COVID-Related Resources for Artists and Arts Organizations
(Updated 4/10/20)

Please visit the New Mexico Arts Facebook and Instagram pages for resources and opportunities as they are announced.

New Mexico-Based Support

All Together NM Fund
The All Together NM Fund will provide a phased response to the pandemic. First, it will address immediate needs in New Mexico communities, including:

- Procurement of food and medical and cleaning supplies for at-risk communities
- Support for childcare workers who are supporting our front-line employees
- Grants to address income insecurity among smaller businesses and employees affected by COVID-19 disruptions

Later, the grant making process will shift to address income insecurity among affected workers and businesses and to fill gaps left by the government response. Finally, when the time comes, the fund will support recovery efforts.
The application process and terms of grants are still in development.

Small Business Investment Corporation
In addition to the new Recovery Fund, there’s also a separate effort by the Small Business Investment Corp., a nonprofit that also receives a 2% allocation from the Severance Tax Permanent Fund, to make loans to small businesses through local microlending organizations. The SBIC expects to offer some of that money to microlenders at just a 1% interest rate to immediately channel near-zero-cost loans into the hands of struggling businesses.
Source: https://www.abqjournal.com/1436013/sbic-approves-creation-of-100-million-nm-recovery-fund.html

State Investment Council - New Mexico Recovery Fund ($100M)
[The SIC] will draw up the statutes and guidelines for the fund in the next two weeks, including the size of companies that will be eligible for loans, the requirements they must meet to receive money, and all terms and conditions, such as interest rates and repayment time frames.
Loans will be targeted at medium-size and large companies, probably those with 40 to 50 employees and up that are already generating about $10 million to $15 million in annual revenue and are likely to survive the crisis if they get immediate cash assistance.
Proposed 6% to 12% interest rates
Unemployment Insurance - Dep't of Workforce Solutions
In light of the Governor's declaration, certain workers may be eligible for Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits. You may be eligible if the situations described below apply to you:

- Employers may lay off some or all of their workforce as a result of the impact of COVID-19; for example, a restaurant that sees a significant reduction in business due to lack of customers dining out during this time, or an event facility that cancels all events until a later date, or bus drivers who are out of work due to temporary school closures.
- Workers who have their hours reduced as a result of COVID-19.

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Santa Fe Community Foundation Artist Medical Fund
https://www.santafecf.org/nonprofits/current-foundation-initiatives/special-funds

Fulcrum Fund, via 516arts to award $60,000 in emergency relief grants, providing $1,000 to 60 local artists who have lost income as a result of cancellations due to the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

City of Santa Fe Culture Connects Coalition Artist Relief Fund
https://www.santafenm.gov/culture_connects_coalition

Gallup Area Local Artists Support Fund from gallupARTS
https://galluparts.org/coronavirus-artist-support/

New Mexico Based COVID Facebook Group
https://www.facebook.com/groups/192518095384906/?ref=group_header

The Local Community Leaders at Somos Un Pueblo Unido have put together a valuable video resource for Spanish Speaking Artists (and non-artists too) who need to file for unemployment during these trying economic times.

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New Mexico Humanities Grant Programs Upcoming Deadline May 1, 2020 As part of our mission at the NMHC, we bring New Mexicans together through our programs that seek to understand who we were, who we are and who we aspire to be. These challenging times have forced us to re-examine ourselves, to confront deep questions of human existence, to consider
who we are and what we value most and, we hope, to reimagine a better version of ourselves and the world we live in. We can continue to explore these questions and much more through online opportunities that do not require physical gatherings. Digital platforms -- such as websites, mobile applications, interactive tours and virtual environments -- can reach diverse audiences and bring the humanities to life for New Mexicans in new and dynamic ways.

https://nmhumanities.org/NMHC.php?p=3

New Mexico MainStreet Resource Page
https://www.nmmainstreet.org/coronavirus-resources/
Local, State, and National Resources from NM MainStreet
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1wn5ed8R3JYuOF28JLZ2Q-BEyNZTCTAG3Ij86ht2lU/edit#gid=0

New Mexico Economic Development COVID-19 Business Loan Guarantee Program

The Small Business Development Center Network is available to help you find resources, with offices statewide. Contact by email the location nearest you.

