Media Alerts for Goodwill Beginning May 15th (opportunities throughout the Roanoke, New River, and Shenandoah Valleys, including Lynchburg and Charlottesville)

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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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Goodwill’s 2018 Community Impact Report is Now Available Online

The 2018 Goodwill Industries of the Valleys Community Impact Report: Building Brighter Futures highlights how community support enabled Goodwill to impact the lives of 47,288 people who needed assistance getting back to work or gaining greater independence.

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys is proud of the impact we have in the community. In that regard, we are pleased to provide our Community Impact Report as the means of reporting our outcomes measurement to
the community. View stories of people who have been impacted by Goodwill’s training and employment programs. Throughout our service area, Goodwill is having an impact because of your support.

Click here to view the 2018 Video Report or click here to read the 2018 Community Impact Report brochure.

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**Goodwill Industries of the Valleys is Hiring More Than 200 Employees**

Goodwill has job openings for Sales Associates and Donated Goods Processors at locations throughout the New River, Roanoke, and Shenandoah Valleys. Goodwill is seeking to hire more than 200 new employees for the retail stores & donation centers. Full time and part time openings, and seasonal and permanent opportunities are available.

When you work at Goodwill, you make a difference in someone’s life and your community. Goodwill offers competitive pay and benefits, advancement opportunities, and a diverse, exciting, and rewarding work environment. Working for Goodwill is more than a job... it’s a career with a cause!

Join the Goodwill team and help people with barriers to employment achieve the pride, dignity, and self-respect that comes from earning a paycheck.

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**Upcoming Hiring Events**

**Charlottesville Hiring Event**  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 15th  
**Time:** 2pm - 5pm  
**Location:** Northside Library, 705 Rio Road West, Charlottesville VA 22901

**Madison Heights Hiring Event**  
**Date:** Thursday, May 16th  
**Time:** 11am - 2pm  
**Location:** Goodwill Jobs Center, 174 River James Shopping Center, Madison Heights VA 24572

**Roanoke Hiring Event**  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 22nd  
**Time:** 10am - 2pm  
**Location:** Goodwill Jobs Campus, 2502 Melrose Avenue, NW, Roanoke VA 24017

**Charlottesville Community Job Fair**  
**Date:** Thursday, May 23rd  
**Time:** 10am - 3pm  
**Location:** John Paul Arena, 295 Massie Drive, Charlottesville VA 22903

The listing will be updated as new events are scheduled. Please visit our website for updates: [https://www.goodwillvalleys.com/goodwill-hiring-events/](https://www.goodwillvalleys.com/goodwill-hiring-events/)

Goodwill offers a competitive salary and benefits for full time employees such as medical, dental, vision, life, retirement, educational reimbursement, EAP, STD, LTD, and PTO. We offer retirement and EAP benefits for part time employees.

“Helping people and families in our communities achieve a better life through work and independence.”

Goodwill is an equal employment/affirmative action employer.
Goodwill Partners with Local School & Organizations to Give Students a Reality Check

Reality Check provides students a glimpse at what real life will be like. From paying bills, caring for children and pets, to managing through unexpected expenses, it is a true reality check to see if what they are planning to do for a career will give them the lifestyle they envision for themselves.

Monday, May 20th from 9am – 3pm
Read Mountain Middle School, Botetourt

“Reality Check gives those participating a glimpse at future obligations and responsibilities and puts it in perspective for them,” states Wanda Anthony of Goodwill. “They already know the things they want in life, whether it be a fancy car, 2 children, or a dog, but do they truly know how expensive these things can be. Do they understand that the education they are receiving today will help them to be able to afford the life they want down the road? Through Reality Check we hope to connect the dots and help the students to realize the importance of an education on their futures.”

In preparation for Reality Check, students determine their career at age 30. They then choose if they are married and how many children they have. When they arrive at Reality Check, they are given a paycheck based on their career choice and then the fun really begins. They travel through life stations to see how far their paycheck will go. Life stations include:

- Buying or renting a home
- Phone and utility costs
- Vehicle purchase
- Medical costs
- Recreational activities and more

They also must place money in savings and in addition to the routine monthly responsibilities above, they face unexpected medical bills and maintenance costs. At the end of the circuit, they are met by a career counselor who talks with them about their career decision and the outcome of the Reality Check - whether they had money left or not.

Goodwill to Host Youth Enrollment and ID Event This Saturday, May 18th

Goodwill is currently enrolling youth ages 16 – 21 in the Summer Youth to Work Program at YouthHQ@Goodwill. Goodwill has partnered with the City of Roanoke to provide paid summer jobs for youth in Roanoke. The 6-week program runs from June 10th – July 26th.

All youth who are enrolled, or would like to enroll during the event in the Youth Summer Youth to Work Program are eligible to attend the DMV ID Event scheduled for:

Saturday, May 18th
9am to 12pm
YouthHQ@Goodwill
2502 Melrose Avenue, NW, Roanoke

Requirements to obtain an ID card for youth enrolled in the Summer Youth to Work Program are:

- Child’s birth certificate (original w/stamp or seal)
- Child’s social security card (original)
- Parents 2 proofs of VA residency (example driver's license if correct, utility bill, bank statement, VA voter card)

Youth may also apply for a Real ID at the DMV Event, with proper documentation.
Anyone interested in learning more about the Summer Youth to Work Program or registering a youth to participate, click here.

For more information on the DMV ID Event, click here.

### Public Classes, Workshops, and More

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**Keyboarding Computer Class**
1pm – 3pm  
Roanoke Jobs Campus

**Gardening**
5:30pm – 6:15pm  
YouthHQ@Goodwill

**Flag Football**
6:30pm – 7:30pm  
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May 28th
**Microsoft PowerPoint Computer Class**
10am – 12pm  
Roanoke Jobs Campus

**Your Personal Best Workshop**
1pm – 4pm  
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**Current Events**
5:30pm – 6pm  
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May 29th
**Microsoft PowerPoint Computer Class**
10am – 12pm  
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**Beginner’s Computer Class**
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**Board Games**
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May 30th
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### Madison Heights/Lynchburg

May 15th
**GoodCare Information Session**
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May 16th
**Multi-Employer Job Fair**
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Madison Heights Jobs Center

### Charlottesville

May 8th
**GoodCare Information Session**
3:30pm  
Charlottesville GoodCare Office

May 9th
**Employers of the Week Job Fair**
10:30am – 12pm  
Virginia Career Works Center*

May 10th
**Virginia Career Works Job Fair – Louisa**
1pm – 4pm  
Betty Queen Center, Louisa

May 14th
**Strategies for Job Interviews Workshop**
2pm – 3:30pm  
Virginia Career Works Center*

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2pm – 5pm  
Northside Library, Charlottesville

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*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.**

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**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](http://www.goodwillvalleys.com) for more information.