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We are pleased to present the 2004 and 2003 financial highlights for the Foundation including the National Office and 54 Chapters.

By all financial measures, 2004 was a significant improvement over 2003 as total revenue grew by nearly \$7.0 million. Total net assets increased by nearly 40% to \$31.6 million with a margin of \$7.6 million. The equity market's stability also benefited the Foundation's pension plan providing a \$1.0 million reversal of minimum pension liability charges required to be recorded in prior years.

Due to the generosity of the American public, we were able to increase our research grant commitment by over \$5.0 million.

In 2004, more than 75% of our expenses went to funding program activities including research, advocacy, community programs and educational activities.

As we move forward into 2005, we are looking to build upon the strong performance from 2004.

We thank our many volunteers and donors and ask for their continued support.



Richard J. Freeman
Treasurer
March 18, 2005

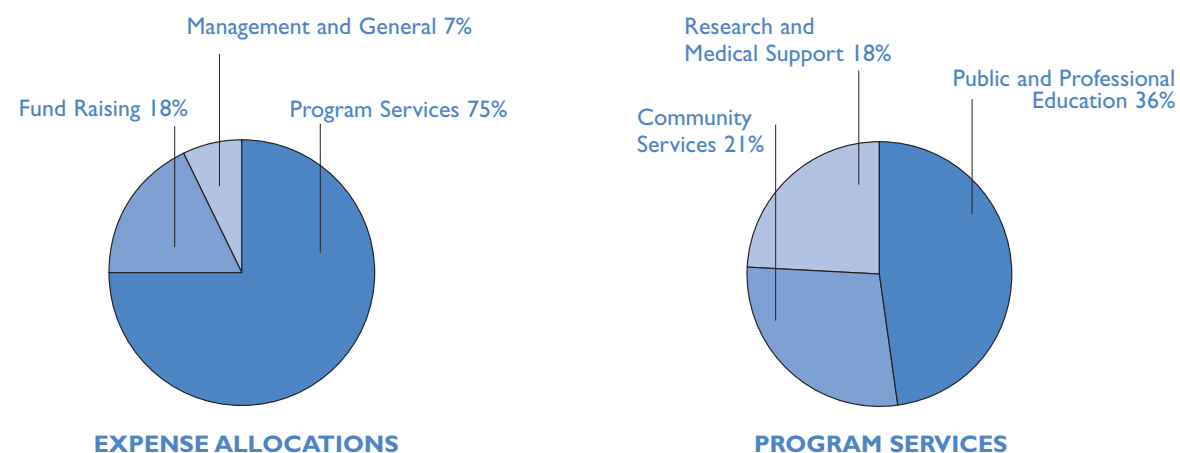
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES Years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 (amounts in thousands)

REVENUE:	2004	2003
Contributions	\$ 193,242	\$ 183,052
Bequests and major gifts	8,767	7,428
Government, foundation and corporate grants	10,040	10,439
Investment gains	6,119	10,427
Other	6,217	6,177
Total revenue	224,385	217,523
EXPENSES:		
Research and medical support	39,012	31,932
Public and professional education	77,541	75,764
Community services	46,844	45,193
Management and general	15,874	17,505
Fund raising	37,510	37,580
Total expenses	216,781	207,974
Excess revenue over expenses	7,604	9,549
Decrease (increase) in minimum pension liability	980	(2,413) ¹
Change in net assets	\$ 8,584	\$ 7,136

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION Years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 (amounts in thousands)

ASSETS:	2004	2003
Investments, cash and cash equivalents	\$ 104,827	\$ 90,019
Assets held in trust by others	9,317	8,693
Land, building and equipment – net	11,039	11,680
Other assets	16,693	19,167
Total assets	\$ 141,876	\$ 129,559
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 18,327	\$ 13,076
Grants and awards payable	23,369	22,665
Accrued postretirement and pension benefit costs ..	52,858	56,592 ¹
Other liabilities	15,683	14,171
Total liabilities	110,237	106,504
NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted	15,087	6,703 ¹
Temporarily restricted	4,602	4,589
Permanently restricted	11,950	11,763
Total net assets	31,639	23,055¹
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 141,876	\$ 129,559



¹ These amounts have been adjusted from prior year to correct an error by the foundation's former outside actuary from 2003, and the financial statements have been restated accordingly. Pension Liabilities increased and Unrestricted Net Assets decreased by \$5,779,000.