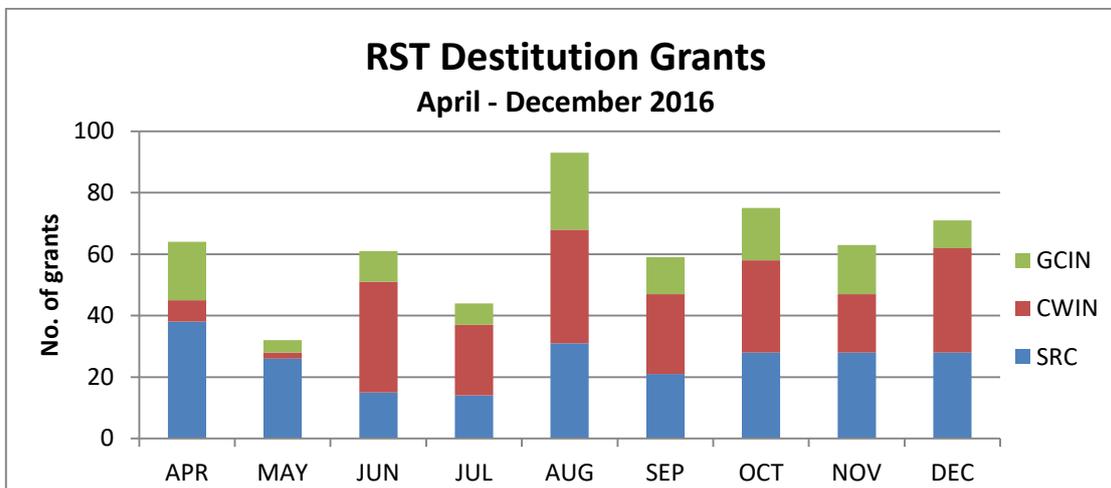


RST data summary for partners

Analysis of RST’s destitution grants April – December 2016

Overview

RST provided 619 destitution grants from April to December 2016, supporting 1031 people in total. £53,919.45 was paid in grants, an average of £87.11 and an average monthly spend of £5,991.05.



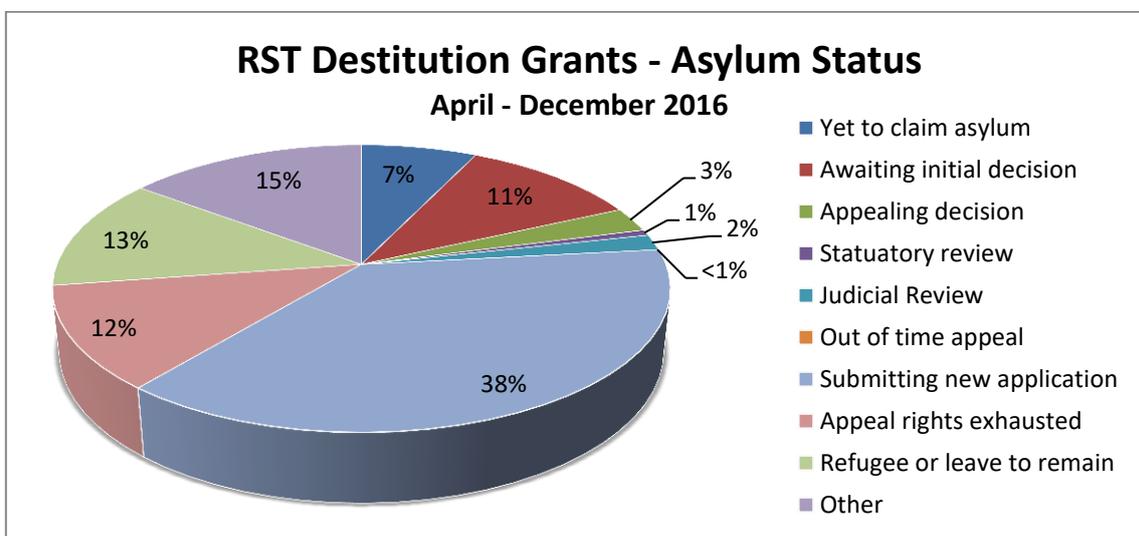
Most grant applications (84%) came from 3 partner organisations (Scottish Refugee Council, the Central & West and Glasgow Central Integration Networks) Of 264 applicants who were referred to RST partners by other organisations, 82% came from the British Red Cross.

