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Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc.

APRIL 2025 to MARCH 2026

ANNUAL REPORT



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ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

MISSION

We are on a mission to remove barriers which prevent members of Saskatchewan Black and racialized communities from improving their quality of life and achieving socioeconomic success.

VISION

We envision no one in the Greater Saskatoon Metropolis is left behind in attaining their full potential, and achieving socioeconomic success.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

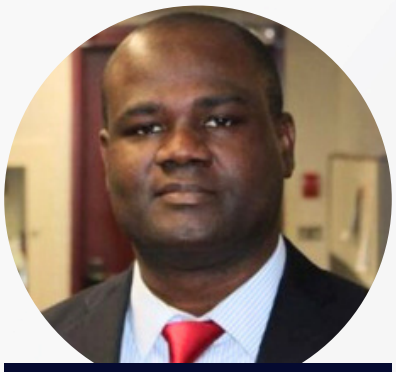
From April 2025 to March 2026, Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. (TAYFFI) continued to deepen its community impact and advance its mission of empowering youth, strengthening families, supporting newcomers and underserved populations, and cultivating inclusive environments where individuals can access opportunities, develop their potential, and thrive.

Guided by an unwavering commitment to equity, social inclusion, and community well-being, TAYFFI worked to dismantle systemic barriers, address disparities in access to essential resources and services, and establish meaningful pathways toward personal growth, social participation, and socioeconomic advancement. At the heart of this work is the recognition that every individual deserves the opportunity to live with dignity, exercise their potential, and contribute meaningfully to their families and communities.

Throughout the year, TAYFFI expanded its reach through education, youth development, family and wellness supports, employment readiness, community engagement, cultural programming, and access-to-justice initiatives. These efforts were designed to respond to the diverse and evolving needs of Black, Indigenous, racialized, newcomer, and other underserved communities, while promoting equitable access to resources, strengthening individual and collective capacity, and fostering a greater sense of belonging. Through culturally responsive programming, collaborative partnerships, advocacy, and community-centred support, TAYFFI continued to create spaces where individuals and families could build skills, access essential services, strengthen their resilience, and pursue greater independence and stability.

By fostering meaningful connections, encouraging community participation, and creating opportunities for learning, leadership, and self-determination, the organization continued to contribute to stronger families and more empowered communities.

MESSAGE FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Board President
Ayodele Olagunju, PhD

As we reflect on the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the Board of Directors of Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. (TAYFFI) is proud of the progress made in advancing our mission of building inclusive, resilient and thriving communities. This year has reinforced our belief that meaningful community impact begins with understanding people's needs, removing barriers and creating opportunities for individuals and families to reach their full potential.

Throughout the year, TAYFFI continued to deliver programs and services that promote educational achievement, youth development, employment readiness, access to justice, family well-being, and social inclusion. Through initiatives such as our youth summer camp, academic support and career development programs, and community engagement activities, we created opportunities for young people to develop essential skills, build confidence and envision brighter futures. Our work in access to justice also continued to address systemic barriers facing Black individuals and families, helping community members access information, navigate unfamiliar systems, and connect with appropriate supports.

Beyond individual programs, our work reflects a broader commitment to fostering belonging, celebrating cultural diversity and strengthening relationships across communities. We recognize that lasting change requires more than delivering services; it requires listening to community voices, building trust and working collaboratively to address the challenges that affect people's everyday lives.

None of this progress would be possible without the dedication and generosity of those who stand alongside us. On behalf of the Board, I extend our sincere appreciation to our staff and volunteers for their compassion, professionalism and commitment; to our funders, community partners and collaborators for their trust and shared purpose; and to our donors, supporters and community members for believing in our mission. Your contributions, in many different forms, help turn our vision into meaningful action.

As we look ahead, the Board remains committed to strengthening TAYFFI's programs, deepening community partnerships, promoting accountability, and ensuring that our resources are used effectively to achieve lasting impact. We also recognize that significant needs remain, and we approach the coming year with renewed determination to learn, adapt and respond to the evolving priorities of the communities we serve.

