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Statement on Northwest Center's Business Partnership with Value Village

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Since 1965, Northwest Center has pioneered inclusive education and employment opportunities for children and adults with cognitive and developmental disabilities and delays. Value Village has been an essential partner in our mission since 1967.

Value Village founder William Ellison approached Northwest Center 50 years ago with a unique partnership idea: we would collect donated clothing and household goods through The Big Blue Truck™ to be sold to Value Village. Over the past five decades, this partnership has evolved into a continuous, reliable and growing source of unrestricted funds that has allowed Northwest Center to serve thousands of families touched by disabilities and to champion workplaces that welcome people of all abilities.

Each year, Northwest Center presents the William O. Ellison Award to community members who demonstrate that same original spirit of philanthropy. We are incredibly appreciative of and honored to do business with Value Village and attribute much of our success to this partnership.

Northwest Center and The Big Blue Truck™ maintain 100% transparency with our donors, who are always informed how their monetary or clothing donations will be used. Every donation goes to further our mission of a world of inclusion—the world as it should be.