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## CNMI Arts Council now accepting applications for the CNMI CARES Relief Fund for Organizations

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) CARES Relief Fund for Organizations is a COVID-19 relief grant program supported by the National Endowment for the Arts and managed by the Western States Arts Federation (WESTAF) on behalf of the CNMI Arts Council. This grant provides general operating support to nonprofit arts and culture organizations impacted by the pandemic in the Northern Mariana Islands.

Applications should **demonstrate the need for funding** and the organization's **benefit to the public and community**. Awards between \$5,000 and \$20,000 will be made to eligible 501(c)(3) cultural organizations in the Northern Mariana Islands.

Organizations may apply now at [cnmicares.gosmart.org](https://cnmicares.gosmart.org). Applications will be due quarterly and awarded on a first come, first served basis. Quarterly deadlines are:

- January 30, 2021
- April 30, 2021
- July 30, 2021
- September 30, 2021

Technical support is available Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Mountain Time at 303.629.1166 or [grants@westaf.org](mailto:grants@westaf.org). *Given the time difference, email is the preferred communication method for this support.*