

SNAPSHOT

LGBTI Funding for Asia and the Pacific

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (2021-2022)

NUMBER OF GRANTS

1,019

AVERAGE GRANT

\$43,838

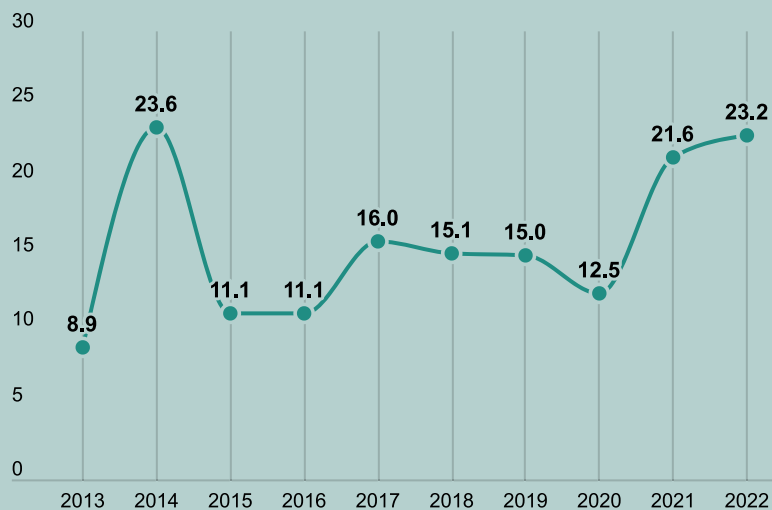
MEDIAN GRANT

\$10,000

TOTAL FUNDING

\$44.8 M

CHART 19.1: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING YEAR (2013-2022)



AMOUNT IN \$ MILLIONS

During 2021-2022, 77 grantmakers awarded \$44,759,062 focused on LGBTI issues in Asia and the Pacific. Compared to the last reporting period, the region increased in total grant amount (by 63 percent), number of grants (13 percent), and number of donors (two additional donors).

Note that some donors chose not to reveal the geographic focus of the world region, instead only identifying the grant as within the Global South and East or deciding not to disclose the geographical location at all. These locations were redacted out of concern for the safety and security of grantees and regionally based grantmaking staff because of hostile environments.

LGBTI Funding for Asia and the Pacific, by Sub-Region

In 2021–2022, when funds were focused on a specific sub-region, the largest amount of funding was focused on Southeast Asia, accounting for around \$16.3 million, or 36 percent of funding to the region, an increase from 30 percent in the previous report.

South Asia received the second largest funding at \$10.5 million, or 23 percent, a decrease from 29 percent in the previous report.

Funding focused on the whole region increased from 17 percent in 2019–2020 to 22 percent in 2021–2022. This is partly due to an increasing number of donors choosing to report grants at the regional level without disclosing sub-region or country-level focus due to concerns for grantee security.

CHART 19.2: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING

SUB-REGION FOCUS (2013–2022) IN \$ MILLIONS



Sub-Region	2013–2014	2015–2016	2017–2018	2019–2020	2021–2022
EAST ASIA	\$5.3	\$3.7	\$5.4	\$3.6	\$4.6
OCEANIA	\$0.09	\$0.7	\$2.7	\$3.0	\$3.5
SOUTH ASIA	\$4.0	\$5.5	\$8.0	\$7.8	\$10.5
SOUTHEAST ASIA	\$17.1	\$7.0	\$11.7	\$8.2	\$16.3
WHOLE REGION FOCUS	\$6.0	\$5.3	\$3.3	\$4.8	\$9.9
Total	\$32.5	\$22.2	\$31.1	\$27.4	\$44.8

Diving Deeper: Oceania Focus

Across 10 years, most of the funding focused on the sub-region of Oceania was awarded to work happening in Australia and New Zealand with a combined high of 91 percent in 2015–2016, then decreasing slightly over time to a combined 64 percent in 2021–2022.