Thank you for being part of the TAYFFI journey. Together, we are building a future where everyone has the opportunity to thrive, every voice matters, and every community member can participate with dignity, confidence and a sense of belonging.

Ayodele Olagunju, PhD
On behalf of the Board of Directors,
Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. (TAYFFI)

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



MR. ANTHONY OLUSOLA

Dear Friends, Partners, Supporters, and Community Allies,

It is with immense gratitude and a profound sense of purpose that I present the 2025–2026 Annual Report of the Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. (TAYFFI).

Throughout the year, the Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. continued to deliver culturally responsive programs and services supporting Black, racialized, newcomer, and other equity-deserving communities across Saskatchewan.

Through our work in youth and family development, seniors' services, employment, mental health, cultural engagement, and access to justice, TAYFFI continues to reduce barriers, empower individuals, and strengthen communities. We remain particularly committed to advancing Black access to justice and creating opportunities for youth and families through culturally responsive support, mentorship, leadership, and socioeconomic development.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, funders, partners, and community allies for their invaluable contributions. As we move into our 2026–2030 strategic direction, we remain focused on expanding our impact, strengthening partnerships, and building a more equitable and socially cohesive Saskatchewan where everyone has the opportunity to reach their full potential.

With sincere appreciation,

Anthony Olusola
Chief Executive Officer
Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc.

