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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 1****Friday, 6 December 2024****Question No. 96****Miss Nuttall MLA:** To ask the Minister for Children, Youth and Families

How many grants, and to what total dollar amount, have been provided via the ACT Government to assist people under the age of 18 to host or organise events in the past year.

Michael Pettersson MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The ACT Government administers the ACT Youth Grants program which includes 2 targeted grants, the Youth InterACT Grants and the ACT Youth Week Grants. These grants aim to support initiatives that engage, connect and celebrate the diversity of young people in Canberra. These grants are available to young people aged between 12 and 25 years, or to organisations working with young people, to organise an activity, event or project benefiting young people in the ACT. In the 2023/24 financial year, a total of \$29,140k was awarded to 17 grantees under these grants.

There are other grant programs that encourage applications from young people under the age of 18 years for example the Office of LGBTIQA+ Affairs, delivers the Capital of Equality Grants Program. These grants support projects and events that help make the ACT more inclusive and welcoming for LGBTIQA+ people and can be accessed by young people. No young people used these grants to host or organise events in the 2023/24 financial year.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.**Michael Pettersson MLA**
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