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Champaign Goodwill Store To Remain Temporarily Closed.

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS... **Land of Lincoln Goodwill Industries will continue to keep its Champaign retail store and donation center temporarily closed. A future reopening date has not been set.** On July 6, a Goodwill employee at the Champaign store reported positive test results for COVID-19 before coming to work and was instructed to stay home. Land of Lincoln Goodwill continues to be in contact with the Champaign County Health Department and is following their guidelines as well as our own safety protocols.

“We want to be certain we can staff the store adequately and safely for our customers before announcing a future reopening date,” said Land of Lincoln Goodwill CEO, Ron Culves. “All of our Champaign employees have been tested and the results can take up to seven days to come in, according to the Health Department.”

The Goodwill store in Champaign had been following strict safety precautions since the outbreak began and as of this past Monday, the store has been completely disinfected according to CDC guidelines. “We have no concerns about the store’s safety at this time,” said Culves. “We just want our customer and donors to know we have a healthy and safe team inside the store.”

At all Goodwill stores every employee undergoes both morning and mid-day health screenings daily. In accordance with the State’s guidelines, all 15 retail stores operate under reduced hours: 10 am – 6 pm, Monday thru Saturday and Noon – 5 pm on Sunday. The stores also operate with occupancy limits to support social distancing and signs are posted at the entrance to each store outlining this and other safety precautions.

Once all the employee test results are known and a plan is in place to staff the Champaign store, an announcement of a future reopening date will be made.

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Land of Lincoln Goodwill Industries is a non-profit organization that provides job training, employment placement services and other community-based programs for people who have a disability, lack education or job experience, or face employment challenges. In central and southern Illinois Goodwill operates 15 retail operations and donation centers in Bloomington/Normal, Champaign, Chatham (2 locations), Clinton, Effingham, Danville, Jacksonville, Lincoln, Litchfield, Quincy, Savoy, Springfield (2 locations), and Vandalia. Goodwill Career Centers are operating virtually to support people with career guidance needs and unemployment filing support.

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