2025-2026 AT A GLANCE

Clients Served
10,655

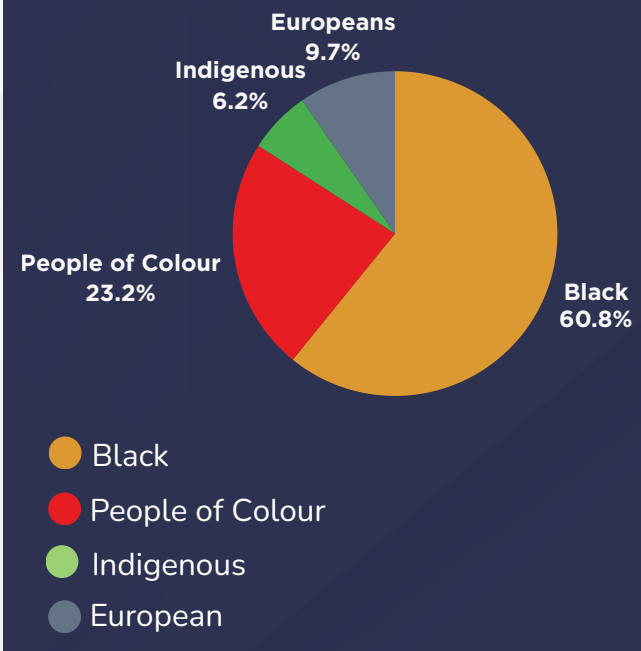
Wellness Hampers
362

Scholarships
$5,000

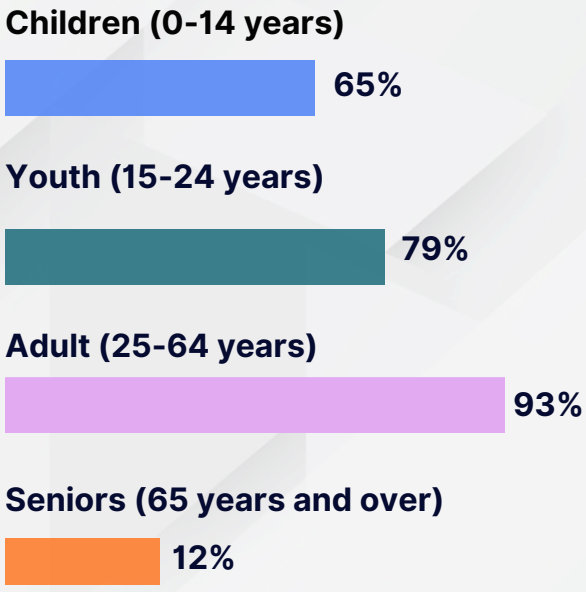
Geographic Regions of Clients Served



Cultural Background of Clients

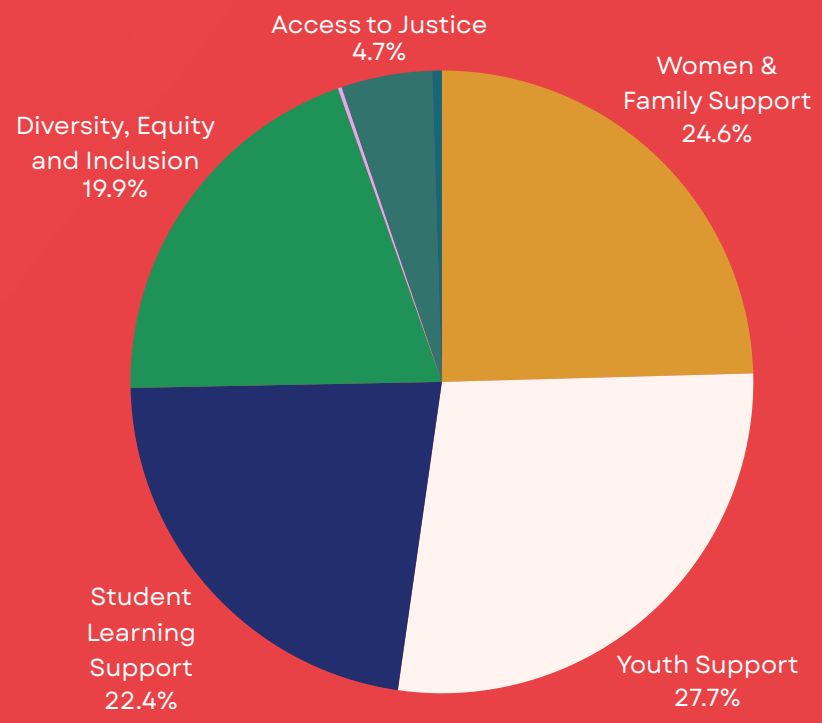


Age Group of Clients



2025-2026 AT A GLANCE

Program Participation



- Women & Family Support
- Clinical Counselling
- Student Learning Support
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
- Access to Justice
- Youth Support

Volunteer Program

New Volunteers Recruited

130

Volunteer Hours

4,000



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

This year marked another meaningful chapter of growth for TAYFFI. From April 2025 to March 2026, our work continued to evolve as we created more opportunities for children, youth, women, seniors, families and community members to learn, connect, participate and thrive. Across education, wellness, culture, leadership, recreation and community support, our programs reflected the diverse interests and needs of the communities we serve.

What made the year especially meaningful was the variety of ways people connected with TAYFFI. A young person might have discovered coding through STEM, developed confidence through sports or dance, received guidance from a mentor, or represented youth perspectives at a national conference. Women came together to strengthen their leadership and advocacy skills. Seniors found opportunities for wellness, cultural exploration and social connection. Families and community members accessed education, wellness and practical support. Together, these experiences tell a broader story of an organization continuing to grow alongside the community it serves.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Youth and student development remained a cornerstone of TAYFFI's mission in 2025/26, reflecting our commitment to equipping the next generation with the knowledge, confidence, and opportunities to shape their futures and contribute meaningfully to their communities. Through academic enrichment, mentorship, STEM, recreation, and cultural programming, young people were encouraged to discover their strengths, expand their aspirations, and translate their potential into meaningful action. From Blooming Buds and STEM YXE to Meet Your Mentor, these initiatives fostered learning, leadership, and personal development beyond the classroom.

More than 100 youth participated in Game On! Let's Play!, building teamwork and social connections through basketball and volleyball, while TAYFFI students showcased their innovations alongside peers from across Saskatchewan at the Nanan STEM Student Project Showcase in Regina. Through My Hair, My Crown, Soul Steps, Haus of NEXUS, and Voice of Today: Youth Diversity Showcase, youth people also explored cultural identity, heritage, dance, fashion, wellness, and creative expression.



