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Goodwill of Central Arizona Completes Merger With Northern Arizona Affiliate

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Goodwill Industries of Central Arizona is combining operations with an affiliate in northern Arizona, creating an entity with 82 stores, three clearance centers, 22 career centers and more than 3,500 employees across the state.

The merger of the Phoenix-based non-profit with Goodwill Industries of Northern Arizona received the approval of both boards and a green light from Goodwill Industries, a national organization, at the end of March. The combined operation will be called Goodwill of Central & Northern Arizona, with operations in the Phoenix area plus Prescott, Yuma, Flagstaff and other places.

The organization will be closing its Northern Arizona stores for a few days on different dates in April and May, then reopening them. It helped place more than 44,000 Arizonans in jobs last year.



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Accumen Partners With Yuma Regional Medical Center To Focus On Critical Laboratory Initiatives

Accumen and Yuma Regional Medical Center partnership developed to create better patient outcomes with lab excellence

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SAN DIEGO, April 18, 2017- Accumen Inc. has announced a lab excellence strategic partnership with Yuma Regional Medical Center (Yuma). The partnership brings together two organizations that will be striving to create world-class laboratories by implementing a Comprehensive Patient Blood Management program (cPBM), improving integrated lab supply chain, and test menu optimization.

Yuma is a not-for-profit hospital with 406 beds, 2,000 employees, 300 medical providers, and hundreds of volunteers. Providing patients and families exceptional care has always been the hospital's priority. Led by the mission "to improve the health and well-being of individuals, families and the communities we serve through excellence, innovation and prudent use of resources," the hospital offers individualized care and delivering excellence to every patient.

Yuma is a member of the Arizona Hospital and Healthcare Association (AzHHA), a statewide association of organizations and leaders that are devoted to building better healthcare for the people of Arizona. Members of this organization belong to a large community of health systems that work together in achieving better results for all patients and communities. As a partner with Accumen and as a member of AzHHA, Yuma fulfills their organizational vision of working collaboratively to evolve the best system of integrated healthcare.

"Accumen looks forward to creating positive change at Yuma through pursuit of improvements in clinical laboratory management. Yuma and Accumen share the same ultimate goal, to improve outcomes for all patients, and both organizations are actively working to make this happen," said Ted Landis, Chief Growth Officer at Accumen.

For more information about Comprehensive Patient Blood Management (cPBM), Integrated Lab Supply Chain, and Test Menu Optimization, visit Accumen.com.

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About Accumen-Chi

Accumen Inc. (along with its subsidiary, Chi Solutions Inc.), is a leading healthcare transformation company that provides end-to-end services and laboratory solutions in consulting, execution, utilization, and outreach support. By partnering with hospital and health system laboratories, we set new standards of performance in clinical laboratory management—driving higher quality, patient safety, better service, and unprecedented value. Accumen and Chi deliver results in laboratory operations, outreach, and patient blood management using a proven blueprint, innovative approach, and insight-driven proprietary technology to create healthier labs, healthier hospitals, and ultimately, healthier communities.

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Somerton To Buy Exercise Equipment For Public Walkways



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Somerton -- Beginning next month, residents who use the public walkways that extend through various parts of this city will be able to get their exercise in yet another way.

The city will install outdoor exercise equipment at various locations along the walkway routes.

Sergio Davalos, the city's parks and recreation director, said the city will install 11 pieces of exercise equipment, four of them along the walkway that follows the East Main Canal, with the rest placed in Perricone Park.

"We are about to buy them with funds that were approved in the (city's) Capital Improvement Plan for this year," he said. "They are going to be available to the public soon."

The pieces of equipment, to be purchased at a cost of \$21,859, include walkers, rowing machines, weight machines and multiple station exercise machines. Davalos said the equipment to be installed along the walkway following East Main Canal will be located midway along the path near Garvin Street.

At Perricone Park, the equipment will be placed along a recently resurfaced walking track. The equipment will be placed on concrete pads equipped with outdoor lights. The locations of the equipment were proposed by the city's Parks and Recreation Commission and given final approval by the city council.

Davalos said that the city this year will begin construction of a new walking track -- known to some residents of Somerton as "andadores" -- along Cesar Chavez Avenue. Along that path the city will also install exercise equipment, using funds from a \$11,600 contribution given two weeks ago by the Cocopah Tribe.

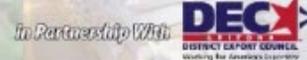


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This Half-Day Seminar Is Designed to Address the Concerns of US and Mexican Suppliers of Agricultural Products in the Border Region

What You Need To Know

TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (AZ)

DATE: Thursday, May 11, 2017

LOCATION: University of Arizona
Downtown Campus, 44 N. Stone Ave.,
Room 119, Tucson, AZ 85701

COST: Free of charge.

MEALS: Lunch graciously provided by our sponsors.

Parking: Please park in the Pennington Street Garage or visit <https://gotucsonapp.com/park/> for the Tucson Parking App.

Registration required here:
<http://www.regonline.com/agupdate>

REGISTRATION Deadline: 12:00pm, May 10, 2017

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Contact Paul Brierley with the Arizona District Export Council at 928-920-4983 or

We will address such Questions as:

- What is the scope and impact of cross-border Ag trade?
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- What will post-NAFTA Ag trade look like?
- How to get past the political rhetoric, and influence decision makers?
- What's the view from the Mexican side of the border?
- What is Mayor Rothschild's take on Ag trade?
- What resources are available to help you with cross-border Ag trade?

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