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Re: Goodwill Industries awarded highest level of CARF accreditation

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Goodwill awarded three-year CARF accreditation

Santa Cruz, CA – June 28, 2007- CARF announced that Goodwill and its division, Shoreline Workforce Development Services, has been accredited for a period of three years for its Job Development, Job Support, Job-Site Training, Vocational Evaluation, Coordination and Skills Training Services Programs. The latest accreditation is the 9th consecutive Three-Year Accreditation outcome that the international accrediting commission has awarded to Goodwill Industries.

This accreditation outcome represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the standards established by CARF. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation outcome has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

Goodwill Industries of Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties, Inc. is a non-profit organization with offices in Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Luis Obispo providing services since 1928.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

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