



### Annual Report

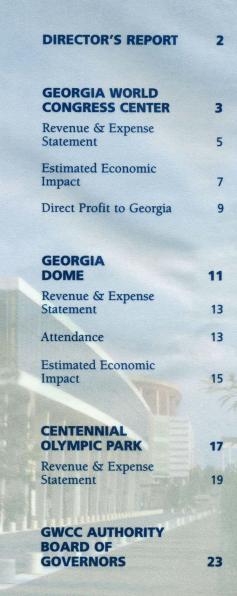
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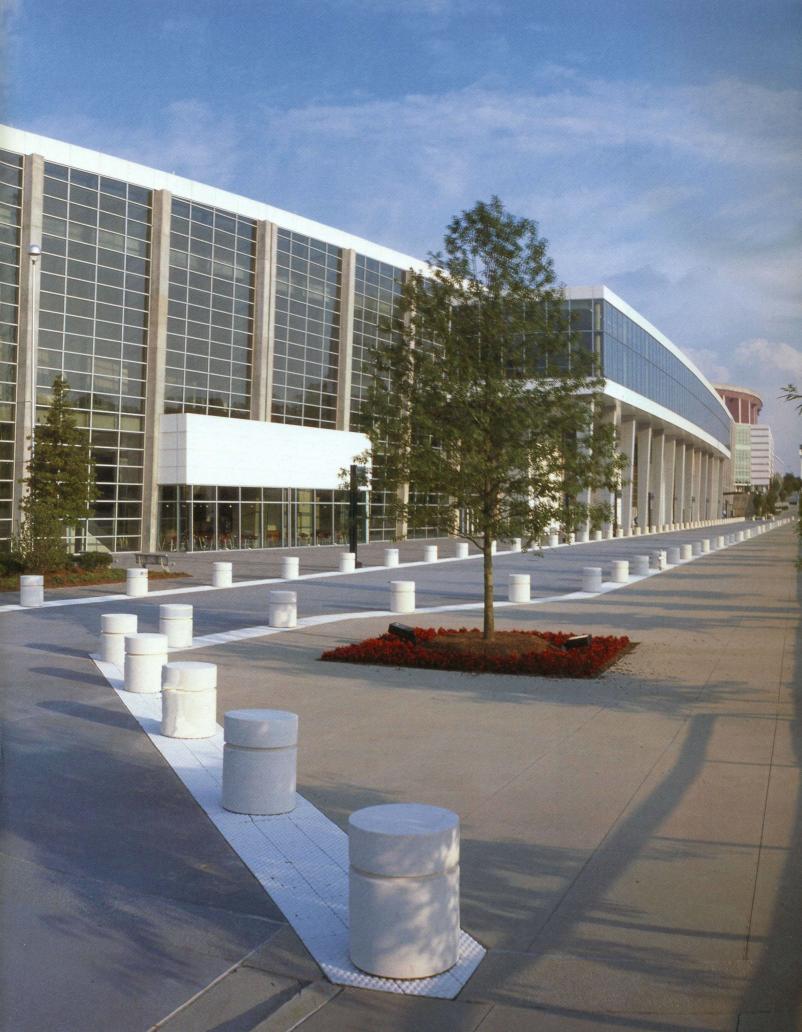
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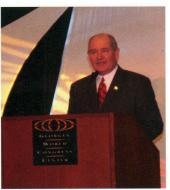


### Georgia World

GEORGIA

The Georgia World Congress Center enjoyed an eventful FISCAL YEAR 2003, from the grand opening of a 1.4 millionsquare-foot Phase IV expansion to the 10th anniversary of International Woodworking Fair.

The transition of Phase WORLD IV from a construction CONGRESS project to a state-of-the-CENTER art Building C gave the Congress Center an additional 420,000-square-feet of exhibit space. International Woodworking Fair became the largest show ever held at the Georgia World Congress Center when it utilized the exhibit halls in the partially completed Phase IV expansion early in the year. Bank Administrative



Institute (BAI) was the first major event to use the new 25,700square-foot Georgia Ballroom during its high profile event, featuring keynote

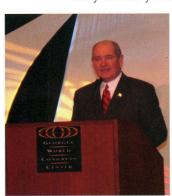
addresses from former New York City Mayor Rudy Guiliani and former General Electric CEO Jack Welch.

