

## GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

### **Q. How is the Money used that ESA donates to Goodwill Industries?**

A. The Money donated to Goodwill Industries is used to support the vocational training of the disabled in over 40 different areas. A medical loan program is also supported by these monies. ALL MONEY RAISED IN KANSAS, STAYS IN KANSAS.

### **Q. Can you give me a brief history of Goodwill Industries?**

A. Goodwill Industries is located in Wichita, KS at 3636 N. Oliver. The building was built in the early 1970's and is completely accessible for the disabled. They are licensed by the Social and Rehabilitation Services, accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities and certified by the National Industries for the Severely Handicapped. Its vocational program is recognized nationwide.

### **Q. Who qualifies for help?**

A. Disabled adults who are residents of the state of Kansas may apply to Goodwill Industries for help.

### **Q. What kind of services does Goodwill provide?**

A. The services provided by the agency include: Sheltered employment, occupational skill training, supported employment, work activities, medical equipment loans, counseling information and referral. We also support programs for people who face other barriers to employment such as age, language, lack of education and the economically disadvantaged. These include Adult Literacy and GED preparation for at-risk youth.

### **Q. What makes the agency different from other non-profit groups that help people with disabilities?**

A. Goodwill Industries does not just serve one disability, such as Cerebral Palsy, or Muscular Dystrophy. No other organization in our area offers the variety of vocational training areas for the disabled, i.e. retail sales, clerk, dock worker, janitor, grocery shelf stocker, etc. Our organization is self-supporting and does not depend on government tax dollars for its survival.

### **Q. Does Goodwill Industries income solely come from contributions?**

A. The programs at Goodwill Industries are supported by three main categories: Store Sales = 75%, Contract sales= 15% and Donations = 10%.

### **Q. How can I help Goodwill Industries?**

A. Become a volunteer, give financial support, recognize and speak out on the rights of people with disabilities. Hold a Chapter or District project for the agency to help ESA become more visible in your community as a corporate sponsor. Remember, the money contributed in Kansas stays in Kansas.

If you need a program for your chapter meeting, pick up the phone and call (316) 744-9291. The staff is anxious to share the story of their agency with others.

Please contact the current State Goodwill Chairman if you are interested in participating in any project that is sponsored by ESA of Kansas. She will also assist you in planning a special event for Goodwill in your chapter or District. Videos about Goodwill are available to be checked out through your State Goodwill Chairman for educational programs.

Tours are also available through the plant facility at 3636 N. Oliver, Wichita, KS. They can be arranged on Monday through Friday for 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (that is when workers are on duty). Come and see for yourself that Goodwill is all about.

### **Donations and Reports:**

State awards are based on donations between April 1 and March 31. Send all reports to the State Goodwill Director no later than April 1 of the current year .