

**MEDIA RELEASE • COMMUNIQUE AUX MEDIAS • MEDIENMITTEILUNG****Alcon Volunteers Strengthen Communities Across the Globe with Alcon in Action**

- **Thousands of company associates across the world come together to build stronger, healthier communities**
- **Alcon's annual volunteer day reaches its 10-year milestone showcasing its legacy of making an impact in local communities**
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**GENEVA, May 19, 2022** – Today, thousands of Alcon associates from 45 locations around the world are participating in Alcon in Action (AiA), an annual company-wide day of community volunteering. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that Alcon, the global leader in eye care dedicated to helping people see brilliantly, is engaging in the day of volunteering to help address local community needs such as health, hunger, education and housing.

Collectively dedicating thousands of volunteer hours, Alcon associates across 32 countries, including Switzerland and the United States, are making a personal difference to strengthen their communities.\* In partnership with non-profit organizations, schools, museums, shelters, soup kitchens, food banks, children's hospitals, and other organizations, Alcon is helping to meet essential needs through both in-person and virtual support activities.

"Alcon in Action is a special day where, each year, our associates from across the world come together to demonstrate our commitment to strengthening the communities where we live and work," said David Endicott, Chief Executive Officer of Alcon. "While that commitment is fulfilled through our year-round efforts, we are proud to once again unite together to show who we are as a corporate citizen – by making a positive and tangible impact on this global day of volunteering."

In Switzerland, Alcon volunteers are helping a food bank distribute food, sorting clothes for a non-profit dedicated to fighting poverty, as well as participating in community clean-up

activities, among others. Also, this year, Alcon is maintaining its over two-decades-long partnership with Habitat for Humanity by hosting a home build on its Fort Worth campus. Alcon volunteers are helping build the home that will provide affordable housing to a local family. Other Fort Worth activities include providing back-to-school kits, working at a local animal shelter, and sorting food and clothes donations.

Across the world, Alcon volunteers are preparing and distributing meals and hygiene kits, restoring homes and gardens, donating equipment and clothes, and providing education to children, among many other activities.

This year, Alcon is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and, while Alcon in Action is a one-day event, the company has a deep heritage of working year-round alongside non-profit organizations in communities worldwide to increase access to eye care. From Alcon's Children's Vision Program and community vision screenings to medical missions where volunteer medical teams treat patients and train local eye care professionals, Alcon associates contribute to their communities on an ongoing basis. Helping people see brilliantly is the core of Alcon's mission, and by volunteering and supporting long-time charitable partners, lives are changed in more ways than one.

### **About the Alcon Foundation**

Alcon provides charitable monetary donations (often referred to as grants) to eligible 501(c)3 organizations that offer high-quality programs and services to increase access to quality eye care, promote eye health education, and strengthen the communities in which we live and work. These donations are offered through the Alcon Foundation. To learn more visit: <https://www.alcon.com/about-us/corporate-social-responsibility>.

### **About Alcon**

Alcon helps people see brilliantly. As the global leader in eye care with a heritage spanning over 75 years, we offer the broadest portfolio of products to enhance sight and improve people's lives. Our Surgical and Vision Care products touch the lives of more than 260 million people in over 140 countries each year living with conditions like cataracts, glaucoma, retinal diseases and refractive errors. Our more than 24,000 associates are enhancing the quality of life through innovative products, partnerships with Eye Care Professionals and programs that advance access to quality eye care. Learn more at [www.alcon.com](http://www.alcon.com).

\* In addition to Switzerland and the United States, Alcon volunteers are participating in AiA activities in Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Germany, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, Panama, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and the United Kingdom.

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