**COVID-19 Resources for The Arts and Presenters**

For information specific to artists and arts organizations, please refer to [ArtsReady](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=18106101&msgid=507741&act=H7PB&c=1245206&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.artsready.org%2F), the [Performing Arts Readiness project](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=18106101&msgid=507741&act=H7PB&c=1245206&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fperformingartsreadiness.org%2F), and the [National Coalition for Arts Preparedness and Emergency Response](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=18106101&msgid=507741&act=H7PB&c=1245206&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.ncaper.org%2F). These resources are available with best-practices, updated information, and resources specifically for the arts community.

Also musicians and industry professionals are eligible for MusicCares support,

**MusiCares COVID-19 Relief Fund:** The Recording Academy® and its affiliated charitable foundation MusiCares® have established the [**COVID-19 Relief Fund**](https://grammy.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=3b5cb1550f39156742743cb10&id=3683c13cd4&e=23d80a32af) to help people in the music industry affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and its economic impact. From hotel and bar gigs to major music festivals, COVID-19 is deeply impacting live music events, and the creative community behind it all.

* These websites have lots of resources and information on emergency grants for artists
  + [APAP www.apap365.org](http://www.apap365.org)
  + NAPAMA [napama.org](https://napama.org/)

Concert Cancellations/Postponements:

<https://www.billboard.com/articles/business/touring/9323647/concerts-canceled-coronavirus-list>

Live Streaming Events:

<https://www.billboard.com/articles/columns/pop/9335531/coronavirus-quarantine-music-events-online-streams>

Music Industry Resources:

<https://www.billboard.com/articles/business/9337908/coronavirus-resource-guide-music-professionals-help>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/nycmusicianscovid19/>

[NYC Low-Income Artist/Freelancer Relief Fund](https://www.gofundme.com/f/nyc-lowincome-artistfreelancer-relief-fund?utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=p_lico%20share-sheet&fbclid=IwAR0EzVdBAu1MSUtb5knvZ6aCY7FuUUAg8DCk-ANVhFhMvUV4rOjNQR8zX3E)

[NYC Dancers Relief Fund](https://www.gofundme.com/f/dancers-relief-fund-covid19?fbclid=IwAR2suxP1hGvfc9PbdutG1D4rjTOZRfMesNRU8LcGbg-OzNLkHL56Txppb7I)

[Equal Sound Corona Relief Fund](https://equalsound.org/project/corona-relief-fund/?fbclid=IwAR2W0G3gtBGT7sBaGI-0_smTA3saMsHO1FOuHvQndZEVyJvr9h7SZNzmsXg)

[Artist Relief Tree (ART)](https://www.facebook.com/donate/1080011789032749/)

[COVID-19 Freelance Artist Resources](https://covid19freelanceartistresource.wordpress.com/)

[VIRTUAL MUSIC EVENTS DIRECTORY](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11wWL_7I4BG76t0V2kw1a4yIeWxUSfGwMQFYdUWAgSnA/mobilebasic?urp=gmail_link)

[Tips for Teaching Video Lessons with Zoom or Skype](https://evangregor.com/project/live-teaching-with-zoom-or-skype-tips-gear-and-more/?fbclid=IwAR00_6MCLdEN2LdwtDfJgBYh5ZyCXVVl5jEw1X2d6uuLLvmC2jPwhyUGHVo)

[NYFA EMERGENCY GRANTS](https://www.nyfa.org/Content/Show/Emergency%20Grants?fbclid=IwAR0pyL4HDhaDoNGopoZlOGhYGOLVUZF-xT6yQN2hL0hrUO_R2wS9QRpKXso)

[Survey for Nightlife Workers, Freelancers, and Businesses Impacted by COVID-19](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNOye6aCd4Z1xbfYZ1X8cpYye-v8ZW1azFMEgCXMZ_O7HB7A/viewform)

Grant and Loan Options

**Loans**

**Small Business Options:**

1. **Name:** Economic Injury Disaster Loan

**Date Available: 3/18/2020 |** Available now for New York (County), NY

**Date Due: N/A**

* 1. Description: The SBA will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest loans to small businesses and non-profits that have been severely impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). 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.
  2. Stipulations:
     1. These loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that can’t be paid because of the disaster’s impact.
     2. **The interest rate is 3.75% for small businesses without credit available elsewhere; businesses with credit available elsewhere are not eligible.** The interest rate for non-profits is 2.75%.
     3. SBA offers loans with long-term repayments in order to keep payments affordable, up to a maximum of 30 years. Terms are determined on a case-by-case basis, based upon each borrower’s ability to repay.
  3. Qualifications:
     1. Any such Economic Injury Disaster Loan assistance declaration issued by the SBA makes loans available to small businesses and private, non-profit organizations in designated areas of a state or territory to help alleviate economic injury caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19).
     2. In order to apply, a completed loan application and a signed and dated IRS Form 4506-T must be done
  4. **Link:** [**https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/**](https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/)

