So? What about the Money?!
Resource Flows for Feminist Movements

Money & Movements Convening
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Overall Flow of Money

Military
Global military spending
USD 1,686 trillion

Wealth Distribution
1% owns 50% of global wealth
USD 140 trillion

Health
Global health development assistance
USD 37.6 billion

Education
Global Education spending
USD 6.8 billion
Though non-gender-focused funding can still, of course, reach women’s rights organisations and feminist movements, the reality is often that without dedicated focus, our movements do not access these monies.
Snapshot of % Core Support for GE/WROs

Sources: PAWHR Survey (2018); HFN (2018); GenderNet (2018), FRIDA (2017); AWID (2013)

- **ODA Gender Equality funding to CSOs**
  - Of $10B in 2014-2015, 80% was project-based vs. $2B as core support to institutional budgets

- **Human Rights Foundations (public & private)**
  - HRFN estimates 25% of funding from this sector is core/flexible

- **PAWHR Members**
  - In a 2017 survey of grantees, members currently give an average of 18% more core support than non-members

- **Core Support to Young Feminist Organisations**
  - Though these grants tend to be small

- **Women’s Funds**
  - Estimate of women’s funds’ grants allocated in core support
Sustainability of feminist and women’s rights organizations

Source: AWID

- Never received core support: 50%
- Never received multi-year funding: 50%
- Do not have money raised for next year: 98%
- Have no savings: 30%
- Have no assets: 50%
Cross-Movement Funding
Sources: FRIDA, Global Greengrants Fund, GPP

6% of Young Feminist Organizations report secure annual resources

0.2% of all foundation funding focuses on women & the environment

0.04% of ODA and 0.13% of foundation funding goes to LGBTI issues
Current Funding Landscape
% of Income by Sector | Source: AWID 2013, p. 114 (n = 740 WROs)

- Bilateral & Multilateral Agencies: 27%
- INGOs: 7%
- Women’s Funds: 5%
- Private Foundations: 20%
- Local & National Gov’t: 15%
- Self-Generated: 4%
Bilateral & Multilateral Funding: 2014-2015 ODA


- $36B: Official Development Aid (ODA) 2014-2015 contributions from DAC countries
- 100%: Allocation to Gender Equality & Women’s Empowerment
  - Modalities & recipients vary widely. Only 28% goes to CSOs (versus governments & development agencies)
- 0.6%: GE $ to CSOs in Global South
  - Regional distribution is not equal: E.g. Africa 43%, South & Central Asia 24%, East Asia PAC 11%, MENA 10%, LAC 8%, Eastern Europe 4%,
- 7%: GE $ Direct to CSOs
  - Of this $10B to CSOs, 80% is for gender mainstreaming – i.e. generally NOT to WROs – with only 20% ($2B) to gender-focused projects
- $137.2B: Total
- $836M: GE $ to CSOs
- $10B: GE $ Direct to CSOs
Foundations (Private and Public)
Source: HRFN; PAHWR

01. Human Rights Grantmaking
   Total grantmaking for HR 2011-2015

02. Funding for Women and Girls
   23% of total went to women and girls issues (not women’s rights groups exclusively)

03. Funding for LGBTIQ
   4% of HR grantmaking going to LGBTIQ causes

04. PAWHR
   Funding leveraged by 12 private foundations annually for women’s rights and gender equality organizing

USD9.4 Bill
USD2.1 Bill
USD337.1 Mill
USD200 mill
From 2011-2015, Prospera members

MOBILIZED $313.5 million

INVESTED $221.9 million

9,543 GRANTS
Supported 5,127 Women's Human Rights Organizations in 173 countries
Self-Generated Resources

- Membership Fees
- Income Generation
- Giving Circles
- Crowd Funding
- Joint Funding
- Diaspora Funding

Funding our organizing, not relying on traditional grants models
Numbers in Comparison

- **USD4.95 Billion**
  - The Netherlands’ Total ODA in 2017

- **USD10.2 million**
  - Global Fund for Women’s grantmaking budget in 2017

- **USD 5 Bill**
  - Gates Foundation’s grantmaking in 2017

- **USD 20,000**
  - Median income of women’s rights organizations
Funding Amounts by Sector

Sources: HRFN; GPP; AWID

USD in Millions

- Total Annual Funding
  - Bilateral & Multilateral (all): 272000
  - Foundations (Public & Private): 251000
- For Women's Rights/ Gender Equality
  - Bilateral & Multilateral (all): 9400
  - Foundations (Public & Private): 3500
  - Human Rights Funders: 2100
  - Women's Funds: 28
Thank you!