Pictured on cover: Hope started with Goodwill NCW in 2019 through our Employment and Training Program’s partnership with the Lawrence University Bon Appetit culinary training program, which is funded by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. Lawrence’s culinary services are contracted with Bon Appetit to offer full food-service management. Goodwill NCW’s partnership with Lawrence offers individuals with barriers to employment hands-on training and experience from a high-end culinary team. When she first started, Hope had minimal work experience and required the help of a job coach. Now, she can work independently. Through the training program, Hope not only has gained work experience but confidence and a dream of one day working in a professional kitchen.

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Stephanie
Finding hope and stability.

Leaving an abusive relationship and faced with the thought of being homeless or going to a shelter, Stephanie found the help and loan she needed for a rental home through Goodwill NCW’s partnership program with LEAVEN.

“To this day, we are going on three years, and we are still in this house. We’re safe. My daughter has a backyard to play in. We have food to eat, and we have resources. I meet people that don’t know what to do, and I say, ‘I’ve been through this before. These people can help you, but you really have to want to stay on your feet.’”

Jon
Becoming part of the family.

Jon’s family was introduced to Goodwill NCW’s Employment and Training Program in 2014, when they inquired about job opportunities in the community. They found the right match at Whistler’s Knoll vineyard and event venue, where Jon has become part of the family.

“As a parent you worry enough about what’s coming, and this has really helped us,” said Tom, Jon’s father. “We know Jon’s developing skills, and there’s people out there who care. I think it’s been good for the other people around Jon, too, to see that a person with disabilities can do a whole lot of things.”

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