



Funder
Safeguarding
Collaborative

Annual Report

2024-25

We believe every funder plays a vital role in keeping people and communities safe.

Funder Safeguarding Collaborative is transforming the role of funders in safeguarding by driving action that creates safer organisational cultures and practices.

Launched in 2021, Funder Safeguarding Collaborative (FSC) addresses the urgent need for safeguarding in philanthropy. The collaborative welcomed 24 new members in the past year, bringing its network to 105 philanthropic organisations that jointly disburse more than \$8 billion annually in grants.

As the only philanthropic-support organisation dedicated to safeguarding, FSC offers peer spaces and high-quality, specialised assistance tailored to the unique needs of its members.

All income generated through its work is reinvested in the network, helping to transform grant-making practices for the better. FSC connects funders to a wealth of knowledge and expertise through webinars, working groups, tailored support, and peer spaces for members.

FSC is also building a robust evidence base to improve funder practices through research and publications which document and share best practice, practical tools and emerging trends.

Year in review

105

members as of June 30, 2025

485

hours of tailored technical support given to FSC members

3

new publications published, further strengthening the evidence base for safeguarding in grant-making organisations

25

training sessions across

19

member organisations reaching

423

people

246

people attended

13

peer learning events and

3

digital safeguarding webinars

FSC in action

FSC's vision is a world where safety and wellbeing are at the heart of every organisation. Here are a few highlights from a busy year for the Collaborative implementing its strategic plan, which sets out a roadmap for transforming funder approaches to safeguarding.



Strengthening the evidence base for safeguarding in grant-making

FSC launched a research project with Accountable Now to gather evidence on how funders can support effective safeguarding through their grant-making. The research draws on insights from funders, grantee partners and sector experts to help build a robust evidence base to inform the co-creation of practice standards for funders. The results of the research will be published in early 2026.



100th member

FSC's global network of members continued to grow and the collaborative welcomed its 100th member, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation.

FSC members benefit from contextually relevant information, knowledge, spaces and support services tailored to the needs of funder organisations and grounded in research and evidence.



Asia landscape analysis and resource guide

FSC published a [landscape analysis](#) on the state of safeguarding in Asia. The analysis provides an overview of the current legal and regulatory framework, identifies key stakeholders, and explores FSC's role in supporting and strengthening safeguarding efforts within the philanthropic ecosystem.

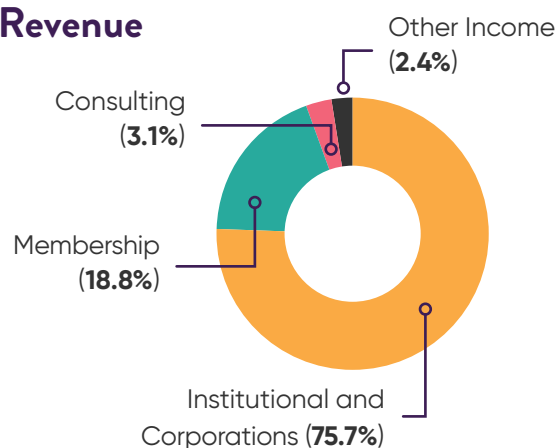
FSC facilitated a Community of Practice of safeguarding professionals to develop a [Resource Guide](#), which offers practical steps to strengthen safeguarding, with a focus on the distinctive factors that influence the risk of harm and shape safeguarding practice in Bangladesh, India and Pakistan.

Together the findings of the landscape analysis and the Resource Guide will facilitate FSC's collective efforts to improve safeguarding practices across the sector.

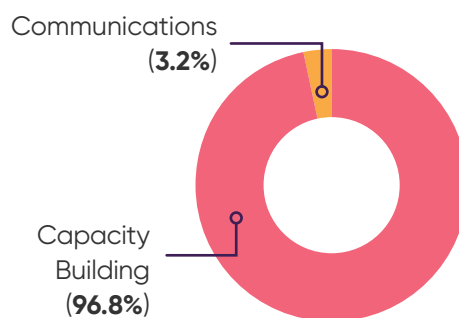
Our financials

	2025	2024
REVENUE		
Institutional and Corporations	\$ 1,018,027	\$ 175,824
Membership	\$ 252,751	\$ 69,259
Consulting	\$ 41,925	\$ 41,737
Other Income	\$ 32,038	\$ 6,522
Total Revenue	\$ 1,344,741	\$ 293,343
EXPENSES		
Program Expenses		
Capacity Building	\$ 746,983	\$ 626,635
Communications	\$ 24,352	\$ 6,642
Total Program Expenses	\$ 771,336	\$ 633,277
Management and General	\$ 115,182	\$ 68,007
Development/Fundraising	\$ 2,150	\$ 26,066
Total Expenses	\$ 888,668	\$ 727,350
Change in Net Assets	\$ 456,072	\$ (434,008)
Opening Balance in Net Assets	\$ 405,004	\$ 839,012
Closing Balance in Net Assets	\$ 861,076	\$ 405,004

