



Guide to Grants

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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

I am honored to represent the 7th Congressional District of Alabama. One of the most important responsibilities as your representative is to provide you with information about funding opportunities. Now more than ever, grant opportunities are vital to the success of our local governments, organizations and other entities. This weekly guide will identify federal and foundation grant opportunities to assist you in goals for our communities. This Guide will include links to grant writing resources to help you make your proposals more successful. This Guide will also describe new funding opportunities for economic development, infrastructure, healthcare and educational projects as example. In addition, I am pleased to provide a Letter of Support for grant application projects in the 7th Congressional District of Alabama. Please let us know when grants are awarded, especially if you found the opportunities in the *Guide to Grants*.

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Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Joins President Obama at the Bill Signing Ceremony for the JOBS Act

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) joined President Obama at the White House for the bill signing ceremony for the Jumpstart Our Business Startups (JOBS) Act.

“I applaud the President for signing this important legislation into law that will make it easier for small businesses and start-ups to access capital, secure new investors and hire workers to grow their businesses and expand capacity,” said Rep. Sewell. “I voted in favor of this bi-partisan bill and I believe that it will help boost our nation’s economy and spur job creation for all Americans. It is past time that we in Congress put our partisanship aside and join together in passing legislation that will encourage job growth and American entrepreneurship.”

The JOBS Act provides small businesses with greater access to market their products and services by lifting Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) restrictions that will make it easier to solicit investors. This legislation also provides entrepreneurs with the option to offer small amounts of stock to individuals and companies through the Internet.

“I am honored to be here today to witness this significant legislation being signed into law. Over the last 24 months, we have seen positive job growth in the private sector,” said Rep. Sewell. “We must continue to be vigilant in strengthening the middle-class by staying on a path that encourages job creation and supports the millions of Americans struggling during these challenging economic times.”

According to the U.S. Small Business Administration, there are approximately 27.2 million small businesses across this country. Small businesses employ nearly half of our entire workforce, hire 40 percent of American technology workers and generate a majority of the innovations that come from United States companies.

Small businesses are the backbone to this nation’s economy, the cornerstone to local economies and create two out of every three new jobs in America. It is important that we continue to provide these types of incentives to entrepreneurs to help build and grow our country’s workforce.

“I am delighted we were able to work together in a bi-partisan manner to support and pass this jobs bill. This is an example of what can be accomplished when Congress puts aside partisan politics and finds common ground to promote job creation,” Rep. Sewell added. “I look forward to working with the President and my colleagues in Congress in continuing efforts to stimulate our economy, create jobs, strengthen small business development and reduce our deficit.”

March 29, 2012

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell In Opposition of the House Republican Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Resolution

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement after voting against the House Republican Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Resolution:

“Today, I voted against the Republican Fiscal Year 2013 Budget resolution, a budget proposal that would result in harsh cuts to vital programs, investments and services. This Republican budget proposes drastic cuts to discretionary programs by approximately \$120 billion and mandatory programs by \$284 billion. This budget would leave America’s middle-class families, seniors, children, and our most vulnerable without a life-line to continue to recover from this economic recession.

The proposed cuts in this budget dangerously reduce funding for infrastructure projects, critical Medicare and Medicaid services and education funding. Furthermore, it does nothing to help incentivize the creation of jobs and put Americans back to work.

At a time when we should be investing in our nation’s infrastructure projects such as building roads, bridges and schools, this proposal seeks to cut \$31.5 billion in transportation spending, eliminating funding for high-speed rail projects and any new intercity rail initiatives.

Lastly, this budget continues to provide tax breaks to millionaires and billionaires without giving tax relief to struggling middle class Americans. We all must share the responsibility for reducing our nation’s deficit.

It is unfortunate that instead of putting forth a budget that would create jobs, balance our budget and spur economic growth throughout our country, we once again, see divisive politics and no common ground.

As we move forward, it is my hope that we pass a 2013 federal budget that works for all Americans.”

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March 27, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Participates in House Judiciary Committee Briefing on Racial Profiling and Hate Crimes

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement after participating in the House Judiciary Committee’s briefing on racial profiling and hate crime issues:

“Today I joined my Democratic colleagues in a House Judiciary Committee briefing to examine the issues surrounding the Trayvon Martin case and to discuss racial profiling and hate crime issues. I applaud my colleagues, this Administration and the millions of Americans for insisting that justice is served in the Martin case.

I am pleased that the Justice Department has launched an investigation into this matter to determine if any federal civil rights have been violated.

The words of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. ring clear, ‘the time is always ripe to do what is right.’ The time is right for law enforcement to zealously pursue the true facts of this case. The time is right for this country to acknowledge the systematic societal threat against our black boys and men. And the time is right for communities around this country to unite and invest in our nation’s most precious resource, our youth.

We must commit ourselves to working together to institute preventative measures to ensure that tragic events like this one do not happen again.”

