



Northwest Youth Corps Annual Report 2004



Dear Friends,

What a year! 2004 may not have been the driest field season we have ever had, but it was the busiest. We served more kids from more places and worked on more projects for more sponsors than ever in our history. Here's a quick rundown.

Last year I reported that we had purchased the fifty-year-old Laurel Hill School. Without a doubt, our first priority was the addition of a walk-in cooler to better deal with the huge volume of food needed by our field crews. A year ago this was a dream. Now, with grants from the Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation, Ludwick and Woodard Family Foundations, Juan Young Trust, and gifts from several very generous individuals, it is going to happen. Construction starts in January!

This year we were also able to develop new youth development activities with help from the Oregon Commission for Voluntary Action and Service, Lane Workforce Partnership, funds through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and several new foundations. Please join me in thanking those individuals, businesses, project sponsors, and others who helped Northwest Youth Corps achieve such success in the last year.

I hope that this report helps you appreciate the profound discoveries hundreds of kids make during their journey with NYC each year. If you are not already a donor, I invite your contribution. This year, NYC was able to award scholarships to 219 youth who could not otherwise participate in Northwest Youth Corps. However, limited funds meant we still had to turn away other youth requesting assistance. Your gift to NYC's Tuition Assistance Endowment will help us to serve even more youth in the future.

With your continued support, we can work to meet the ever-growing needs of our youth and our public lands.

Sincerely,



Art Pope
Executive Director



education

training

service

challenge

teamwork

success



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, as part of a ten-member team, camp 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 High 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, allows AmeriCorps members to work directly with youth in many NYC programs as mentors, team leaders, and educators.

Measuring Success

Helping Youth Succeed

Participants report that their Northwest Youth Corps experience significantly increased their ability to:

Understand environmental issues	94%
Work independently	94%
Work hard	94%
Find a job	86%
Cooperate in a team effort	95%
Work safely	95%
Be dependable	95%
Work with others	93%
Set and work towards goals	89%
Be a leader in a group	79%
Appreciate diversity	92%
Take responsibility for their actions	93%
Learn from mistakes	94%
Feel self-confident	90%

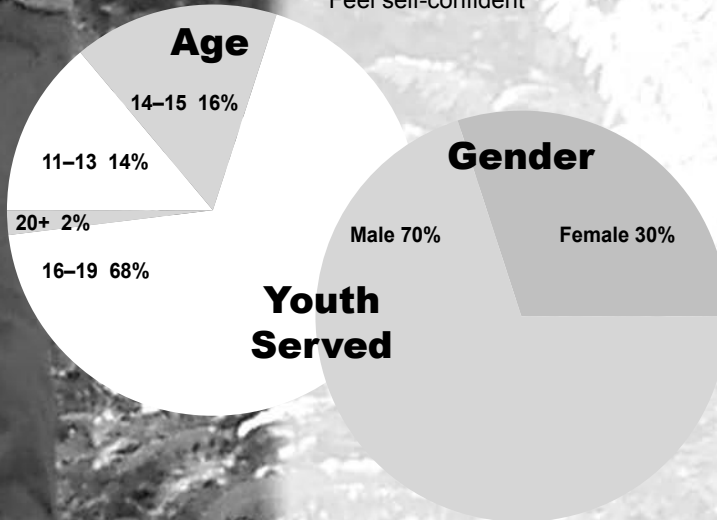
Project Partners

Forest Service—ID
Boise National Forest (NF)
Idaho City Ranger District (RD)
Idaho Panhandle NF
Sandpoint RD
Payette NF
Krassle RD
McCall RD
Salmon-Challis NF
Middle Fork RD
Sawtooth NF
Fairfield RD

Forest Service—WA
Colville NF
Newport RD
Gifford Pinchot NF
Mt. St. Helens National Volcanic Monument
Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF
Darrington RD
Mt. Baker RD
Skykomish RD
Snoqualmie RD
Olympic NF
Hood Canal RD
Wenatchee/Okanogan NF
Chelan RD
Cle-Elum RD
Leavenworth RD
Wenatchee RD
Methow Valley RD
Naches RD

