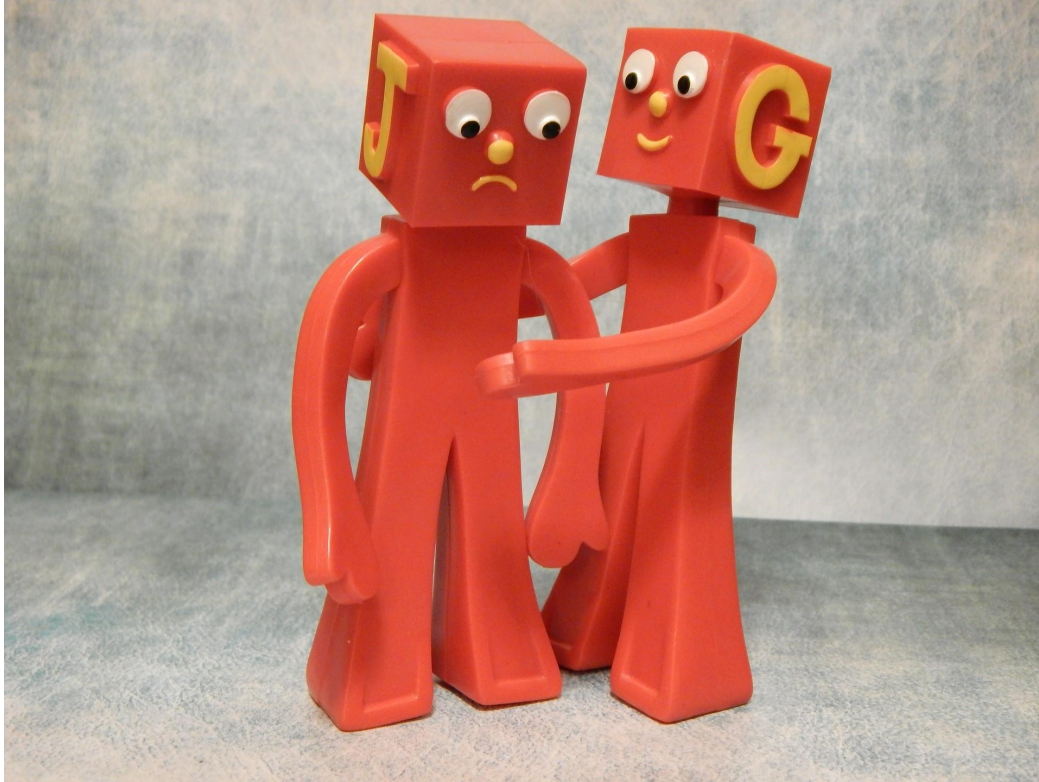




Emergency Resources for Artists

Resources are listed alphabetically.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

California Employment Development Department (EDD)

Who it serves: Federal Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) benefits are available for workers and self-employed individuals who lost jobs or had work hours substantially reduced as a result of the wildfires in Butte, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Sonoma and Yuba counties. Provides temporary unemployment benefits to people whose jobs or work hours were directly impacted by the fires.

When to apply: Affected individuals are encouraged to apply online no later than November 16, 2017. Claimants can also file by phone at 1-800-300-5616 (English) or 1-800-326-8937 (Spanish).

Where to apply: <https://eapply4ui.edd.ca.gov/>

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Federal Individual Disaster Assistance Program

Who it serves: Home/Primary Residence assistance is available for individuals and families who have lost their homes as a result of a presidentially-declared disaster. If you are a renter or homeowner you may qualify for assistance. By law, FEMA assistance cannot duplicate the assistance you receive from your insurance company, but you may receive assistance for items not covered by insurance. FEMA does not offer assistance for small businesses impacted by a presidentially-declared disaster, however, they partner with the Small Business Administration (SBA), which offers low interest loans for business damages. Additional assistance is available for other disaster-caused expenses including medical and dental, child care, funeral and burial, essential household items, moving and storage, vehicle, and some clean-up items.

When to apply: ongoing

Where to apply: <https://www.fema.gov/individual-disaster-assistance>

The U.S. Small Business Administration

Who it serves: The SBA offers disaster assistance in the form of low-interest loans to businesses, renters, and homeowners located in regions affected by declared disasters.

Where to apply: <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance>

ARTS-SPECIFIC FUNDS

Actors Fund Entertainment Assistance Program

Who it serves: Any performing arts or entertainment professional may call on the Entertainment Assistance Program for support, information or referrals to community agencies. Eligibility for financial assistance requires either a minimum of five years of industry paid employment (earnings of at least \$6,500 for three out of the last five years), or 20 years of industry paid employment (minimum of ten years of earnings of at least \$5,000 for each of those years), and demonstrated financial need.

When to apply: Any time.

