



Goodwill Industries International, Inc. 2015 Legislative and Policy Priorities

Federal Priorities

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Leadership and Grassroots/Grasstops Mobilization: GII will lead advocacy and potentially lead or build coalitions.

- Charitable giving
- Employment for people with disabilities (vocational rehabilitation and Fair Labor Standards Act)
- Funding (community college partnerships/Pell grants, Senior Community Services Employment Program, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and Wage and Hour)
- Workforce development, job creation and skills attainment (WIOA implementation, Older Americans Act reauthorization, and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families reauthorization)

Proactive Collaborative Engagement: GII will actively participate in coalition advocacy with other organizations.

- Donated goods retail (First-Sale Doctrine, Internet sales tax)
- Federal contracts (Javits-Wagner-O'Day /AbilityOne Modernization)
- Funding (capacity building, Pay for Success/Social Impact Bonds, youth mentoring, and vocational rehabilitation)
- Supporting military service members, veterans, and their families

Monitoring and Reactive Collaborative Engagement: GII will monitor and participate in advocacy led by other organizations, as prudent.

- Financial wellness (asset development and Volunteer Income Tax Assistance)
- Funding (youth summer jobs, Second Chance Act, and Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, per diem grants)
- Higher education
- Internet (net neutrality, cybersecurity)
- People who have a criminal background (Second Chance Act Reauthorization)
- Nonprofit governance (governance and ethics: Sarbanes-Oxley, executive compensation, and IRS form 990)
- Youth development and employment

Monitoring or Learning: GII will monitor legislative and/or administrative developments.

- Donated goods retail (Consumer Product Safety)
- Employment for people with disabilities (work supports, Medicaid, SSI/SSDI, OASDI)
- Environment (electronic waste and reuse)
- Financial wellness (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and Earned Income Tax Credits)
- Funding (adult education)
- Immigration
- Health care regulations

State-level Public Policy Priorities

- Charitable donations and donation bins
- Environment (electronic waste and reuse)

FY 2015 Funding Priorities

Leadership and Grassroots/Grasstops Mobilization

- Community college partnerships/Pell grants
- Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division
- Senior Community Service Employment Program
- Workforce Improvement and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Proactive Collaborative Engagement

- Capacity building
- Vocational rehabilitation
- Youth mentoring

Monitoring and Reactive Collaborative Engagement

- Second Chance Act
- Veterans (Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, Veterans Workforce Investment Program, and Per Diem Grants)
- Youth summer jobs

Monitoring or Learning

- Adult education