The guest list for the much-anticipated grand opening gala included many of the center's valued customers, welcomed by local and state officials and the Atlanta hospitality community.

> The highlight of the event was an announcement made by Georgia Gov. Sonny Perdue confirming the selection of the GWCC and Georgia Dome for the Microsoft

Global Briefing Meeting in 2004, bringing an estimated economic impact of \$50 million to the state. The expansion is projected to generate an additional \$1 billion in economic impact annually and generate \$53 million in new tax revenue.

This year, the GWCC hosted nearly 250 different events, from major trade shows to consumer shows to sporting events. Whether a trade show, corporate product launch or a small meeting, our dedicated staff brings the highest level of professionalism, customer service and friendliness to each event, ensuring a bright future for the GWCC.



### Congress Center



expansion is expected to generate an additional \$1 billion in economic impact annually.







## Revenue & Expense

### RENT, FOOD SERVICE AND UTILITY SERVICES

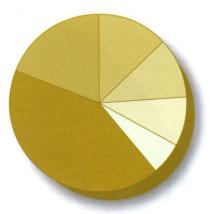
remain the primary sources of operating revenue for the Georgia World Congress Center. When combined, they account for 74 percent of all operating revenue, with rent serving as the largest revenue generator, accounting for 42 percent of the facility's \$30,868,814 in total revenue.

Operating revenue fell \$2.5 million below budgeted projections, but expenses were cut by \$5.8 million. A projected loss of \$3.1 million was trimmed to \$220,059. "Other" expense items include computer, telecommunications, equipment leases, travel, printing and other minor expenses.



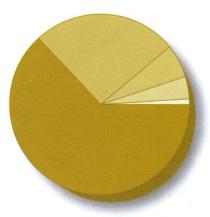
TOTAL	1,176,925
184 meetings, corporate events and others***	169,994
15 public/consumer shows	494,737
42 major trade shows and conventions	512,194

\*\*\* Includes fashion shows, licensing exams, graduation ceremonies, sporting events, concerts and other performing arts productions.