Finance New Mexico Resources https://financenewmexico.org/funding/loans-funding/grant-loan-programs/

Santa Fe Community Foundation COVID-19 Response Fund
https://www.santafecf.org/home?srctid=1&erid=2238823&trid=6367b0e0-5232-4c68-95d5-bb5802909c07

Albuquerque Community Foundation Emergency Grant Fund
https://albuquerquefoundation.org/emergency-action-fund-grant-application.aspx?fbclid=IwAR3fJgHFHzRixdy3FGrKkraactNnm09QorQdmlbVslH3ML61PmnaKRXyumM

United Way of Central New Mexico Emergency Action Fund
https://uwcnm.org/EmergencyFund

The Loan Fund - a nonprofit organization that offers loans and lines of credit up to $500,000 to businesses in New Mexico.

DreamSpring - a nonprofit organization that offers loans, credit and training to businesses in 5 states, including New Mexico.

LiftFund - a nonprofit that offers capital of up to $500,000 to businesses in Southern New Mexico.

COVID-19 Related Resources from WESST for Small Businesses
https://www.wesst.org/
Federal Resources

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)
Within the bill is a $75 million emergency appropriation for the National Endowment for the Arts (of which 40% is directed to state and regional arts organizations) to help the agency address the serious impacts experienced within the arts community as a result of this crisis. There are other provisions within the bill that will benefit artists, both as individuals and as business owners, including credits of $1,200 to most American adults and $500 for most children, as well loan forgiveness for organizations and businesses that retain workers and an expansion of unemployment benefits. Source: DCA NM Arts Division

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)- $50 million
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) - $75 million
The NEA, IMLS, and NEH funding are able to provide direct grants to support museum operations and matching requirements are waived. Criteria is still being developed
Source: Alliance Museums Advocacy 3/27/2020 Email Update

National Endowment for the Arts
The National Endowment for the Arts will award funds to nonprofit arts organizations across the country to help these entities and their employees endure the economic hardships caused by the forced closure of their operations due to the spread of COVID-19. As part of this important investment, the Arts Endowment has designed a plan to expedite the distribution of critical funds to the national, regional, state, and local levels to help retain as many jobs as possible, as quickly as possible. These funds are intended to help save jobs in the arts sector and keep the doors open to the thousands of organizations that add value to America’s economy and the creative life of our communities.

This program will be carried out through one-time grants to eligible nonprofit organizations including arts organizations, local arts agencies, statewide assemblies of local arts agencies, arts service organizations, units of state or local government, federally recognized tribal communities or tribes, and a wide range of other organizations that can help advance the goals of the Arts Endowment and this program. Grants will be made either to organizations for their own operations, or to designated local arts agencies, eligible to subgrant, for subgranting programs to eligible nonprofit organizations (see “Subgranting Funds”).

All applicants must be previous National Endowment for the Arts award recipients from the past four years (Fiscal Year 2017-2020; see “Applicant Eligibility” for more information). Deadline to submit to Grants.Gov April 22, 2020. Submission to Applicant Portal April 22 to May 24, 2020.

National Endowment for the Arts Link to CARES Act Grant Program
https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/CARES/grant-program-description

National Endowment for the Arts Link to Additional Resources
https://www.arts.gov/covid-19-resources-for-artists-and-arts-organizations

Paycheck Protection Program
Just about every entity that qualifies should take advantage. Besides businesses, it is also an opportunity for 501(c)(3) organizations. The amount of the loan is the lesser $10 million or 2.5 months of payroll (broadly defined as including many forms of compensation, including
payments to independent contractors) and some other expenses such as rent. In figuring the average monthly payroll, annual salaries over $100,000 are excluded. The loan has a maturity of 2 years and 1% interest. No collateral and no personal guarantee. If the fund are spent correctly, and employees are kept, some or all of the loan is forgiven. Additionally, typically when a loan is forgiven a business has taxable income to report - discharge of indebtedness. That is not the case if a loan was part of the Paycheck Protection Plan.

