in school and in learning about the world of work. D'Ezekial learned about employer expectations, career options, and working in a retail environment. He was pleasant and eager to

please. He graduated from McLain High School and Transitional Work Adjustment in May 2008.

D'Ezekial was ready to enter the workforce, but needed some additional support to achieve this

goal. At this point Goodwill's Supported
Employment program was able to

assign a job coach to assist
D'Ezekial. After completing assessments of his vocational interests
and skills, the job coach then
assisted D'Ezekiel in his job

After a few weeks of persistence, D'Ezekiel was offered a cart retrieval position at Wal-Mart. His job coach provided training and support during the first

several weeks of employment. Today D'Ezekial is working independently and his job coach drops by occasionally to ensure that all is well. He loves his job in the community.

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D'Ezekiel's employment is an example of how teamwork can result in knocking one over the fence!

### Jill Zink Tarbel – Community Advocate & Volunteer

Goodwill Industries of Tulsa and the disability community as a whole lost a trusted friend and tireless advocate when Jill Zink Tarbel passed away in January of this year. Jill served as a member of Goodwill Industries of Tulsa's Board of Directors from 1993 to 2005 and as an Honorary Director since 2005. During her Goodwill Board tenure Jill served in a variety of capacities including coordinating our Annual Awards Luncheon and playing a major role in two Goodwill capital fundraising campaigns that allowed us to significantly expand our

headquarters facility on Southwest Boulevard. However, Goodwill is only one of the many organizations that benefited from the guidance and expertise of Jill's tireless work advocating on behalf of individuals in our community with disabilities. Over the years, Jill and her husband Brook provided input and guidance that has resulted in tremendous improvements in transportation and accessibility for people with disabilities. There is no doubt that she will be missed.



### A GOOD TIME TO PLAN!

If you're like most people, you've probably spent a lot of time thinking about the economy and the impact it might have on your personal financial situation. One thing is certain: The economy is always changing. The good news is change can be positive, especially if we plan appropriately. Our plan at Goodwill Industries of Tulsa is simple; to become a resource to those that have partnered with us to put people to work and improve lives in Oklahoma.

One of our resources is to provide you with information and planning services to make you aware of the variety of opportunities and various types of tax-deductible tools and techniques, such as wills and bequests, trusts, and charitable annuities to name a few, that can be customized to your specific circumstances.

There is no cost or obligation for using our educational service; it's just our way of partnering with you. For more information or to arrange an appointment, please contact Karla Davis at 918-581-1234 or email kdavis@goodwilltulsa.org.



## Goodwill Opens Stone Creek Store and Donation Center

January 7th marked the Grand Opening of Goodwill's Stone Creek Store. This is our ninth store location and the fifth store serving the Tulsa metro area. Eager customers joined members of the Goodwill Board of Directors, Goodwill staff and representatives of the Tulsa Metro Area Chamber of Commerce for the official ribbon cutting ceremony. The new Stone Creek Store includes a drive-through donation center which began accepting donations the week prior to the Grand Opening.

The store and donation center, located at 19021 East 51st Street, opened to rave reviews with great community support and first day sales doubling the projected budget for the day. Support has been



tremendous and comments from customers and donors have expressed appreciation for Goodwill establishing a presence in the neighborhood. The Stone Creek area borders the boundaries of Tulsa, Broken Arrow and Wagoner County.

Be sure to venture out to east 51st street at County Line Road (193rd East Avenue) and visit our beautiful new store. Don't forget to load some donations before you come. You will be warmly welcomed at the Donation Center by one of our enclave team members. Allow plenty of time to shop for those "not to be missed" bargains and enjoy exceptional customer service from store manager, Jaime Monroe, and her Stone Creek Store team.

# PlacementCorner

The Placement Corner highlights the wide range of jobs and occupations in which our training graduates are now employed.

Participant's Name	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Position</u>
Tonya Thomas	Dollar Thrifty	Customer Service
Alberto Gonzales	Downing Manufacturing	Machinist
Diane Taylor	Green Tree Assisted Living	Cook
Joseph Scarlato	Whelan Security	Security
Raymond Howze	Thyssenkrupp Materials	Forklift Operator
Rajeana Davis	Fastenal Company	Office Manager
Jonathan Dorsey, III	City of Tulsa	Refuse Driver

### **MISSION**

Goodwill Industries of Tulsa provides work opportunities, job training and support services for people with disabilities or other employment barriers.



### **VISION**

We envision a community where all people have the training and opportunities they need to be successful in the workplace, regardless of the barriers to employment they must overcome.

### **VALUES**

**Integrity:** We strive to meet the highest standards of ethics and accountability.

**Respect:** We treat all people with dignity and respect. **Commitment:** We are resolved as individuals and as an organization to the fulfillment of our mission.

**Diversity:** We embrace diversity in the individuals we serve, the programs we offer and among the workforce that makes up our organization.

**Empowerment:** We provide services that help people help themselves.

### Are You A Clothes Horse?

Feel Good.
Do Good.
Clean Out Your
Closets for Goodwill.

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