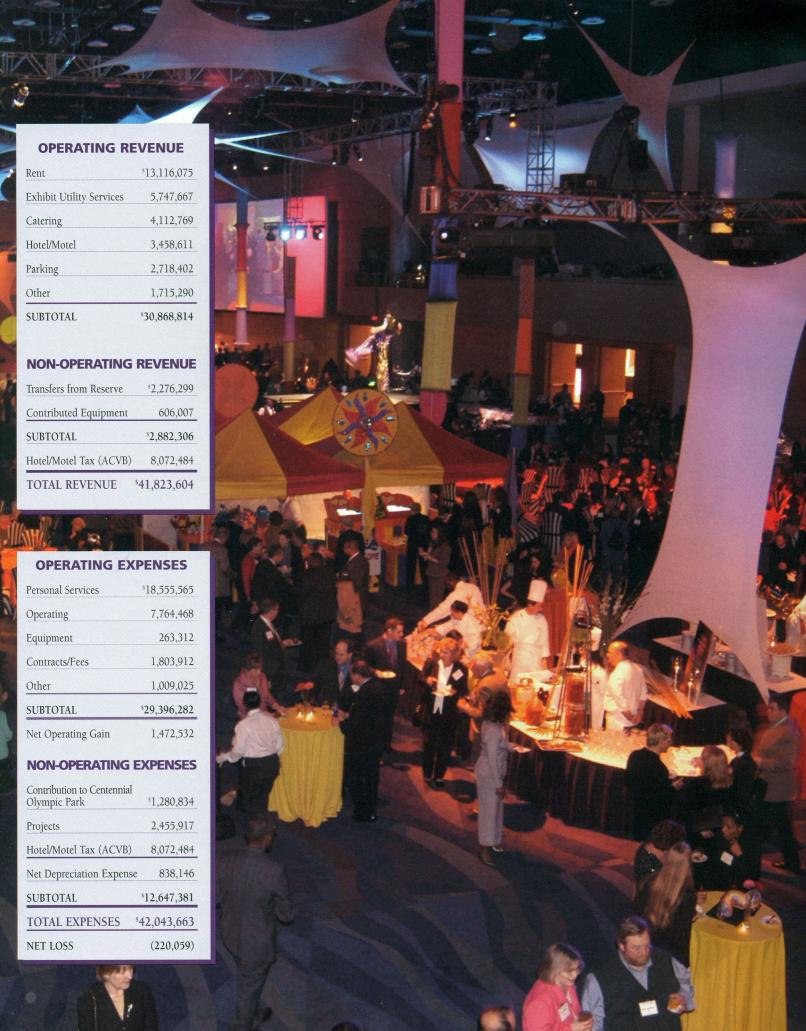
#### **OPERATING REVENUE**

Rent42%
Exh. Utility Services19%
Catering13%
Hotel/Motel11%
Parking9%
Other6%



#### **OPERATING EXPENSES**

Personal Services63%
Operating26%
Contracts/Fees6%
Other4%
Equipment1%



## GWCC Economic Impact

#### **GWCC ACTIVITY**

"New Dollar" Impact \$1,040,871,204

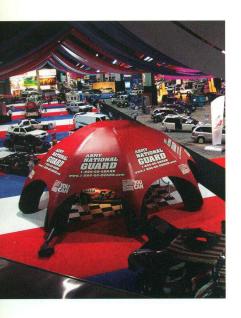
Total Economic Impact 1,718,270,165

Personal Income 666,975,121

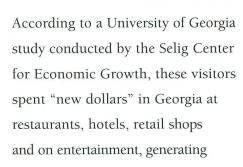
Employment \$25,432

#### **TAX REVENUES**

Georgia Sales Tax	\$39,753,260
Local Sales Tax	29,814,945
Hotel/Motel Tax	21,294,342
Personal Income Tax/Other	30,466,648
TOTAL \$1	21,329,195



An estimated \$1 billion was generated by the 1.2 million visitors to the Georgia World Congress Center.

