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Goodwill Industries reduces electronic waste by accepting old computers

GREENSBORO – In the Piedmont Triad, residents have a place to take old computers and computer equipment, get a tax deduction and reduce electronic waste (e-waste) in the landfills – Goodwill Industries of Central North Carolina. While legislation is being proposed to create programs to increase recycling of old computer monitors, mice, keyboards, CPUs and other computer equipment, Goodwill Industries currently accepts all of these materials for recycling and/or resale in Goodwill Retail stores and Donation Centers.

In a joint venture with Dell, Goodwill Industries of Central North Carolina created the Dell Reconnect program to accept e-waste, disassemble the products and sale/reuse what is useable. Services are on-site to erase hard drives and demanufacture computer units. The best part is that with each computer donated, local residents are being put to work in Goodwill Industries' Work First program.

“Through the Dell Reconnect program, Goodwill is an active partner in bettering the environment, but old computers provide new jobs to those residents who are getting hands-on work experience as they learn new job skills,” said Rick Gorham, president of Goodwill Industries of Central North Carolina, “this program keeps e-waste out of the landfill, provides tax donations for donors and gives people jobs, so it’s a win-win for all.”

Donations can be made at a Goodwill donation site at any Guilford, Alamance, Randolph, Rockingham and Caswell county Goodwill Donation site. All donations are tax-deductible and donation pick-ups can be scheduled. To learn more about what items can be donated, visit TriadGoodwill.org

ABOUT GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF CENTRAL NC

Goodwill Industries of Central North Carolina, Inc. promotes the value of work through the provision of work opportunities for people with special employment needs. Last year Goodwill served almost 10,000 people in the community and helped place over 1,600 into competitive employment. The sales from our 17 retail stores account for almost 88% of the operating funds.

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