

COVID-19 Information and Resources

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A selection of emergency funds and relief assistance for working artists (varying disciplines). Note: All funds are also accepting donations.

ACTIVE

- [Bay Area Arts Worker Relief Fund](#)
A financial resource for workers in the visual, literary, media, film, and video arts negatively impacted by COVID-19. The Fund aims to prioritize Bay Area art workers in the BIPOC communities (Black, Indigenous, Person of Color); disability community/immuno-compromised; and, LGBTQIA+ communities.
- [California Relief Fund for Artists & Cultural Practitioners](#)
\$1000 in unrestricted, rapid relief funding to individual artists and cultural practitioners statewide. Submit applications by **August 18th, 3pm, PDT**.
- [Theater Bay Area Fund](#)
Theatre Bay Area, in partnership with Dancers' Group and InterMusic SF, launched the *COVID-19: Performing Arts Worker Relief Fund* on March 20, 2020, as a resource for performing arts workers who are facing a loss of income due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis. One-time \$500, \$1000, \$1500 grants for performing arts workers, including actors, administrators, box office/event staff, carpenters, dancers, designers, directors, dramaturgs, musicians, playwrights, production staff, singers, teaching artists, technicians, etc. Rolling deadline. [Donate here](#)
- [Artist Relief](#)
To support artists during the COVID-19 crisis, a coalition of national arts grantmakers have come together to create an emergency initiative to offer financial and informational resources to artists across the United States. Artist Relief will distribute \$5,000 grants to artists facing dire financial emergencies due to COVID-19. Cycle V application closes **August 26, 11:59, ET**. [Donate here](#).
- [So Love Can Win Rapid Response Fund](#)
Rapid response grants of up to \$10,000 for Oakland 501c3's and fiscally sponsored racial justice-centered entities/projects led by Black, Indigenous, people of color and that demonstrate a history of work with Black, Indigenous, people of color in Oakland. Organizers, cultural workers, healing justice advocates, and journalists eligible to apply. Applications available online, or apply by scheduling a phone call with program staff.
- [Foundation for Contemporary Arts COVID-19 Relief Fund](#)
NATIONAL One-time \$1,000 grants to artists who have had performances or exhibitions canceled or postponed because of the COVID-19 virus. **Ends December 1, 2020.**
- [Arts and Culture Leaders of Color Emergency Fund](#)
\$200 grants for BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) artists and administrators (consultants, facilitators, box office staff, seasonal/temporary employees, etc.) who have been financially impacted due to COVID-19. [Donate Here](#)

- [Queer Writers of Color Relief Fund](#)
\$100 - \$500 grants for queer writers of color.
- [CERF+ Emergency Assistance Inquiry](#)
For artists who experienced a recent, career-threatening emergency, such as an illness, accident, fire, or natural disaster.
- [COVID-19 Financial Solidarity](#)
Opportunity to request and offer direct financial assistance and other support, to folks in need around the country.
- [COVID19 Musicians Emergency Fund](#)
Contact the Jazz Foundation directly with a request for aid. [Donate here.](#)
- [The Actors Fund: Emergency Financial Assistance](#)
NATIONAL, For members of the performing arts and entertainment industries--not just actors! Emergency financial assistance is available for two months.
- [San Francisco Fund Rapid Response for Movement Building](#) (For Nonprofit Orgs)
Small, one-time grants in the range of \$3,000–\$15,000 for a grant period of up to six months.

