

# EdinburghCompact

## Compact Voice

Edinburgh's Third Sector in 2014

**"To be recognised as an integral part of the bigger picture when it comes to working with people on the ground"**

Source: Compact Voice 2014





## INTRODUCTION

This short booklet has been created by the Compact Partnership in Edinburgh to provide a collective overview of Edinburgh's Third Sector.

The Third Sector is hugely diverse, consisting of Charities, Social Enterprises and Voluntary Organisations/Community Groups. The organisations can be made up of paid staff and volunteers or run completely by volunteers, whatever suits the needs of the organisation.

Compact Voice utilises information available from OSCR, Edinburgh Voluntary Organisation Council (EVOC), Volunteer Centre Edinburgh (VCE), Edinburgh Social Enterprise Network (ESEN), Edinburgh by Numbers and from the Compact Voice Survey 2014 where views of 101 organisations were collated online.

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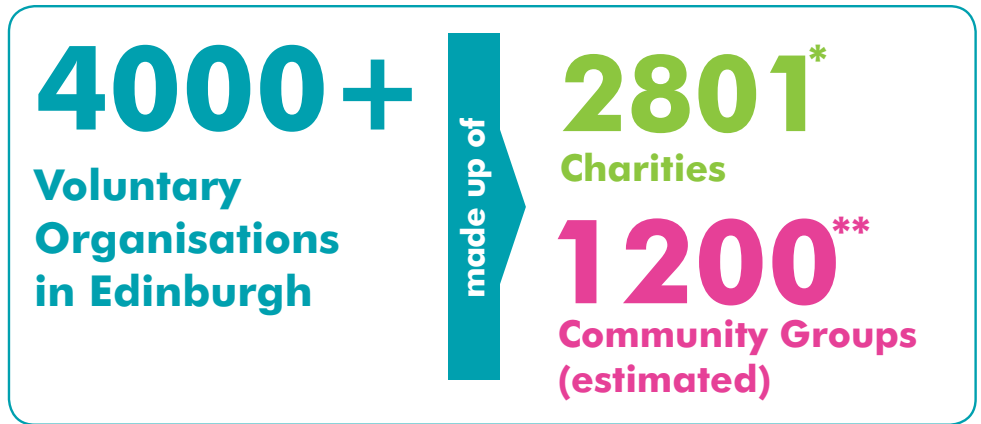
### DATA

In creating this leaflet the following data sources have been used:

- Office Scottish Registered Charities (OSCR) taken as of June 2015
- Compact Voice survey - a survey of 101 Voluntary Organisations in Edinburgh issued electronically between August and December 2014
- Edinburgh by Numbers 2014 issued by City of Edinburgh Council
- Celebrating the Good Stuff 2015 (Edinburgh Social Enterprise Network)
- Edinburgh Voluntary Organisation Council
- Volunteering in Edinburgh a survey of 94 volunteering organisations respondents in Edinburgh issued electronically in July 2015, Volunteer Edinburgh
- EVOC Red book 2015

# SECTION 1 | Overview of Edinburgh's Third Sector

## What is the size of the Sector?



\*Source: OSCR June 2015, includes charitable trusts and foundations and newly formed organisations which meet the charity test and excludes Further Education establishments, Higher Education establishments and private schools in Edinburgh.

\*\*Source: EVOC

Please note approximately 50% of Social Enterprises have other legal structures, for example CIC and Company Limited by Guarantee.



