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GOODWILL SPREADING TO BRICK

Nonprofit Prepares to Open Second Location in Ocean County

Maple Shade, NJ -- (September 6, 2016) – Goodwill Industries of Southern New Jersey & Philadelphia has leased 18,000 square feet of retail space in Brick, NJ to house a retail store and a donation center. Located at 451 Brick Boulevard, it will be the nonprofit agency's second location in Ocean County and 23rd site in its territory which covers Southern and Central NJ and the City of Philadelphia. Its sister Ocean County site is located in Bayville (333 Route 9). A late fall grand opening is anticipated.

Goodwill's Brick Store & Donation Center will be stocked with high-quality gently-used clothing, accessories, household items, toys, furniture and more. The site will also have a donation center in the rear of the store where local residents can donate gently-used items that they no longer need in return for a tax deduction.

Renovations are currently underway in preparation for a late fall opening. The new location will employ 35 local residents. For employment information, please contact Goodwill HR Manager Tim Reeser at 856-439-0200, ext. 286 or treeser@goodwillnj.org.

A nonprofit, community-based organization, Goodwill's charitable mission is to provide job training and career services that help local residents with disabilities and disadvantages get to work. The large scale collection and resale of donated goods fund these high caliber programs while contributing to the region's recycling efforts.

“Both donors and shoppers play a vital role in Goodwill’s ability to fulfill its charitable mission of helping people get to work, said Goodwill President & CEO Mark B. Boyd. “When you donate to Goodwill, you give new life to your gently-used items. A value conscious shopper purchases them and we use the revenues to fund important job training and career services that help individuals with special needs to first develop marketable job skills and then secure competitive jobs.”

Goodwill Industries of Southern New Jersey & Philadelphia is part of an international network of 165 autonomous, community-based Goodwills in the United States and Canada with 14 international affiliates. Currently, Goodwill operates 3,000+ retail locations nationwide. Collectively, Goodwill is a leading nonprofit provider of employment services for people with disabilities and disadvantages. In 2014, Goodwill ranked #11 in *Forbes* magazine’s top 20 most inspiring companies.

For more information on Goodwill Industries of Southern New Jersey & Philadelphia, please call 856/439-0200 or visit www.goodwillnj.org.