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## **Goodwill Opens New Pioneer Valley Job Training and Operations Center**

**SPRINGFIELD (June 30, 2022)** – Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries has opened a new Pioneer Valley Job Training and Operations Center in Springfield replacing the prior site.

The center, which houses Goodwill's mission services and retail operations in Western Massachusetts, is located at 245 Cadwell Drive in Springfield.

"Opening the Pioneer Valley Job Training and Operations Center is a key step in implementing our vision for serving the region. It will be the locus of our mission services that help individuals with barriers to self-sufficiency enter and succeed in the workforce. And, it will provide the operational infrastructure for our retail enterprise," said Joanne K. Hilferty, President and CEO of Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries.

The state of the art facility has classrooms, a computer lab and other spaces for job training and related services. It also houses a retail distribution center where donations of clothing and household goods are processed by Goodwill staff and training participants for distribution to and sale in the Goodwill stores.

In 2019, Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries assumed responsibility for the former operations of Goodwill Industries of the Pioneer Valley.

## **About Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries**

Goodwill's mission is to help individuals with barriers to self-sufficiency to achieve independence and dignity through work. It provides job training programs for individuals who are responding to challenges such as disabilities, domestic violence, low educational attainment and previous incarceration. Goodwill also operates MassHire Boston Career Center, a one-stop career center located in Boston that offers universal access to a broad range of services for job seekers. The Goodwill stores in Massachusetts provide jobs and on-the-job training opportunities and offer quality, low-cost goods to individuals and families looking for value. To learn more, visit Goodwill online at <a href="https://www.goodwillmass.org">www.goodwillmass.org</a> or follow on social media @goodwillboston.