

## Goodwill Grapevine



# In the Community

Community is defined as a grouping that brings people together to accordate and support each other toward a common goal, and to have a sense of belonging.

This Is What Goodwill Industries of Mississippi Is About!

Everyday, people come to Goodwill to work, to donate goods, to shop and to receive training and educational instruction that encourages productive community development and activity. Providing employment opportunities for people with disabilities and other barriers is the Mission of Goodwill Industries of Mississippi. Building the community through relationships with business-

es, governing entities and other organization is how Goodwill expands employment and educational opportunities to people in the areas that we serve.



Goodwill Industries of Mississippi will continue to educate the public to understand its Mission and know how the organization works daily to provide a stronger and more productive community through the power of work.

When YOU Donate – When YOU Shop – YOU Create Jobs – YOU Change Lives

# Goodwill of Mississippi Salutes

Our Employees of the 3rd Quarter of 2022 for their outstanding dedication and service to our organization.

Goodwill of
Mississippi Mission:
Assisting people with
disabilities and other
barriers to obtain employment.



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### - A Message from our CEO - BRAD STEFFANI

Throughout the stories in this issue, you will find references to community and belonging. September 20, 2022 marks the one-year anniversary of my leadership journey in Mississippi. The people of Mississippi truly have a sense of community, and a genuine concern

for each other. Working together, sharing our goals, and collaborating for the betterment of people is something that just comes naturally to Mississippians. The foundation of stability begins with having a job. Goodwill is here to assist people in overcoming adversity and improve their employment options. Strengthening individuals – strengthens the community.



It is our vision to continue to expand the Goodwill operation to reach communities in need and offer support by providing education, training and employment. We are excited to announce that Goodwill Industries of Mississippi will be opening opera-

tions in Greenville, MS this winter. Construction has begun and plans are underway with our Workforce Development Department to teach 15 courses in Digital Skills and offer the nationally recognized Customer Service Certification.

I am honored to serve this community and look forward to many more years connecting Goodwill to the people in Mississippi.



### **New Location Coming Soon | Greenville, MS**

Goodwill Industries of Mississippi is expanding its operations to Greenville, MS which is due to open in Winter 2022. Goodwill's leadership team recently held a press conference at the South Delta Planning & Development District Office in Greenville, and received a warm welcome from Mayor Errick Simmons and fellow city and community leaders.

### - Goodwill of Mississippi Locations -

BYRAM SELECT STORE 5764 Terry Road Byram, MS 39272 601-882-5152

CENTRE STREET OUTLET STORE 863 Centre Street Ridgeland, MS 39157 601-991-9299

CLINTON SELECT STORE & DONATION CENTER 941 Highway 80 East Clinton, Mississippi 39056 601-708-1797

CROSSGATES SELECT STORE 5708 Highway 80 East Pearl, Mississippi 39208 601-664-3424 HATTIESBURG SELECT STORE 5916 Hwy 49 Hattiesburg, MS 39401 601-605-0948

> HWY 51 SELECT STORE & DONATION CENTER 637C Hwy 51 North Ridgeland, MS 39157 601-605-0948

JACKSONIAN PLAZA SELECT STORE 4950 I 55 N Jackson, MS 39211 601-982- 4324

RESERVOIR DONATION CENTER 1923 Spillway Road Brandon, MS 39047



The 2022 SALUTE event, hosted by the Goodwill Industries Volunteer Services (GIVS) organization was held on August 18, at the Country Club of Jackson to recognize 18 outstanding community volunteers. Goodwill Industries of Mississippi recognizes and Salutes these community servants for their exceptional contributions toward the enhancement of our state.



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Connecting
Mississippians to
the Mission of
Goodwill



Ambassador program is a way to connect Mississippians to the mission of Goodwill

Has been in the works for 6 months

Came into fruition on Sept 13th at the inaugural event

Held in the Forestry Auditorium at the Ag museum

over 50 attendees - business leaders throughout the Central MS area





So excited to get the Ambassador program going so that the mission of Goodwill can be shared with the



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## GOODWILL OF MISSISSIPPI SPOTLIGHT | WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT & MISSION SERVICES



(L-R) Vicki Burton, Diane Day, Robin Stricklin-Odom, Bob Odom, Brandi Kennedy, Marianne Rankin.

Goodwill Industries of Mississippi SALUTES our Workforce Development & Mission Services Team as they work tirelessly to train, educate, and serve the Goodwill Mission. **WHAT A TEAM!**