

Early COVID-19 Impacts On CRD Funded Arts Organizations

The CRD Arts & Culture Support Service conducted a survey to provide a snapshot of current impacts on organizations funded through the Operating and Project grant funding streams. The survey was undertaken during the week of June 9-17, 2020. There was a 76% response rate with 60 complete responses from 79 organizations surveyed.

Summary

The survey reflects a high level of uncertainty in the sector with only one organization reporting no cancellation of programming. 82% anticipate financial losses in the year ending 2020. 46% of organizations have had to cancel programming in the year ending 2021 with the remaining organizations unsure at this time. 28% of organizations report that they will lay off staff.

In response to changed circumstances 78% of organizations have developed alternative formats to replace cancelled events. Alternative programming has been primarily delivered via the web and includes video, podcast and other audio, live forums and other convening events. About 8% have delivered street level exhibitions, 3.5% have created printed materials and 14% have provided programming in unspecified "other" formats.

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