CHART 19.3: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING

SUB-REGION FOCUS, OCEANIA (2013–2022)



Years	Australia	New Zealand	Other Oceania
2013–2014	68%	0%	32%
2015–2016	74%	17%	9%
2017–2018	60%	15%	25%
2019–2020	19%	54%	27%
2021–2022	32%	32%	36%

Top LGBTI Funders for Asia and the Pacific

When funds awarded for regranting are included, over \$47 million was awarded to grants focused on Asia and the Pacific. The top 10 funders with that geographic focus awarded over \$27 million, accounting for 58 percent of all LGBTI funding in the region.

CHART 19.4: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING



TOP 10 FUNDERS (2021–2022)⁶⁰

	FUNDER NAME	TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE REGION
1	Government of Canada	\$5,425,825
2	Open Society Foundations	\$5,344,970
3	Government of Germany	\$2,975,654
4	Government of the Netherlands	\$2,887,191
5	APCOM	\$2,288,980
6	Hivos	\$2,084,659
7	Women's Fund Asia	\$1,716,082
8	Foundation for a Just Society	\$1,644,000
9	VOICE	\$1,635,345
10	Government of Norway	\$1,460,909

CHART 19.5: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING



TOP FIVE NGO INTERMEDIARY FUNDERS (2021–2022)

