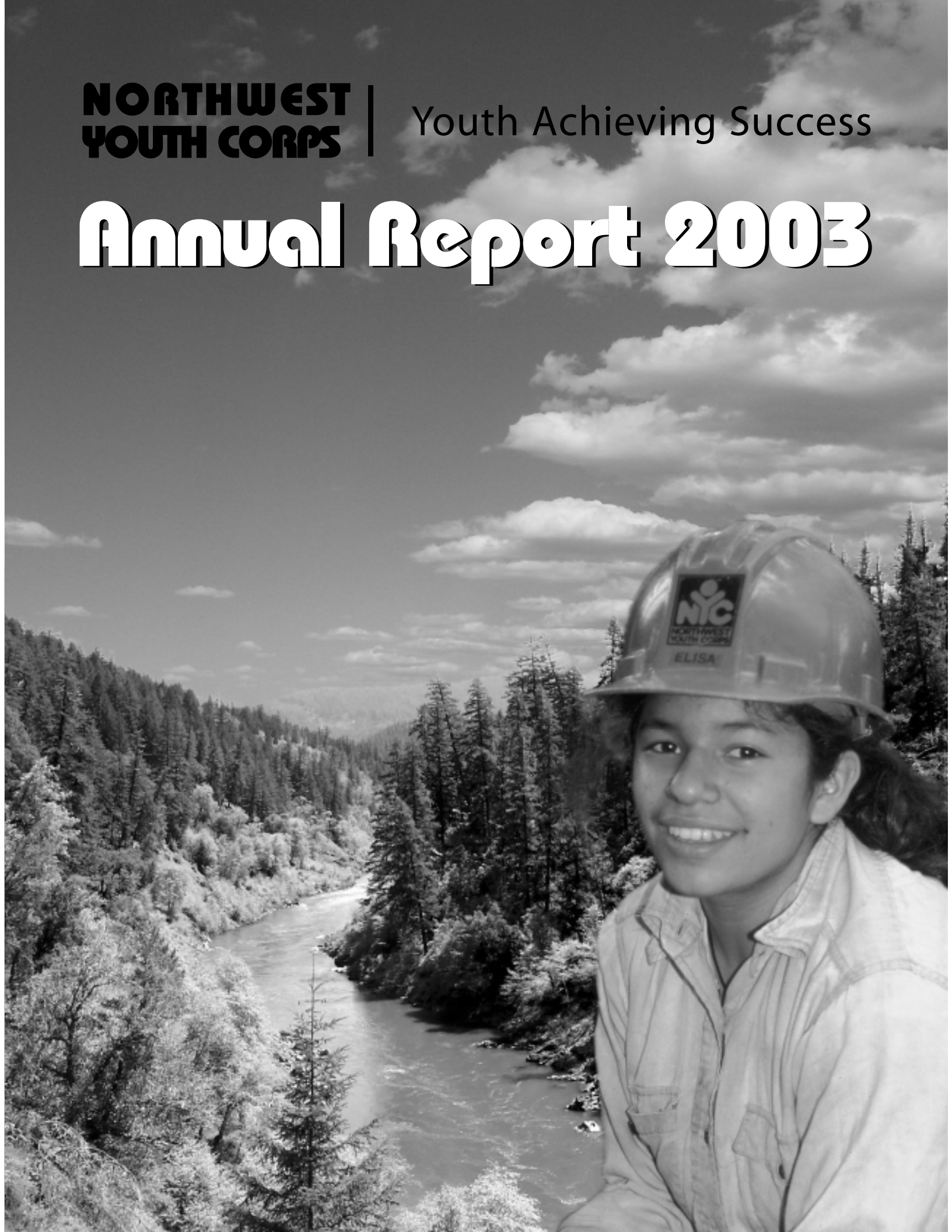


**NORTHWEST
YOUTH CORPS**

Youth Achieving Success

Annual Report 2003



DEAR FRIENDS,

What an incredible year! Here at Northwest Youth Corps, we will remember 2003 as the year we bought the building and broke the thirty-crew barrier.

