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Our Men in Blue who work on the docks and keep the goodwill flowing

**The Men In Blue!**



Goodwill's Men In Blue arrived at Scherer Park in Long Beach on Saturday, March 15, to rid the city of those landfilling e-waste creatures such as television sets, computer monitors, and other electronic accessories. It's a tough job, but someone has to do it—that's why we have **"The Men In Blue."** (Left to right: **Jesus Guillen, John Perez, Kenyon Mackel, Tyrone Guest, David Scott, Transportation Manager and Harold Atchinson**).

**New Wireless Telephone Laws Begin July 1, 2008**



Two new laws dealing with the use of wireless telephones while driving go into effect July 1, 2008. Below is a list of frequently asked questions concerning these new laws.

**Q:** When do the new wireless telephone laws take effect?

**A:** The new laws take effect **July 1, 2008.**

**Q:** What is the difference between the two laws?

**A:** The first prohibits all drivers from using a handheld wireless telephone while operating a motor vehicle. Motorists 18 and over may use a hands-free device. Drivers under the age of 18 may NOT use a wireless telephone or hands-free device while operating a motor vehicle.

**Q:** What if I need to use my telephone during an emergency, and I do not have a hands-free device?

**A:** The law allows a driver to use a wireless telephone to make emergency calls to a law enforcement agency, a medical provider, the fire department, or other emergency services agency.



### Job Openings

Goodwill encourages qualified employees to seek promotional opportunities or career changes at Goodwill. Eligible employees may apply for promotion and or transfer to all openings and will be given the same consideration as applicants from outside Goodwill.

To be eligible an employee must have been employed by Goodwill for a minimum of 90 days and have had no disciplinary activity of any kind within the preceding 6 months.

Applications for promotion and or transfer can be obtained from the H.R. Department and must be submitted to the employee's immediate supervisor and sent to the Division Director for approval.

### Current Openings

Sales Associate/

Material Handler

Store Manager

Assistant Store Manager

### ShopGoodwill Keeps on Selling and Selling and.....



◆ *Collection of Shirley Temple Books* sold for: \$344.00 plus \$113.00

◆ *1936 Silvertone Art Deco Radio* sold for: \$131.00



◆ *Nice Epiphone Acoustic Guitar* sold for: 312.00

◆ *Fender Stratocaster Cream Colored* sold for: \$330.00

◆ *Enamel Clown Brooch Hattie Carnegie* sold for: \$137.00

◆ *NICE! Vintage Light Mink Coat w/Fox Fur Trim* went for an amazing \$704.00



Thank you to all the stores for your collaborative efforts in helping us to achieve our goal. Our success is your success as well.

*Teri Leyva, Production Assistant*

### Reuse, Recycle, Renew, Donate E-Waste



(left) Richard Guiss, Dir. PR & Development, GoodwillSolac and (right), Councilmember Rae Gabelich, 8th District

More than 140 donors arrived at Scherer Park in Long Beach to recycle their used computer monitors, television sets and other accessories at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual E-Waste Collection Drive held on Saturday, March 15.

Sponsored by Councilwoman Rae Gabelich of the 8<sup>th</sup> District, Long Beach; Goodwill, Serving the People of Southern Los Angeles County; along with Su Casa, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the North Division Police Substation, the donation drive provides local residents with a safe and responsible way to dispose of their electronic waste.

“Most electronic items contain toxic substances like mercury and lead and it is illegal to throw those items away in the trash,” said Janet McCarthy-Wilson, President & CEO of Goodwill. “These old monitors and televisions will be recycled by Goodwill, with proceeds going directly to our education, skills training and employment placement programs,” she said.

The donated cell phones went to Su Casa. The cellular phones are used as emergency life lines for Su Casa clients, which provides domestic violence shelters and crisis intervention.





# Q&A

## IT Corner

### Keyboard Commands

Do you find yourself typing the same text or numbers again



and again, or need to move a string of characters to other loca-

tion?

You can save time and wear on your fingers by using those old fashion standard "macros:" CUT, COPY, and PASTE.

By highlighting the text, then copying and pasting it to different location you can get your work done faster and your hands will thank you for it.

Using your mouse, move the mouse cursor (the I beam cursor) on the text and highlight with the mouse, by holding down the mouse left button and drag across the text. Alternatively, hold down the shift key and use the directional arrows to highlight the text or numbers.

Then, use the shortcut keys, **CTRL+X** for the **CUT** command, **CTRL+C** for the **COPY** command and move the mouse cursor, the "I" beam cursor, to the new location and hit **CTRL+V** to paste the text.

