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DEPARTMENT OF  
SPORT, ARTS AND CULTURE

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**For attention Editors and Journalists**

**UPDATE ON LIMPOPO COVID19 RELIEF FUND FOR ARTISTS AND ATHLETES**

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture would like to appreciate the cooperation and patience from athletes and artists during the Limpopo Relief Fund applications window period. Following the required administration process, the Department is ready to pay what is due to artists and athletes, through COVID19 Relief Fund.

The Department received 840 applications from both Cultural Affairs (645) and Sport and Recreation (195). According to the Adjudication Panel Report, 83 applications from Sport and Recreation and 502 from Cultural affairs were recommended for payment. Upon receiving the Adjudication Panel Recommendations Report, the department through its Risk Management Branch, assessed the recommended applicants and only 34 (8 Sport and Recreation and 26 Cultural Affairs) applications were successful. The majority of recommended applicants did not succeed due to application forms not fully completed, supporting documents not attached, supporting documents submitted without application forms, and some applicants have already benefitted from the other Government Relief Funds whilst many applicants were government employees.

The department has further considered affording unsuccessful applicants an opportunity to re-submit the outstanding required documents through opening of an appeal period from **01-09 October 2020** to enable applicants to submit the required supporting documents which are primary to meet the criteria. The list for the unsuccessful applicants is published on departmental website [www.sac.limpopo.gov.za](http://www.sac.limpopo.gov.za) and social media Facebook – Department of Sport, Arts and Culture page platforms and the enquiries can be forwarded to the Five DSAC District offices (Vhembe, Mopani, Capricorn, Sekhukhune, Waterberg) and can also be email to [dsac.covid19@sac.limpopo.gov.za](mailto:dsac.covid19@sac.limpopo.gov.za).

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