



Funder
Safeguarding
Collaborative

Annual Report

2023-24



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 with support from Global Fund for Children, Funder Safeguarding Collaborative (FSC) addresses the urgent need for safeguarding in philanthropy. The collaborative welcomed 18 new members in the past year, bringing its membership to 85 philanthropic organizations that disburse a combined \$8 billion annually in grants.

As the only philanthropic-support organization dedicated to safeguarding, FSC offers 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 grantmaking 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. Nearly a quarter of its members have also utilised individualized consulting services to strengthen safeguarding within their organisations.

Year in review

85

members as of
June 30, 2024

20

training sessions
across **15 organisations**

252

delegates engaged in
a combined total of
450 hours of training

500

hours of tailored
technical support
to FSC members

More than
50%

of members benefited
from direct technical
support and guidance,
in addition to general
resources, updates,
and information shared
with all members



FSC in action



A new four-year strategy

In 2024, FSC launched a [four-year strategy](#) to transform how funders approach safeguarding. The strategy focuses on the role of funders in promoting and supporting safe organisational cultures and practices. Key strategic approaches include leveraging the knowledge of funders already making positive changes and guiding others still learning, and helping funders navigate the safeguarding journey, including addressing challenges and implementing solutions.



Face-to-face convenings

FSC peer learning circles offer a space for Safeguarding Leads in member organisations to share learnings and explore the practical challenges of championing keeping people safe. Over the last year, FSC convened nine peer learning circles – including its first in-person event for international members and an inaugural online session for US-based members. Each peer learning circle focused on developments and discussions relevant to participants' local geographical context.



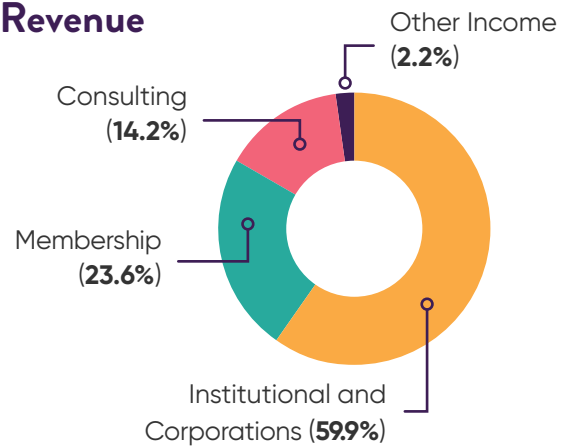
US landscape analysis

FSC carried out a [landscape analysis](#) on the state of safeguarding in the United States in early 2024. 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. The findings have informed discussions with US members and guide FSC's collective efforts to improve safeguarding practices across the sector.

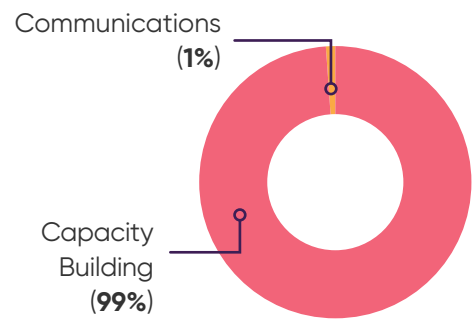
Our financials

	2024	2023
REVENUE		
Institutional and Corporations	\$ 175,824	\$ 600,703
Membership	\$ 69,259	\$ 39,967
Consulting	\$ 41,737	\$ 42,701
Other Income	\$ 6,522	\$ -
In-Kind Gifts	\$ -	\$ 4,219
Total Revenue	\$ 293,343	\$ 687,590
EXPENSES		
Program Expenses		
Capacity Building	\$ 626,635	\$ 402,627
Communications	\$ 6,642	\$ 857
Total Program Expenses	\$ 633,277	\$ 403,484
Management and General	\$ 68,007	\$ 41,781
Development/ Fundraising	\$ 26,066	\$ 14,179
Total Expenses	\$ 727,350	\$ 459,444
Change in Net Assets	\$ (\$ 434,008)	\$ 228,146
Opening Balance in Net Assets	\$ 839,012	\$ 610,865
Closing Balance in Net Assets	\$ 405,004	\$ 839,012

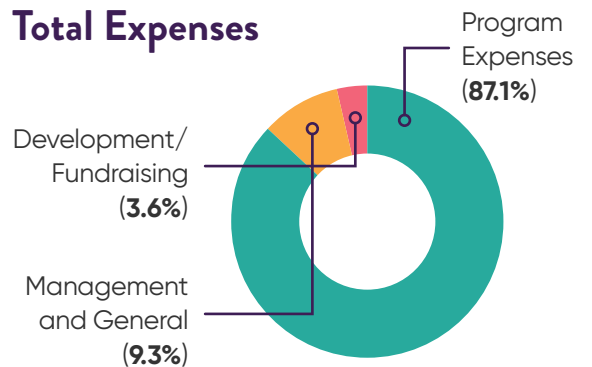
Revenue



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

Global Fund for Children

Imaginable Futures

Laudes Foundation

Oak Foundation

Porticus

Steering committee

Angela Albornoz

Children's Investment Fund Foundation

Stephen Birtwistle

Laudes Foundation

Emma Wokowu

Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub

Alice Gentile

Oak Foundation

Kathleen Flynn

Coline Rapneu

CHS Alliance

John Hecklinger

Global Fund for Children

Diederik Slot

Porticus

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Impact and Innovations Development Centre



Network members

Amplify Change	Elevate Children Funders Group	Ignite Philanthropy	People's Postcode Lottery
Association of Charitable Foundations	EMpower	Impetus	Phillips Foundation
Battersea Cats & Dogs Home	End Violence Against Children	Just Beginnings Collaborative	Porticus
BBC Children in Need	Epic Foundation	KPMG Foundation	Premier League Foundation
Big Change	Esmée Fairbairn Foundation	Laudes Foundation	Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts
Big Win Philanthropy	FADICA	LGBTI Youth Fund	Samworth Foundation
Blagrave Trust	Fondation Chanel	The Leathersellers' Foundation	Segal Family Foundation
British Science Association	Foundation Scotland	LightEn	Sir John Fisher Foundation
Children's Investment Fund Foundation	Foyle Foundation	Lloyds Bank Foundation	Standard Chartered Foundation
Choose Love	Freedom Fund	Malala Fund	Stewardship
Comic Relief UK	Fund for Global Human Rights	Masonic Charitable Foundation	Sweaty Betty Foundation
Comic Relief USA	GHR Foundation	Mastercard Foundation	Swiss Philanthropy
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland	Girls First Fund	Maudsley Charity	Trust for London
Conservation Collective	Global Dialogue	The National Lottery Community Fund	Vibrant Village Foundation
Corra Foundation	Global Fund for Children	New Venture Fund / Arabella Advisors	Virgin Unite
Creative Scotland	Global Fund for Women	Oak Foundation	Wellcome Trust
Cumbria Community Foundation	Gower Street	Old Dart Foundation	William Grant Foundation
Disability Rights Fund	Guy's & St Thomas' Foundation	Openwork Foundation	Youth Futures Foundation
DWF Law Foundation	Halifax Foundation	Ovo Foundation	Youth Music
Education Outcomes Fund	The Henry Smith Charity	Paul Hamlyn Foundation	
	Howden Group	Pears Foundation	
	IDP Foundation	People's Health Trust	



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