If you get the hang of these common commands, CUT, COPY and PASTE, try it between programs such as MS Word and Excel or even the web sites. Until next time, *happy clicking*.

## "Do The Right Thing" Wants to Hear from You

This is just a friendly reminder to you all to let you know that "Do The Right Thing" is still here for your access. We want to hear from you. Remember to do the right thing is to go beyond the ordinary to achieve a goal or to lend a helping hand. The Do The Right Thing committee is waiting to hear from you.

*Crystal Towns, Paramount Store, (562) 602-1856*

## New Laws Using Cell Phones

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**Q:** What are the fines if I'm convicted?

**A:** The base fine for the FIRST offense is \$20 and \$50 for subsequent convictions. According to the Uniform Bail and Penalty Schedule, with the addition of penalty assessments, a first offense is \$76 and a second offense is \$190.

**Q:** Will I receive a point on my drivers license if I'm convicted for a violation of the wireless telephone law?

**A:** NO. The violation is a reportable offense; however, DMV will not assign a violation point.

**Q:** Will the conviction appear on my driving record?

**A:** Yes, but the violation point will not be added.

**Q:** Will there be a grace period and will motorists only get a warning?

**A:** NO. The law becomes in effect on July 1, 2008. Whether a citation is issued is always at the discretion of the officer based upon his or her determination of the most appropriate remedy for the situation.

**Q:** Are passengers affected by this law?

**A:** No. This law only applies to the person driving a motor vehicle.

**Q:** Do these laws apply to out-of-state drivers whose home states do not have such laws?

**A:** Yes

**Q:** Can I be pulled over by a law enforcement officer for using my handheld wireless telephone?

**A:** YES. A law enforcement officer can pull you over just for this infraction.

**Q:** What if my phone has a push-to-talk feature, can I use that?

**A:** No. The law does provide an exception for those operating a commercial motor truck or truck tractor (excluding pickups), implements of husbandry, farm vehicle or tow truck, to use a two-way radio operated by a "push-to-talk" feature.

**Q:** What other exceptions are there?

**A:** Operators of an authorized emergency vehicle during the course of employment are exempt as are those motorists operating a vehicle on private property.



The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is here for you. You or your family members can use EAP for Grief and Loss, Emotional challenges, Stress management, Marriage and Family conflict services.

It's easy to reach them and it's **Confidential**. Their toll free number is **800-977-7287**. You can also send them an email at **askaffinity@acieap.com**.

Access to a computer? Surf the Net at <http://www.affinity-online.com>. Our user name is: **good** and the password is: **aci**

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## Don't Fall for IRS-Related Scams



If you receive an unsolicited call or e-mail from the Internal Revenue Service watch out. You're not talking to Uncle Sam. The IRS recently issued a warning about identity theft schemes using the agency's name. Checks for the stimulate Rebate will go out starting in May 2008, and consumers will receive letters from the IRS explaining the rebates, **not** phone calls.

### Tax Refund E-mail Scams

**Do's:**

- Use a firewall and update your internet security software.
- Report suspicious phone calls or e-mails from the IRS to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov).
- Visit the IRS office Web site directly at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) if you have a question.

**Don't:**

- Click on links or open attachments from unsolicited e-mails from the IRS.
- Give out any personal information to anyone calling on behalf of the IRS.
- Divulge any personal information in an online form to claim a tax refund.

## Some of What Is Happening Around Goodwill April & May

### **Retail Operations**

April 22 (Thursday) E-Waste & Goods Collection Events  
Toyota Goodwill Earth Day Drive – Torrance  
Kaiser facilities in Harbor City & Bellflower

### **Employee Events**

May 5 (Monday) Goodwill Week Special General Assembly  
May 9 (Friday) GW Week BBQ – Main facility

### **General**

April 1 (Tuesday) Goodwill Store Mgr Meeting  
April 1 (Tuesday) Safety Committee Meeting  
May 4 – May 10 National Goodwill Industries Week  
May 5 (Monday) Goodwill Store Mgr Meeting

### **Workforce & Development Programs**

April 4 (Friday) Project MOVE Graduation  
April 7 (Monday) Project MOVE Apprenticeship begins  
April 10 (Thursday) Certified Nursing Assistant Training Class Begins  
May 14 (Wed.) 3rd Annual Southern Los Angeles County Job Fair  
9AM to Noon at the New Philadelphia AME Church  
on the boarder of Rancho Dominguez/Compton