

By email

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Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 28th September 2016. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for:

I am researching the output of LEPs in terms of provision of grants for business growth and innovation.

I would be grateful if you could complete the table below, relating solely to your specific LEP area.

Year	No of grants awarded to SMEs directly by your LEP	No of grants awarded to SMEs by other RGF programme operators on your behalf* in your LEP area	Total Value of Grants to SMEs Awarded
2013-14			
2014-15			
2015-16			

· Eg County/ City Councils, Universities and Chambers of Commerce

The data you provide should not include nationwide programmes such as:

Sharing in Growth UK Ltd

[Sharing in Growth Supplier Development Scheme](#)

University of Sheffield

[Civil Nuclear Sharing in Growth: Supplier Development & Manufacturing Research](#)

Cavendish Consortium

[Start and Grow](#)

Close Brothers Limited

[Close Brothers Regional Growth Fund \(RGF\) Asset Purchase Scheme](#)

Fredericks Foundation

[Community Microenterprise Hubs \(Loans & Mentoring\)](#)

UK Steel Enterprise Ltd

[Seedcorn and Development Investment Programme for SMEs \(SDIP\)](#)

Finance for Industry Limited

[FFI Finance Release Programme](#)

Our response to your request is as follows:

The table provided below indicates the number of grants or loans provided to SMEs where the organisations are understood to be SMEs.

A further table provided indicates the individual grants or loans paid to SMEs during the period 2013/14 to 2015/16.

It should be noted that these grants or loans are not provided to businesses for the purposes of growth and innovation of that SME but to deliver interventions that may support business innovation and growth more widely.

It should also be noted that where information is available to confirm whether a grant or loan recipient is an SME, this is taken from Transport for London's (TfL) Supplier Registration information (TfL provides a procurement and payment service for the Greater London Authority and the London Enterprise Panel). This is based on data of number of employees and turnover provided by the grant/loan recipient at the point at which they register to be a supplier to receive funds. This data is then checked by TfL using Creditsafe to ensure it is correct. It should be noted that should a grant/loan recipient's status change during this period this would not be reported in this data.

Year	No of grants awarded to SMEs directly by your LEP	No of grants awarded to SMEs by other RGF programme operators on your behalf* in your LEP area	Total Value of Grants to SMEs Awarded
2013-14	4	0	£2.425m
2014-15	4	0	£25.330m
2015-16	9	0	£2.016m

Year	SME	Project	Funding Programme	Total Funding Amount
2013/14	Med City Ltd	MedCity	Growing Places Fund Programme	£1,125,000
2013/14	East London Business Alliance	London Works	Growing Places Fund Programme (loan)	£100,000
2013/14	Film London Ltd	Film London TV and Animation	Growing Places Fund Programme	£750,000
2013/14	Skills Festival Company Ltd	Skills & Careers Fair	Growing Places Fund Programme	£450,000
Sub Total				£2,425,000
2014/15	Camden Town Unlimited	Camden Accelerator	Growing Places Fund Programme (loan)	£50,000

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2014/15	Tempus Energy	Tempus Energy	Growing Places Fund Programme (loan)	£250,000
2014/15	SME Wholesale Finance Ltd	London Co-Investment Fund	Growing Places Fund Programme (loan)	£25,000,000
2014/15	Stratford Renaissance Partnership BID	Business Improvement District Programme	Growing Places Fund Programme	£30,000
Sub Total				£25,330,000
2015/16	Fashion Retail Academy	Fashion Retail Academy	FE Capital Investment Programme	£544,246
2015/16	Med City Ltd	Market Demand for SciTech Workspace	Growing Places Fund Programme	£52,000
2015/16	Film London Ltd	Games Inward Investment Programme	Growing Places Fund Programme	£1,200,000
2015/16	Lean Content Ltd	Indie Camp	Growing Places Fund Programme	£50,000
2015/16	Digital Skills Advantage Ltd	Digital Roadshow	Growing Places Fund Programme	£50,000
2015/16	New West End Company BID	Business Improvement District Programme	Growing Places Fund Programme	£30,000
2015/16	Heart of London Business Alliance	Business Improvement District Programme	Growing Places Fund Programme	£30,000
2015/16	NW3 Business Association (Hampstead)	Business Improvement District Programme	Growing Places Fund Programme	£30,000
2015/16	Euston Town Bid (Camden Town Unlimited)	Business Improvement District Programme	Growing Places Fund Programme	£30,000
Sub Total				£2,016,246

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this email.

Yours sincerely



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<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information>