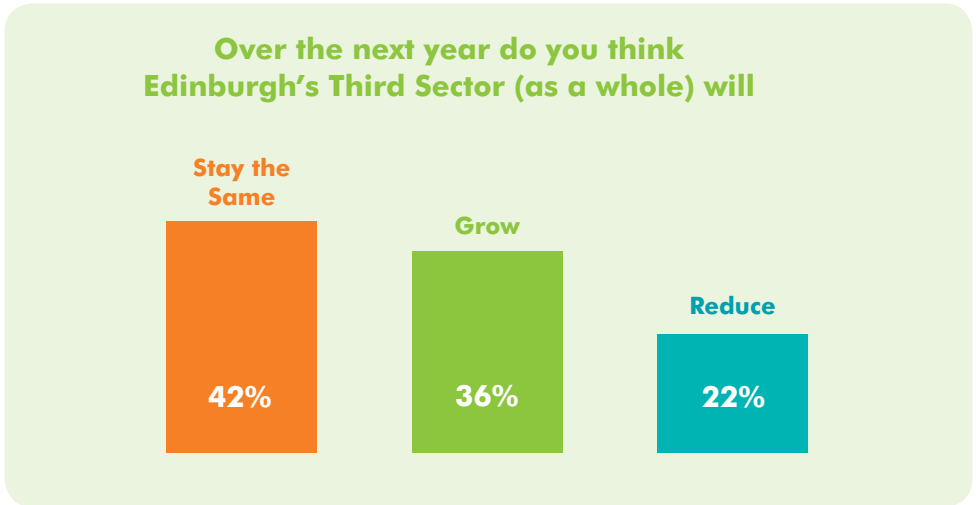
\*Source: Compact Voice Survey



\*Source: EVOC Red Book 2015

## How will the Sector Change in Size in the Coming Year?

We asked the Third Sector whether they thought Edinburgh's Third Sector would grow, stay the same or reduce in the coming year.



\*Source: Compact Voice Survey 2014

## What is the Income of the Sector?

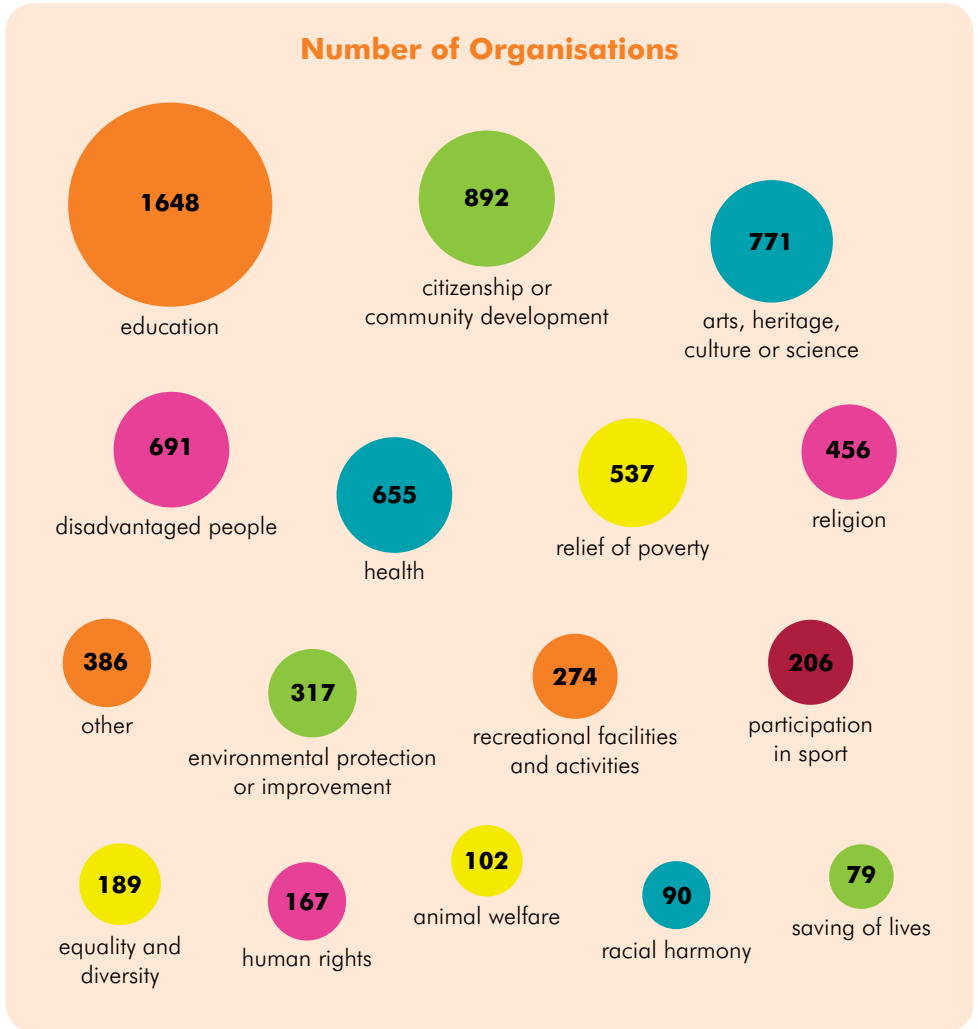


\*Source: OSCR June 2015 please note includes Housing Associations



# What does the Sector Do?

In Edinburgh charities categorise themselves as having the following charitable purposes (most state more than one purpose):

