



BUSINESS REPORT



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Norwalk Welcomes Its Fifth Starbucks Coffee Location



On Tuesday, August 9, another Starbucks opened its doors for business in Norwalk. Located on 11031 Firestone Blvd in the Studebaker and Firestone Shopping Center, Store Manager Angela Marksbury, District Manager Joey



Esguerra and staff welcomed guests with open arms as they kicked off the store's Grand Opening with a live brass band, folklorico dancers, and crafts for the kids. Delicious drink and savory food samples were also given out during the grand opening event. As part of the ribbon cutting ceremony, Vice Mayor presented a Business Spotlight award and the Chamber of Commerce President presented an award in recognition of Starbucks being the newest member to the Chamber.



Starbucks was negatively impacted by the 2008 economic downturn and as a result, had to close stores throughout the region. However, Starbucks Chairman, President, and CEO Howard Shultz reports that their third quarter 2011 results show that the company "has never been healthier" and now "better positioned to go after the tremendous business opportunities that lie ahead."

This is the fifth Norwalk store opened by Starbucks corporate headquarters. District Manager Joey Esguerra says, "We chose the Firestone/Studebaker location due to its proximity to the 605 freeway and the success that other Starbucks stores in

Norwalk are experiencing. " This Starbucks location has a drive-thru, making it easy for customers to pick up their morning cup of coffee or afternoon ice frappuccino.

Store hours are from 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., 7 days a week. For more information please call (562) 807-3715.



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Ganga Family Clothing



Ganga Family Clothing is one of the newly opened businesses here in Norwalk. This family oriented shop opened its doors on June 18, 2011 and is bound to create a positive impact on the community. Located just east of the 605

Freeway, down Firestone Blvd, this boutique sells quality



clothing for men, women,

boys, girls and infants. They also carry other merchandise which includes plus size clothing, shoes, and accessories. Albert Galante, the man in charge, is glad he is given the chance to provide Norwalk residents with quality clothing and great fashion at very affordable prices for the whole family. This is the first Ganga Family Clothing store in the area and Mr. Galante hopes to expand his business beyond his already existing stores in Mexico and San Diego while appealing to a new crowd. He believes the City of Norwalk provides a promising opportunity to do just that!

