

**WASHINGTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

On February 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., the Washington Economic Development Finance Authority (the “Authority”) will hold an open public hearing at its offices located at 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 2700, Seattle, Washington 98104-1046, to receive public comment on the Authority’s proposed plan of finance relating to the reissuance of its economic development revenue bond originally issued in 2010 and currently outstanding in the principal amount of \$18,412,397.00 (the “Bond”). The Bond may be issued as one or more series issued from time to time and may include one or more series of refunding obligations.

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.030(2), which encourages public agencies to provide for public access to meetings, this public hearing can also be viewed via Zoom or joined telephonically.

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Participants wishing to join telephonically, please dial: (253) 215-8782.

The Bond would be reissued pursuant to chapter 43.163 RCW for the purpose of financing a nonprofit facility under Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

Proceeds of the Bond were originally loaned in 2010 to Seattle Goodwill Industries, which is currently known as Evergreen Goodwill of Northwest Washington (the “Company”), a nonprofit organization described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, to finance and refinance the following projects (collectively, the “Project”), and to pay costs of issuance:

1. Refinance a loan to furnish and equip eight retail stores and warehouse facilities located at the following addresses:
 - a. 2208 West Casino Road, Everett, Washington 98204
 - b. 228 SW Everett Mall Way, Everett, Washington 98204
 - c. 14751 Chain Lake Road SE, Monroe, Washington 98272
 - d. 10001 Mickelberry Road NW, Silverdale, Washington 98383
2. Finance the demolition of vacant buildings and construction of a donation trailer parking lot and retail customer parking lots and reimburse the Company for building renovations costs, all at 1400 South Lane Street, in Seattle, Washington;
3. Finance the construction of a general administrative office and job training and education center located at 700 Dearborn Place South in Seattle, Washington; and
4. Finance the acquisition of property for a warehouse and retail outlet store located at 2208 West Casino Road in Everett, Washington.

The principal of and interest on the Bond will not constitute an obligation of the State of Washington or any political subdivision thereof, but shall be a special obligation of the Authority payable solely from the revenues of the Company.

The public hearing will be conducted in a manner that provides reasonable opportunity for persons with differing views on the plan of finance for both the reissuance of the Bond and the Project to be heard and to present their oral and written comments. Written comments should be delivered at the public hearing or mailed to the Authority at the address listed below for receipt no later than the date and time of the hearing. Anyone requiring an accommodation consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Authority at the telephone number provided below at least two (2) business days in advance of the hearing. The hearing location is wheelchair accessible.

This notice is provided pursuant to the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code and the Open Public Meetings Act, chapter 42.30 RCW.

Additional information about the plan of finance for the Bond and the Project may be obtained from Rodney Wendt, Executive Director, Washington Economic Development Finance Authority, 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 2700, Seattle, Washington 98104-1046, telephone: (206) 587-5634.