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Media Alerts for Goodwill Beginning July 9th (opportunities throughout the Roanoke, New River, and Shenandoah Valleys, including Lynchburg and Charlottesville).

Included in this edition:

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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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How Does the Bankruptcy of the Goodwill in Danville Impact Goodwill Headquartered in Roanoke? Your Questions Answered Here...

There have been some news stories recently regarding the Danville Goodwill filing bankruptcy. This is causing some confusion for some individuals and Goodwill Industries of the Valleys wants to help clarify the information.

It is important to know that all Goodwills are independent organizations, so the Danville organization, Goodwill South Central Virginia, filing bankruptcy does not impact operations in Martinsville, Rocky Mount, Smith Mountain Lake, Lynchburg, and the Roanoke and New River Valleys, as Goodwill Industries of the Valleys is a separate organization.

There are currently 158 independent Goodwill organizations in the United States and Canada. Each organization has its own board of directors, mission, and operates independently to better serve the needs of the individual communities that it serves.

The services that Goodwill Industries of the Valleys provides to people are at the heart of the Goodwill mission. Goodwill Industries of the Valleys wants to help the public to understand that the Goodwill in Danville filing for bankruptcy is not connected to the services and stores in the Goodwill Industries of the Valleys service area. Donations to Goodwill in the Roanoke, New River, and Shenandoah Valleys, as well as in the Danville area, will continue to provide funding to support job training and employment programs in this area, as well as in the Danville area.

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys (Roanoke, VA), and Goodwill of Central and Coastal VA (Richmond, VA) are working with the Goodwill organization headquartered in Danville, as it goes through the reorganization and seeks protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Although, the exact details of the transition and the structure of the new Goodwill operation is still being developed and will be released when available, it will likely involve merging with the Goodwill in Richmond and the Goodwill in Roanoke, VA. For the public, the hope is that they will see limited disruption of store operations in the Danville area, mission services in Danville will continue to help individuals to achieve their greatest level of independence, and in the areas served by the Roanoke Goodwill currently, there is no impact at all to mission services or store operation.

Goodwill operations in the Roanoke, New River, and Shenandoah Valleys are strong, and Goodwill Industries of the Valleys is seeking to help ensure that the future of services in the Danville area continue in the future.

Local Youth Gearing Up for an Exciting Summer at YouthHQ@Goodwill in Roanoke

Summer activities at Goodwill's YouthHQ are in full swing. The center is open Monday through Friday from 10am – 6pm with activities planned each day including:



- 90's Week
- Fashion Flashback
- Remake of 90's Sitcom
- Entrepreneur Week
- Creating a Business Plan
- Got Talent Week
- Talent Show Rehearsal
- STEM Week
- Extreme Weather Day
- Making Solar Ovens

For specific dates of activities and to view the full July calendar, [click here](#).

"YouthHQ@Goodwill provides a safe place for middle and high school youth to spend their summers at no charge, while participating in fun activities and programs like Science Camp, Summer Youth to Work, and Youth Mentoring," states Stephanie Hoer, Senior Director Program Services. "Beginning July 29th, middle school students can join us for a two-week camp which includes exciting hands on STEM learning experiences, field trips, and guest speakers. YouthHQ has also partnered with Feeding America of Southwest Virginia to serve as a Summer Food Service Program site for youth in the City of Roanoke."

All programs and activities at YouthHQ during the summer and the school year are at no cost to students or their families. Middle and high school students in the Roanoke Valley are eligible for mentoring and other programs at YouthHQ. Anyone interested in learning more about the center or registering a youth to participate at YouthHQ@Goodwill should visit <https://www.goodwillvalleys.com/work-and-training-services/youth-services/#YouthHQ>.

The excitement at YouthHQ will continue into August with [Science Camp](#) that runs July 29 – August 9, 2019 and a Back 2 School Block Party on August 10th. There will be more information on both these events coming soon or [click here](#) for more details.

Goodwill's GoodCare Healthcare Training Program Recruiting Now



Goodwill is currently recruiting individuals throughout the organization's [31 county, 13 city service area](#) for the GoodCare Program.

Individuals are encouraged to complete the [online interest form](#) if they are interested in the program. Also, individuals can attend information sessions being held in their area.

