



Youth in Focus

2003 Annual Report



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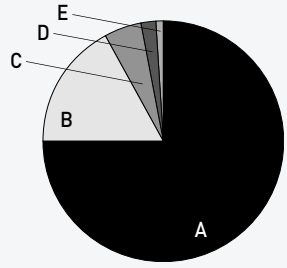


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2003 statistics

Income

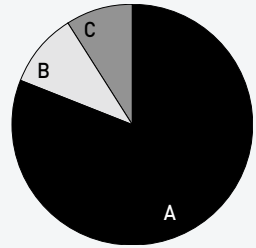
A Contributions & Private Grants	\$ 157,653
B Events	\$ 36,364
C Government Grants	\$ 11,009
D Services	\$ 3,555
E Interest	\$ 179
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Total	\$208,760



Expenses

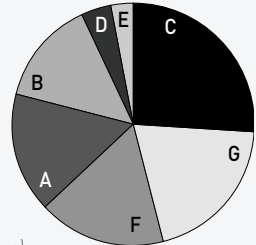
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B Management & General	\$ 19,403
C Fundraising	\$ 17,382
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Total	\$ 197,492

Cash Reserve \$ 49,296



Who We Serve

A African American	17%
B Asian / Pacific Islander	14%
C Caucasian	26%
D Latino	4%
E Native American	3%
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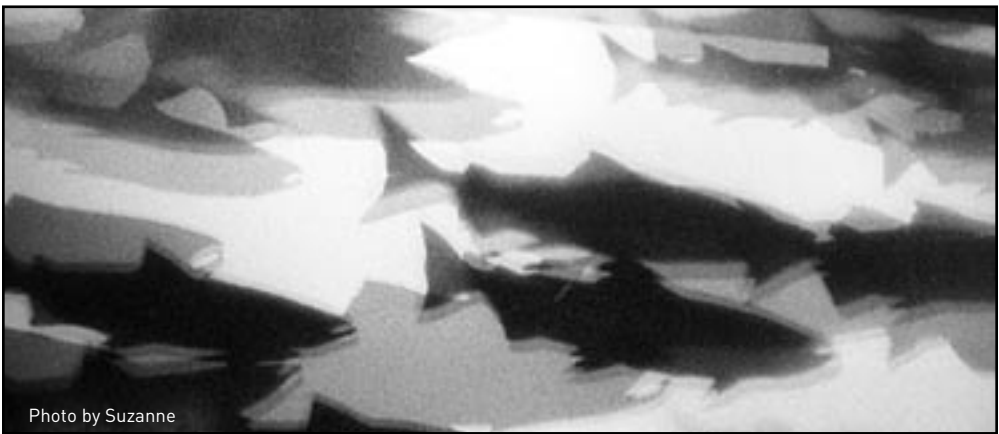


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community partners

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youth in focus: year in review

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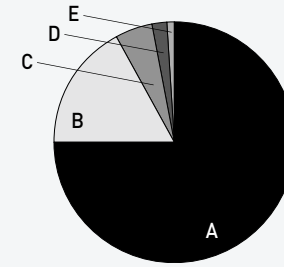
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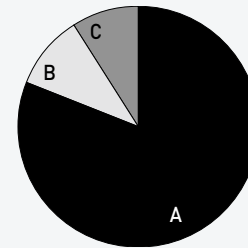
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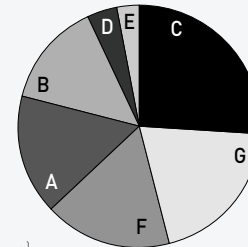


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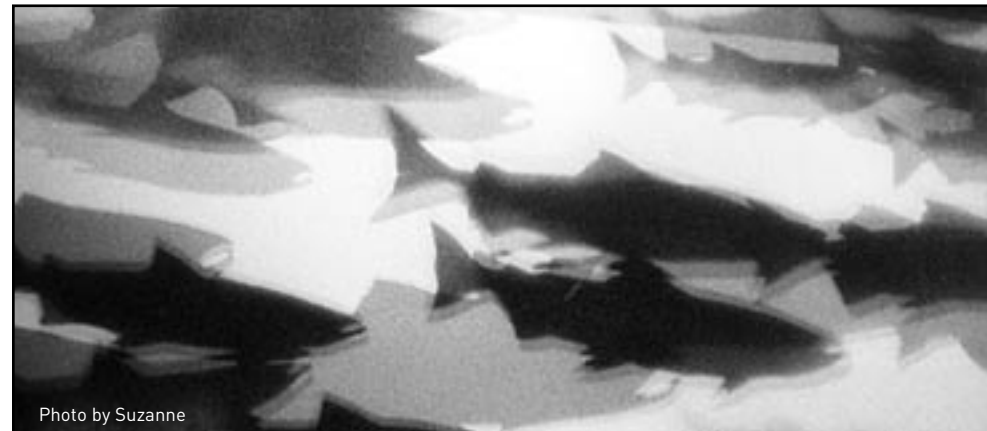


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