Goodwill Outlet Center Expands Hours

In April of 2017, Goodwill of the Great Plains opened their first Outlet Center. The Outlet Center offers additional discounts on items typically found in Goodwill stores. This fast-paced and exciting shopping experience offers Goodwill finds at a price per pound. Shoppers line up for the store to open with anticipation of the treasures they will find.

Starting October 6th, the Outlet Center expanded store hours to include Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. The Outlet Center is now open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10 am to 6 pm and Saturdays 10 am to 3 pm. The Outlet Center is located at 3100 West 4th Street in Sioux City, IA. Come check it out!

Serving Veterans

Goodwill of the Great Plains continues their commitment to supporting Veterans through annual Stand Down events and the Boots to Suits program. Stand Down is a military term meaning to take rest. On September 21st in Sioux Falls, SD a total of 163 Veterans received warm clothing items and a meal from Goodwill during the event held at the local VFW. The Rapid City Stand Down is scheduled for November 8th and will provide warm clothing and a meal to Veterans attending this event.

As Veterans Day nears Goodwill will offer $40 store gift cards to Veterans in need of clothing when they register to participate in the Boots to Suits program at one of the 20 Goodwill of the Great Plains store locations. Year-round Veterans can enjoy a discount of 6% when shopping with Goodwill of the Great Plains.

Integrated Day Services Expand Community Activities

Goodwill of the Great Plains takes pride in offering meaningful and diverse community experiences for participants in Integrated Day Services. This year has brought the opportunity for participation in Kick-Boxing and Yoga classes. These classes offer physical fitness and help individuals reach their healthy living goals. Here’s what we heard from participants when asked about these activities:

"Yoga made me better. Happy and less stressed." Ernesto G

"Yoga made me feel wonderful." Joleen C

"I learned to work on my breath work and that helped me with calming down." Bill E

"Yoga made me feel better. Happy." Ricky W

"Boxing made me happy and confident." Preston S

"Boxing helped me feel less stressed and strong." Jennifer M

"Boxing helped me feel confident." Matthew S

"I really enjoyed the class. It was fun." Kim W

Kick-boxing classes were funded through a grant from the Siouxland Community Foundation. Yoga classes were offered as a short-term program for 6 weeks. The goal of Integrated Day Services is to connect individuals to activities in the community in which they live. Participants develop a calendar each month which offers variety and choice each day for those in Goodwill’s program. Goodwill is always looking for new ideas for community participation in free or low cost activities. Many options are limited due to cost.