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**GOOD TURNS PRODUCE GREAT RETURNS!
Help Goodwill Industries® and the Boy Scouts
Provide Job Training in our Community!**

Shreveport, LA — March 10, 2009 — Goodwill Industries® of North Louisiana and the Norwela Council of the Boy Scouts of America are partnering again to hold their annual Good Turn Boy Scout Clothing Drive.

For over 50 years, dedicated scouts throughout Northwest Louisiana have participated in the annual Good Turn Clothing Drive and exemplify their creed of showing responsibility, caring, self-discipline, and citizenship. By volunteering to collect donations, the Boy Scouts, together with donors from across Northwest Louisiana, help keep people with disabilities and other barriers to employment working in our communities.

On March 14, 2009, scouting troops from Northwest Louisiana will collect donations of gently used clothing and other household items, which will be recycled back into the community through Goodwill's retail stores. This process provides job opportunities in Goodwill's retail facilities, funds job training and job placement services for people with disabilities and other disadvantages that live in North Louisiana, and keeps thousands of tons of usable goods out of landfills each year. Donations from scouts, and the general public, will be collected at Mall St. Vincent, near Dillard's, in Shreveport, Pierre Bossier Mall, near JC Penny's, in Bossier City, and at the Minden Goodwill Store. Donations at Mall St. Vincent will only be collected from 9 - 11 AM.

***A Good Turn is more than simple good manners.
It is a special act of kindness.
The Boy Scout Handbook, 11th Edition, p. 55***

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ABOUT GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH LOUISIANA

Goodwill Industries® of North Louisiana, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit agency that serves people with workplace disadvantages and disabilities by providing job training and

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employment services, as well as job placement opportunities and post-employment support. Goodwill Industries® of North Louisiana is a member of Goodwill Industries® International (GII) and the United Way of Northwest Louisiana, affiliated with NISH (formerly known as National Industries for the Severely Handicapped), and accredited for its employee development services and community employment services programs by CARF—the Commission on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities. Goodwill Industries® of North Louisiana is also a member of the Louisiana Association of Nonprofit Organizations (LANO) and certified through its ethics and accountability program, the Louisiana Standards of Excellence. www.goodwillnla.org

ABOUT NORWELA COUNCIL – BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

It is the mission of the Norwela Council of the Boy Scouts of America to develop character, leadership, and positive values for the benefit of the youth, families, and communities that we serve. We accomplish our mission with the dedicated help of the Norwela Council's volunteer and professional staff & community support. Incorporated on December 2, 1925, the Norwela Council covers the nine northwest parishes of Louisiana: Caddo, Bossier, Webster, Claiborne, Red River, DeSoto, Natchitoches, Sabine, and Bienville.

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