How much they give: Amounts are determined on a case-by-case basis.

Where to apply: <http://www.actorsfund.org/am-i-eligible-help>

Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Emergency Grant

Who it serves: Artists working in the disciplines of painting, sculpture or printmaking, who can demonstrate a minimum involvement of ten years in a mature phase of his or her work, whose needs are the result of an unforeseen, catastrophic incident, and who lack the resources to meet that situation.

When to apply: Applications accepted all year, with no deadlines.

How much they give: The maximum amount of this grant is \$15,000; an award of \$5,000 is typical.

Where to apply: <https://www.gottliebfoundation.org/emergency-grant/>

Alliance of Artists Communities Emergency Relief Programs

Who it serves: In the event of an emergency, the Alliance can offer support for artists by connecting them with a diverse network of residency programs across the country. By providing the time, space, and support that residencies offer, artists can focus on their work, reflect, and renew their creative practice during an especially challenging time. Their Emergency Funds for Individual Artists Participating in Residencies supports painters and sculptors to participate in artists' residencies for which they have already been accepted and scheduled, but who would not otherwise be able to participate due to a sudden change in circumstances.

When to apply: See website for info on the different programs.

How much they give: Up to \$1,000.

Where to apply: <http://www.artistcommunities.org/emergency-relief-programs>

American Institute for Conservation for Historic and Artistic Works

Who it serves: The Institute's National Heritage Responders respond to the needs of cultural institutions during emergencies and disasters through coordinated efforts with first responders, state agencies, vendors and the public. The group provides assistance by phone and email to collecting institutions affected by everything from leaking pipes to roof damage. NHR has deployed experts to assist with major floods in the Midwest and Hurricane Ike, both in 2008, and to other events.

When to apply: Ongoing

Where to apply:

<http://www.conservation-us.org/emergencies/national-heritage-responders#.WfNdkXZrzIU>

American Society of Journalists and Authors Emergency Assistance Fund

Who it serves: The Writers Emergency Assistance Fund helps established freelance writers who, because of illness, disability, a natural disaster, or an extraordinary professional crisis are unable to work. A writer need not be a member of ASJA to qualify for a grant. Application should demonstrate a record of past professional nonfiction writing over a sustained period of years. Applicants do not have to live in the United States but must submit books or articles written in English.

When to apply: Unspecified.

How much they give: Unspecified, however as of 10/23/17, website states: "Because of high demand, initial grants are being made in the amount of \$2000 to those who qualify. If hardships continue for the grant recipient, he or she can reapply at a later date for additional funds."

Where to apply: <http://asja.org/For-Writers/WEAF>

Artists Charitable Fund

Who it serves: Assists American artists living anywhere in the United States by provides financial support for artists struck by medical, fire or other disaster, with funds raised in part through an annual art auction.

When to apply: Ongoing

How much they give: Unspecified

Where to apply: <http://www.artistscharitablefund.org/index.html>

Artists Fellowship Financial Assistance

Who it serves: Provides emergency aid to professional fine (visual) artists and their families in times of sickness, natural disaster, bereavement or unexpected extreme hardship.

"Professional" is defined as those who make the creative arts as their livelihood as painters, sculptors, or art photographers through sales as reported on a Schedule C with Federal tax returns.

When to apply: The Board of Trustees meets monthly year round to review all applications properly submitted and eligible. Applicants are encouraged to make their submission early in the month.

How much they give: varies

Where to apply: <http://www.artistsfellowship.com/financial.html>

Authors League Fund

Who it serves: Assists book authors, dramatists, poets, and freelance writers and journalists, whose main professional pursuit is writing, in times of emergency. The Fund exists to help professional writers continue their careers, even their lives, with dignity by providing open-ended, interest-free, no-strings-attached loans to pay for pressing expenses.

When to apply: Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, as they come in.

How much they give: Loan amounts are determined based on the applicant's professional credentials, the severity of his or her emergency, and the Fund's annual budget.

Where to apply: <http://www.authorsleaguefund.org/apply/>

California Jazz Foundation

Who it serves: Financial assistance and emergency medical referrals are offered to jazz musicians and others who have made substantial contributions to the art form.

When to apply: Any time

How much they give: Unspecified

Where to apply: <https://californiajazzfoundation.org/index.htm>

Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF+) Emergency Grants

Who it serves: Emerging and established artists working in craft disciplines (such as woodworkers, fiber artists, metalsmiths, glass artists, potters, and furniture makers) who have had a recent, serious emergency and are U.S. residents.

When to apply: Any time.

How much they give: Up to \$6,000 (established artists) or \$3,500 (emerging artists).

