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COVID Impact Guidance to FY2021 Arts Organization Support Grantees

Due to COVID-19 and the Governor's guidance on safely reopening, many of you have made and continue to make significant changes to your operations – from reducing staff, to cancelling seasons to moving programming entirely online. And, to complicate matters, we have no idea what the future will bring us. But, most important to right now, let's address the question:

Will changes to our operations impact our FY21 IAC Arts Organization Support (AOS) grant?

Let's start with this - we want to support your organization. What you do is important and being there for your community is important. However, **if your organization has no concrete plans to move forward, or tangible programs or services for the community, let's talk.** Start the conversation with your Regional Arts Partner or Grant Manager now to find out if your operations still meet our grant requirements. Chances are your organization can still receive funding, but we need to ensure it will be used for what it's contractually intended **"for the ongoing artistic and administrative functions of eligible arts organizations"**.

If your organization is continuing to operate with virtual or modified programming, or even better, finding ways to thrive in this time, then you should receive the first grant payment (75% of the total award) in mid-September. Just be sure to respond to any information requests at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment and passion for the arts.

Stay healthy, stay creative,

IAC Programs Team

PS: FY21 AOS grantees are eligible for the Arts, Cultural, and Destination Marketing Support Grant program. [Learn more here.](#) The deadline is September 8, 2020, 4:00pm EST.