Lions Clubs International Foundation Ranked Best NGO



10 July 2007, Lions Clubs International

Foundation was ranked best non-governmental organization (NGO) worldwide with which to work, according to ratings compiled by the Financial Times in association with Dalberg Global CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP Development Advisers and the United Nations Global Compact.

The rankings assessed 34 global organizations ranked by 445 companies involved with NGOs and international agencies.

Lions Club International Foundation was rated most highly and ranked first for program execution, communication, adaptability and accountability in the fast-growing world of non-profits.

The assessment, published in the *Financial Times'* Corporate Citizenship and Philanthropy special report, highlights companies' growing interest in long-term partnerships to tackle an expanding range of social issues.

> -Financial Times July 5, 2007

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(members in 200 countries)

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the official charitable organization of Lions Clubs International. LCIF funding is provided in the form of grants to support Lions-led projects. These grants aid 1.3 million Lions worldwide in humanitarian efforts too large for individual clubs or district to fund alone.

The mission of humanitarian service is at the core of Lions Clubs international. LCIF grants support five unique areas of service. The Foundation's primary philanthropic objectives are:

- Preserving Sight
- Combating Disability
- Promoting Health
- Serving Youth
- Providing Disaster Relief

QuickFact

100% of all funds donated to LCIF reach people and places in need. All Foundation administrative costs are paid from interest earned on investments.

Lions Partners Include:



QuickFact

75% of companies

surveyed believed

partnerships would be

"important" or "extremely

important" for them over

the next three years.

-Source: Financial Times

WHAT LIONS' PARTNERS ARE SAYING



"We have had a wonderful partnership with Lions clubs...and I am tremendously pleased that we have screened more than five million kids and treated more than 50,000. I applaud the tireless efforts of the Lions...together, we can make a difference in the lives of these kids."

Dr. John Ang BScOptom, MBA, PhD • Regional Vice-President, Professional and Regulatory Affairs Johnson & Johnson Vision Care Asia-Pacific

George W. Merck believed that medicine should be for the people, not for the profits. As a company, Merck continually strives to live up to this challenge. This is why we are proud to partner with Lions' Clubs International Foundation through the MECTIZAN Donation Program, fighting river blindness in Africa and Latin America. LCIF is a trusted partner in this groundbreaking program, and their commitment ensures that patients in even the most remote areas are able to receive the best available treatment."

Kenneth M. Gustavsen \bullet Manager, Global Product Donations Merck & Co., Inc.

speaking of Lions and LCIF's SightFirst program

