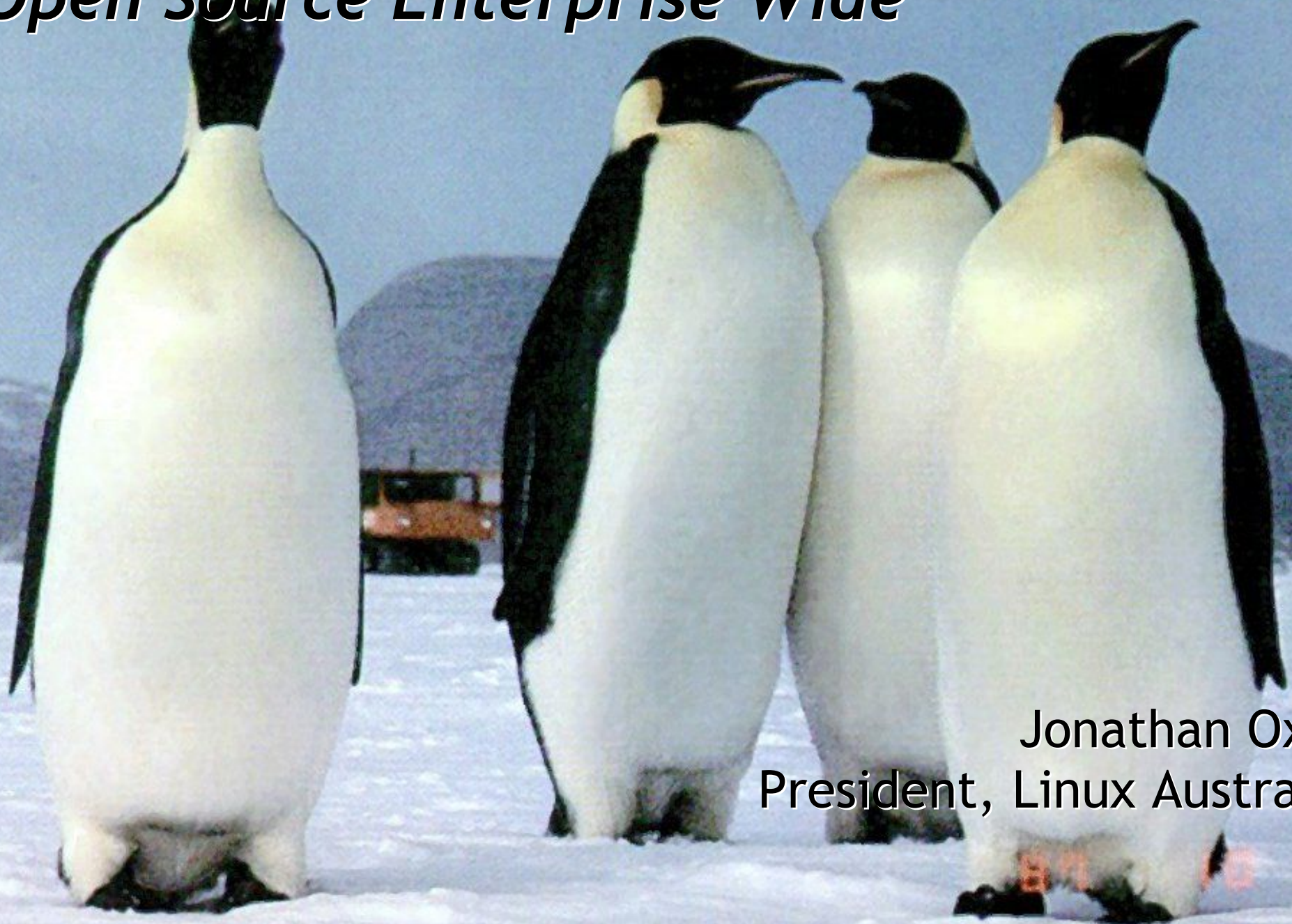


# Managing Complexity

## *Open Source Enterprise Wide*



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# Managing complexity

A group of penguins, likely Emperor penguins, are standing on a snowy, icy landscape. The background shows a clear blue sky and distant mountains. The penguins are white with black heads and necks, and some have black wings. They are standing in a line, facing away from the camera.

Project managers and procurement officers face many complexities with traditional software projects and suppliers.

Free / Open Source Software (FOSS) adds even more aspects to consider.

- The single-vendor model is dead.
- Need for vendor accountability: who is responsible?
- Purchasing contracts geared to proprietary software.

# Junta de Extremadura

The poorest region in Spain: faced with huge unemployment, an agrarian economy, and a rapid brain drain.

What's a poor government to do?



# It's contagious!

- The German judicial system
- Bergen Education Dept
- Munich City Council
- Deutsche Bahn (DB)
- Chinese Federal Govt
- Google
- Yahoo!
- Amazon
- Europcar International
- Credit Suisse First Boston
- Air New Zealand
- Bolzano Education Dept
- Norwegian Education Dept
- City of Bergen
- Korea Post
- Singapore MINDEF
- Allied Irish Bank
- Dept Of Veterans Affairs
- etc, etc, ...

**52% of companies are replacing Windows servers with Linux servers.**

*Source: Forrester Research, January 2005*

# This stuff sounds hard!

Where do you even start?