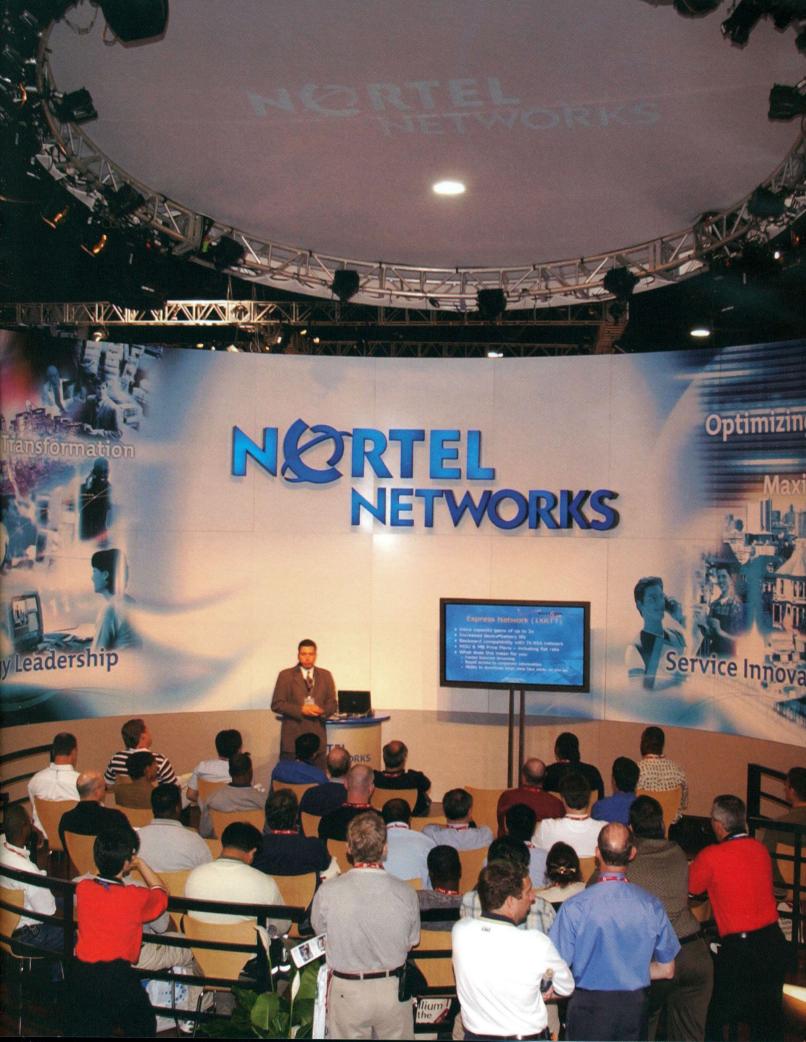




an economic impact of more than \$1.7 billion. Events

at the Congress Center sustained 25,432 jobs totaling personal income of \$30 million for the state's workforce. The facility generated more than \$121 million in state and local tax revenue.

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2002	2003
§1,056,756,473	<sup>5</sup> 1,040,871,204
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TAX REVENUES	
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### Economy

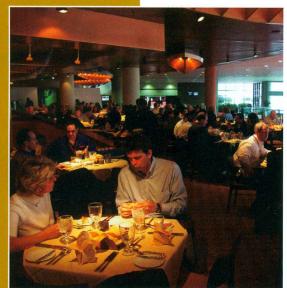
There is no doubt the GWCC continues to be the

primary economic engine

that drives the region's

hospitality

industry.





The State of Georgia has a vested interest in the Georgia World Congress Center. This year that investment, in the form of paid debt service, totaled nearly \$39 million. The return on that investment is significant. The

tax revenue generated during Fiscal Year 2003 was over \$70 million and the operating profit for the facility was \$1.5 million. Subtract the debt service from \$71.5 million and the difference is a \$32 million direct profit to Georgia. Despite a soft economy, the Georgia World Congress Center continues to generate real dollars for every citizen in the state.

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	OPERATING REVENUE	OPERATING EXPENSE	OPERATI PROFI
1994	22,020,607	19,430,734	2,589,87
1995	22,812,247	19,280,328	3,531,91
1996	23,742,599	19,395,316	4,347,28
1997	31,729,228	22,159,684	9,659,54
1998	30,030,518	25,313,630	4,716,88
1999	35,613,820	27,279,653	8,334,16
2000	33,967,289	25,019,091	8,948,19
2001	39,893,740	27,388,214	12,595,5
2002	29,298,755	26,039,749	3,259,00
2003	30,868,814	29,396,282	1,472,53

\*Direct Profit to Georgia is calculated by adding the operating profit and the state pro

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	68,472,099	24,559,580	43,912,519	47,444,438
	46,160,000	27,343,710	18,816,290	23,163,573
	61,854,480	27,118,841	34,735,639	44,305,183
	62,548,261	27,367,073	35,181,188	39,898,076
	64,490,285	27,777,777	36,712,508	45,046,675
	72,846,428	34,418,098	38,428,330	47,276,528
	79,116,385	44,904,470	34,211,915	46,807,441
	65,230,311	46,164,521	19,065,790	22,324,796
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### Georgia

The Georgia Dome hosted everything from bull riding competition to the NCAA Women's Final Four to NFL football during FISCAL YEAR 2003

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growth with a number of capital outlay projects completed or underway.

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O03 Arthur Blank. Six other football events
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the Corky Kell High
School Football Classic.

to Sunday professional football as the

team's popularity continued to soar

the Corky Kell High School Football Classic, Atlanta Football Classic, Georgia High School

Association playoffs, the Peach State Classic and the 35th Anniversary of the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl – filled the Dome during the fall and winter months.