7(a) Loan Program lenders are available here https://www.sba.gov/partners/lenders/7a-loan-program/types-7a-loans

Source: https://www.forbes.com/sites/peterjreilly/2020/03/27/paycheck-protection-program-looks-like-a-very-sweet-deal/#365e917f1c60

Pandemic Unemployment Insurance
The CARES Act extends unemployment insurance up to 13 weeks and provides an additional $600 a week in assistance. Additionally, it includes individuals that were previously ineligible (independent contractors, self-employed, and gig economy workers). This funding will be through the NM Department of Workforce Solutions.

All of the above programs fall under the CARES Act

Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Loan Assistance - Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)
The SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to $2 million that can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing.

- Loans up to $2M with a low interest rate for businesses 3.75%) and nonprofits (2.75%).
- Loan repayment terms vary by applicant, up to a maximum of 30 years.
- Individuals who are registered as a company qualify.
- NOTE: Requirements and terms are changing on a daily basis

Impact Surveys
New Mexico Arts
We at New Mexico Arts have been thrilled to see the creative ways that artists and arts organizations around the state of New Mexico have responded to COVID-19 restrictions. We would like to know more about how you have adapted planned programming, created new programs, and continue to reach your audiences in this time of virtual engagement. This information is useful for us as we work to understand the impact of COVID-19 on the arts in New Mexico. We also plan to share this wealth of alternative programming with the public by highlighting your efforts on our website and social media!
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjAlzlPGnTeLYk2ESq6D9Zd8x6uD5PS-R6Mh1CNZCYxYQ/viewform
Americans for the Arts Survey on the Impact to the Arts

National Association of Latino Arts & Culture Survey and Resources: https://nalac.org/covid-19/

New Mexico Humanities Council Impact Survey
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvUysnki3tXcXkmO-6oFUnm-R84L2LaOn3Cd7Aq7BdumZBQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1

The New Mexico Tourism Department has launched a series of surveys to collect information on the impact of business closures. Below are the most relevant for arts and culture organizations. Go to the Tourism website to see all the surveys.
Retail and Galleries: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GGN5XS8
Attractions and Cultural Institutions: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G5TCGQ2

Webinars & Podcasts
If you have missed a webinar check to see if there is a recording. Most will have one available.

Listen to the weekly podcast with Chairman Mary Anne Carter about the impact of COVID-19 on the arts community and the $75 million the National Endowment for the Arts received from Congress in the CARES Act to award to the nonprofit arts sector.

Americans for the Arts is presenting webinars of interest to individual artists and arts organizations on a regular basis. Visit their Coronavirus Resource and Response Center for recordings of past webinars and to register for upcoming webinars:

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Artists In a Time of Global Pandemic (ASL & Captioned)
For US-Based Freelance Artists and Cultural Workers in all Disciplines

Coming Together in a Time of Crisis
https://howlround.com/happenings/livestreaming-come-together-art-gathering-time-crisis-asl-captioned?fbclid=IwAR3IoNUdR_MfBN9gGawTqdNLy1TaAltFapTbzq2rm2FXUJpkk6I2UF9Fxbk

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NM Economic Development Department COVID-19 Response: Update on Community Development Resources Presented 4/13/20
NMEDD Webinar: COVID-19 Response- Update on State and Federal Resources for Businesses
Presented 4/3/20

COVID-19: Small Business Webinar presented by the Albuquerque Economic Development
Department Presented 4/2/20

Tuesday 4/7 - The City of Santa Fe, Santa Fe County, and SCORE Santa Fe present a COVID-19
small business survival webinar Presented 4/7/20

Two webinars—Theatre Communications Group's Coronavirus Preparedness Webinar and the
Event Safety Alliance's Prepare Your Organization for the Coronavirus Disease Outbreak—may
be of particular interest to performing arts groups.