Collectively, these initiatives created pathways for youth to feel seen, discover their capabilities, and develop the skills and confidence to become active contributors and future leaders in their communities.

YOUTH PROGRAMS



Make Your Mark Conference



My Hair, My Crown



Blooming Buds Summer Camp

SENIORS PROGRAM

For seniors, TAYFFI's 2025/26 programming prioritized holistic wellness, meaningful connection, and continued participation in community life. From April to September, Seniors Wellness Sessions welcomed an average of 15 seniors per session for gentle stretching, light movement, mindfulness, and social tea breaks. These gatherings fostered physical and mental well-being while providing consistent opportunities for companionship, community engagement, and reduced social isolation. Through SeniorsConnect YXE, 13 seniors also attended Saskatoon Folkfest, exploring diverse cultural traditions through performances, international cuisine, and cultural displays.

The outing encouraged cultural appreciation, recreation, and social connection beyond the regular programming environment. In October 2025, the Intergenerational Music Fiesta, supported by the Catherine Donnelly Foundation, brought together more than 70 participants for music, dance, storytelling, and shared creative expression. The event fostered meaningful connections between generations while celebrating cultural diversity and the experiences that unite communities.



Collectively, these initiatives affirmed that senior well-being extends beyond physical health, encompassing belonging, cultural participation, creativity, and opportunities to remain socially connected, valued, and actively involved in community life.

SENIORS PROGRAM



Seniors Bowling Program



Cultural Connections at FolkFest



Seniors Wellness (Yoga)



Seniors Cooking Program

WOMEN'S PROGRAM



Throughout 2025/26, TAYFFI advanced its commitment to empowering BIPOC women by creating spaces to amplify lived experiences, cultivate leadership, and strengthen advocacy for greater equity and civic participation. hrough the Empowering BIPOC Women to Social Justice initiative, participants developed practical skills and explored strategies to challenge systemic barriers. The Lived Experience Visualization Workshop engaged 12 participants over five weeks in digital storytelling, video production, and editing, equipping them to communicate experiences of discrimination, resilience, and social justice. In August, the Emerging BIPOC Women Leaders Workshop welcomed 20 participants for leadership and advocacy development, examining barriers to meaningful participation in community and civic life. A further gathering in November continued this dialogue, providing space to share experiences, navigate systemic discrimination, explore solutions, and advocate for their rights.

Together, these initiatives positioned empowerment as an ongoing process of skill-building, collective learning, and self-advocacy, enabling BIPOC women to strengthen their voices, build connections, and participate more confidently in shaping their communities.

WOMEN'S PROGRAM



Empowering BIPOC Women



Women Empowerement



Gender Based Violence Program



Mothers Day Celebration

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Throughout 2025/26, TAYFFI's community engagement extended beyond formal programming to address the interconnected social, cultural, educational, and practical needs of the communities we serve. Through initiatives such as the World Refugee Day Walk and Canada Multicultural Day, TAYFFI celebrated diversity, fostered belonging, and created opportunities for meaningful community connection. Education and accessible support remained central, spanning parenting, financial literacy, health education, legal information, youth leadership training on Type 2 diabetes prevention, and Peer-to-Peer Health Education. Ongoing services, including clinical counselling



and access to HIV self-test kits, further strengthened pathways to information, wellness, and support. Community care also took tangible form through the Annual Wellness Hamper Initiative in December, delivered with support from the Saskatoon Police Service and Save-On-Foods to provide essential items to individuals and families experiencing vulnerability during the winter and holiday season. Across these efforts, conversations on social justice, legal rights, and gender-based violence complemented partnerships that connected community members with relevant resources and support. Together, these initiatives reflected TAYFFI's holistic approach to community development: advancing equity and well-being through education, cultural celebration, accessible services, collaborative partnerships, and meaningful participation in community life.

