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Trelles Evans Announced as New Regional Director at Goodwill
Evans will lead Goodwill's reentry work

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Goodwill of Central and Southern Indiana announces a new regional director of re-entry, Trelles Evans. In addition to leading the growth of our New Beginnings direct service program, Evans will develop and lead our efforts to become a known local and national model for justice-involved citizens.

Evans has been with Goodwill for almost 16 years, previously serving as director of disability and re-entry services and the director of employee development and training.

“Over the past decade, we have proven that the concept of reentry support works,” said Evans. “In this new role, I look forward to continuing to reduce the barriers experienced by justice-involved citizens, both locally and nationally.”

New Beginnings, Goodwill's reentry program, is designed to meet the needs of individuals reentering their communities after incarceration. The program provides participants with employment skills training through paid entry-level work. Once participants are equipped with the necessary technical and soft skills, they are able to transition to a skilled, in-demand career in their community. Program supports also include assistance with housing, health care, financial literacy, substance abuse, mental health and much more.

“Recidivism in Indiana is nearly five times the rate of recidivism for New Beginnings graduates, and 98% are placed into a full-time job upon completion of the program,” said Evans. “Goodwill is well-positioned to continue removing the barriers and offering the support needed for those involved in our reentry work to improve their lives and the lives of their families.”

Evans is a PhD candidate, studying human and social services, with a concentration in criminal justice from Walden University. She possesses an MBA from Indiana Wesleyan University and a bachelor of science in psychology from Indiana University. She also holds a certification in trauma informed care.

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Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana changes lives every day by empowering people to increase their independence and reach their potential through education, health and employment. The organization serves 39 Indiana counties and operates more than 70 retail locations, as well as charter schools for adults and youth, a maternal-child health program, a child care center and more.