1. **Name:** NYC Small Business Continuity Fund

**Date Available:** N/A

**Date Due**: N/A

* 1. **Description**: The City will provide relief for small businesses across the City seeing a reduction in revenue because of COVID-19.
  2. **Stipulations**: Businesses with fewer than 100 employees who have seen sales decreases of 25% or more will be eligible for zero-interest loans of up to $75,000 to help mitigate losses in profit.
  3. **Eligibility**:
     1. Be located within the five boroughs of New York City.
     2. Demonstrate that the COVID-19 outbreak caused at least a 25% decrease in revenue
     3. Employ 99 employees or fewer in total across all locations
     4. Demonstrate the ability to repay the loan
     5. Have no outstanding tax liens or legal judgments
  4. **Link:** <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/sbs/businesses/covid19-business-outreach.page>

1. **Name:** Small Business Interruption Loan - PROPOSAL

**Date Available:** N/A

**Date Due**: N/A

* 1. **Description**: To provide continuity of employment through business interruptions, this provision would authorize the creation of a small business interruption loan program and appropriate $300 billion for the program
  2. **Stipulations**:
     1. Loan amounts: 100% of 6 weeks of payroll, capped at $1540 per week per employee (approx. $80,000 annualized)
     2. Borrower requirement: Employee compensation must be sustained for all employees for 8 weeks from the date the loan is disbursed.
     3. Lender: U.S. financial institutions.
     4. Streamlined underwriting process: Lender verifies the previous 6-week payroll amount and later verifies that the borrower has paid 8 weeks of payroll from date of disbursement.
     5. Authority for the Treasury Department to issue regulations establishing appropriate interest rate, loan maturity, and other relevant terms and conditions.
  3. **Eligibility**: Employers with 500 employees or less (phased out)
  4. **Link:** [**https://www.washingtonpost.com/context/department-of-treasury-proposal-for-coronavirus-response/6c2d2ed5-a18b-43d2-8124-28d394fa51ff/?itid=lk\_inline\_manual\_3**](https://www.washingtonpost.com/context/department-of-treasury-proposal-for-coronavirus-response/6c2d2ed5-a18b-43d2-8124-28d394fa51ff/?itid=lk_inline_manual_3)

**Woman-Owned Small Business Options:**

1. **Name:** SmartBiz SBA Loan

**Description:** SmartBiz’s low-cost SBA loans work best for established businesses that want to finance an expansion or refinance debt.

**Qualifications:**

* + 1. Minimum credit score: 650.
    2. Minimum time in business: 2 years.
    3. Minimum annual revenue: $50,000.
    4. No bankruptcies or foreclosures in the past 3 years.

**Link:** [**https://www.smartbizloans.com/apply**](https://www.smartbizloans.com/apply)

1. **Name:** Funding Circle - Online term loan

**Description:** Funding Circle is an option for established businesses that are financing an expansion or refinancing debt.

**Qualifications:**

* + 1. Minimum credit score: 620.
    2. Minimum time in business: 2 years.
    3. Minimum annual revenue: None.
    4. No bankruptcies in the past 7 years.

**Link:**[**https://www.fundingcircle.com/us/small-business-loans/**](https://www.fundingcircle.com/us/small-business-loans/)

**Performing Arts Small Business Options:**

**Grants**

**Small Business Options**

1. **Name:** Facebook Small Business Grants Program

**Description:** Facebook is offering $100M in cash grants and ad credits for up to 30,000 eligible small businesses in over 30 countries where we operate. **[We’ll share more details as they become available].**

**Link:** [**https://www.facebook.com/business/boost/grants?ref=eml**](https://www.facebook.com/business/boost/grants?ref=eml)

**Woman-Owned Small Business Options**

1. **Name:** Eileen Fisher Grant Program

**Link:** [**https://www.liveyourdream.org/get-help/index.html**](https://www.liveyourdream.org/get-help/index.html)

1. **Name:** The Amber Grant

**Link:** [**https://ambergrantsforwomen.com/get-an-amber-grant/**](https://ambergrantsforwomen.com/get-an-amber-grant/)

**Performing Arts Small Business Options**

1. **Name:** APAP Cultural Exchange Fund

Link: [**https://www.apap365.org/Programs/Funding-Opportunities/Cultural-Exchange-Fund**](https://www.apap365.org/Programs/Funding-Opportunities/Cultural-Exchange-Fund)

1. **Name:** Theater Communications Group

**Link:** [**https://www.tcg.org/grants/GrantsAtAGlance.aspx**](https://www.tcg.org/grants/GrantsAtAGlance.aspx)

1. **Name: Max’s Kansas City Project**

**Description:** Max’s Kansas City Project provides emergency funding and resources to professionals in the creative arts who live in New York state. 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. The maximum grant is $1,000.

**Link:** [**https://maxskansascity.org/emergency-grants/**](https://maxskansascity.org/emergency-grants/)