COMMUNITY EVENTS



World Refugee Day Walk



#CanadaWewant Conference



Diversity Disco



Intergenerational Music Fiesta

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Financial Literacy Workshop



Game ON! Lets Play



Empowering BIPOC Women



#NoTimeToWait Conference



Haus of NEXUS- Cat Yoga

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

SYMPOSIUM

The year reached one of its defining moments during TAYFFI's February-long Black History Month programming, bringing education, heritage, recognition and community celebration together. From February 11 to 13, 2026, the 3rd Annual Saskatchewan Afrocentric Symposium brought together community members, educators, policymakers and youth to explore Afrocentric knowledge systems and recognize the contributions of people of African descent across Saskatchewan.

Over three days, participants engaged in learning, cultural affirmation and collective conversations about building a more inclusive and socially cohesive province.



The learning extended beyond the Symposium. TAYFFI facilitated Heritage Education workshops with organizations and institutions including the Law Society of Saskatchewan, Hope Restored Canada and the Saskatchewan Penitentiary. These sessions explored Black social history in Saskatchewan and created opportunities for dialogue around systemic inequities, belonging and culturally responsive practices. They created opportunities to deepen historical understanding, challenge prevailing narratives, and recognize how lived experiences shape contemporary communities and institutions. By bringing diverse audiences into conversation, TAYFFI helped foster greater cultural awareness, encourage critical reflection, and strengthen the foundations for more equitable and inclusive spaces across Saskatchewan.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

AWARDS GALA

February culminated in the 4th Annual Black History Month Gala and Awards Night, a signature celebration honouring Black excellence, resilience, leadership, and cultural heritage. The event convened community leaders, dignitaries, government officials, advocates, and community members to recognize the individuals whose contributions continue to enrich communities and advance meaningful social change.

Through awards recognizing achievements in community service, youth leadership, arts and culture, and social justice, the Gala illuminated the diverse ways Black individuals are shaping Saskatchewan's social, cultural, and civic landscape. Cultural performances and opportunities for dialogue and connection further enriched the evening, creating space to celebrate heritage and elevate community voices,



The Gala also provided an opportunity to reflect on the contributions of Black communities throughout history and their continuing influence on Saskatchewan's future. By bringing together individuals from diverse backgrounds and areas of leadership, the event strengthened community ties, encouraged cross-sector collaboration, and reinforced the importance of creating spaces where Black voices, achievements, and lived experiences are valued. Beyond its celebratory significance, the Gala served as a powerful reminder of the importance of recognition, representation, and collective responsibility in building more inclusive communities where Black achievements are acknowledged, stories are honoured, and future generations are inspired to lead.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH













CLIENT SUCCESS STORIES



My child enjoyed learning the rules of the game and being part of the sessions. The program helped strengthen discipline, and it was a good learning experience overall. - **Parent of a GAME ON! Participant**



I am very grateful to TAYFFI and the staff for everything they have done for me and my family. The support we received meant so much to us. Thank you for always being there! - **Wellness Hamper Recipient**



Volunteering with TAYFFI has helped me grow, connect with new people, and contribute to my community. I've gained valuable skills and confidence while having the opportunity to be part of something meaningful - **Volunteer**



One of the biggest things for me was connecting with other women and meeting people I probably would not have met otherwise. I would definitely come again. - **Program Participant**

MEDIA IMPRESSION

INSTAGRAM

1093	10.7K	1.8K
Followers	Reach	Content Interactions

FACEBOOK

1.2K	1.2K	896
Followers	Reach	Content Interactions

LINKEDIN

553	3.7K	236
Followers	Reach	Content Interactions

MEDIA IMPRESSION

GOOGLE

9.4K	1,790	1,034
Views	Interactions	Searches

50

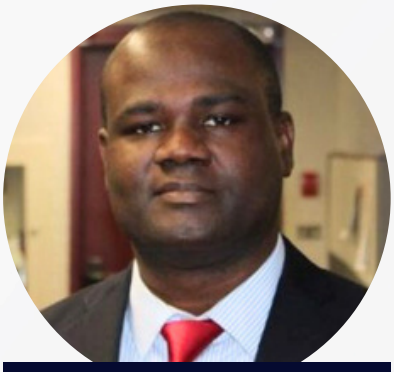


Google Reviews

WEBSITE

57.5K	833.8K
Unique Visitors	Total Requests

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Director
Dr. Gift Madojemu M.D