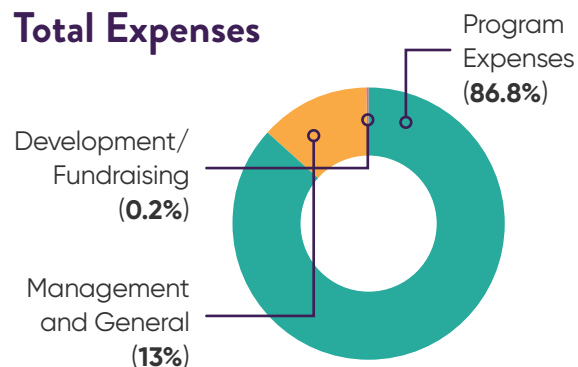
Revenue



Program Expenses



Total Expenses



Our members

Founding members

Comic Relief UK

Global Fund for Children

The National Lottery Community Fund

Oak Foundation

Porticus

Funding members

Children's Investment Fund Foundation

David and Lucile Packard Foundation

Global Fund for Children

Imaginable Futures

Laudes Foundation

Oak Foundation

Porticus

Steering committee

Angela Albornoz

Children's Investment Fund Foundation

Jonathan Beloe

CHS Alliance

Stephen Birtwistle

Laudes Foundation

Steina Bjorgvinsdottir

Funder Safeguarding Collaborative

Kathleen Flynn

Independent Expert

Alice Gentile

Oak Foundation

John Hecklinger

Global Fund for Children

Diederik Slot

Porticus

Emma Wokowu

Safeguarding Resource
and Support Hub

Deogratias Yiga

Impact and Innovations
Development Centre

Network members

as at 30 June 2025

Amplify Change	Esmee Fairbairn Foundation	Laudes Foundation	Standard Chartered Foundation
Association of Charitable Foundations	Fadica	Leathersellers Foundation	Stewardship
Battersea Dogs and Cats Home	Focus Central America Foundation	LGBTI Youth Fund	Sweaty Betty Foundation
BGF Foundation	Fondation CHANEL	LightEn	Swiss Philanthropy Foundation
Big Change	Fondation l'Egalite de Genre	Lloyds Bank Foundation	The Fund for Global Human Rights
Blagrove Trust	Forvis Mazars Foundation UK	Malala Fund	The Global Fund for Women
British Science Association	Foundation Scotland	Masonic Charitable Foundation	The Legal Education Foundation
Children in Need	Foyle Foundation	Maudsley Charity	The London Community Foundation
Choose Love	Freedom Fund	National Lottery Community Fund	The Mastercard Foundation
Children's Investment Fund Foundation	GHR Foundation	Nationwide Foundation	The Old Dart Foundation
Comic Relief	Girls First Fund	NEO Philanthropy	The SHM Foundation
Comic Relief USA	Global Dialogue	Oak Foundation	The Woven Foundation
Community Foundation North East	Global Fund for Children	Open Work Foundation	Trust for London
Conservation Collective	Global Greengrants Fund UK	OVO Foundation	Vibrant Village Foundation
Co-Op Foundation	Gower Street	Paul Hamlyn Foundation	Virgin Money
CORRA Foundation	Guy's & St Thomas' Foundation	Pears Foundation	Virgin Unite
Creative Scotland	Halifax Foundation	People's Health Trust	Vitol Foundation
Cumbria Community Foundation	Henry Smith Foundation	People's Postcode Lottery	Wellcome Trust
David and Lucile Packard Foundation	Howden Foundation	Phillips Foundation	William Grant Foundation
DHL UK Foundation	IDP Foundation	Porticus	Yorkshire Funders
Dulverton Trust	Ignite Philanthropy	Premier League Charitable Foundation	Youth Futures Foundation
DWF Law Foundation	Imaginable Futures	Safe Online	Youth Music
Economic Mobility & Opportunity Fund	Impetus	Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts	
Education Outcomes Fund	Just Beginnings Collaborative	Samworth Foundation	
EMpower Foundation	Kering Foundation	Segal Family Foundation	
Epic Foundation	Kerslake Robshaw Foundation	Sir John Fisher Foundation	
	KPMG Foundation		

Funder Safeguarding Collaborative (FSC) supports grant-making organisations across the globe that want to ensure that their work and the work they fund keep people safe.

FSC provides funders with a unique community to learn and share about safeguarding practice and policy with their peers, along with practical and tailored assistance for funders to help them find the right solutions for their specific context.

The collaborative also invests in member led initiatives to help keep people safe and strengthen safeguarding globally.



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