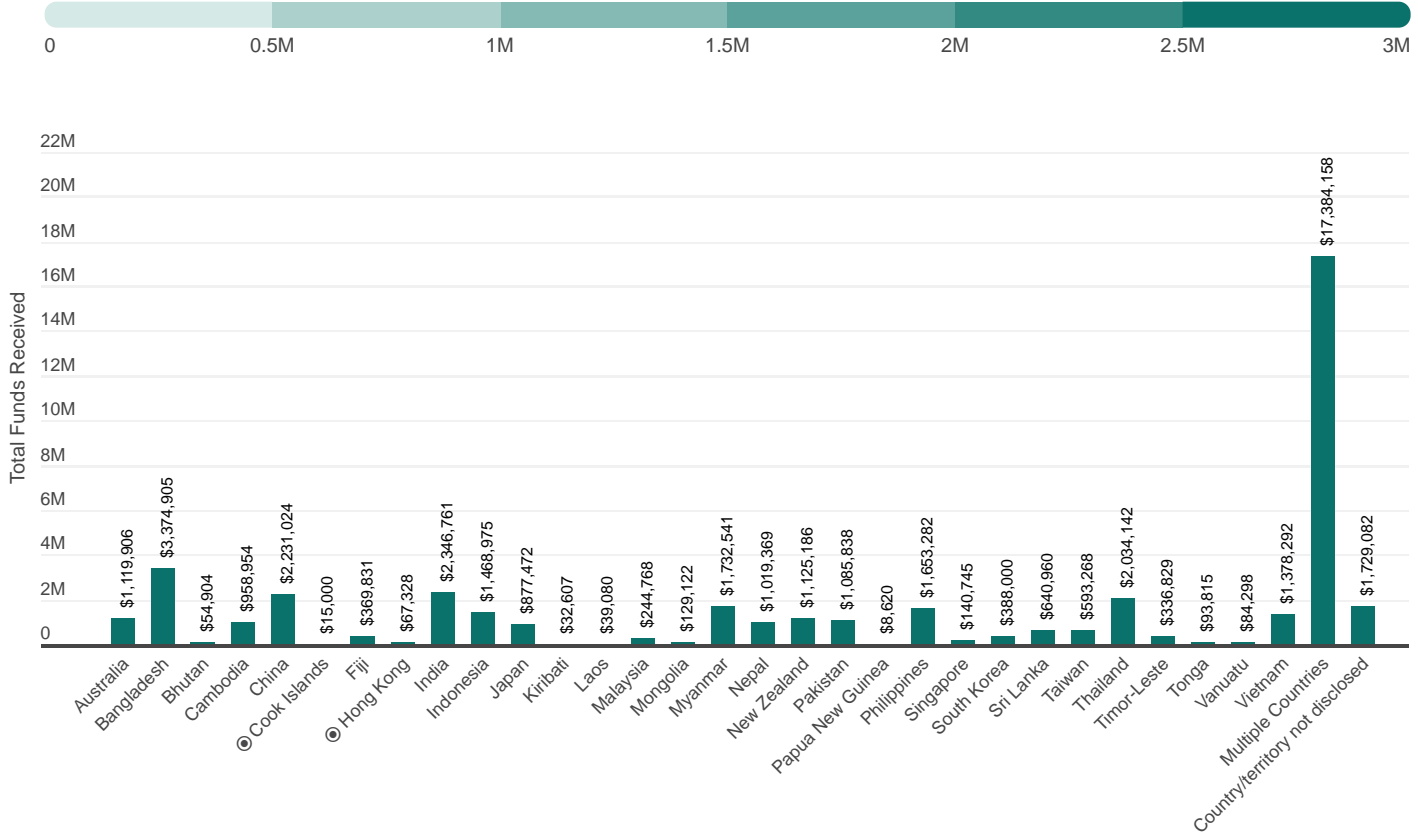
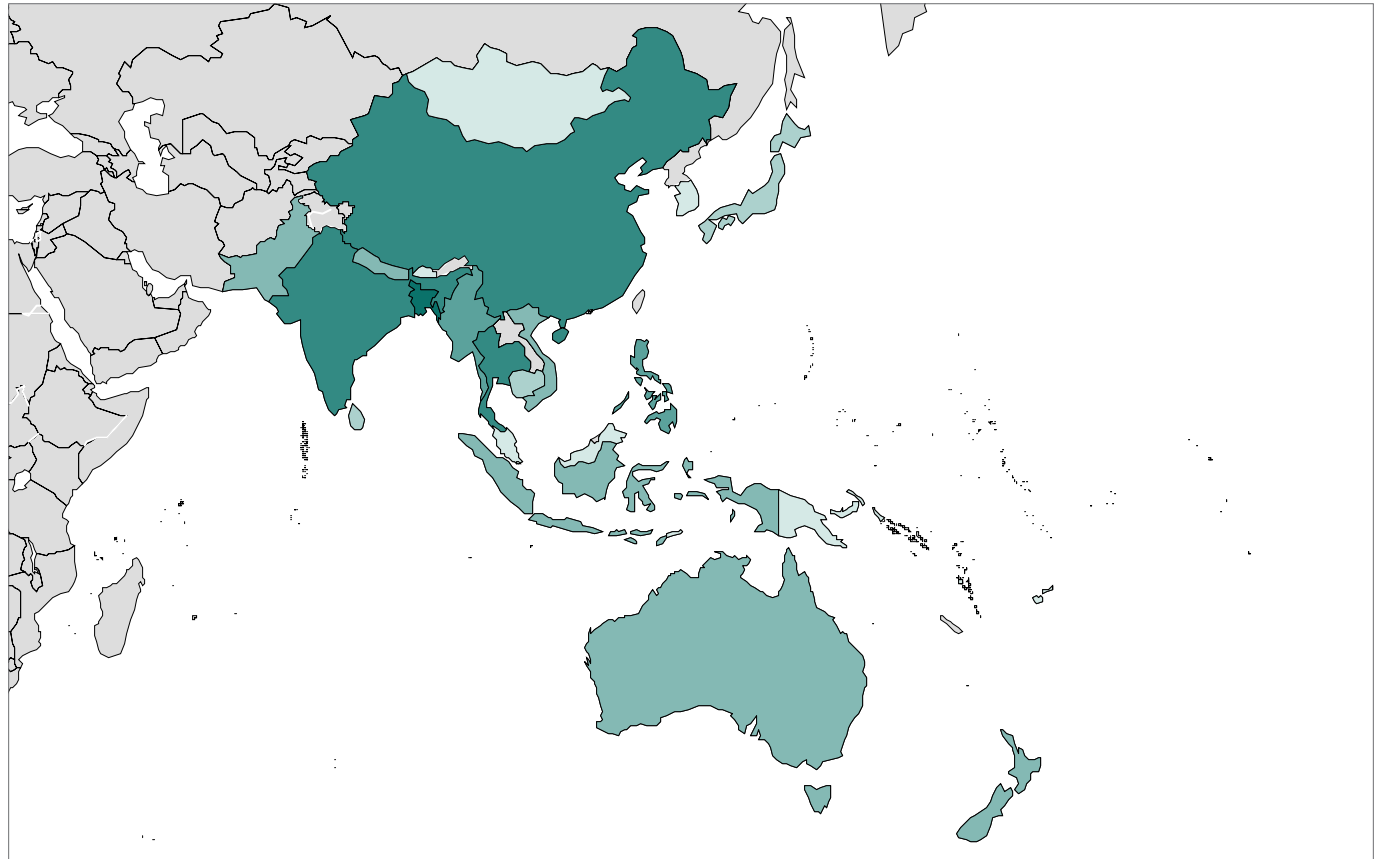
	FUNDER NAME	TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE REGION
1	APCOM	\$2,288,980
2	Norwegian Organisation for Sexual and Gender Diversity (FRI)	\$1,297,741
3	Swedish Federation for LGBTQI Rights (RFSL)	\$763,091
4	Outright International	\$752,072
5	Equitas	\$452,194