2025-26 STAFF

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Health Program Support Worker	Lokwen Issa
Student Learning Support Coordinator	Nadera Batori
Student Support Coordinator	Abdurahman Honey
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Youth Program Support	Thios Mwunveneza
Research & Outreach Assistant	Salman Abdullah
Program Support Coordinator	Tolulope Ojo
Community Outreach Support Worker	Sarah Diab
Cultural Broker	Oyindamola Sodunke

2025-26 SATFF& VOLUNTEERS







PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS

The growth and impact of Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. are made possible through the strength of our community. We extend our sincere gratitude to our donors, funders, sponsors, partners, and collaborators whose continued support has helped us expand opportunities, strengthen our programs, and reach individuals and families across Saskatchewan. Together, we are creating more inclusive pathways for Black and racialized communities to overcome barriers, build meaningful connections, and thrive.

Affinity Credit Union
Amani Congo, Comgolese Community of SK
Apathy is Boring
ATB Securities Inc
Bridge City Bicycle Co-Op
Black Queer Alliance YXE
Black Business Ventures Association
Black Professionals and Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan (BPES)
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Bridge City Bicycle Co-Op
Communauté des Africains Francophones de la Saskatchewan (CAFS)
Catherine Donnelly Foundation
CIBC Bank
Canadian Race Relation Fund
Canadian Tire Jump Start Program
Conseil économique et coopératif de la Saskatchewan (CÉCS)
Core Neighborhood Youth Co-Op
Community Initiative Fund
Daughters of Africa Resource Centre
Financial Literacy ATB
First Tee Priorities
Fitness Focus
Future Black Female
Future Foundation Learning
Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools
HAIRR Enterprise
House of Fenrich Publishing
Indigenous Artists
Juniper and Oak
John Howard
Legal Aid Saskatchewan
Living Lion Sky Dance
LetsStopAIDS
Logan College
Lux Productions
MC Dougall Law
Momentum Martial Arts
Nanan Shaun Academy

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North East Outreach & Support Services (NEOSS)
Oskayak High School
Prince Albert Multicultural Council
Pan-African Students Association
Right to Skate
RBC Bank
Saskatchewan Association of Immigrant Settlement and Integration Agencies (SAISIA)
Sask Arts
Saskatchewan Advocate for Children and Youth
Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation (SCIC)
Saskatchewan InterCultural Association
Saskatchewan Health Authority
Saskatoon Cycles
Saskatoon Food Bank
Saskatoon Open Door Society
Saskatoon Police Services
Saskatoon Public Library
Saskatoon Public School Board Division
Saskatoon Refugee Coalition
Saskatoon Sexual Health Education
Saskatoon Waste Reduction
Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Association
SCAT Rescue
Second Act Dance Studio
Southwest Saskatchewan Immigration Partnership
Student Comission of Canada
St. Matthews Church
TAG AVL Productions
Uganda Cultural Community of the Prairies
University of Saskatchewan English Department
Weston Frontlines Centre
YMCA of Saskatoon

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Summarized Statement of Operations for the Year Ended March 31,2026

REVENUES	2026	2025
Donations	$72,797	$108,213
Grants	$489,678	$385,280
Services	$44,942	$11,764
Capital Funding	$7,532	$5,971
Total Revenues:	$614,949	$511,228

EXPENSES	2026	2025
Salaries and Benefits	$300,046	$364,798
Rent	$33,914	$48,160
Program Delivery	$117,332	$106,672
Amortization	$13,244	$10,647
Amortization of Intangible Assets	$2,640	$2,640
Facilities	$20,359	$30,061
Insurance	$1,795	$1,674
General Operating	$66,659	$55,312
Total Expenses:	$555,989	$619,964

EXCESS OF REVENUE (Expense)	$58.960	$108,736
NET ASSETS, Beginning of Year	$5,961	$114,697
NET ASSETS, End of Year	$64,921	$5,961

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