Follow the Authors League Fund on Twitter for emergency resources for writers, contents and grants, and more: Twitter.com/AuthLeagueFund

COVID Relief for Writers:


- PEN U.S. Writers Aid Initiative: https://pen.org/us-writers-aid-initiative/


- Fund for Investigative Journalism: http://fij.org/

- Economic Hardship Reporting Project. The relief fund is suspended, but they also commission journalism: https://economichardship.org/submissions/


- United States Journalism Emergency Fund and IWMF Emergency Fund and Black Journalist Therapy Relief Fund: https://www.iwmf.org/programs/emergency-fund/#us-fund


- The Learned Fangirl Freelance Emergency Fund, run by TheLearnedFangirl.com and Independent Arts & Media: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdfR9UFBlxxOvdHY7zyvfvfq4OCnPdkwWUkt_HriQnZGtON_w/viewform

- If you received a PPP loan, apply for forgiveness: https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program/ppp-loan-forgiveness

- The SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans to small businesses, including self-employed freelancers: https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/economic-injury-disaster-loans

- Behind the Scenes has an extensive mental health support website tailored to the needs of the entertainment industry. This includes access to a chat app, a therapist finder tool, and phone numbers to get support right away: https://wp.behindthescenescharity.org/mental-health-and-suicide-prevention-initiative/mental-health-resources/
Relief for the General Public:

- Unfortunately, the CDC moratorium ended on August 26, 2021, but help is available. Apply for money to cover rent and utilities today. There are ~550 state, county, and city rent relief programs still operating. Search in your state: https://www.consumerfinance.gov/coronavirus/mortgage-and-housing-assistance/renter-protections/find-help-with-rent-and-utilities/

- NEW YORK STATE RESIDENTS - apply for rent and utility relief: https://otda.ny.gov/programs/emergency-rental-assistance/

- CALIFORNIA STATE RESIDENTS - apply for rent relief: https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/


- *NEW!* The new child tax credit will send $3,000-$3,600/year per child to 93% of American families. FAQ and eligibility guidelines: https://www.getctc.org/en

- *NEW!* Emergency Broadband Credit, $50/month toward Internet service: https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit. More info on how to take advantage of this opportunity: https://www.washingtonpost.com/technology/2021/05/12/emergency-broadband-benefit-faq/

- General Support Database. Search for food assistance, help paying bills, and other free or reduced cost programs, including relating to COVID-19. Enter your zip code at: https://findhelp.org/