Emergency Grant Resources for Artists

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COVID-19 Resources: joanmitchellfoundation.org/blog/covid

Emergency Grant/Disaster Funding for Visual Artists

NYFA / Rauschenberg Emergency Grants for artists with medical emergencies
https://www.nyfa.org/Content/Show/Rauschenberg-Emergency-Grants
The program provides one-time grants of up to $5,000 for unexpected medical emergencies. There is no deadline; applications will be accepted and reviewed by the panel on a monthly basis beginning in late May/early June 2020.

CERF+
https://cerfplus.org/
“CERF+ emergency relief assistance includes grants, no-interest loans, access to resources, waivers and discounts on booth fees, and donations of craft supplies and equipment¹. … Beyond CERF+’s emergency relief available to professional artists working in craft disciplines, CERF+ has tips for any artist looking for help after a disaster or other emergency².”

Pollock-Krasner Foundation
https://pkf.org/our-grants/
The Pollock-Krasner Foundation provides grants on a rolling basis to artists who “have genuine financial needs that are not necessarily catastrophic.” They will provide one-year of support and will cover professional work and personal living, including medical expenses.

Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Foundation
https://www.gottliebfoundation.org/emergency-grant
“The Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Emergency Grant program is intended to provide interim financial assistance to qualified artists whose needs are the result of an unforeseen, catastrophic incident, and who lack the resources to meet that situation. Each grant is given as one-time assistance for a specific emergency, examples of which are fire, flood, or emergency medical need.” Maximum award is $15,000; average is $5,000.

Artist Charitable Fund
http://artistscharitablefund.org
The Artists Charitable Fund supports US artists by paying a portion of their medical/dental/vision bills. Contact Judy, Fund Coordinator, at 970-577-0509 or email: cnynsprt@aol.com
Artist Fellowship, Inc.
https://www.artistsfellowship.org
“The Artists’ Fellowship provides emergency aid to professional fine artists and their families in times of sickness, natural disaster, bereavement or unexpected extreme hardship.”

Haven Foundation
http://www.thehavenfdn.org
The Haven Foundation provides financial assistance to artists who have a health crisis; grants are one-year, and the financial amount provided is to the discretion of the Foundation. Grants can be renewed up to four more years, with a supplemental application.

Max’s Kansas City Project
https://maxskansascity.org/
“The Max's Kansas City Project provides emergency funding & resources to professionals in the creative arts. Individuals who have made their living through their art form either professionally or personally and demonstrate a financial need for medical aid, legal aid or housing.” Individuals must reside in New York State. Grant awards are offered in the form of third-party payments or vouchers