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## \*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\*

# Goodwill Career Centers expand hours of operations to meet record demand

### 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 basic skills deficiencies

One of 184 independently operating Goodwill organizations worldwide

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

90 cents of every dollar goes to our Mission

Positively impacts the community and individual lives by helping those with disadvantages obtain self-sufficiency through education and the power of work

#### 2007 Highlights

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

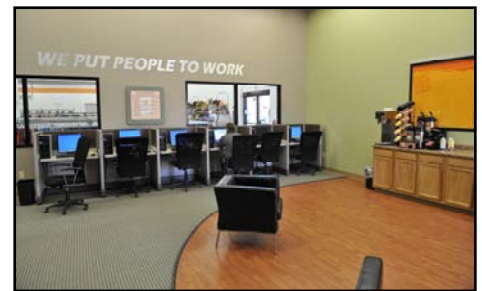
4,600 employment opportunities were secured

\$60 million in total revenue

39 retail stores operating throughout central Arizona

850,000 donors

**PHOENIX (September 5, 2008)** — In order to meet the increased demand for Goodwill of Central Arizona's career services, the nonprofit will expand the hours of four of its nine Career Centers. Partly due to changing conditions in the economy, jobseekers are requesting assistance at Goodwill's Career Centers in record numbers. So far this year, the Career Centers have supported more than 39,000 visits by individuals researching employment opportunities and assistance. Goodwill's Career Centers offer a wide range of career services and employment information, such as current job openings, market information, interview techniques and more.



Full-size images and captions available upon request.

**WHAT:** Goodwill of Central Arizona has expanded four of its nine Career Centers' hours of operations to meet increased demand by jobseekers.

**WHO:** Goodwill of Central Arizona's Career Centers

**WHEN:** (see individual Career Center hours below)

**WHERE:** **Peoria Career Center**  
67<sup>th</sup> and Peoria avenues  
(623) 878-7044  
Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Northern Career Center**  
35<sup>th</sup> and Northern avenues  
(602) 335-1531

Monday – Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**16<sup>th</sup> Street Career Center**  
16<sup>th</sup> and Van Buren streets  
(602) 416-6174

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Yuma Career Center**  
16<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
(928) 783-4190

Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Celebrating 60 years of serving the community, Goodwill of Central Arizona is one of the oldest and largest nonprofit agencies in Arizona. Our mission is to "Put People to Work" throughout Arizona by providing job training and career services to those with vocational disadvantages that can include physical and emotional barriers, welfare dependency, illiteracy and age. In 2007, we served almost 11,000 youth and adults on their quest toward self-sufficiency and secured more than 4,600 employment opportunities. For more information on Goodwill of Central Arizona, visit [www.goodwillaz.org](http://www.goodwillaz.org).