NOTE: Anonymous donors awarded nearly \$12 million to this region in 2021–2022.

⁶⁰ In contrast to other calculations in this report, all lists of top funders include funds awarded for the purpose of regranting to document the full amount of LGBTI funding flowing from (or through) each funder. The total regional funding for Asia and the Pacific in 2021–2022, including regranting, comes to \$47,437,573.

CHART 19.6: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING

COUNTRY AND TERRITORY FOCUS (2021-2022)⁶¹



⁶¹ Those marked with ● indicate territories of other countries.

LGBTI Funding for Asia and the Pacific, by Recipient Location

The majority of funding for LGBTI issues in this region went to grantees based in the area. However, 10 percent was awarded to organizations based in Germany, Kenya, Norway, Sweden, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Ten percent of funding to the region did not disclose a specific grantee country/territory.

Only 14 percent of funding to Asia and the Pacific came from donors based (or headquartered) in the region. Forty-six percent of the funding was awarded by donors based in Northern America, and 40 percent came from donors based in Western Europe.

CHART 19.7: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING
GRANTEE LOCATION (2021–2022)

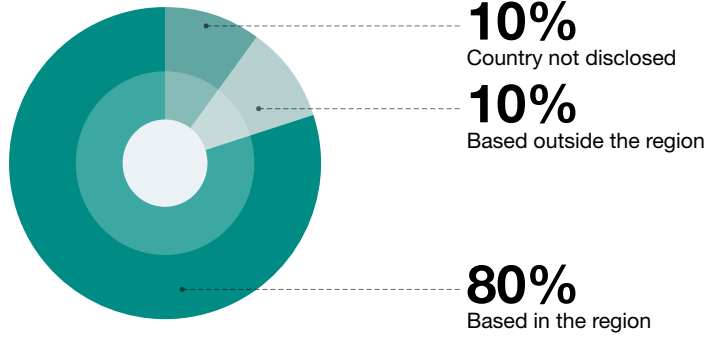
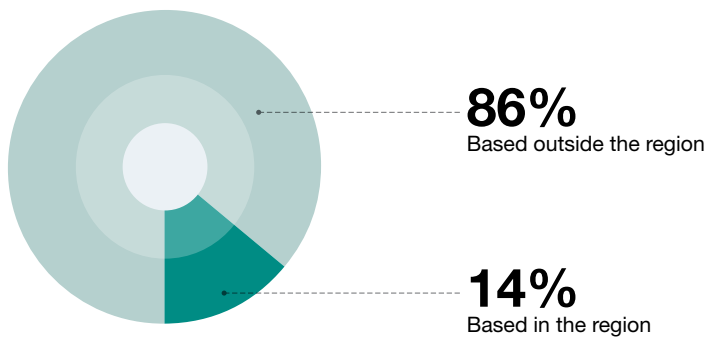


