



RESOURCES FOR INDIVIDUAL ARTISTS

Individual artists in search of emergency relief funds who are residents of San Diego should contact Felicia Shaw at the San Diego Community Foundation. Felicia is maintaining a list of local organizations providing emergency relief assistance to local artists. Felicia can be reached by emailing: felicia@sdfoundation.org.

Other organizations:

Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF)

Phone: (802) 229-2306

<http://www.craftemergency.org/>

The mission of the Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF) is to provide direct financial assistance to professional craft artists through the award of small grants (\$1,500 - \$5,000) and no-interest loans (\$3,500 - \$8,000), through the waiver and discounts of booth fees, and through donation of supplies and equipment. Since its inception in 1985, hundreds of craft artists have been provided with over \$1.25 million in financial assistance, donated services, equipment and supplies.

Full information about CERF, criteria for assistance, eligibility requirements, and application forms is available on its website.

Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Foundation, Inc. (visual artists only)

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shirsch@gottliebfoundation.org

www.gottliebfoundation.org

The Gottlieb Foundation Emergency Assistance 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.

The program does not consider requests for dental work, chronic situations, capital improvements, or projects of any kind; nor can it consider situations resulting from general indebtedness or lack of employment.

The maximum amount of this grant is \$10,000; an award of \$4,000 is typical. Applicants should be aware that this is a grant program, and that each application is considered on its merits within the criteria of the program. While we attempt to provide assistance to as many applicants as we can, the filing of an application is not, nor should it be perceived as, a guarantee of funding.

To be eligible for this program, an artist must be able to demonstrate a minimum involvement of ten years in a mature phase of his or her work. Artists must work in the disciplines of painting, sculpture or printmaking. Each application will be reviewed by the Directors, who will exercise their discretion in considering it, and will determine the amount of each award. Applicants should note there is a set amount appropriated for these grants each fiscal year; once this budgetary limit has been reached, the Foundation will not be able to judge any additional requests on their merits.

Application forms for the Emergency Assistance program are available from the Foundation throughout the year and may be requested by telephone. Second-party requests are honored only when the applicant is physically unable to communicate with the Foundation. Review procedures for completed applications begin as soon as they are received. Full review generally takes about four weeks from the time an application is complete. Situations with imminent deadlines will receive priority. When a situation warrants it, reviews can be completed within 24—48 hours.

John Anson Kittredge Educational Fund

P.O. Box 2883

Cambridge, MA 02138

Grants awarded to artists in very special circumstances. \$1,000 - \$10,000. Initial contact by letter stating purpose, amount requested, period of funding, supporting letter.

Mayer Foundation

20 West 64th Street, Suite 15-U

New York, NY 10023

Email: mayerfoundation@hotmail.com

Economic relief grants to needy individuals who are distressed or suffering as a result of poverty, low income or lack of financial resources, including as a result of natural or civil disasters, or from temporary impoverishment, loss of employment, death or incapacity of a family wage earner or damage to home and property; to provide health care to those who cannot afford health care or whose health insurance or financial resources are insufficient to cover medical needs. Grants range from \$2,500 - \$5,000

An application form is not required. Proposals should be made in letter form. See web site for details regarding information required:

<http://foundationcenter.org/grantmaker/mayer/individuals.html>

The Haven Foundation

<http://www.thehavenfdn.org/>

The Haven Foundation is a national, nonprofit organization making grants to freelance writers and artists experiencing career-threatening illness, accident, natural disaster or other emergency or personal catastrophe. The Haven Foundation is a small fund providing grants of up to \$25,000 per year, renewable for up to five years (pending approval of renewal application).

The Pollock-Krasner Foundation, Inc.

Phone: (212) 517-5400

www.pkf.org

The Foundation welcomes, throughout the year, applications from visual artists who are painters, sculptors and artists who work on paper, including printmakers. There are no deadlines. The Foundation encourages applications from artists who have genuine financial needs that are not necessarily catastrophic. Grants are intended for a one-year period of time. The Foundation will consider need on the part of an applicant for all legitimate expenditures relating to his or her professional work and personal living, including medical expenses. The size and length of the grant is determined by the individual circumstances of the artist.

Application available here: <http://www.pkf.org/downloads/application.pdf>

The U.S. Department of Labor Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)

<http://workforcsecurity.doleta.gov/unemploy/disaster.asp>

The U.S. Department of Labor is working with state and local governments in disaster areas and relief sites to issue disaster unemployment assistance for self-employed and newly employed artists who may not be eligible for unemployment insurance.

Artists and/or musicians whose work was interrupted—loss of revenue, studio space, etc.—should contact their local Department of Labor office to begin the process to get disaster unemployment aid. Artists and other self-employed small businesses are eligible.