



CEO UPDATE

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The first few months of 2019 have been a whirlwind. Both donations and sales are up over last year by a fair amount, the Gaylor Dining Facility opened with twenty-five Palmetto Goodwill employees, planning and renovations for the new GW Boutique in Pawley's Island are ongoing, the Hippy Dash has a record number of registrants, and new Culinary Kick-Start trainings have been added in Georgetown and Charleston.

Add to that the Board Retreat, preparing for our CARF audit, the Flo's Memorabilia Sale, our Kick-Start and Veterans for Manufacturing courses, planning for the Shining Star Awards Banquet and several upcoming Opportunity Fairs, and it's not an understatement to say that staff has barely had time to breath.



I'm obviously very proud of all our employees and their hard work, but I want to congratulate and recognize one specifically. It's just been announced that our very own Reggie Hughes has been awarded the Goodwill Industries International Advocacy Leadership Award. I am in awe of Reggie's dedication to advocacy and am proud to say he is on the Palmetto Goodwill team. I can think of nobody more deserving. Congratulations Reggie!

2019 Board Retreat



The Board Retreat held February 7-8 in Myrtle Beach was a great success. Not only did it help orient our newest Board members on the issues and initiatives relevant to Palmetto Goodwill, but it served to stimulate much discussion on growth opportunities in the future. Thanks to our Board for their time, insights and commitment to the Goodwill cause!



Goodwill at Work: A \$20k contribution for flood relief to Waccamaw Community Foundation through Round UP; a Flo's memorabilia sale in Murrells Inlet for the Grand Strand Culinary Kick-Start; and Bluffton Associate Jessica Shepard being recognized and rewarded for returning a mistaken donation. Great job by everyone on the Goodwill team!

Opening of Dining Facility Celebrated



On February 1 Palmetto Goodwill celebrated the opening of the Gaylor Dining Facility at Charleston AFB. Palmetto Goodwill is a sub-contractor of Sodexo at the site and will be providing custodial, cashier and scullery duties. The contract employs twenty-five Goodwill employees, ready and truly grateful for the opportunity to serve those who defend our country.