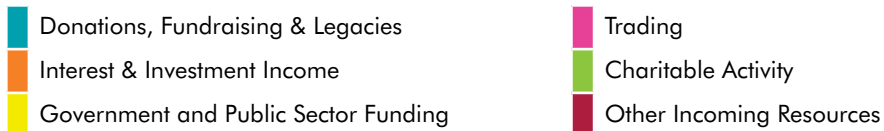
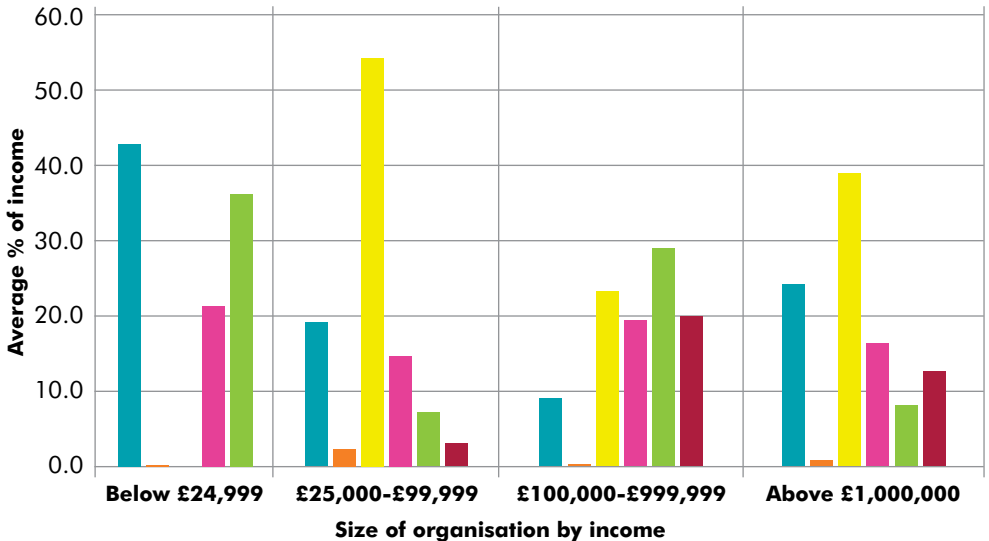


Full descriptions of categories can be found at [www.oscr.org.uk](http://www.oscr.org.uk)

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## Where does the Money Come from?

The size of an organisation influences its sources of income.



### Funding from Public Sector Organisations accounts for more than

**50% of funding**

for Organisations with an income of between £25k - £100k.



but accounts for a very small amount of the funding for Organisations with an income of less than £24k.



\*Source: This is **only based on 101 respondents** in Compact Voice Survey 2014

## SECTION 2 | People Contributing to Edinburgh's Third Sector

### How Many People Work in the Third Sector?

There are approximately



**15,000**

people employed in Edinburgh's Third Sector.

\*Source: Edinburgh by Numbers 2014

### Volunteers in the Third Sector

**54%**

of organisations are engaging more volunteers than last year.



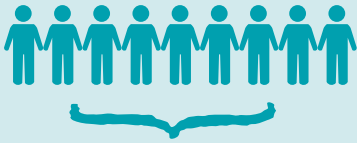
**74%**

say volunteers are giving more hours than last year.

**56%**

of organisations do not have enough volunteers.

\*Source: Volunteering in Edinburgh Survey 2015



average of 9 volunteer trustees

Organisations have an average of 9 volunteer trustees, and 75% of Organisations wanted to recruit more trustees or trustees with different skills.

\*Source: Compact Voice 2014

# SECTION 3 | Enterprising Behaviour in Edinburgh's Third Sector

## How Many Social Enterprises are there?

**200**  } Just over 200 Organisations in Edinburgh class themselves as Social Enterprises.

\*Source: Edinburgh Social Enterprise Network

Just over half of Voluntary Organisations surveyed said that they undertook some kind of trading activity.