The building first. In late October, after a year of negotiations, we purchased the building we have leased from the school district for the last five years. NYC is now the proud owner of an entire elementary school; 28,900 square feet of it along with eight acres of grounds.

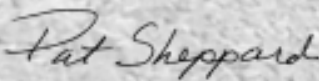
The good news; we were able to purchase the building at a great price. The challenge; we now own a fifty year-old building with two decades of deferred maintenance. Already, we have hired an architecture firm to help us plan our future campus. We dream of a walk-in cooler and loading docks, energy efficiency, more parking, and additional office space for our growing staff.

This year's addition of four crews to our summer program allows us to offer the NYC experience to 80 more youth every year. This growth, nearly 20% during our busiest season, was a significant challenge requiring additional crew equipment and a solid project base. Our success is a testament to the dedication of our project sponsors, our funders, and an incredible staff team.

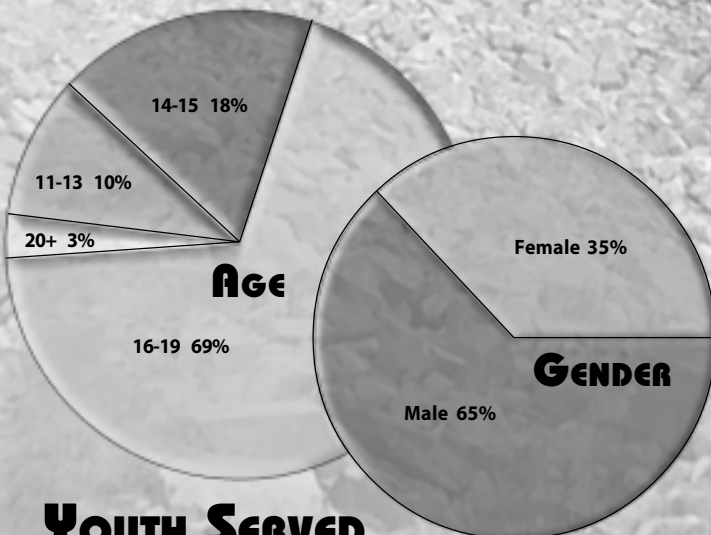
In 2003, we used technology to make information about NYC programs more accessible. Grants helped us develop a new website where youth can apply on-line, parents can receive program updates, and alumni can find old friends. Our NYC video was also transferred to CD, and 350 discs were sent to students, schools, and parents.

On behalf of staff and members of the board, I extend special thanks to the project sponsors, donors, and foundations who helped NYC programs achieve such success over the last year. I look forward to your continued support as we work to meet the ever-growing needs of our youth and our public lands.