Just a year after hosting the NCAA Men's Final Four, the Women's Championship Tournament came to the Georgia Dome in April, putting the stadium in the national sports spotlight.

The Dome served as host for more than 43 major events last year and the staff looks forward to a very bright future as the Falcons popularity soars,

longtime partnerships continue to flourish and new events find success at the Georgia Dome.

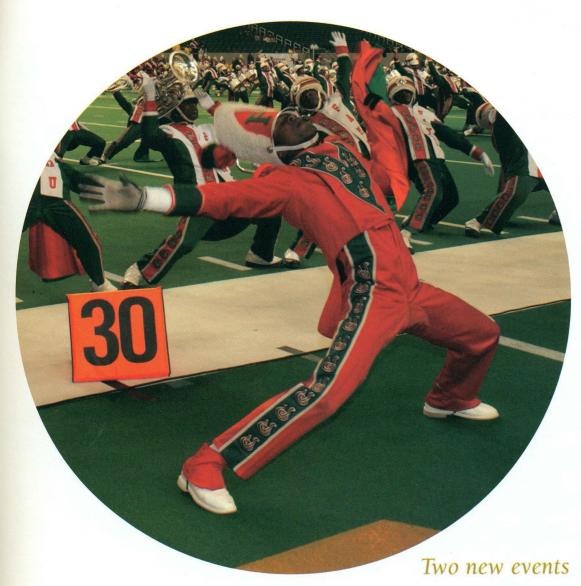
Inside the Dome, 1 million visitors saw \$5 million in new technology upgrade, including two Megavision video boards over each football end zone, eight LED message boards and new football and basketball scoreboards. In the spring, Dome officials announced the installation of a new artificial playing surface – FieldTurf – replacing the 11-year-old Astroturf.

And those weren't the only things new to the Dome in 2003. Two new events came to the Dome, Honda Battle of the Bands and Professional Bull Riders. Both drew record crowds and will return to the stadium in FY2004.

Home of the Atlanta Falcons, the Dome welcomed record crowds



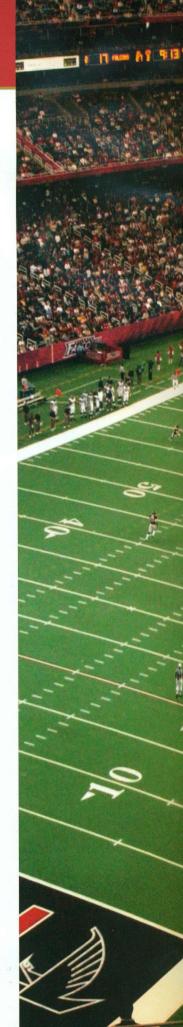
### Dome



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## Revenue & Expense

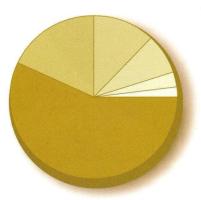
Despite a soft economy, the Georgia Dome exceeded projected revenues by \$8,800 while cutting expenses

during Fiscal Year 2003 by \$324,000, resulting in a net profit of \$6.8 million.

License agreements from Club Seat and Suite holders accounted for nearly 60 percent of the Dome's

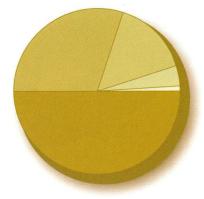
10 Atlanta Falcons Games	570,830
6 Other Football Games	256,917
2 Basketball Events	60,577
0 Entertainment Events	216,345
5 Other Events***	91,275
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\$23 million in operating revenue, followed by rent, sponsorships and parking.



