

Emergency Grant Application

DGF provides one-time emergency financial assistance to individual playwrights, composers, lyricists, and bookwriters in dire need of funds due to severe hardship or unexpected illness.

Eligibility Form

Please choose the option that most closely applies to you:

- I am a member of the Dramatists Guild of America
- I have written at least one play or musical that has been produced or published
- I am a member of a professional writers group (e.g. Lark Playwrights, Playwrights' Center, Alliance of LA Playwrights, etc)
- One or more of the above
- None of the above

Eligibility Status

If you selected “none of the above” unfortunately you do not meet the eligibility requirements for a DGF Emergency Grant. Please see The Actors Fund, The Authors League, or PEN America for similar funding opportunities. Please email applications@dgf.org or call our offices at 212-391-8384 if you have questions about your eligibility status.

Application Form

One of the intentions of the Dramatists Guild Foundation (DGF) is to assist writers in times of extreme personal hardship. The questions below are to assist DGF in evaluating your situation. Please be assured that all information furnished by you will be kept in strict confidence.

Name:

Address:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Age:

Social Security Number:

Are you a member of the Dramatists Guild of America?

- Yes
- No
- Previously

Are you a member of any other Guilds or Unions?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please list your other Guild or Union affiliations:

Financial State

Please answer the questions below to give us an overview of your finances.

What is your current monthly income?

Please specify your present source of income.

This may include employment, royalties, pensions, dividends, interest payments, etc.

If without income, what was your most recent financial source?

Do you live in a two-income household?

Yes

No

Other

If yes, what is your household's total monthly income?

If other, please elaborate:

Do you own securities, bonds, or real estate?

Yes

No

If yes, please elaborate:

Do you have one or more bank accounts?

Yes

No

If yes, please attach your most recent itemized bank statements from your checking accounts, saving accounts, and any other additional accounts you may have. *These statements should be inclusive of transactions.*

If no, please tell us how you keep track of your finances (e.g. do you use Venmo, PayPal, pre-paid cards, etc?). Please also attach any documents that will help us verify your financial state. *These may include rent receipts, insurance payments, utility bills, medical bills, credit card bills, etc.*

Are you currently receiving Social Security benefits?

Yes

No

If yes, what type of Social Security do you receive and what are your monthly benefits?

Do you own or rent your home?

Own

Rent

If own, what is your monthly mortgage payment?

If rent, what is your monthly rent payment?

Do you have dependents?

Yes

No

If yes, please list the name and age of your dependent(s) and your relationship to them.

Career Information

In this section, please tell us about your career writing for the stage.

Please attach your playwriting resume. *Include the title of the play, where it was produced or published, and when.*

Please give us a brief overview of your career writing for the stage.

Have you sought work outside of the theater (e.g. a “day job”)? Please provide details:

Your Emergency

In this section of the application, please tell us about the emergency you are currently facing.

Please check all that apply regarding the nature of your emergency:

- Medical
- Natural Disaster Relief
- Childcare
- Housing
- Property loss/damage
- Government Shutdown
- Other

You will have an opportunity to elaborate in the next question.

Please outline the nature of your current emergency. *Please be as specific as possible.*

Please indicate your immediate financial needs. *Please be as specific as possible (e.g. how much money are you seeking?).*

Please provide an itemized breakdown of costs associated with your request (e.g. \$500 overdue rent).

Please attach documentation to corroborate your request. *This may include payments, medical bills, rent receipts, etc. Please DO NOT include work samples.*

Have you received a DGF Emergency Grant in the past?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please specify the year received, the amount received, and describe the circumstances surrounding your last Emergency Grant. *Please note that DGF Emergency Grants are typically one-time only gifts.*

How did you learn of the Dramatists Guild Foundation?

- Dramatists Guild of America
- dgf.org
- Social Media
- Music Hall
- Friend or Colleague
- Other (please elaborate):

I certify that the above is correct and complete. I understand that any grant may need to be disclosed as part of the Dramatists Guild Foundation's public filing.

I have included the required supporting documents including my resume, bank statements, and any additional bills or documents to support my application.

Signature:
