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Goodwill of Central Arizona appoints technology executive to serve as President & Chief Executive Officer

Goodwill of Central Arizona

Overview

Provides job skills training and career services for those with vocational disadvantages—including physical and emotional barriers, welfare dependency, illiteracy and homelessness

One of 184 independently operating Goodwill organizations worldwide

Serves Maricopa, Yuma, La Paz, Gila and portions of Pinal and Yavapai Counties

Positively impacts the community and individual lives by helping those with disadvantages obtain self-sufficiency and economic independence

2007 Highlights

Almost 11,000 youth and adults benefited from career and training services

4,600 employment opportunities were secured

\$60 million in total revenue

38 retail stores operating throughout central Arizona

850,000 donors

PHOENIX (June 05, 2008) — Goodwill of Central Arizona's Board of Directors has appointed the organization's sixth President & Chief Executive Officer since the non-profit opened its doors in 1947. James Teter, most recently the Chief Operating Officer at Calence, LLC in Tempe, Arizona, took the helm of the \$60M non-profit organization on June 2, 2008.

Teter brings more than 30 years of senior leadership experience to Goodwill from his impressive tenure in the technology field, where he earned a reputation for building teams, growing organizations' employees, revenues and services and aligning teams toward "One Team - One Mission". Teter has held senior leadership positions at Avnet, IBM, Savoir, and Lockwood Association. He has also served on the Board of the American Heart Association, was co-chairman for the South Texas United Way campaign and was an active member of the Corpus Christi Economic Development Corporation and Respite Care of San Antonio - rounding out his experience with a broad social services perspective.

"I really wanted the next part of my career to focus on impacting communities - making them a better place to live and work," said Jim Teter, President & CEO of Goodwill of Central Arizona. "For many years my family and I have been involved with nonprofit organizations addressing social and human service needs, so Goodwill's mission is a natural fit. I share this team's passion for positively impacting the lives of youth and adults in our community and I look forward to helping Goodwill of Central Arizona expand its already impressive service offerings."

Teter, a native of Texas, has resided in Arizona with his wife and children since relocating from San Antonio in 2001.

“The Board made a decision to appoint Jim based on his proven experience leading and growing organizations as well as his personal dedication to helping others through community service,” stated Sara Gordon, Chair, Goodwill’s Board of Directors. “We are confident he is the right person to lead Goodwill of Central Arizona into the future.”

Celebrating 60 years in the Valley, Goodwill of Central Arizona is one of the oldest and largest non-profit agencies in Arizona. Our mission is to “Put People to Work” throughout Arizona by providing job skills training, education and career services to those with vocational disadvantages that can include physical and emotional barriers, welfare dependency, illiteracy and age. In 2007, we served 11,000 youth and adults on their quest toward self-sufficiency and placed more than 4,600 into competitive employment. For more information on Goodwill of Central Arizona visit www.goodwillaz.org.

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