Forest Service—CA
Klamath NF
Scott River RD
Six Rivers NF
Orleans RD

Forest Service—OR
Fremont NF
Lakeview RD
Paisley RD
Silver Lake RD
Malheur NF
Prairie City RD
Mt. Hood NF
Zig Zag RD
Ochoco NF
Lookout Mtn. RD
Paulina RD
Rogue River NF
Ashland RD
Prospect RD
Siskiyou NF
Chetco RD
Galice RD
Gold Beach RD
Illinois Valley RD
Siuslaw NF
Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area
South Zone RD
Umatilla NF
Heppner RD
N. Fork John Day RD



Project Milestones

Recreation

Trail Construction	42 miles
Trail Maintenance	406 miles
Turnpike Construction	1,736 feet
Retaining Walls	5,365 feet
Trail Bridges	661 feet
Trail Drainage Structures	2,424
Switchback/Climbing Turns	277

Range Management

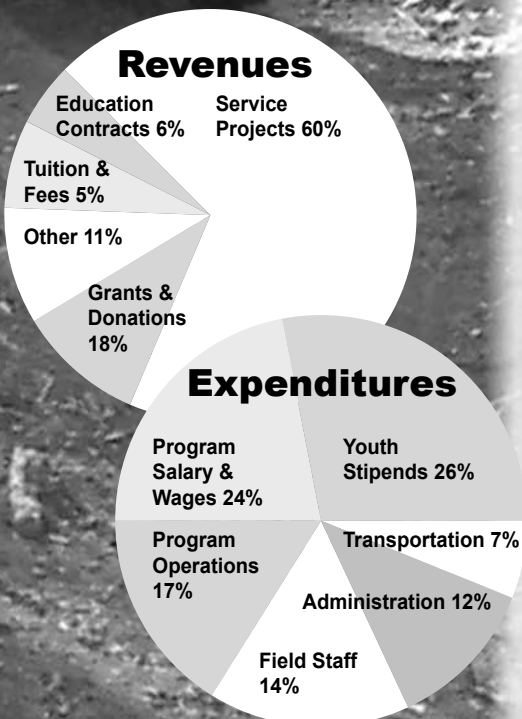
Fence Construction	19,487 feet
Fence Removal	10,606 feet

Reforestation

Conifer Pruning	105 acres
Fuel Reduction	181 acres

Restoration

Planting	6,550 trees
Noxious Weed Removal	1,537 acres
Wetland Restoration	28 acres



Sponsors and Donors

Umpqua NF
Diamond Lake RD
Willamette NF
Detroit RD
McKenzie RD
Middle Fork RD
Sweethome RD

National Park Service

Crater Lake National
Park (NP)
Craters of the Moon
National Monument (NM)
Fort Clatsop NM
Mt. Rainier NP
Olympic NP

Bureau of Land Management

Coos Bay District
Eugene District
Medford District
Roseburg District
Salem District
San Pedro RNCA (Arizona)
Phoenix District (Arizona)

US Fish and Wildlife Service

Columbia National Wildlife
Refuge
Little Pend-Oreille National
Wildlife Refuge

Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department

Cape Blanco State
Park (SP)
Carl G. Washburne SP
Collier SP
Ecola SP
Indian Beach SP
Neahkanie Mtn. SP
Oswald West SP
Silver Falls SP
Sumpter Valley State
Historical Area

County Parks Departments

Benton County
Bezell Park
Josephine County
Lake Selmac Park
Lane County Parks
Mt. Pisgah Arboretum
Linn County
River Bend Park
Maricopa County (Arizona)
White Tanks Park

Oregon Counties

Douglas County
Jackson County
Josephine County
Linn County
Marion County

Local Agencies

East Lane Soil and Water
Conservation District
Eugene Water and Electric
Board
Mohawk Watershed Council
US Army Corps of
Engineers

Other Partners

Blazer Construction
Cascades Raptor Center
Diana Brown
Edgewood Townhouses
Assoc.
Food for Lane County
Friends of Buford Park
Hendricks Hill Community
Laurel Hill Valley
Neighborhood Assoc.
Lindsay Reaves
McKenzie River Trust
McKenzie Watershed
Council
The Nature Conservancy
Oregon State University
Challenge Course
St. Vincent de Paul
Skinner City Youth Farm
Springfield Utility Board
Steve Harter
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"Stub" Stewart
Tom Bowerman
Trude Kaufman Senior
Center
Whittaker Engineering
(Ash Creek Water Control
District)

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Central-Linn SD
Creswell SD
Crow-Applegate SD
Eugene 4J SD
Junction City SD
Marcola SD
McKenzie SD
Pleasant Hill SD
South Lane SD
Springfield SD

