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Media Alerts for Goodwill Beginning April 5th (opportunities throughout the Roanoke, New River, and Shenandoah Valleys, including Lynchburg and Charlottesville)

Included in this edition:

- GoodCare Healthcare Training Program Recruiting Now
- Mentor Information Session in Rocky Mount and Training in Roanoke
- Public Classes, Workshops, Job Fairs, and More Throughout the Month

Looking for a special or last-minute story? Contact us today!

We would love to brainstorm potential story ideas with you, including personal interest stories of the people we serve.

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GoodCare Healthcare Training Program Recruiting Now

GoodCare is a healthcare training program operated by Goodwill Industries of the Valleys. Through a partnership with Community Colleges and Adult Education or Literacy programs, students will benefit from supportive services, life skills training, education, and assistance to obtain employment in the healthcare industry. GoodCare serves individuals who are TANF recipients, as well as other low-income individuals. Seats are limited and eligibility applies.*

“Goodwill’s GoodCare healthcare training program helps individuals with disadvantages attain an in-demand healthcare credential and employment in a growing field. Individuals are placed onto a career pathway with steps to take to earn a higher income as they gain skills.” states Elizabeth Bouldin-Clopton, GoodCare Senior Program Manager for Goodwill. “GoodCare helps students build confidence so that they can continue on their career ladder and provide for their family’s needs, increasing family security and stability. Students receive the supports and services they need to be successful in the program, changing their lives and families as they progress in their professional careers.”

GoodCare Program Career Pathways include:

- Health Information: Microsoft Office Specialist, Medical Administrative Assistant, Health Records Coding, Medical Administrative Management
- Nursing: Personal Care/Home Health Aide, Certified Nurse Assistant, Registered Medication Aide
- Healthcare Support: Phlebotomy, Pharmacy Technician, Ophthalmic Assistant, Clinical Medical Assistant, EMT/Paramedic, Respiratory Therapist

Participating Community Colleges include: [Wytheville](#), [New River](#), [Virginia Western](#), [Dabney S. Lancaster](#), [Central Virginia](#), [Blue Ridge](#), [Patrick Henry](#), and [Piedmont Virginia](#). Additional partners include multiple businesses in the healthcare sector, additional healthcare technical training providers, and adult education programs throughout the

service area. GoodCare healthcare training advances Virginia’s professional learning community, expand regional partnerships, and improve the regional workforce system.

Goodwill’s GoodCare Program is offered to individuals living in the organization’s [31 county, 13 city service area](#).

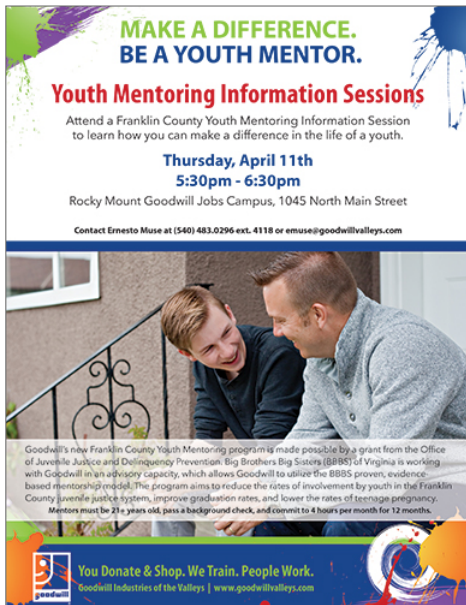
Funding for the healthcare training program is provided by a [Health Professions Opportunity Grant](#) from the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Learn more about HPOG on their [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#) pages.

**HPOG is a study funded by the federal government which is being conducted to determine how these training opportunities help people improve their skills and find better jobs. During the study, all new eligible applicants will be selected by lottery to participate in these training opportunities. Not all eligible applicants will be selected to participate in these opportunities.*

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Mentor Information Session in Rocky Mount and Training in Roanoke

Goodwill in Rocky Mount will be hosting an information session for adults interested in becoming volunteer adult mentors for youth enrolled in the Franklin County Youth Mentoring program. The information session will provide details on how you can make a difference in the life of a youth.



Franklin County Youth Mentoring Information Sessions

Thursday, April 11th

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Rocky Mount Goodwill Jobs Campus | 1045 North Main Street

“Goodwill has a long history of assisting people so they may achieve the skills they need to help them find jobs,” said Mary Ann Gilmer, Vice President Mission Services. “A crucial part of that history is making sure that families are strong. Goodwill mentoring programs help keep youth who are at-risk on a path toward a better future. That’s good for our youth and our communities.”