“We Are Stronger Together”
Join the Alliance of Performing Arts Conferences* for a webinar Wednesday, March 18 at 3 p.m.
(EDT) https://m.facebook.com/events/895961630863561/

Arts and Culture Sector and the Coronavirus: What we Know and How to Move
Forward (specifically for funders) -

From the Alliance of Performing Arts Conferences: "Ask an Expert: Contracts, insurance, visas,
employment, and legislation in the COVID-19 Era".
https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8684573262026386445?source=facebook&fbclid=IwAR3ewDYrK8vtmyTrrMGN91AoMM-fwGkrVza0FbwUeaqVde1geSyOoY2QdNw

How Arts Organizations Can Survive a Pandemic

From the Independent Sector – Navigating the CARES Act for Nonprofits
https://independentsector.org/events/navigating-the-cares-act/?fbclid=IwAR3IMxXfzCaWEggyOr_DUntoc5bDIRLe_5vnYPBPo4Xn5OJnF3AxsnpBm2g

Resources for Artists and Arts Organizations

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Americans for the Arts Resource and Response Center
opportunities.

ArtsReady and NCAPER (National Coalition for Arts Preparedness and Emergency Response)
are regularly updating their sites with arts-specific resources and advice.
Grantmakers in the Arts

From Springboard for the Arts, a series of practical resources, including a set of “Principles for Ethical Cancellation,” as well as resources for relief funds: a Guide for starting an Emergency Relief Fund; a National Call for Emergency Relief Funds; and a list of regional and national emergency funds.

ArtPlace America’s running list of COVID-19 resources for creative placemakers.

Arts Extension Service is dedicated to supporting artists and arts organizations through education and information. They’ve created a substantial list of resources with opportunities for artists, arts managers, and art instructors.

COVID-Related Resources from the Western States Arts Federation (WESTAF)
https://www.westaf.org/covid-19-resources-information/
The NDN Collective’s COVID-19 Response Project is designed to provide immediate relief to some of the most underserved communities in the country. NDN’s intent is to quickly distribute resources to frontline organizations, Tribes, and individuals who are providing essential services to Indigenous communities within the next 15-45 days to provide gap resources during this health crisis. https://ndncollective.org/covid-19/

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A coalition of national arts grantmakers, consisting of Academy of American Poets, Artadia, Creative Capital, Foundation for Contemporary Arts, MAP Fund, National YoungArts Foundation, and United States Artists, announces the launch of Artist Relief, which will provide rapid, unrestricted $5,000 relief grants to assist artists facing dire financial emergencies due to the impact of COVID-19 and serve as an informational resource.

COVID-19 Freelance Artist Resources
https://covid19freelanceartistresource.wordpress.com/?fbclid=IwAR2uw6ncK4tu_3Atl7MCqgbyXmrIWOiWr_g4cNBSZwzWU32bmC5zyYGSanA

New York Foundation for the Arts Listing of Emergency Grants for Individual Artists
https://www.nyfa.org/Content/Show/Emergency%20Grants

CERF+ (Craft Emergency Relief Fund)
https://cerfplus.org/
https://cerfplus.org/kerfplus-responds-to-covid-19/

Rauschenberg Emergency Grant Program for Visual and Media Artists and Choreographers
https://current.nyfa.org/post/612209634032369664/announcing-rauschenberg-emergency-grants-program

Creative Capital (includes resources for writers, actors, musicians)
https://creative-capital.org/2020/03/13/list-of-arts-resources-during-the-covid-19-outbreak/
Emergency Grant Resources for Artists

Artist Trust List of Resources
Artist Trust

Artist at Risk Resources
Artist at Risk Connection

Women Arts – List of Emergency Funds for Artists in All Disciplines
Women Arts — Emergency Funds.