Information Sessions* are held weekly in **Charlottesville, Clifton Forge, Galax, Madison Heights, Martinsville, Radford, Roanoke, and Staunton.**

Upcoming Information Sessions:

July 9th

3:30pm | Greenbrier Office Park, Staunton

July 10th

10am | Radford GoodCare Office

2pm | Dabney S. Lancaster Community College, Clifton Forge

2pm | Wytheville Community College Crossroads Campus, Galax

3pm | Roanoke Jobs Campus

3pm | Madison Heights Jobs Center

3:30pm | Charlottesville GoodCare Office

July 12th

11am | Martinsville GoodCare Office

[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, Clinical Medical Administrative Assistant

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.

**For a full listing of upcoming Information Session dates, times, and locations visit Goodwill's [Events & News](#) or [GoodCare webpage](#).*

^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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Public Classes, Workshops, Job Fairs, and More Throughout the Month

Roanoke Valley

July 9 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
July 10 th	Microsoft Word Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Goodwill Custodial/Janitorial Hiring Event	10am – 1pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Beginner's Computer Class	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	GoodCare Information Session	3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
July 11 th	Beginner's Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	The Budd Group Job Fair	12pm – 4pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Microsoft Word Computer Class	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Science Club**	6pm – 7:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
July 12 th	Keyboarding Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Resume Building Workshop	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
July 15 th	NorthStar Computer Assessment	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Open Computer Lab	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
July 16 th	Microsoft Excel Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
July 17 th	Real Goodwill Tour	8:30am – 9:30am	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Microsoft Excel Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	GoodCare Information Session	11am	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Beginner's Computer Class	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Your Personal Best Workshop	5pm – 8pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Science Club**	6pm – 7:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
July 18 th	Beginner's Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	The Budd Group Job Fair	12pm – 4pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Microsoft Excel Computer Class	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Science Club**	6pm – 7:30pm	YouthHQ@Goodwill
July 19 th	Keyboarding Computer Class	10am – 12pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus
	Resume Building Workshop	1pm – 3pm	Roanoke Jobs Campus

Madison Heights/Lynchburg

July 10 th	RGIS Hiring Event	9am – 3:30pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center
	GoodCare Information Session	3pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center
July 17 th	RGIS Hiring Event	9am – 3:30pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center
	GoodCare Information Session	3pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center
July 18 th	Your Personal Best Workshop	1pm – 4pm	Madison Heights Jobs Center

Charlottesville

July 9 th	Strategies for Job Interviews Workshop	2pm – 3:30pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Charlottesville GoodCare Office
July 11 th	Employers of the Week Job Fair	10:30am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	Goodwill Hiring Event	11am – 1pm	Friendship Court Community Center, Charlottesville
July 16 th	Cover Letter Writing Workshop	2pm – 3:30pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Charlottesville GoodCare Office
July 18 th	Employers of the Week Job Fair	10:30am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*

Harrisonburg

July 9 th	Cargill Hiring Event	9am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	Job Corps Hiring Event	10am – 2pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 10 th	George's & New Market Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 11 th	Virginia Poultry Growers Cooperative Hiring Event	12pm – 2pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 12 th	Shenandoah Growers Hiring Event	9:30am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	WIOA & Center Orientation	10am – 11am	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 15 th	Pilgrim's Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	Perdue Hiring Event	10am – 2pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 16 th	Cargill Hiring Event	9am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 17 th	George's & New Market Hiring Event	9am – 1pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	Job Seeker Workshops	5pm – 5:45pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 18 th	Virginia Poultry Growers Cooperative Hiring Event	12pm – 2pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
July 19 th	Shenandoah Growers Hiring Event	9:30am – 12pm	Virginia Career Works Center*
	WIOA & Center Orientation	10am – 11am	Virginia Career Works Center*

Staunton

July 9 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Greenbrier Office Park
July 16 th	GoodCare Information Session	3:30pm	Greenbrier Office Park

Radford

July 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	10am	Radford GoodCare Office
July 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	2pm	Radford GoodCare Office

Clifton Forge

July 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	2pm	Dabney S. Lancaster Community College
July 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	10am	Dabney S. Lancaster Community College

Galax

July 10 th	GoodCare Information Session	2pm	Wytheville Community College Crossroads Campus, Galax
July 17 th	GoodCare Information Session	10am	Wytheville Community College Crossroads Campus, Galax

Martinsville

July 12 th	GoodCare Information Session	11am	Martinsville GoodCare Office
July 19 th	GoodCare Information Session	11am	Martinsville GoodCare Office

*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 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. Through the end of May, Goodwill has helped more than 21,500 people in 2019. Visit www.goodwillvalleys.com for more information.