Key facts

- 71% of grant recipients were male
- 74% were single
- 35% were homeless at the time of the application
- 18% of applicants had applied to RST for support before.

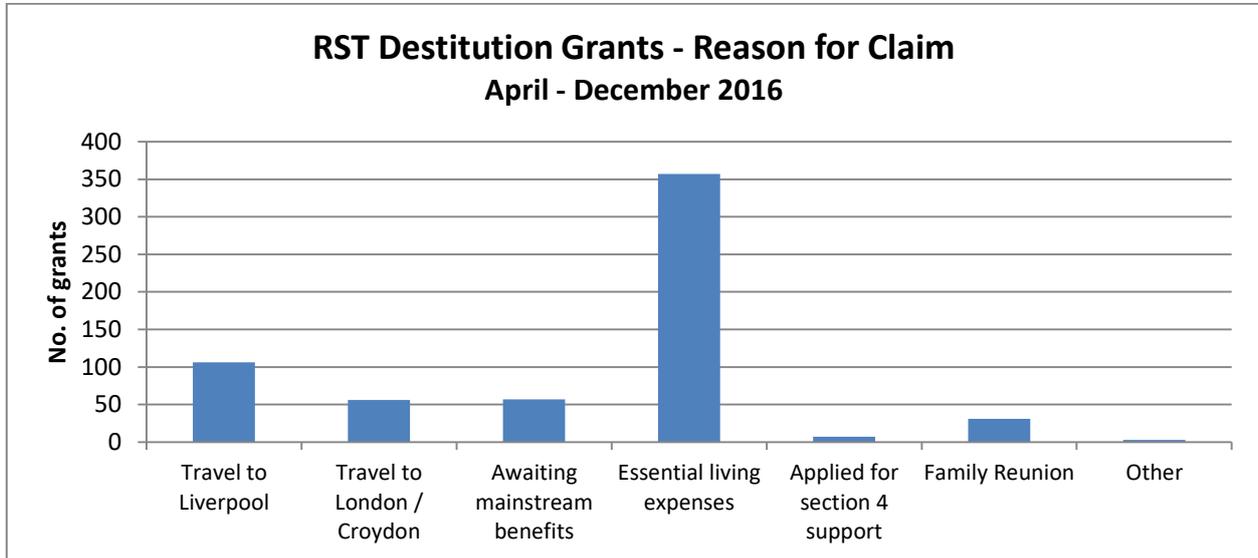
Asylum status

We provided 78 grants to refugees and 44 to people who were yet to claim asylum (37 of which were for travel). We provided 68 grants to people waiting for a decision on their asylum application and 233 to people who were in the process of submitting a new application.



Reasons for claim

We provided 357 grants for ‘essential living expenses’. This included 93 ‘breathing space’ grants for people at the end of the asylum process. A further 57 grants were for new refugees awaiting mainstream benefits. We provided 162 travel grants, 106 of which were for travel to Liverpool to submit fresh evidence.



Nationality

The largest nationality groups were Eritrean (14.7%), Syrian (11.9%), Iranian (11.1%), Sudanese (9.5%), and Iraqi (7.4%).

Children

Applications included children in 125 cases (20%) and they included 24 families who were refugees, 14 of whom were awaiting mainstream benefits. There were 32 further families (98 children) needed support with family reunion.

Overall, RST supported 307 children in these nine months and 38 of them (from 22 applications) were homeless at the time of the application.