# Meet Linux Australia

Linux Australia Inc is a community driven non-profit association of Linux users and developers.

With more than 750 members it represents the local Linux community and undertakes a number of projects including the annual [linux.conf.au](http://linux.conf.au) and the Grant Scheme.



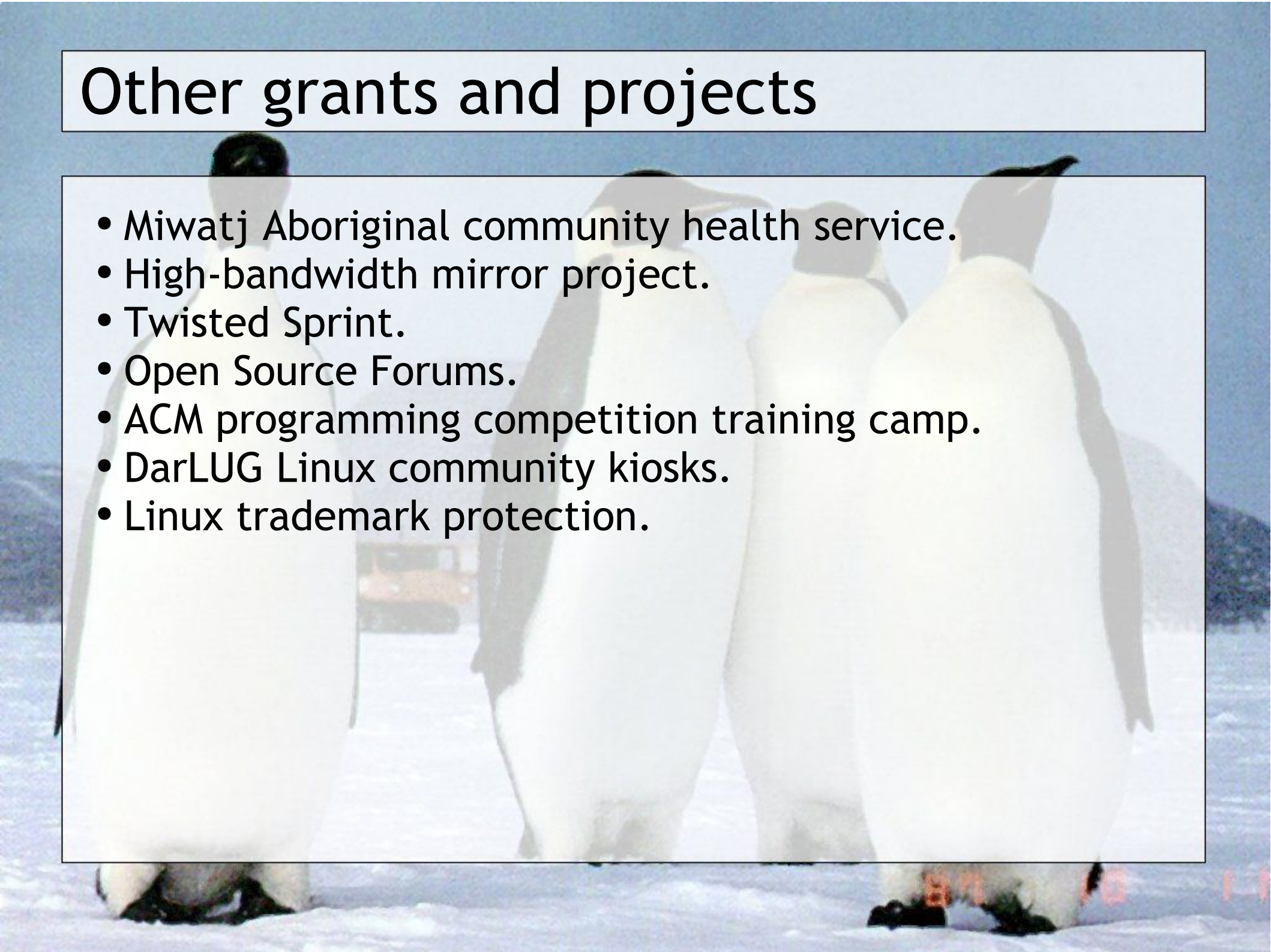
# Teen Challenge Murray Bridge

Teen Challenge works to lift people up out of difficult situations and equip them to face life. But what happens when Teen Challenge itself faces something like this?



# Other grants and projects

- Miwatj Aboriginal community health service.
- High-bandwidth mirror project.
- Twisted Sprint.
- Open Source Forums.
- ACM programming competition training camp.
- DarLUG Linux community kiosks.
- Linux trademark protection.



# What next?

Use “*A Guide To Open Source Software for Australian Government Agencies*”, produced by AGIMO.

Use the NSW Department of Commerce: they have a bunch of resources including the Open Standards / Interoperability Policy and their Open Source web site.

Linux Australia: [www.linux.org.au](http://www.linux.org.au)

Open Source Industry Australia: [www.osia.net.au](http://www.osia.net.au)

Talk to the FOSS vendors at the show.

Listen to the case studies coming up.

Thankyou!

The penguins are here.

Don't fear the penguin!

