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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Goodwill Needs Your Gently Used Clothing/Household Items & You Need Free Gas

You are standing in front of your overcrowded closet thinking, of course, “I have nothing to wear.” Most of us have experienced this phenomenon at some point in our lives. So what is the solution? Out with the old and in with the new! At least that is one serial shopper’s theory! In all seriousness, many of us hold on to items that we no longer use or need. So here are 5 reasons to clean out that closet or kitchen cupboard today and donate gently used items to Goodwill!

1. **Donate to one of our Goodwill sites and enter your name into our MONTHLY drawing for a free GAS CARD!** Gas is expensive, so why not donate your stuff and maybe get some free gas!
2. **Making a Difference.** When you donate your gently used clothing or household items to Goodwill, the revenue generated from selling those items in our stores supports the programs we offer to the community. Programs such as our Social Work Department that saw more than 3,000 individuals in need last year and connected them with the services to find a job, get a winter coat, obtain prescriptions, etc. *Last year alone, Goodwill served more than 17,000 individuals in our community thanks to your donations!

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3. **Recycling.** Donating your items to Goodwill, instead of throwing them in the trash, means less garbage in our landfills. If someone else can wear it – why not donate it instead of trashing it!
4. **It's Convenient.** Log onto www.goodwillgoodskills.org for a donation center near you.
5. **A reason to shop.** Hello! If you have less in your closet, isn't that an automatic reason to buy new clothes? And don't forget to shop Goodwill for some great deals on used items, and new items too!

And don't forget, when you donate to Goodwill Industries, you are supporting a local organization that is supporting your local communities. Please consider making a material donation today!

Goodwill accepts clothing, household items and toys – even those birthday gifts that weren't quite right. Donations are collected and sold in the following 19 retail store locations: 260 Bluebell Dr. NW in New Philadelphia; 707 Canton Road in Carrollton; 2029 West State St. in Alliance; 2254 Locust St. in Canal Fulton; 4510 West Tuscarawas St. in Canton; and 2630 Atlantic Blvd. in Canton; 950 South Main St. in North Canton; 864A West Maple in Hartville; 2745 Indian River Rd. SW in Massillon; 103 Main St. in Wintersville and 306 Penco Rd. in Weirton, West Virginia; 2295 East 55th St. in Cleveland; 13719 Lorain Rd. in Cleveland; 12650 A Rockside Rd. in Cleveland; 23100 Lorain Rd. in North Olmsted; 6339 Old York Rd. in Parma Hts.; and 2720 Van Aken Blvd. in Shaker; 33459 Vine St. in Eastlake; and 6880 Unit 5 Pear Road (Kronheim's Plaza) in Middleburg Heights. Donations also can be dropped off at Goodwill's Attended Donation Centers located in Stark and Cuyahoga Counties.

Receipts will be provided to donors at drop-off sites for tax deduction purposes.

Your Donations make Good Skills Possible! Find out how by logging onto our NEW Web site at www.goodwillgoodskills.org.

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