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**CORPORATIONS CONVERGE ON SILICON VALLEY
FOR GLOBAL PHILANTHROPY FORUM
HOSTED BY AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND UNITED WAY
-- Presenters included Microsoft Corporation, Intel Corporation and Stanford
University, as well as Innovative Best Practice Sharing from Chief Corporate Giving
Officers --**

SANTA CLARA, CA (February 25, 2009) – More than 30 global corporations convened at the world headquarters of Agilent Technologies, Inc. in Santa Clara in partnership with United Way for the “Strategic Global Philanthropy: Challenges & Opportunities” forum, a best practice gathering of Chief Corporate Giving Officers.

Experts on global philanthropy—featuring representatives from academia, corporations and nonprofits—presented current trends and issues in the U.S. and around the world with a focus on education, volunteerism and technology. Speakers included: Akhtar Badshah, Senior Director Community Affairs, Microsoft Corporation; Shelly Esque, Vice President Legal and Corporate Affairs and Director Corporate Affairs Group, Intel Corporation; Anne Petersen, PHD, Founder and President, Global Philanthropy Alliance, Deputy Director, CASBS, Professor of Psychology, Stanford University; and Brian Gallagher, President and CEO, United Way of America.

“In addition to encouraging employee engagement and skills-based volunteerism through our robust volunteer matching grant program, Intel is also committed to maximizing the power of technology to improve education and increase environmental sustainability throughout our global communities,” said Shelly Esque, vice president of Legal and Corporate Affairs and director of the Corporate Affairs Group at Intel Corporation.

Meeting participants also identified two key challenges in global philanthropy—ensuring philanthropic programs are sustainable for the long-run with multiple funding sources, and aligning worldwide corporate philanthropy around consistent themes for greater impact. Chief Corporate Giving Officers in attendance highlighted investing in education and strengthening non-governmental organizations (NGOs) throughout the world as two areas of opportunity for philanthropic activities. Through combined efforts and strategic focus, corporations can—and are—partnering with global NGOs to strengthen communities worldwide.

“As expressed in this important meeting, United Way is committed to creating a better life for all people by focusing on education, financial stability and health,” said Brian Gallagher, president and CEO of United Way of America. “Working together with Agilent Technologies, Inc., Microsoft Corporation, Intel Corporation and other philanthropic corporate leaders who share this vision, we hope to make progress against these issues both in the U.S. and around the world.”

Attendees left the forum with new ideas, novel approaches and a network of peers to draw on as resources, increasing their ability to positively impact communities in the U.S. and worldwide.

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About United Way Silicon Valley

United Way Silicon Valley is focused on the building blocks for a good life: income, education and health. United Way works with corporations, organizations and individuals to address the root causes of local problems and create lasting change here in the Valley. For more information about United Way Silicon Valley, visit www.uwsv.org.

About United Way

United Way is a global network in 47 countries and territories, including nearly 1,300 local organizations in the U.S. that advance the common good, creating opportunities for a better life for all by focusing on the three key building blocks of education, income and health. The United Way movement creates long lasting community change by addressing the underlying causes of problems that prevent progress in these areas. LIVE UNITED is a call to action for everyone to become part of the change. For more information about United Way, please visit: LIVEUNITED.org