The first phase of this project has been completed and a report on the findings is now available. The initiative is the most detailed study to date of the grant applications processed and approved by a pilot group of funders in the region.

**Overview**
This snapshot features an analysis of the grants allocated in 2014-2016, with a view to answering the questions:

- **WHO REQUESTED AND RECEIVED FUNDING?**
- **FOR HOW MUCH?**
- **IN WHAT AREA?**
- **AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE?**

The complete report also sheds light on the issues and challenges around collecting and classifying funding data.

**Applicants**
5,218 grant applications lodged with the 12 funders covered in this study from 2014-16

Approval rate of applications (2014-16) AVERAGED AT 67%

**Funds**
Total funding requested from 2014-16 was $79million. $38 MILLION WAS ALLOCATED.

Through the 3 years there was a consistent rise in requested and approved funding:
- **AVERAGE GRANT IN 2014 = $14,000.**
- **AVERAGE GRANT IN 2016 = $21,000.**

**Geographic Spread**
Where allocated funds went within the region

**Focus of Grants**
Which sectors received funding

Top target beneficiaries other than the “general public” includes children and young people, low-income communities, differently-abled, families and ethnic groups.