

**Boys & Girls Clubs:  
Community Wellness Programs  
for Children & Youth**

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**Experiences in  
Indian Country**



## FirstPic, Inc.

- Consulting firm
- Offices located in Crofton, MD and Washington, DC
- Staff experienced in crime prevention; Native American issues; youth development; missing children; conference and meeting planning and support; Public and Indian Housing issues



## Select Projects and Special Initiatives Focused on Native American Issues





## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

### Office of Native American Programs Crime Prevention Initiative

- Develop and implement crime and gang prevention workshops
- Conduct Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country Implementation Trainings
- Implement youth development camps in Indian Country
- Provide TA in Indian Country to prevent crime and promote community safety
- Develop and distribute ONAP's *Planet Youth* website and quarterly newsletter, *Club Notes*, which targets Native youth.



## BGCA National Native American Initiative

- Serve as the BGCA Native American Support Center for Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country
- Leading provider of youth services in Indian Country
- Provide T&TA focused on growth & sustainability of Native Clubs





## Growth of Clubs in Indian Country

- 1996 12
- 1997 28
- 1998 51
- 1999 77
- 2000 87
- 2001 110
- 2002 135
- 2003 146
- 2004 184
- 2005 200
- 2006 207
- 2007 210 (projected)





Boys & Girls Clubs in Native Country, 1992





## **Special Initiatives**

**MethSMART  
(OJP, BJA)**

**Diabetes Prevention Program  
(IHS, NCAI, Nike)**

**Navajo Nation Mentoring Program  
(HHS)**

**G.R.E.A.T. Program  
(OJP, BJA)**



## **MethSMART**

**Funded by Office of Justice Program,  
Bureau of Justice Program (BJA)**

**Partner**

- Arizona Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs

**2007 Pilot Program**

- 20 Clubs (9 Native American)





## National Methamphetamine Awareness Day November 30, 2006



## Diabetes Prevention Program

Funded by Indian Health Service (IHS)

**Partners:**

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)  
Nike, Inc.

**2003 Pilot Program**

6 Clubs

**2004-05 Program Expanded**

25 Clubs

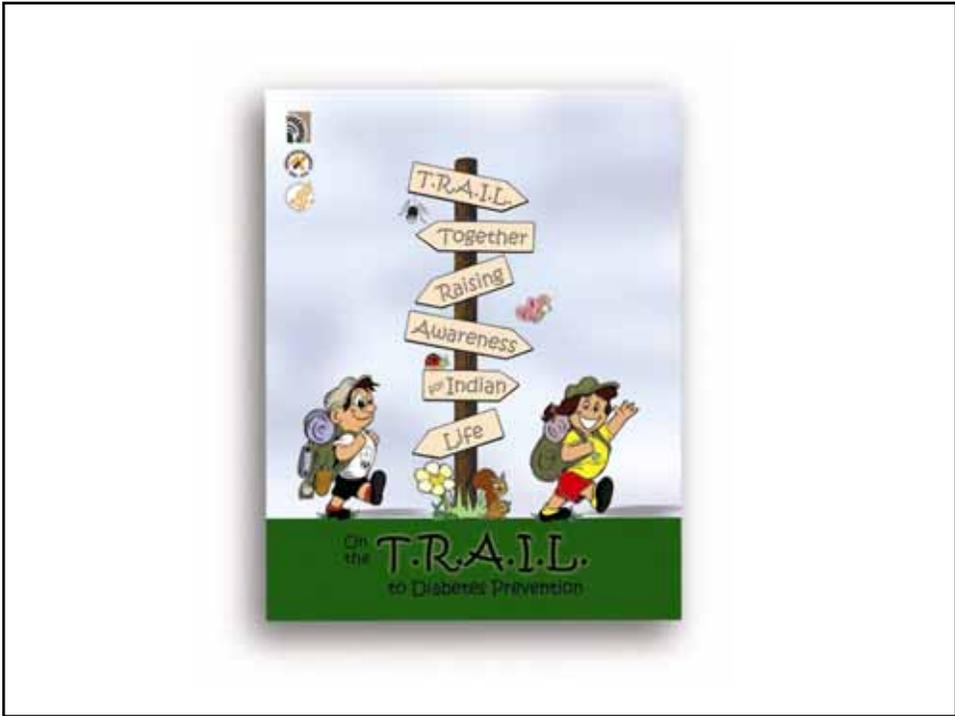
**2005-06 Program Expanded**

28 Clubs

**2006-2007 Program Expanded**

40 Clubs







# Navajo Nation Mentoring Program



**3 Year Grant Administered by the Navajo Nation**

Funded by Health and Human Services (HHS) ACF

Targets Children of Prisoners

16 Club Organizations in 6 States awarded funding to implement Mentoring Programs





## G.R.E.A.T. Program

(Gang Resistance Education and Training)

### Collaborative Effort – BGCA, ATF, USDOJ and local tribal law enforcement

An increase in life skills that empower Club members  
to avoid violent behavior

Greater community involvement by Club members

Development of new and improved relationships between  
Club members and law enforcement officers, community  
leaders, parents and Club staff.

2007 Expansion of Program in Native communities






## Professional Partnerships

### Federal Partnerships

Office of Justice Programs (OJP)  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban  
Development (HUD)  
Indian Health Service (IHS)  
Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

### Private Organization Partnerships

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)  
Nike, Inc.  
America's Second Harvest – Kids Cafe  
National Financial Education Coalition





## Upcoming Conferences & Trainings

- Boys & Girls Clubs of America  
National Native American Workshop, May 16, 2007  
Orlando, Florida
- OJP BJA  
Law Enforcement and Youth Partnerships for Crime  
Prevention Conference, October 2007
- HUD/ONAP Continuation



## Financial Commitments and Opportunities

- Office of Justice Programs
- Indian Health Service
- Health and Human Services
- Office of Native American Programs
- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- NAHASDA
- OJJDP
  - Tribal Youth Program (TYP)
  - Targeted Community Action Planning (TCAP)
    - Provides TA to 3 tribal communities
    - Address juvenile justice issues threatening public safety





## Goals and Objectives

Increase the number of Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country from 200 (serving over 140,000 youth) to 210 by the end of 2007

Ensure Sustainability of new and existing Clubs (NAHASDA)

Build the Native American Sustainability Fund




## Native American Publications





## Tribal Relationships

- 80+ Tribal Communities
- Tribal Councils
- Tribal Leaders/Elders
- Tribal Law Enforcement
- Tribal Governments



## Sustainability Fund

- Establishment of Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country, Inc. in 2002
- Goal: \$100 million to be used to sustain Native Clubs in Indian Country for the next seven generations
- Current Status: \$10 million





## Sustainability Fund

**Major Contributors:**

- BGCA Board Reserves
- National Indian Gaming Association (Pledge)
- Individual donors including members of the BGCA Board of Governors



## NIGA Challenge

- In April 2006, NIGA announced Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country, Inc. as a beneficiary of their charitable fundraising campaign
- \$5 million will be donated to the Fund
- Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community announced a \$1 million match/pledge
- Other tribes challenged to donate to the fund





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