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Are you being served? Members of staff at the new retail superstore in Stevenage, England. The store is the product of a partnership between Rehab, Goodwill Industries and the Shaw Trust.

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Retail with a conscience

Operating under the banner of 'retail with a conscience', the 6,000 square foot store is the product of a partnership between Rehab, US-based Goodwill Industries, and the Shaw Trust of the UK.

A retail superstore stocking a wide range of clothing, household goods and gift items has been opened in the UK thanks to a ground-breaking venture involving the Rehab Group.

Operating under the banner of 'retail with a conscience', the 6,000 square foot store located in Stevenage, 40km north of London, is the product of a partnership between Rehab, US based Goodwill Industries – the world's biggest employer of people with disabilities – and the Shaw Trust of the UK.

Profits from the venture will

be used to assist people across the UK who face barriers to employment as a result of disability or social disadvantage. The store will also provide jobs directly for people from marginalised groups.

Said Rehab Group chief executive, Frank Flannery: "This is a whole new retail concept, which combines the sale of competitively priced, quality merchandise in a large store setting with all the profits going to good causes.

"It is many years since the Rehab Group was involved

heavily in the retail sector. But if this project is successful, it may become a model that we can use in other locations where the organisation is strong."

Mr Flannery added that Goodwill Industries and Shaw Trust had many years experience in the retail sector and have demonstrated individual success in initiatives that benefit local communities.

Each organisation also has considerable experience and a good track record in training for work and finding jobs for disabled and disadvantaged people.