Artwork Archive – Financial Relief Resources
https://www.artworkarchive.com/blog/financial-relief-resources-for-artists-during-covid-19?utm_source=newsletterclass&utm_campaign=covidrelief&fbclid=IwAR29gp4QfQM9QJU6nLpB6K8RjY82mShSredQNCy7j0DvyBiFtS0Ptw

A list of resources from Forecast Public Art: https://forecastpublicart.org/covid-19/

Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grant Fund
https://foundationforcontemporaryarts.submittable.com/submit/b9feb8b2-3b40-4a12-b0e71294d17f/fca-emergency-grants-covid-19-fund

PEN America
PEN America Writers Emergency Fund

3Arts Emergency Relief Resources
3Arts – Emergency Resources for Artists

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Common Field https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_GK3wHf5Mt6Lf07j_2ZA0NuAAEd30-fPDXCts_MYEy/edit

Association of Performing Arts Professionals
https://www.apap365.org/Advocacy/Emergency-Response?fbclid=IwAR2K05PKNKnogF9VHOgPOA5L50_qUqolkqf_MrYDR3ltRsF6X06I0lTeKMXc#artists

FOR TEACHERS/ARTS EDUCATORS

COVID-19 Resources from Arts Education Partnership for Teachers and Others
https://www.aep-arts.org/covid-19-resources/

Response and Resources from the National Guild for Community Arts Education
https://nationalguild.org/covid-19-response
Resources for Teaching Poetry Online, for all levels from the Poetry Foundation
https://www.poetryfoundation.org/learn

Resources for Nonprofits/Freelancers

*How Nonprofits Can Apply for Loans and Other Emergency Benefits* from The Chronicle of Philanthropy

Duke School of Business's comprehensive, searchable database of grants, loans, and other cash equivalents that can help entrepreneurs, nonprofits, and businesses anywhere in the world
Candid List of Relief Funds
Candid.org - Funds for coronavirus relief

What the CARES Act means for freelancers - Blog post from the Freelancers Union
Freelancers Union
https://blog.freelancersunion.org/2020/03/11/what-freelancers-need-to-know-about-coronavirus/

Grants & Financial Assistance for Musicians
(note that other resources may be in the previous section as well and some of these below may cover other art forms)

Equal Sound Corona Relief Fund
Musicians Foundation
MusicCares Foundation
Music Maker Relief Foundation
Sweet Relief Musicians Fund
Jazz Foundation of America
The Blues Foundation HART Fund
American Guild of Musical Artists
The Actors Fund
Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grants Program
Rauschenberg Emergency Grant
Gottlieb Emergency Grant Program
New Music Solidarity Fund
Chamber Music America - COVID-19 Resources for the Chamber Music Community

The League of American Orchestras coronavirus resources page includes examples of sample audience communications as well as other readiness recommendations.
Resources for Museums

COVID-19/Coronavirus Resources & Information for the Museum Field, from the American Alliance of Museums, contains advice applicable to museums and other cultural venues.

The Association of Art Museum Directors has been aggregating information on closures and cancellations, and how museums can best respond to COVID-19.

Resources for Going Virtual/Reimagining Programming/ADA

Reimagining Public Engagement for Planning During COVID-19: A Peer-to-Peer Exchange
Wednesday, April 22
11 am Pacific | 2 pm Eastern (1 hour)


Leading Virtual Accessible Programs, hosted by the Chicago Cultural Accessibility Consortium (CCAC) Presented 4/10/20

Transitioning Programs and Artistic Content to an Online Structure
https://www.artsopolis.com/transitioning-programs-and-artistic-content-into-an-online-structure/

From Americans for the Arts:
- Howlround has published a helpful blog with examples and resources.
- CMX published a blog with guidance for digital events and event cancellation.
- Medium article on accessibility and remote meetings.
- The Philadelphia Inquirer shares How do you conduct virtual choir practices with more than 300 kids? The Philadelphia Boys Choir is learning how.

Teachers please access the extensive resources from the Arts Education Partnership:
https://www.aep-arts.org/covid-19-resources/