



Goodwill Announces New Industrial Services Director for the Central Division

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Roanoke, VA. Goodwill Industries of the Valleys is pleased to announce that Mike Forrest has joined the Central Division staff as Industrial Services Director. Mr. Forrest was most recently employed by Dan River Inc., in Danville where he worked as Senior Corporate Industrial Engineer. He brings more than 30 years experience in the textiles and apparel industry to his new position with Goodwill.

Mr. Forrest will work closely with the industrial clients that Goodwill serves in the Roanoke based Central Division. He will oversee the day-to-day operations of the workshop, the mobile work crews that work onsite at industrial partner locations, and the custodial services including those provided to the Poff Building in Roanoke.

Goodwill offers innovative, efficient outsourcing solutions to business and industry, which provides the training and employment opportunities for individuals participating in workforce development training and employment programs. Goodwill provides effective outsourcing solutions to the purchasing, manufacturing, marketing, and distribution challenges businesses face. These solutions offer businesses many advantages including skilled labor and supervision, direct cost reduction and control and reallocation of internal resources.

Mr. Forrest has a Bachelor of Science degree from Appalachian State University. He is married with four children and four grandchildren.

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, headquartered in Roanoke, serves 15 cities and 31 counties in central and southwest Virginia. Its mission is to help people with disabilities and disadvantages overcome barriers to employment and to provide comprehensive services for achieving and sustaining independence. Last year, Goodwill served over 1,800 individuals.

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