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### **Alcoa Foundation**

Alcoa Foundation is a global resource that actively invests in the quality of life in Alcoa communities worldwide. With nearly \$437 million invested since our inception in 1952, Alcoa Foundation has positioned itself as a source for positive community change and impact.

Alcoa Foundation is now combining its legacy and strengths with the global reach, values and corporate social responsibility of Alcoa to produce new levels of impact. Areas of Excellence guide our global and local grantmaking and marshal the expertise and energies of Alcoa and Alcoa Foundation together.

In 2006, Alcoa Foundation awarded more than \$26 million in grants to 1,299 organizations in 32 countries. Combined with donations and support by Alcoa (the company), this adds up to a total of \$ 42.3 million of worldwide giving in 2006. Communities where Alcoa has a presence are the primary focus of our grantmaking programs. Through disaster relief grants and employee engagement initiatives like ACTION and Bravo!, additional resources are made available to our communities. Alcoa Foundation also supports a range of national, international and policy organizations that underscore our key interests and Areas of Excellence.

**Areas of Excellence**

The major percentage of our grants originate in Alcoa communities. Four distinct Areas of Excellence provide thematic focus to the global allocation of our philanthropic resources. The majority of our grants fit within one of the following areas: Conservation and Sustainability, Safe and Healthy Children and Families, Global Education and Workplace Skills, and Business and Community Partnerships.

For more information on the Alcoa Foundation and/or to find a local contact, please visit:

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