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Every year, your Goodwill honors three people who embody the spirit of Goodwill’s desire to help people become the best versions of themselves. On March 16, 2017, Sam, Tracy, and Matt will each receive an award; a milestone along their journeys to do just that.

Sam was once labeled “unemployable.” Goodwill helped him reach his full potential through computer training, soft skills training, and job readiness coaching. He completed his program and is in the final stages of accepting a job offer.

Tracy is motivated by an unwavering desire to break the cycle of addiction. With the help of Goodwill’s “Dream to Achieve” Program, she is working her way through a 10-year plan to own a recovery center for women.

Matt faced almost constant bullying that impacted his grades and social skills. Goodwill’s Youth Summer Employment Program helped him get a job that has lasted well beyond summer, and he is determined to “thrive, not just survive.”

You will be hearing a lot more about these three remarkable individuals as the year progresses. Remember, this is all supported by our shoppers and donors, who help make Goodwill’s work possible!
Dear Friends,

In this issue we are remembering Goodwill’s CEO and leader, Ken Weber. Those who knew Ken may be familiar with this, one of his favorite stories. Those who didn’t, I encourage you to get to know him through this perfectly serendipitous account:

One day several years ago, Ken was giving a tour of the brand new Community Campus at Goodwill (located in Canton), to some executives of a prominent local business. These executives had made a significant contribution to the capital campaign that helped build the campus, and this was Ken’s chance to show them exactly how - and why - their dollars had been spent. As they walked and talked, Ken explained how wrap-around services work, and why it was so important to have so many different service providers under one roof. Interesting? Sure. Persuasive? Yes. Were these executives going to leave and tell everyone they knew about the extraordinary things happening at the campus? Maybe...UNTIL.

Until they rounded a corner where a woman sat, clearly disheveled and showing signs of being out in the weather. Ken stopped the tour, and asked if she was okay. A huge smile appeared on her tired face. She explained that she had come in just to get some food from the pantry, and would have been happy with that. But along the way, an employee walked her over to the charitable pharmacy, and now she was waiting to get a supply of medication that she’d gone without for a while. Once that was ready, she had been asked to stop back at the social worker’s office to talk about a warm, dry, and safe place to sleep that night - something she never dreamed was in the plans when she had first walked through the door.

Needless to say, the business leaders turned into Goodwill ambassadors in that moment, and still are today. Ken’s legacy lives on in that he saw needs before others even knew they had them - and was also blessed with the gift of being able turn ideas into actions. He will be missed, but impossible to forget. On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Goodwill staff, and the people we serve, I say “thank you, Ken.”

Greg Luntz
Chair, Goodwill Board of Directors
Community Responds to Call for Help

On November 21, your Goodwill suffered a fire at its warehouse building in Canton where a large portion of Goodwill’s donations are stored. “All Goodwill employees who were at the warehouse at the time of the fire were evacuated immediately and were unharmed,” said Doug Widrig, Vice President of Retail Operations. The warehouse is a shared space, and the fire occurred in a portion controlled by another company. Thousands of Goodwill donations suffered significant smoke damage and were deemed unusable.

Goodwill’s business model relies on donations from the community, which are sold in Goodwill stores; the revenue helps to support local programs and services that help local people train for, find, and keep good jobs. During the holiday season, Goodwill expressed the great need for material donations to the public, and you responded! In the month of December, Goodwill donations increased by 7.5 percent over the previous year. Now, in the peak of “donation drought” season during the winter months, your Goodwill has enough stock to get us through to the spring.

“Our community members have been so supportive of Goodwill during this trying time,” explained Anne Richards, Interim President and CEO. “We asked, and you responded with significant outpouring of donations. Thank you! We can’t express enough how grateful we are to our amazing donors. We would not be able to provide life changing programs and services without your support,” she said.

Celebrate With Us!

The first quarter of 2017 marks one-year anniversaries for three of our retail stores. Last year, Goodwill grand opened retail stores in Strongsville and Mayfield Heights, and opened its first ever Outlet Store in Jackson Township. Goodwill is thankful to be part of these well-respected business communities and extends a warm “thank you” to all of our new donors and patrons at these locations. Each and every Goodwill shopper and donor is important and contributes to Goodwill’s mission – improving the quality of life and employment opportunities for all people.