Where to apply: <https://cerfplus.org/get-relief/apply-for-help/craft-emergency-relief-fund/>

Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF+) Emergency Recovery Loans

Who it serves: Artists working in craft disciplines (such as woodworkers, fiber artists, metalsmiths, glass artists, potters, and furniture makers) who have had a recent, serious emergency and are U.S. residents. Emergency Recovery Loans can be used to re-establish, improve, or possibly expand his/her work capacity after an emergency.

When to apply: Any time.

How much they give: Up to \$9,000.

Where to apply: <https://cerfplus.org/get-relief/apply-for-help/craft-emergency-relief-fund/>

CERF+ Artist “Get Ready” Grants

Who it serves: Provides funding for artists working in craft disciplines to conduct activities that will help safeguard their studios, protect their careers and implement other safety measures to help artists build and sustain strong and resilient careers. Applicant must be an artist or a group of artists with an ongoing history of producing a body of work in a craft discipline or disciplines (such as woodworkers, fiber artists, metalsmiths, glass potters, furniture makers, cultural-based craft, or alternative craft), and be a legal U.S. resident.

When to apply: Deadline is November 30, 2017

How much they give: Up to \$500 to individual artists and up to \$1,500 to groups of artists.

Where to apply: <https://cerfplus.org/get-ready/get-ready-grants/>

Creative Sonoma Recovery Fund

Who it serves: Creative Sonoma is currently raising funds (and [accepting donations](#)) toward this new grant initiative. Funds will be available to individuals who are residents of Sonoma County for immediate and short-term basic human and art related needs including shelter, medications, art supplies, instruments, and more. (See also their helpful article about [what to do when you've lost your home.](#))

When to apply: The grant application process is expected to open no later than November 1, 2017.

How much they give: Amounts and number of grants will be commensurate with the level of donations the fund receives.

Where to apply: <https://www.creativesonoma.org/recovery-fund-application/>

The Haven Foundation

Who it serves: Gives financial assistance to established freelance artists, writers and other members of the arts and art production communities who have suffered disabilities or experienced a career-threatening illness, accident, natural disaster or personal catastrophe.

When to apply: No later than November 4, 2017. All applications received after that date will be held for the next round of grants

How much they give: Varies. Grants are for one year and may be renewed for up to four more years, provided that the recipient submits a supplemental application annually.

Where to apply: Guidelines and mailing address available at <http://www.thehavenfdn.org/guidelines>

Jazz Foundation of America

Who it serves: Jazz and blues musicians requiring emergency assistance and social services.

Learn more: <http://www.jazzfoundation.org/what-we-do/housing-and-emergency-assistance> or email info@jazzfoundation.org

Joan Mitchell Foundation Emergency Grant Program

Who it serves: US based visual artists working in the mediums of painting, sculpture, and/or drawing who have suffered significant losses after natural or man-made disasters that have affected their community.

When to apply: Applications are accepted throughout the year, and reviewed monthly based on volume.

How much they give: Up to \$6000.

Where to apply: <http://joanmitchellfoundation.org/artist-programs/artist-grants/emergency>

MusiCares

Who it serves: Provides assistance to musicians including musical instrument replacement for musicians affected by disasters.

Learn more: <http://www.grammy.org/musicares>

PEN Writer's Emergency Fund

Who it serves: The PEN America Writers' Emergency Fund is an emergency fund for professional—published or produced—writers in acute, emergency financial crisis. The Writers' Emergency Fund is for writers whose primary professional occupation is writing. Self-published authors or those published by vanity presses are not eligible. Writers do not have to be Members of PEN America to receive a grant.

When to apply: Next deadline: November 15, 2017.

How much they give: Up to \$2,000.

Where to apply: <https://pen.org/writers-emergency-fund/>

Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant

Who it serves: Painters, artists and sculptors who work on paper, including printmakers, with demonstrable financial need.

When to apply: All year.

How much they give: The size of the grant is determined by the individual circumstances of the artist.

Where to apply: <http://pkf.org/apply/>

Sweet Relief Musicians Fund

Who it serves: Career musicians suffering from a wide range of conditions including: Spinal Cord Injury, Cancer, Multiple Sclerosis, Diabetes, Kidney and Liver Diseases, Strokes and Head injuries, Mental illness and Psychological disorders and Cardiopulmonary Illnesses. It also assists elderly musicians, regardless of medical condition, who are experiencing financial hardship.

When to apply: All year.

How much they give: Grants typically range from a few hundred to a few thousand dollars per qualifying individual.

Where to apply: <http://sweetrelief.org/get-help/eligibility/>

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

ArtsReady

An online emergency preparedness service by and for arts/cultural nonprofits, provides arts organizations with customized business continuity plans for post-crisis sustainability.

<https://www.artsready.org/>

CERF+ Studio Protector

An artists guide to emergencies. A wealth of information on emergency readiness for all artists can be found at www.studioprotector.org.

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