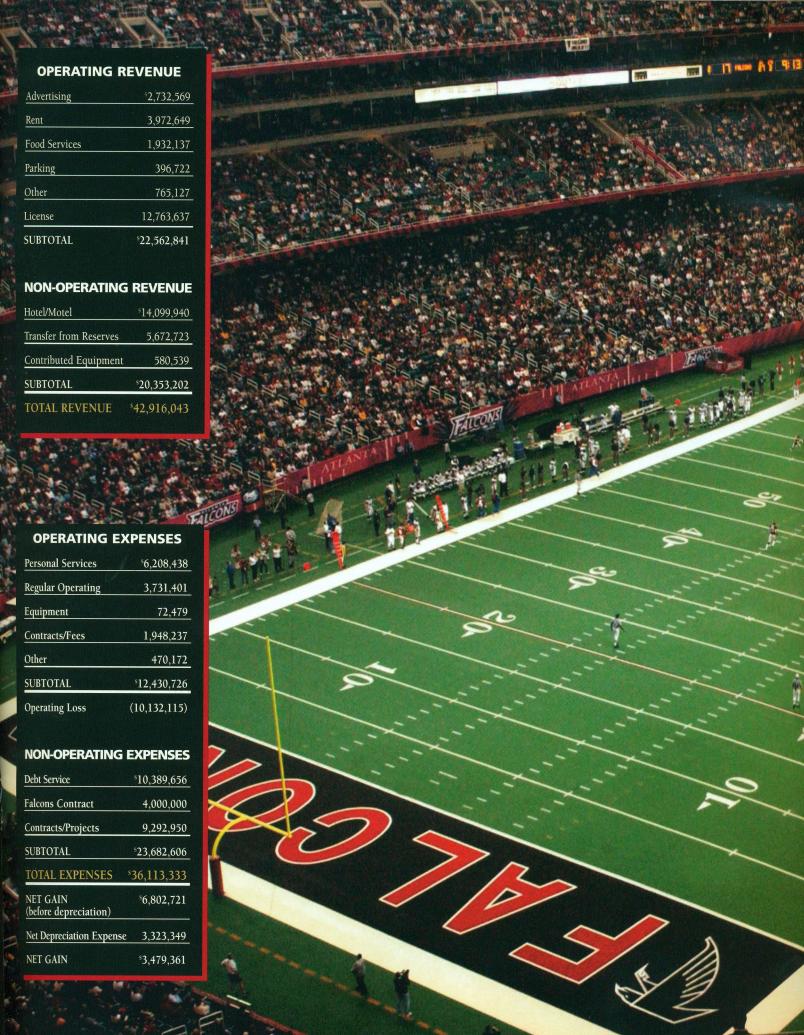
#### **OPERATING REVENUE**

License	57%
Rent	18%
Advertising	12%
Food Services	.8%
Other	.3%
Parking	.2%



#### **OPERATING EXPENSES**

Personal Services	50%
Regular Operating	30%
Contract/Fees	15%
Other	4%
Equipment	1%



## Dome Economic Impact

#### GEORGIA DOME ACTIVITY

"New Dollar" Impact \$121,024,635

Total Economic Impact 197,952,737

Personal Income 78,065,683

Employment 3,291

#### **TAX REVENUES**

Georgia Sales Tax	\$4,903,595
Local Sales Tax	3,677,697
Hotel/Motel Tax	2,406,133
Personal Income Tax/C	Other 3,565,949
TOTAL	\$14,553,374

Home of the 2003 NCAA Women's Final Four Basketball Tournament, the Georgia Dome hosted

everything from Falcons Football to Professional Bull Riders to Battle of the Bands, welcoming 1.2 million visitors in Fiscal Year 2003. Those visitors pumped more than \$120 million into the state's economy. Based on a study conducted by the University of



Georgia's Selig Center for Economic Growth, that \$120 million had a total

economic impact of \$198 million for the State of Georgia. Activities at the Dome sustained 3,291 jobs totaling personal income of \$78 million for the state's workforce. The stadium generated more than \$14 million in state and local tax revenue.



		2002
W. B.H. N.C.	2002	2003
"New Dollars" Generated	<sup>5</sup> 119,534,838	\$121,024,635
Total Impact of "New Dollars"	195,516,127	197,952,737
	TAX REVENUES	
State	§5,144,248	\$8,468,540
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	\$5,144,248 3,858,186	\$8,468,540 3,677,697
State Local Hotel/Motel		







### Centennial

Centennial Olympic Park continues to be the gathering place for downtown Atlanta, offering quality family programming, lively concerts, holiday fun and a great place to enjoy a little

peace and quiet in the center of the city.

