

A leader in environmental protection, Cooper continuously seeks to minimize the impact of its operations. With comprehensive training and well-established internal controls, Cooper plants exemplify environmentally responsible manufacturing. Many Cooper plants now meet the ISO 14001 environmental management system standard, including the Cooper plants in Mexico City and Burton-on-the-Wolds, England, which were certified in 2001.

Safety and environmental stewardship have been important principles at Cooper from its very beginnings and are hallmarks of today's successful manufacturing operations. On both counts, Cooper excels.

Cooper: always a responsive citizen

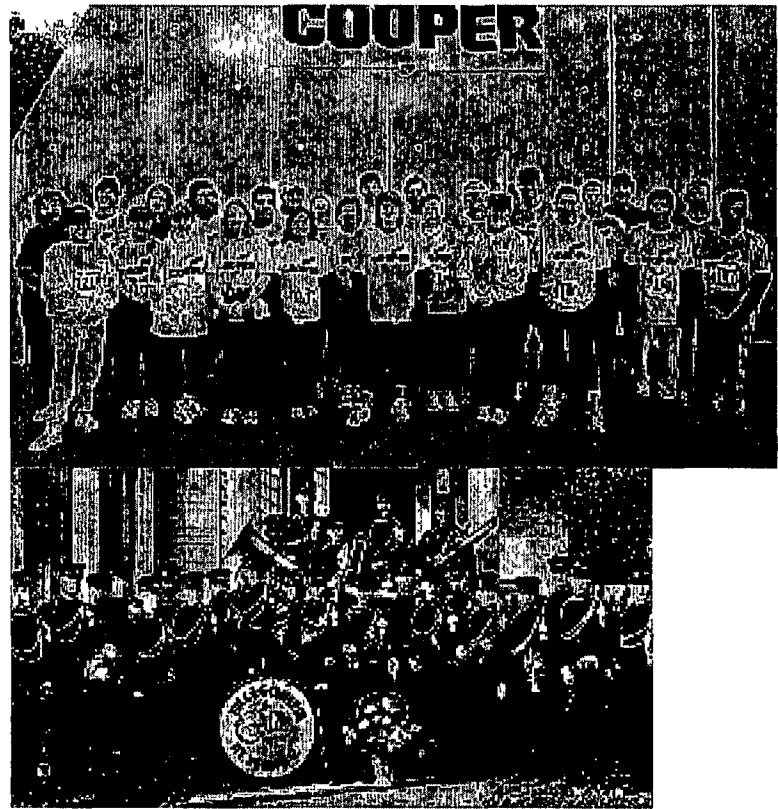
Charles and Elias Cooper were business leaders who strongly supported programs that enhanced the quality of life in their community. The company they founded, C & E Cooper, would one day become Cooper Industries, Inc. Today, Cooper is equally committed to corporate citizenship.

Cooper's philanthropy consists of giving to nonprofit health and human services, educational, environmental and cultural organizations in communities around the world where our employees live and work. Since the Cooper Industries Foundation was created over 35 years ago, Cooper has contributed more than \$70 million to nonprofit organizations.

Cooper also has developed four unique partnership programs to build stronger ties to the communities where we operate and honor our employees' commitment to important, nonprofit causes:

- *Environmental Excellence Awards* promote responsible environmental management.
- *Project Pace Education Awards* foster vocational and technical training programs.
- *Take Charge Safety & Health Awards* heighten safety awareness and education.
- *Volunteer Spirit Awards* encourage employee volunteerism in local communities.

Throughout its history, Cooper's philanthropic efforts have been based on the interests and initiatives of its employees. We encourage our employees to become personally involved in bettering their communities. Our philanthropic policies honor their efforts by giving preference to nonprofit organizations where our employees are active volunteers. Additionally, when Cooper employees make personal



Today, Cooper continues to support its employees in their volunteer efforts. Cooper employees teamed up to support the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston in a major fundraising event.

The Cooper Band was formed in 1917 by employees from the foundry. The band played at community concerts, parades and picnics and greeted visiting dignitaries at the train station.

donations to nonprofit organizations, we match their gifts with corporate dollars.

Cooper's pride in its communities and its commitment to enhance the quality of life in those communities remain a cornerstone of the Company.