Volunteer adult mentors provide the guidance, support, and encouragement to help youth improve their self-confidence, increase on-time graduation rates, and reduce their risk of future involvement with the law. Educational, recreational, and relationship building activities with their mentor will help the youth to achieve greater confidence, education success, and better relationships with teachers, parents, and guardians.

Goodwill is also recruiting volunteer adult mentors at [YouthHQ@Goodwill](#) in Roanoke. There is a Mentor Training scheduled for Friday, April 12th from 6pm – 8pm at YouthHQ@Goodwill.

Adults interested in being a youth mentor in Franklin County and Roanoke should visit <https://www.goodwillvalleys.com/work-and-training-services/youth-services/youth-mentoring/>.

Public Classes, Workshops, and More:

Roanoke Valley			
April 5 th	Keyboarding Computer Class	1pm – 2pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Healthy Habits**	5:30pm – 6:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
April 8 th	NorthStar Computer Assessments	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus

	Engineering Challenge**	5pm – 6:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
April 9 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	What Are We Planting?***	5:30pm – 6:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
April 10 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	GoodCare Information Session	3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Try This Not That**	6pm – 6:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
April 11 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	The Budd Group Job Fair	12pm – 4pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Tech Time**	5pm – 6pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
April 12 th	Keyboarding Computer Class	1pm – 2pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Healthy Habits**	5:30pm – 6:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
	NCCC Rap Session**	6pm – 8pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
	Mentor Training Session**	6pm – 8pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
April 13 th	Botetourt Kiwanis Annual Recycling Day	8:30am – 1pm	Lord Botetourt HS, Daleville
April 15 th	NorthStar Computer Assessments	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Your Personal Best Workshop	1pm – 4pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
April 16 th	Microsoft Excel Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
April 17 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	GoodCare Information Session	11am	Roanoke Jobs Campus
April 18 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	The Budd Group Job Fair	12pm – 4pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
April 19 th	Keyboarding Computer Class	1pm – 2pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
April 20 th	VIN Etching with Roanoke City Police Department & YouthHQ Open Enrollment Day	10am – 2pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill

Rocky Mount

April 11 th	Youth Mentoring Information Session	5:30pm – 6:30pm	Rocky Mount Jobs Campus
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Madison Heights/Lynchburg

April 9 th	Basics of Project Management Workshop	1pm – 4pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center
April 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	3pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center
April 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	3pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center

Charlottesville

April 9 th	Resume Writing Workshop	2pm – 3:30pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Charlottesville GoodCare Office
April 11 th	Employers of the Week Job Fair	10:30am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 16 th	Strategies for Job Interviews Workshop	2pm – 3:30pm	Virginia Career Works Center*

April 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Charlottesville GoodCare Office
April 18 th	Employers of the Week Job Fair	10:30am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
Harrisonburg			
April 8 th	Comfort Keepers Hiring Event	9am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	Pilgrim's Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 9 th	Cargill Hiring Event	9am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 10 th	George's Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	New Market Poultry Hiring Event	12:30pm – 3:30pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 15 th	Pilgrim's Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 16 th	Cargill Hiring Event	9am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
April 17 th	George's Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	New Market Poultry Hiring Event	12:30pm – 3:30pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	Job Seeker Workshops	5pm – 5:45pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
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April 9 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Greenbrier Office Park
April 16 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Greenbrier Office Park
Radford			
April 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	10am	Radford GoodCare Office
April 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	2pm	Radford GoodCare Office
Clifton Forge			
April 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	2pm	Dabney S. Lancaster Community College
April 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	10am	Dabney S. Lancaster Community College
Galax			
April 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	2pm	Wytheville Community College Crossroads Campus, Galax
April 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	10am	Wytheville Community College Crossroads Campus, Galax
Martinsville			
April 12 th	GoodCare Information Session	11am	Martinsville Workforce Center
April 19 th	GoodCare Information Session	11am	Martinsville Workforce Center

*Goodwill operates Workforce Centers for various Workforce Investment Boards in Virginia. The centers offer workshops, job fairs, and other trainings as part of the basic services provided through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act program.

**Youth must be registered to receive programming at YouthHQ@Goodwill in order to attend events. [Click here](#) for more information.

About Goodwill

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys serves 31 counties and 13 cities in the New River, Roanoke, and Shenandoah Valleys. Its mission is to help people and families in our community achieve a better life through work and independence. In

2018, Goodwill assisted more than 47,000 individuals with barriers to success, helped 3,300 people find jobs in our community, and provided training opportunities that resulted in more than 1,400 credentials being earned by individuals participating in Goodwill programs. Visit www.goodwillvalleys.com for more information.