

**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; curriculum designs; evaluation and data collection; 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 quarterly newsletter, *Club Notes*, which targets Native youth and highlights successful activities



## 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 209 (to date)






**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
IN NATIVE AMERICA  
MAY, 1992**

**Boys & Girls Clubs in Native Country, 1992**

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
IN NATIVE AMERICA  
JULY, 2007**  
1-800-NACLUBS  
WWW.NACLUBS.ORG

**ESTABLISHED  
SITES AND UNITS - 209**  
**SITES IN PROGRESS - 33**

**Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country, 2007**

**Native American Club Support**

- BGCA Native American One-Day Symposium
- BGCA Native American Summit
- Native American Club Technical Assistance
- Federal and Private Partnership Development
- Native American Club Website ([www.NACLUBS.org](http://www.NACLUBS.org))
- Club Notes Publication
- Native American Club Exhibiting
- Native American National Advisory Committee (NANAC) Support
- Native American Sustainability

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## Special Initiatives

**MethSMART  
(OJP, BJA)**

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

**Navajo Nation Mentoring Program  
(HHS, ACF)**

**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)**

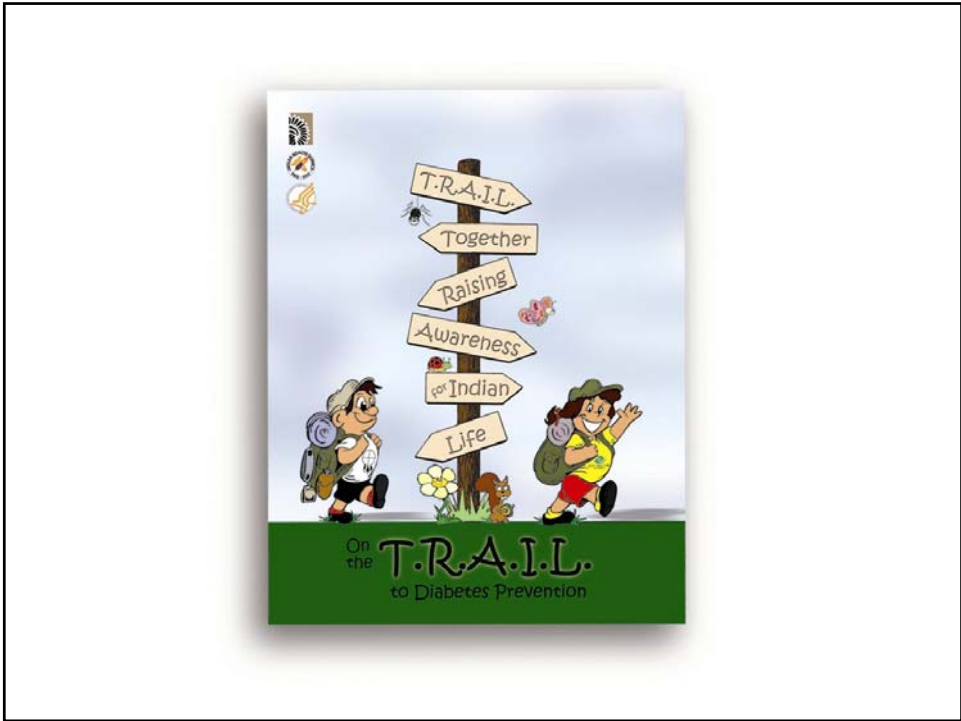
**Partners:**  
National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)  
Nike, Inc.

**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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) ACF

Targets Children of Prisoners

16 Club Organizations in 7 States awarded funding to implement Mentoring Programs





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

(Gang Resistance Education and Training)

### Collaborative Effort – BGCA, ATF, USDOJ, BJA 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.

9 Club Organizations in 8 States awarded funding to implement GREAT in 2007






## 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


- OJP BJA  
Law Enforcement and Youth Partnerships for Crime Prevention Conference, Fall 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
  - New Club start-ups and continuation





## 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



MANUALS AND GUIDES

WRITING DEVELOPMENT

NEWSLETTERS

VIDEOS

BOOKLETS

CONFERENCE MATERIALS



## Tribal Relationships

- 80+ Tribes, including:
  - 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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