Sincerely,

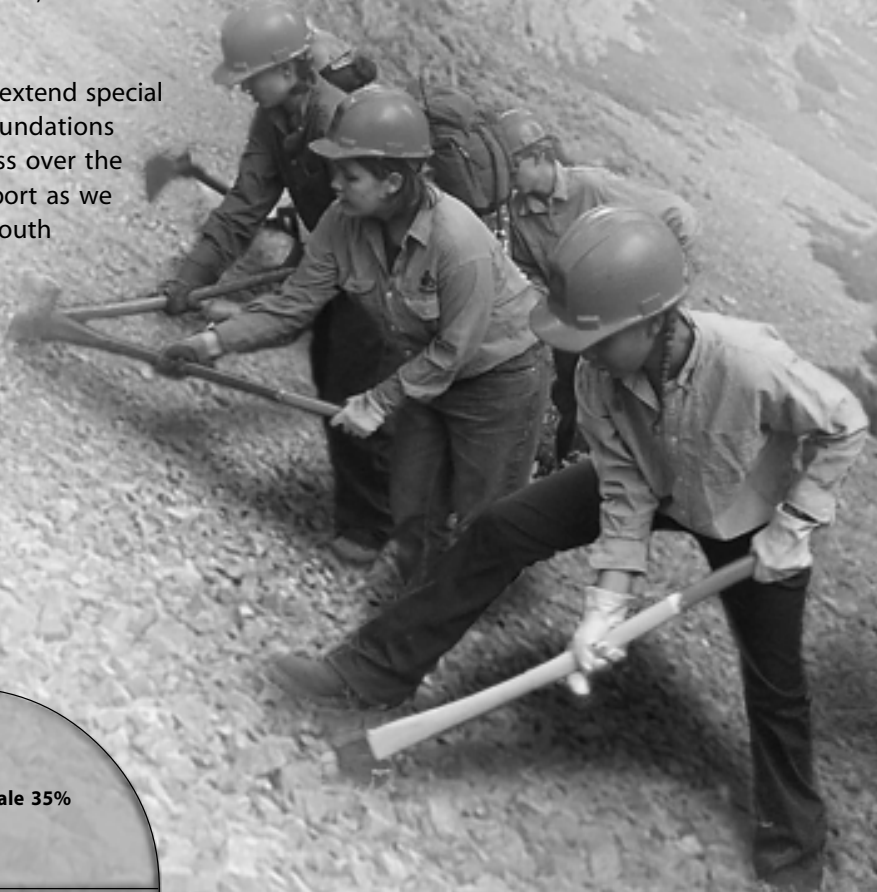


Pat Sheppard
Board President



"NYC taught me that any obstacle, no matter how big or small, might be overcome with the right amount of determination."

Alumni



"The time I spent at NYC was life changing. It helped me decide that I am going to pursue a career in forestry."

Alumni

YOUTH SERVED

"Not only did we feel great after each day of hard work but I gained confidence in myself as a worker, friend, and citizen."

Corpsmember

"I think the most important thing we learned about was ourselves. Not only were we able to push ourselves to our limits, but also we were given quality time to think about ourselves, and figure out what a group of "kids" can really do."

Corpsmember

"Many people have asked how I do it; wife, mother, full time worker, and college student. I'm fully confident that it was my time with NYC that created the desire within myself to make more out of my life than the cards I had been dealt."

Alumni

"The work ethics... will live in me forever. I can't describe in words how much that program toughened me up. I started to take on a lot of leadership roles which I use in my current job daily ...I owe my success to NYC."

Alumni

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Participants report that their NYC experience significantly increased their ability to:

Understand environmental issues.	81%
Work independently.	94%
Work hard.	94%
Find a job.	79%
Cooperate in a team effort.	89%
Work safely.	94%
Be dependable.	90%
Communicate with coworkers.	87%
Set and work towards goals.	86%
Be a leader in a group.	74%
Appreciate diversity.	85%
Take responsibility for their actions.	93%
Resolve conflicts.	86%
Feel self-confident.	88%

*"My daughter came home with such remarkable self-esteem,
confidence, and happiness"*
Parent

*"Our daughter discovered a level of confidence
in herself which has given her uncouned skills
in dealing with the real world."*
Parent

*"NYC always does a great job and continues to build a
solid reputation for high quality accomplishments."*
Project Sponsor

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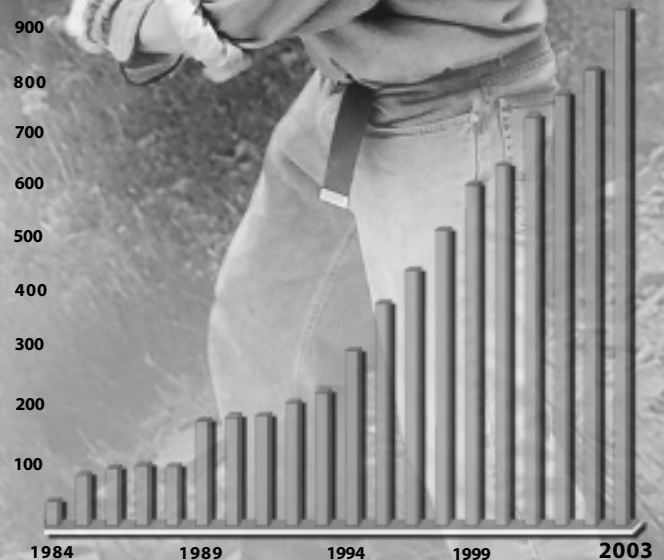
All Northwest Youth Corps programs share the same theme: empowerment. Each program emphasizes teamwork and leadership, and promotes education, personal growth, service to the community, and individual achievement. Youth leave NYC knowing that they can overcome obstacles, solve problems, make friends, and master the skills needed to attain their objectives in life.

