## The Goodwill Grapevine

Monthly Organizational Updates



## CREATING A CULTURE OF LEARNING

By David Oliver

As we transition from spring to summer, it reminds me of all the enjoyable things about this season, when everything feels vibrant and alive. At Goodwill Tulsa, we are feeling the energy, and we believe this is the perfect time of year to renew our focus on building a culture of learning for everyone in our organization. The world is rapidly changing, with advancing technology and new business concepts and regulations. It is imperative for all organizations, including nonprofits like Goodwill, to pursue continuous learning or risk becoming irrelevant.



June Paydays: 9 & 23

## June Holidays:

All Goodwill Tulsa operations will maintain normal business hours on Juneteenth.

Time spent learning is never wasted, and I hope you are as inspired as I am to learn new things. Here is just a short list of the benefits of continual education:

- · Increases our self-esteem
- Improves our outlook
- · Motivates us to try new things
- Enables us to achieve goals
- Offers us a sense of purpose
- · Challenges us to grow

We are proud to announce that Goodwill will introduce two new learning opportunities this July.

#### Spectrum Training

Goodwill will launch Spectrum, a new leadership development program aimed at growing leaders across the organization. The name was chosen because this training initiative covers a wide range of topics and is designed to benefit all employees.

Have you ever heard the phrase, "Some people are born to lead"? I believe just the opposite.

Instead, I agree with Vince Lombardi, who said, "Leaders aren't born, they are made. And they are made just like anything else, through hard work." I hope those in leadership positions will fully immerse themselves in this opportunity to explore their strengths, sharpen their leadership knowledge, and build new skills. And I hope all employees will notice a change in their leaders, creating a more enjoyable and inspiring daily work experience. Gail Herrington, our Training and Development Coordinator, will contact all employees in leadership positions at Goodwill to share additional information about this training initiative.

#### **Training for All Staff**

We are also in the process of procuring a new Learning Management System (LMS). We have outgrown TalentLMS and will switch to ADP's LMS this month. This will open new opportunities and greatly enhance our training resources and capability. With more than 70,000 training courses, there are training options for everyone. Our staff will be available to help you find what you're looking for.

These initiatives are just some of the ways we are striving to build a culture of learning here at Goodwill Tulsa. I look forward, with great anticipation, to all the positive changes to our daily work lives and mission services as we continue to learn and grow.

### **June Anniversaries**

Avery Atnip - 6/10/2021 Jay Boykins - 6/5/2019 Patricia Bullard - 6/6/2019 Joseph Canaan - 6/7/2021 Sara Carlson - 6/25/2018 Sue Casalino - 6/1/2022 David Conley - 6/6/2019 Kimberly Cox - 6/4/2007 Ted Crooks - 6/5/2006 Mary Fidler - 6/12/2006 Raquea Flemons - 6/7/2011 Meagyn Fox - 6/30/2022 Tommy Friend - 6/6/2013 Rosa Fuerte - 6/24/2022 Judith Furry - 6/5/2012 Jeremy Gillespie - 6/21/2004 Toby Harper - 6/7/2011

Emily Jacoby - 6/18/2021 Matthew Lovett - 6/9/2003 Michael Lyne - 6/5/2002 Mvola Namelo - 6/30/2022 Sarah Nix - 6/18/2009 Frances Normore - 6/9/2016 Michael Palmer - 6/30/2022 Rodney Rutherford - 6/20/1996 Joselyn Schinnerer - 6/21/2022 George Schmidt - 6/19/1996 Leonard Stout - 6/9/2015 Tanya Svoboda - 6/24/2022 Lisa Uhl - 6/27/2013 Cortney Wells - 6/21/2022 Jael Leon - 6/20/2001 Christina Sparks - 6/30/2022 Cindy Simmons - 6/18/2021

### **July Birthdays**

2 - Allison Parker

2 - Joselyn Schinnerer

2 - Ashlev White

3 - Kimberly Caudle

3 - David Dirickson

3 - Christina Sparks

4 - Dana Jordan

5 - Kimberly Downs

6 - Cayce Chavous

8 - Alexis Orta

9 - Desiree Moynihan

9 - Toni Stamps

10 - Sonia Crooks

11 - Virginia Brown 11 - Lian Cing

12 - Sandra Hieber

12 - Rodney Rutherford

13 - Oshea Gentry

14 - Jesiah Harter

14 - Bailev Musick

14 - Kamren Wallace

15 - Kayla Wilson

16 - Sandra Phillips

17 - William White

18 - Kelsev Davis

18 - Jacob Grimes

18 - Brea Haslip

19 - Shalett Smallwood

20 - Dana Shapiro

20 - Brenda Sheley

20 - Claudia Zuaznabar

21 - Yvette Lankford

21 - Stephen Naquin

22 - Jennifer Earle

22 - Dwana Jones

23 - Ryan Erickson

24 - Julie Bethell

24 - Ingrid Coleman

24 - Brandon Cook

25 - Victoria Mackey

25 - Andrea Thompson

26 - Dameon Ashlock

26 - Brittany Geren

26 - Sabrina Ware 27 - Troy Carr

29 - Naesion Douglas

30 - Stacey Cole

31 - Cameron Halev

31 - Kendal Kearney

31 - Laurie Ward

# 2023 Annual Awards Luncheon





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