In addition, Goodwill would like to recognize and thank our Board of Directors, retail department leadership, store supervisors and employees. Without your support and devotion to Goodwill, our success would not be possible.

Goodwill is proud to serve the Strongsville, Mayfield Heights and Jackson Township communities, and looks forward to continued growth and success for many years to come. Thank you to all for your support!

Top right: The Goodwill OUTLET has been well-received, as bargain hunters and treasure hunters alike enjoy the per pound pricing and constant rotation of inventory.

Bottom right: The Strongsville location boasts some of the highest donation levels in our territory (which means a GREAT selection for shoppers too)! Thank you!

Above: The Grand Opening of the Mayfield Heights store enjoyed remarkable support from local leaders. Thank you, Mayfield Heights!
Goodwill Remembers CEO Ken Weber

Goodwill Industries of Greater Cleveland and East Central Ohio’s (Goodwill) President and Chief Executive Officer, Kenneth L. Weber, passed away on December 12, 2016 in Canton, Ohio, surrounded by family.

Ken joined the Goodwill movement in 1997, serving as a member of Retail Operations at Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin. In 2002, he relocated to Canton, Ohio to serve as the President and CEO of the local Goodwill. During his 14-year tenure at our Goodwill, Ken encouraged agency growth leading to an increase in the number of people touched by Goodwill’s mission, the expansion of Goodwill’s retail footprint across our 10 county territory, and the successful merger of two Goodwill organizations.

Additionally, Ken fostered the growth of more than 20 additional non-profits in the area through bringing his vision of a Community Campus to life in Canton. The Community Campus at Goodwill’s purpose is to provide a “one stop shop” for community members needing multiple social services. Because of the Community Campus, area non-profits have the ability to collaborate and create positive impact within our community.

Outside of Goodwill, Ken’s passion for serving others extended to his involvement with other charities and leadership organizations such as Red Tree House, the Canton Museum of Art, the Rotary Club of Canton, the Cleveland Leadership Center, the Cleveland City Club and the Greater Cleveland Partnership.

Just prior to his death, Ken was awarded a high honor within the Goodwill community and was recognized as the 2017 P.J. Trevethan Award Recipient. This award honors commitment to staff development and training. The 2016 Trevethan winner and CEO of Goodwill Industries of North Georgia, Ray Bishop, presented the award to Ken via phone just before his passing.

Through Ken’s leadership, our Goodwill organization offers a unique “Beyond Great” culture. “Beyond Great” was born out of a strong desire by Ken and his senior leadership team to engage employees to think beyond just good, to great and then beyond great. This is a mindset that embraces customer service, celebration, fun, health and wellness and striving to achieve one’s dreams.

Surely, Ken Weber left a profound, positive impact on all within Goodwill and those we serve. We are thankful to have known Ken and to have been touched by his generosity and servant leadership. Goodwill’s employees, senior leadership and Board of Directors remembers Ken warmly and extends sincere and heartfelt condolences to his family and loved ones.

Anne Richards, Vice President of Human Resources at Goodwill, is serving as interim President and CEO while the Board of Directors searches for the right person to guide Goodwill forward.

“Leadership is not about titles, positions, or flowcharts. It is about one life influencing another.”
– John C. Maxwell
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| EASTLAKE                     | 33459 Vine St. 440.942.6910                                            |             |
| GARFIELD                     | 12650 A Rockside Rd. 216.581.6320                                       |             |
| HARTVILLE                    | 864 A West Maple St. 330.877.7921                                       |             |
| JACKSON TWP.                 | 7257 Fulton Dr. NW 234.348.9003                                         |             |
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| Cleveland Stores:           |                                                                         |             |
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| CLEVELAND - FAIRWOOD       | 13719 Lorain Rd. 216.252.7780                                          |             |
| MASSILLON                   | 2745 Indian River Rd. SW 330.833.9825                                    |             |
| MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS         | 6605 Mayfield Rd. 440.683.1602                                           |             |
| ROCKY RIVER                 | 14690 Snow Rd. 216.862.2700                                             |             |
| CANTON                      | 950 & 954 South Main St. 330.494.2464                                    |             |

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