The Park, which opened six years ago, was built as a legacy to the 1996 Centennial Olympic

Games, but it has become much more than that to the community. The 21-acre green space provides a wonderful welcome to the 2 million guests visiting the Georgia World Congress Center and Georgia Dome and is dedicated to providing quality family programming for the community.

During **FISCAL YEAR 2003**, the Park hosted 150 events, including 85 concerts, 13 film shoots, seven corporate receptions and two parades. Wednesday WindDown, a weekly free concert featuring top name jazz, R&B, blues and world music drew record crowds and

On the Bricks returned for its third year, entertaining thousands with chart-topping bands performing on stage. Fourth Saturday Family Fun Day, offered April through September,

continues to grow and this year was recognized by the Georgia Festival Events Association as the "Best Community Involvement Program

in the State." Atlantans and tourists alike continued to visit Centennial Olympic Park for the annual Holiday in Lights and ice skating rink, which has quickly become an Atlanta tradition.

CENTENNIAL Olympic Park

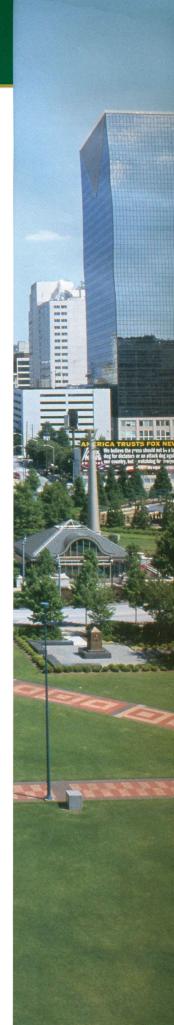
A catalyst for downtown neighborhood development, the Park anticipates a bright future, as residential properties continue to flourish in downtown and great developments, including the new Georgia Aquarium and World of Coca-Cola, enhance the Centennial Olympic Park neighborhood.

### Olympic Park



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## Revenue & Expense

Situated between the Georgia World Congress Center and

the downtown hotel district, Centennial Olympic Park serves as an open-air welcome center for visitors and conventioneers.

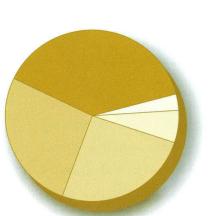
An integral part of the GWCCA campus, the Park receives the

majority of its funding - \$1.32 million - from the Congress Center. Food

services, rent and sponsorship account for 90 percent of the \$437,359 in operating revenue.

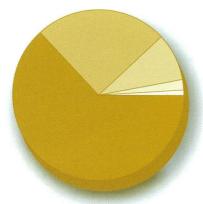
sponsorships and a reduction in the Congress Center contribution resulted in a net loss of \$1.4 million.

A decrease in Park



#### OPERATING REVENUE

Food Services39%
Rent26%
Sponsorship26%
Other6%
Utility3%



#### **OPERATING EXPENSES**

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Personal Services63%
Regular Operating25%
Contracts/Fees9%
Equipment2%
Other1%

#### **OPERATING REVENUE** Food Services \$172,984 Rent 114,342 Sponsorship 112,200 Other 25,378 Utility 12,455 **SUBTOTAL** \$437,359 EQUITABLE **NON-OPERATING REVENUE** Transfer from Reserves \$320,556 **GWCC** Contribution 1,342,440 SUBTOTAL 1,662,996 TOTAL \$2,100,355 **OPERATING EXPENSES** Personal Services \$1,177,813 Regular Operating 467,736 Equipment 32,606 Contracts/Fees 174,727 22,425 Other SUBTOTAL \$1,875,307 **NON-OPERATING EXPENSES** Capital Improvement \$365,401 & Projects Net Depreciation Expense 1,241,982 SUBTOTAL 1,607,383 TOTAL \$3,482,690 NET LOSS (1,382,335)

# Centennial Olympic Park

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Olympic Park provides a

wonderful welcome to the

2 million guests visiting the

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