CHART 19.8: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING
DONOR LOCATION (2021–2022)



Issues Addressed by LGBTI Funding for Asia and the Pacific

In general, the 2021–2022 issue/sub-issue focus of LGBTI funding for Asia and the Pacific region aligned with overall trends compared to other regions, except for a slightly lower percentage for Confronting Discrimination & Violence and a higher percentage for Human Rights.

CHART 19.9: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING | ISSUE ADDRESSED (2019–2022)



Issues and Sub-Issues	2019–2020		2021–2022	
Confronting Discrimination & Violence	\$2,285,529	8%	\$999,405	2%
Anti-Violence	\$381,720	1%	\$735,418	2%
Confronting Homophobia, Biphobia, Transphobia, and Interphobia	\$1,903,809	7%	\$263,986	1%
Economic Inclusion	\$470,552	2%	\$3,339,790	8%
Housing and Homelessness	\$93,580	<1%	\$77,693	<1%
Labor/Employment	\$376,972	1%	\$3,262,097	7%
Education/Safe Schools	\$440,049	2%	\$309,459	1%
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Safe Schools	-	-	\$308,063	1%
Health and Wellbeing	\$4,178,269	15%	\$3,537,798	8%
General Health Services and Health Promotion	\$40,649	<1%	\$160,997	<1%
HIV/AIDS	\$3,315,708	12%	\$2,011,819	5%
Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Suicide Prevention	\$809,025	3%	\$1,363,560	3%
Primary Care	\$12,888	<1%	\$1,421	<1%
Human Rights	\$15,206,490	55%	\$28,007,711	63%
Advancing LGBTQI Protections	\$114,358	<1%	\$888,001	2%
Challenging Anti-LGBTQI Discrimination	\$4,000	<1%	\$149,670	<1%
Decriminalization	\$321,609	1%	\$311,586	1%
Gender Identity Rights	\$1,710,925	6%	\$4,092,341	9%
Human Rights (General/Other)	\$10,527,180	38%	\$16,802,956	38%
Intersex Rights	\$784,209	3%	\$1,153,115	3%
Marriage/Civil Unions	\$797,882	3%	\$930,580	2%
Migration and Refugee Issues	\$28,939	<1%	\$48,295	<1%
Sex Worker Rights	\$69,393	<1%	\$66,843	<1%
Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights	\$847,995	3%	\$3,564,326	8%
Humanitarian Response	\$672,048	2%	\$1,537,148	3%
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Other Issues	\$12,759	<1%	\$201,785	<1%
Philanthropy	\$12,759	<1%	\$201,785	<1%
Strengthening Community, Families, and Visibility	\$4,168,865	15%	\$6,825,967	15%
Community Building/Empowerment	\$3,633,429	13%	\$5,853,580	13%
Families	\$27,448	<1%	\$75,406	<1%
Religion	\$87,242	<1%	\$54,619	<1%
Sports	\$19,571	<1%	\$20,894	<1%
Visibility	\$401,175	1%	\$821,468	2%
Total	\$27,434,560	100%	\$44,759,062	100%

CHART 19.10: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC LGBTI FUNDING

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STRATEGY ADDRESSED (2019–2022)

Strategy	2019–2020		2021–2022	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Advocacy	\$18,914,656	69%	\$28,811,232	64%
Capacity Building and Training	\$1,681,817	6%	\$5,992,863	13%
Culture and Media	\$458,248	2%	\$870,891	2%
Direct Service	\$5,230,835	19%	\$7,528,429	17%
Multi/Other	\$604,063	<1%	-	-
Philanthropy and Fundraising	\$152,752	1%	\$756,210	2%
Research	\$392,189	1%	\$799,437	2%
Total	\$27,434,560	100%	\$44,759,062	100%