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Loggers, Inc.
Best Impressions Printing
Services
Blount/Oregon Cutting
Systems
Campbell Group, Inc.
Columbia Management
Company
Columbia Sportswear
Eugene Water and Electric
Board Partners-in-
Education
Farwest Steel Corporation
Feline Thyroid Clinic
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Center
Kingsford Manufacturing
Company
Lan Tel Services
Lodge Manufacturing
McGraw-Hill Companies,
Inc.
NW Natural
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Oregon Logging
Conference
Pacific Continental Bank
PacInfo Internet Solutions
Pelican Products, Inc.
Prichard Evans & Elder
Commercial Real Estate
PSC, Inc.
Raven Maps and Images
Register-Guard Newspaper
in Education Fund
REI
SELCO Credit Union
Seneca Jones Timber Co.
Siuslaw Financial Group
Slumberjack
Speedi Sign
Symantec Giving Program
Tec Laboratories, Inc.
Terra Tech International
The Timberland Company
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VyaNet
Wildish Sand and Gravel

Agencies

Dept. of Health & Human
Services, Salem and E.
Multnomah Branches
Douglas County Board of
Commissioners
Eugene / Library Recreation
and Cultural Services

Eugene School District 4J
Hermiston School District 8R
Housing and Community
Services Agency of Lane
County
Jackson County Board of
Commissioners
Lane County Board of
Commissioners
Lane Workforce Partnership
Lincoln County Juvenile
Department
Linn-Benton-Lincoln
Educational Service
District
Linn County Board of
Commissioners
Marion County Board of
Commissioners
National Association of
Service and Conservation
Corps
Oregon Commission for
Voluntary Action and
Service
Oregon Parks and
Recreation Department
Oregon Youth Conservation
Corps:
Benton County
Community Service Corps
Curry County
Josephine County
Lake County
Umatilla County
Springfield Public Schools
Wesley United Methodist
Women/Ruth Circle

Foundations

The Autzen Foundation
The Burning Foundation
Campbell-Wallace
Foundation
Chambers Family
Foundation
The Collins Foundation
The Jackson Foundation
NIKE/Jordan Fundamentals
Juan Young Trust
Larson Family Foundation
L.L. Stewart Pass-Through
Fund of The Oregon
Community Foundation
Ludwick Family Foundation
McKay Family Foundation
The Herbert A. Templeton
Foundation
Trust Management
Services, LLC
Weyerhaeuser Company
Foundation
Woodard Family Foundation

Individuals

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Tuition Assistance Endowment

NYC's Tuition Assistance
Endowment was
established through a gift
made by Steve Stewart
in memory of his mother,
Dorothy Elizabeth Stewart.
The endowment, and
its named funds, grows
through the ongoing
generous support of our
alumni and community
members. NYC's Named
Funds include:

Campbell Group Fund
Krist Anderson Fund
Scott Foremny Fund
Straub Family Fund

Northwest Youth Corps sincerely appreciates the generosity of all our donors and is pleased to list all gifts on our web site. The sponsors and donors above made gifts in the last fiscal year totaling \$100 or more. We apologize for any oversight in listing donors.



Northwest Youth Corps offers a challenging education and job-training experience that helps youth and young adults develop the skills they need to lead full and productive lives.

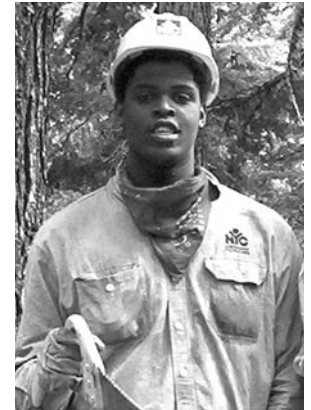


“At NYC I learned how to get along with all different types of people, be away from home, live more independently.”

—Corpsmember

“I attended NYC in 1990... NYC taught me that any obstacle may be overcome. Many people have asked how I can balance being a wife, mother, full time employee, and college student at the same time... I’m fully confident that it was my time with NYC that created the desire to make more out of my life...”

—Alumni



“My daughter just finished the first session of the Idaho program... My daughter... has not stopped talking about the different projects that she worked on... Her horizons have been broadened in a way that her father and I could not have done.”

—Parent

“The crew was challenged physically and mentally on the work site and in the community, but continued to push their limits far. My crew made me proud and I believe they will accomplish things in life with a new light and perspective after NYC.”

—Corpsmember



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