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\*Source: Compact Voice 2014

**“felt as if being a social enterprise opened doors for me as I was running my business for community benefit rather than just lining my own pocket.”**

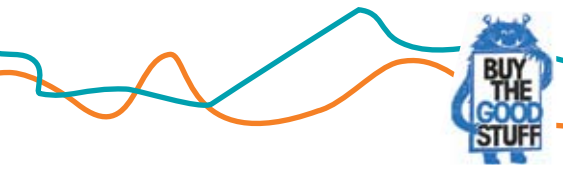
Source: Getting it right for Edinburgh: Power of Partnerships

Social enterprises have a **£120m** turnover in 2015, grown from **£44m** in 2013.

\*Source: Celebrating the Good Stuff 2015

Almost **8,000**  people are involved in running social enterprises, over 6,000 of which are volunteers.

\*Source: Celebrating the Good Stuff 2015

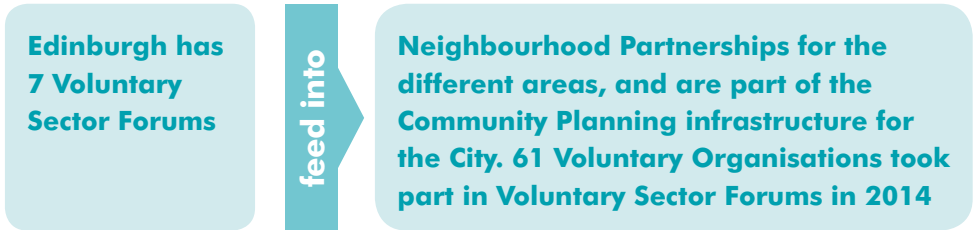


**35** Social Enterprises took part in Social in the Square Festival in 2014.



# SECTION 4 | Community Planning

## How does the Third Sector in Edinburgh Engage and Contribute to Community Planning?



## Thematic Networks Participation

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|-----------|--|------------|---|
| <b>67</b> | organisations in The Network of Organisations Working with Children, Young People and Families | <b>28</b>  | organisations participate in Strategic Homelessness Action Partnership in Edinburgh (SHAPE) |
| <b>62</b> | organisations in the Older Peoples Service Providers Forum                                     | <b>22</b>  | organisations participate in Edinburgh Affordable Housing Partnership                       |
| <b>45</b> | organisations in the Mental Health Service Providers Forum                                     | <b>203</b> | organisations participate in EVOLVE   |
| <b>32</b> | organisations in the Learning Disabilities Forum   | <b>30</b>  | organisations participate in Welfare Rights Forum   |
| <b>28</b> | organisations in the Substance Use Network Edinburgh   | <b>160</b> | organisations participate in Edinburgh Social Enterprise Network                            |

\*Source: EVOC

\*Note Voluntary Organisations will also contribute through other Partnerships in the Edinburgh Partnership Family

## SECTION 5 | The Future

### What are the Third Sector's Fears for the Future in Edinburgh?



**“Shrinking financial resources allied to a growing need for more services.”**

Source: Compact Voice 2014

**“Procurement processes undermine partnership and diverse local responses to need in favour of one-stop shop or one-size-fits-all approaches.”**

Source: Compact Voice 2014

# What are the Third Sector's Hopes for Edinburgh for the Future?

Continued funding

Reduce competition and bureaucracy

Increased collaboration

Growth

Survival

Improved relationship with the Public Sector

Greater recognition

Be positive, challenging and innovative

Continue to make changes

**"To be recognised as an integral part of the bigger picture when it comes to working with people on the ground."**

Source: Compact Voice 2014

**"That we find ways of working more closely together to provide and develop services that recognise the input of individual organisations and avoid duplication."**

Source: Compact Voice 2014

# SECTION 6 | Working with The Public Sector in Edinburgh

## How is the Relationship between the Third Sector and the Public Sector?

**58%** }

of Voluntary Organisations expect their relationship with the Public Sector to stay the same or improve.

\*Source: Compact Voice Survey 2014

## What are your hopes for the future working with the Public Sector?

**“Hope for greater collaboration in the future within the Third Sector and with the Public Sector in meeting increasing need. Making co-production a reality in teaching and learning and capacity building work.”**

Source: Compact Voice 2014

**“Hope that the Third Sector in Edinburgh in the future is a sustainable, financially secure sector that continues to grow and support older people and that we work collaboratively and alongside our partners in public services in a more equal relationship.”**

Source: Compact Voice 2014

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