YouthCorps programs offer youth (14-19) a variety of spring, summer, and fall leadership and work experience opportunities. Youth are part of a ten-member team that camps out near each week's project assignment and rendezvous with other teams each weekend.

YouthWorks programs offer local youth (11-15) a challenging, team-based first work experience. Participants work on a wide variety of service projects three days a week and dedicate two days each week to exploring nature and having fun outside.

Outdoor School provides a hands-on educational experience combining week-long blocks of classroom study with alternate weeks dedicated to field study, data-collection, and resource management projects. ODS is a state accredited alternative high school with an enrollment of 50 students.

AmeriCorps funding, awarded from the Oregon Commission for Voluntary Action and Service, allowed AmeriCorps members to work directly with youth in many NYC programs as mentors, team leaders, and educators.



YOUTH SERVED

ACHIEVEMENTS

Recreation

Trail Construction	27 miles
Trail Maintenance	340 miles
Turnpike Construction	3,800 feet
Retaining Walls	6,016 feet
Trail Bridges	14
Trail Drainage Structures	3,135
Switchback/Climbing Turns	269

Range Management

Fence Construction	11,000 feet
Fence Removal	12,500 feet

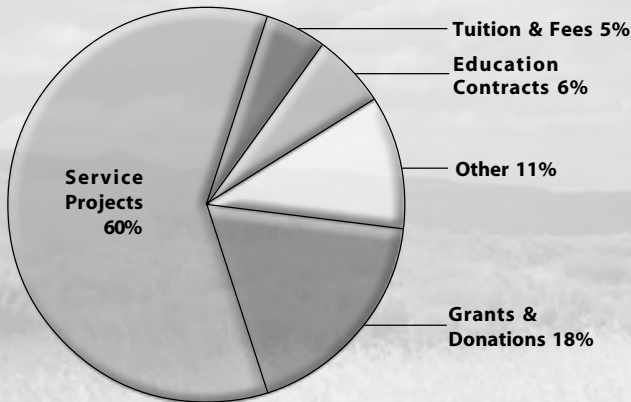
Reforestation

Conifer Pruning	257 acres
Fuel Reduction	147 acres

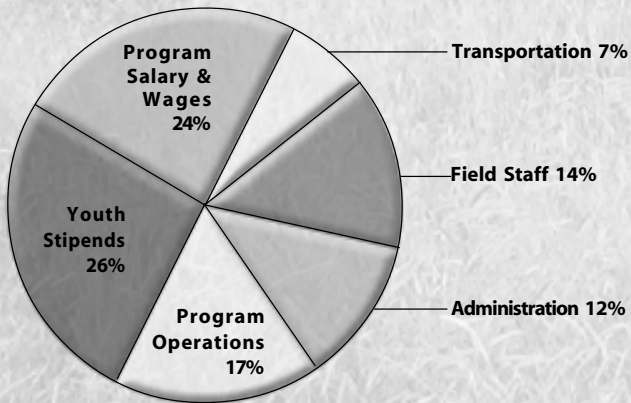
Habitat Restoration

Native Planting	8,230 trees
Noxious Weed Removal	1,000 acres
Seed Collection	45 acres

REVENUES



EXPENDITURES



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Marion County
Bear Creek Park

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