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Doing Good One Search or One Purchase At A Time!

Supporters of Plano ISD Education Foundation are using GoodSearch and GoodShop, raising money with every search of the Internet and every purchase on-line!

Plano, Texas -- What if even a fraction of the \$140 billion generated by search engine advertisers* and online shopping was directed towards providing excellence in education in Plano ISD?

That is the concept behind GoodSearch.com a new search engine powered by Yahoo! GoodSearch donates 50% of its revenue, approximately a penny per search, to the charities designated by its users. You use it exactly as you would any other search engine and the pennies add up quickly – just 500 people searching four times a day will earn around \$7,300 in a year. It doesn't cost the users a thing!

Similarly with GoodShop.com, consumers are helping their favorite causes by shopping at hundreds of well known retailers including Amazon, Target, Apple, Macy's, Best Buy, Orbitz, Staples and others. The shopping experience and the prices are exactly the same as going to the retailer directly, but by going through GoodShop, up to 37% of the purchase price is donated the user's favorite cause!

Plano ISD Education Foundation recently registered with the sites, giving its supporters a chance to raise money for the cause every time they search the Internet or shop online.

More than 72,000 nonprofits and schools are now registered with GoodSearch and GoodShop and more than 100 charities and schools are registering daily. GoodSearch has quickly spread via word-of-mouth and the blogger community. Examples of other organizations listed on the site include: The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation which has earned more than \$10,000; The ASPCA which has raised more than \$23,000; and The Bubel/Aiken Foundation which supports children with disabilities and has earned more than \$12,000.

Using GoodSearch is simple. Because the site is powered by Yahoo, users are assured of high quality results - but each time you search, money is generated by the advertisers for your favorite charity or school.

"Every penny counts", says Beth Webb, President of the Plano ISD Education Foundation. "While doing a search or shopping online why not raise money for our cause? There is absolutely no reason not to use GoodSearch and GoodShop - it's so easy"

"We know there are a lot of people who want to do good but may not have the time or the money to help out." said Ken Ramberg, Co-Founder of GoodSearch and former President of MonsterTRAK, the largest online career site for college students (now a division of Monster.com). "GoodSearch and GoodShop make it as easy as possible. We've taken something people do every day -- searching the Internet and shopping online -- and have turned it into doing good."

* Source: SEMPO survey

The Plano ISD Education Foundation – <http://www.pisd.edu/foundation> – is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization with the mission to generate private support for priority projects identified by Plano ISD not



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funded by tax dollars. The Foundation provides grants to educators, programs that support academic enrichment to Plano ISD students, emergency assistance for teachers and staff members in crisis, as well as programs aimed at recruiting and retaining quality teachers. To learn more about the Plano ISD Education Foundation, contact Executive Director Monica Shortino at 469-752-8091.

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