CLOSED/WAITING FOR NEXT ROUND

- [Artists Now](#)
Zoo Labs, YBCA, Black Joy Parade, and Always Win Together partner to offer immediate \$500 grants for artists who live in the Bay Area, who have been financially impacted by COVID-19, and who are POC, Women, or identify as LGBTQIA+. [Donate here.](#) **Application closed, sign up to hear about the next round.**
- [East Bay/Oakland Relief Fund for Individual Artists](#)
\$2,000 individual grants for artists, teaching artists, culture bearers, and nonprofit arts workers. **Application closed.**
- [Safety Net Fund](#)
For Bay Area artists with <\$1000 monthly income. **Application closed.** [Donate Here](#)
- [Anonymous Was A Woman Emergency Relief Grant](#)
\$2500 grants for women-identifying visual artists over 40. **Application closed.**
- [San Francisco Arts & Artists Relief Fund](#)
\$2000 grants for individual artists, up to \$25,000 for local organizations. Rolling deadline. **Application closed.**
- [SF Queer Nightlife Fund](#)
The application cycle closed. Still accepting donations for future rounds. **Application closed.** [Donate here](#)
- [CA\\$H Emergency Grant for Small Theatres Bay Area](#)
A grant program for small organizations with budgets under \$250,000 to address either AB5 compliance or the economic impact of COVID-19. **Application closed.**
- [WESTAF CARES Relief Fund](#)
Aims to provide much-needed relief to organizations during this unprecedented time and to advance equity by offering general operating support. **Application closed.**

FOOD ASSISTANCE (Bay Area Only)

- [Alameda Community County Food Bank](#)
- [Berkeley Food Network](#)
- Oakland Unified School District - [Free Meals During COVID-19](#)
- [SF-Marín Food Bank](#)

UNEMPLOYMENT FILING ASSISTANCE (California Only)

- KQED - [How to file for unemployment in California?](#)
- Dance Magazine - [A Freelancer's Guide to Unemployment Benefits](#)
- Employment Development Department of California - [Apply for unemployment benefits](#)

NONPROFIT/SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

- US Small Business Administration - [Paycheck Protection Program](#) (forgivable loan)
- [LGBTQ COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund](#)
Immediate funding for LGBTQ nonprofit organizations based in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, Sonoma. [Donate Here](#).
- Akonadi Foundation - [So Love Can Win Rapid Response Fund](#)

TENANT RESOURCES (Bay Area Only)

- [Bay Area Rent Strike Resources](#)
- [Oakland Eviction Moratorium Guide](#)
- KQED - [Guide to Bay Area Eviction Moratoriums During the Crisis](#)

A collection of relevant resource lists compiled by organizations and individuals - lists include resources for artists, such as relief assistance and self-care tools, as well as resources for activists and vulnerable communities

- Art is Alive - [Resources & Information](#)
- Asian Americans for Civil Rights & Equality - [COVID Resource List](#)
- Black Girl Magik - [COVID19 Global Resource Guide](#)
- California Youth Justice Alliance - [COVID resources for Undocumented Californians](#)
- Causa Justa - [How you can support during COVID-19?](#)
- Creative Capital - [List of Arts Resources During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)
- California Coronavirus - [\(COVID-19\) Response](#)
- California Arts Council - [COVID-19 News & Resources](#)
- Centro Legal de La Raza - [Oakland Undocumented Relief Fund](#)
- [COVID-19 Freelance Artists Resources](#)
- [COVID Resources for Indigenous Peoples](#)
- [COVID-19 Resources for Undocumented Californians](#)
- Common Field - [COVID-19 Resources for the Artist Organization Field](#)
- Dancers' Group - [COVID-19 Information & Resources](#)
- Dance USA - [Resources Related to Coronavirus](#)
- Eastside Cultural Center - [Community Resources During the COVID-19 Crisis](#)

- Horizons - [COVID-19 Hub](#) (for LGBTQ nonprofits)
- Intersection for the Arts - [Tools for Bay Area artists grappling with the repercussions of the COVID-19 outbreak.](#)
- KQED - [Emergency Funds for Freelancers & Creatives Losing Income During Coronavirus](#)
- Legal Aid At Work - [Coronavirus Update. Legal Information for WORKERS](#) (CA only)
- Oakland Rising - [Local Resources Amidst COVID-19 Public Health Crisis](#)
- Philanthropy California - [COVID-19 Response](#)
- [SF Bay Area LGBTQ COVID Relief](#)
- SURJ (Showing Up for Racial Justice) Bay Area - [How to Stay Healthy and Show Up for Racial Justice in the Face of COVID-19](#)
- [Teaching Artists Guild COVID-19 Resources](#)