



## *Filipino American Civic Employees of Seattle*

FACES is a nonprofit association of Filipino American Civic Employees of Seattle, and their friends and supporters. FACES was founded in 1990. Our mission is to champion dignity, rights and privileges to all Filipino Americans. FACES membership is open to all diverse backgrounds.

FACES foster cooperation and networking among the 500 Filipino-American Civic employees in order to unite them in mutual objectives. Furthermore, FACES works with the Filipino American community and other peoples of color to influence policies that affect our common causes. Our focus includes youth and senior citizen issues, domestic violence prevention and the preservation of human dignity. FACES actively sponsor a wide array of activities and causes including Race & Social Justice Initiative (RSJI). The RSJI committee has been in existence for two years. FACES also sponsors other organizations such as AIDS Caregivers, Asian & Pacific-Islander Women & Family Safety Center, Coalition of Filipino-Americans, Filipino Youth Activities, Filipino Youth Empowerment Project, Filipino-American Political Action Group of Washington, Filipino-American Educators of Washington, Filipino Cultural Heritage Society of Washington, Filipino Nursing Home Society of Washington, Filipino American National Historical Society, Life After Forty Basketball League, National Filipino-American Youth Assn., Pagdiriwang, Philippine Centennial Committee, Philippine Consular Offices, Pista Sa Nasyon, the Republic of the Philippines, Seattle Community Colleges, Sining Kilusan, and The Tribes Project.

FACES sponsors a highly successful annual training conference that features contemporary leaders who present fresh and varied insights to public sector priorities and the mechanics that make the City of Seattle a vital place of work. Workplace issues such as cultural diversity, barriers to mobility, upward mobility, affirmative action, changing the face of government, community concerns, training in resume writing and career advancement planning have all been well received.

FACES builds linkages with other employee groups through the Coalition of City Employees Associations that includes FACES, Blacks In Government (BIG), City Light Black Employees Association (CLBEA), Latino City Employees (LCE), Asian-American City Employees, Seattle Gays & Lesbians, and Seattle Women in Government (SWING). FACES is a strong supporter of the City's Combined Charities Campaign and other philanthropic endeavors.

FACES has the vision of harmony for our community on the local, state, and national levels. Only in this way can we truly participate in and experience the benefits of the society we have chosen for ourselves and for our children.

**FACES web address:** <http://www.facesseattle.org>