Goodwill Industries International Inc.
2012 Legislative and Policy Priorities

Federal Priorities

**Level A:** Pressing. Involves playing a significant leadership role in advocacy efforts; actively lobbying Congress and the Administration.

- Funding (Budget and Appropriations)
- Older Workers (Older American Act Reauthorization – Title V)
- Welfare (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Reauthorization)
- Workforce Development and Job Creation

**Level B:** Pressing and proactive. Involves direct and grassroots advocacy, and the media.

- Charitable Donations
- Federal Contracts (JWOD/AbilityOne Modernization)
- Health Care Reform Implementation
- Military Service Members, Veterans, and Their Families

**Level C:** Monitoring and reactive. Involves participation in coalitions. May involve signing onto letters.

- Environment (Electronic Waste)
- Financial Stability: (VITA, SNAP, and Asset Development)
- Improved Transition for Youth with Disabilities (IDEA)
- People with Criminal Backgrounds (Second Chance Act Reauthorization)
- Youth Employment and Development

**Level D:** Monitoring or learning. Involves monitoring issues of interest, yet are not active.

- Ethics and Nonprofit Governance (Sarbanes Oxley, Executive Compensation, and IRS Form 990)
- Health Care Reform Repeal

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Federal Funding Priorities

**Level A:** Pressing and proactive. Requires Goodwill to take a leadership role. Involves developing resources and technical support for state-level advocacy by Goodwill agencies and associations.

- AgrAbility (Ag Appropriations and Farm Bill Reauthorization)
- Community College/CBO Partnerships
- Capacity Building.
- SCSEP
- Workforce Investment Act

**Level B:** Pressing and proactive. Involves direct and grassroots advocacy, and the media.

- OJJDP (Youth Mentoring)
- Community Colleges (Partnerships and Pell Grants)
- Youth Summer Jobs
- DOL’s Wage and Hour Division

**Level C:** Monitoring and reactive. Involves participation in coalitions. May involve signing onto letters.

- Second Chance Act
- Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program
- Transitional Jobs
- Veterans Workforce Investment Program (VWIP)
- Youthbuild
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)
- Per diem grants
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- State-level Priorities

**Level D:** Monitoring or learning. Involves monitoring issues of interest, yet are not active.

- Adult Education
- Veterans Assistance Supportive Housing

**State-Level Priorities**

- Charitable Donations (Donation Bins)
- Environment (Textiles and Electronic Waste both computers and televisions)