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Global Volunteer Week: Meeting The Challenge

(NAPSA)—Employees from one of the world's leading package delivery companies recently delivered a different service to the communities where they work.

Global Volunteer Week—celebrated October 19-25—was an initiative that brought together more than 1,000 UPS employees in 14 countries. Building on the company's legacy as a responsible and caring corporate citizen, employees contributed more than 65,000 hours of service to local nonprofit organizations in Asia, Canada, Europe and Latin America.

"The spirit of volunteering is part of the UPS culture," said Chairman and CEO Mike Eskew. "UPS is in the community each day as part of our business, and we feel it is equally important to volunteer and contribute to the community's overall well-being."

With the program's theme of *"One Company. One Community: It Begins With Me,"* UPS employees participated in a variety of activities throughout the week, such as planting trees in Brazil, distributing books throughout the United Kingdom and cooking meals in Canada. Employees contributed their time, compassion and talents to help improve the quality of life in communities around the world.

"Working for a company that encourages employee volunteerism is extremely inspiring," said UPS Canada volunteer Sandy Lyver. "It's amazing that just a few hours out of your day can significantly impact the lives of so many."

UPS dedicated the week to celebrating ongoing commitments with



A volunteer plants trees in Brazil as part of one company's effort to deliver more than packages.

a variety of nonprofit organizations worldwide, but also forged new relationships with additional community groups. "This is a great way for us to be more involved and to show our commitment to volunteerism," said Eskew. The program took Eskew, as well as several other top executives, to China where they helped build a computer lab for an elementary school.

"We're excited about the program's success and look forward to growing our international volunteer efforts," said David Abney, president of UPS International.

Global Volunteer Week underscores UPS's dedication to responsible citizenship around the world and the company already is making plans to expand the event in 2004. To learn more, visit the Web site at www.pressroom.ups.com.