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March 23, 2012

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on the Second Anniversary of the Affordable Care Act

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement on the second anniversary of the Affordable Care Act:

“Today marks the second anniversary of the Affordable Care Act, a monumental piece of legislation that offers Americans the opportunity to receive quality healthcare and ensures stronger patient protection. It prevents insurance companies from discriminating against individuals with pre-existing conditions as well as ensuring that young adults up to the age of 26 are now able to obtain healthcare coverage through their parents’ insurance plan.

The healthcare law is a critical step toward strengthening our healthcare system and is already improving the lives of so many people in the 7th Congressional District, the State of Alabama and across this nation. In the 7th Congressional District, 6,800 young adults now have health insurance. 19,000 children and 90,000 adults now have health insurance that covers preventative services without paying co-pays, coinsurance or deductibles. In addition, 36,000 children with pre-existing health conditions can longer be denied coverage by their health insurers.

This law puts Americans back in charge of their health care, reduces our nation’s deficit and gives millions of American families better access to healthcare benefits and protections, which are so critical to the welfare of our nation. And as a member of Congress, I will continue to vote against efforts to repeal this important law.

Though significant strides have been made and millions have benefited from the Affordable Care Act, we must remain committed to ensuring that all Americans can receive quality affordable healthcare that will improve the lives of our families.”

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March 23, 2012

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell regarding Global Automotive Supplier Lear Corporation Announcement to Build a Multi- Million Dollar Plant in Alabama

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement regarding Global Automotive Supplier Lear Corporation’s announcement to build a multi-million dollar supplier plant in Tuscaloosa County:

“I’m pleased that Lear Corporation has announced that they will be building a \$19.6 million supplier plant in Tuscaloosa County. Spurring job creation and economic growth is a priority for Alabamians and Americans across this nation. This \$19.6 million investment is projected to create 150 new jobs in the 7th Congressional District.

It is great news that Lear Corporation will continue to make critical investments right here in America, and I applaud the company for its commitment to create jobs and strengthen economic development in Alabama.”

Lear Corporation is headquartered in Southfield, Michigan and has more than 200 plants worldwide. The supplier will make seats and seat frames for the Mercedes-Benz auto assembly plant in Vance, Alabama. Lear Corporation makes seating, seating components and electrical components for the automotive industry and serves every major automaker worldwide.

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March 7, 2012

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Commemorating the Anniversary of Bloody Sunday

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement commemorating the anniversary of Bloody Sunday:

“Today marks the 47th anniversary of Bloody Sunday, the historic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama across the Edmund Pettus Bridge during the 1960’s Civil Rights Movement. Freedom fighters such as my dear friend and colleague Rep. John Lewis along with hundreds of courageous men and women, who fearlessly marched, fought and bled for the justice, equality and freedom that we all enjoy today.

Without the tireless work and courage of countless Civil Rights giants that came before me, I would not have the privilege to serve as the Representative of Alabama’s 7th Congressional District. As a Selma native, it is a full circle moment for me to celebrate the monumental Selma to Montgomery march that ultimately led to the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. The State of Alabama played an integral role in shaping the fabric of the Civil Rights Movement and American History. Let us not forget that this important legacy is not just black history, but American history.

As Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, ‘We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.’

This anniversary provides an opportunity to reflect on our past and recommit to the ideals of equality and justice that the Civil Rights Movement represents. We must remember that we must remember we all owe a debt of gratitude to the Civil Rights activists who championed the protection of the humanity, democracy and civil liberties of this great nation.”

Recent Grant Awards

- **March 29, 2012** - Whatley Health Services is awarded \$404, 249 for continuation grant through HHS for the Ryan White Part C Outpatient EIS Program.
- **March 8, 2012** – Jefferson County Child Development Council is awarded \$84,389 through DHHS for Head Start programs.
- **February 23, 2012** - Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that \$76,000 in funding was awarded to the Livingston Fire Department by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) grant program in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration. These funds, awarded through the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) program will be used to improve the Livingston Fire Department's ability to respond to fire and fire-related hazards.
- **February 21, 2012** – Jefferson County Committee for Economic Opportunity is awarded \$ 8,734,072 through DHHS for Head Start programs.
- **February 17, 2012** - **Community** Services Programs of West Alabama is awarded \$3,007,655 for head start programs.
- **February 17, 2012** - The IRS issued news release IR-2012-25 announcing the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic grants for the 2012 grant cycle. In Alabama, the Legal Services of Alabama, Inc., located in Montgomery, AL, received a grant for \$55,000.
- **February 9, 2012** - Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-7) announced that \$66,589 in funding was awarded to the McAdory Area Fire District by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) grant program in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration. The fiscal year 2011 funds, awarded through the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) program will be used to improve McAdory's ability to respond to fire and fire-related hazards.
- **February 8, 2012** – Demopolis City School System is awarded \$50,000 from DOE/ADECA to improve energy efficiency and cut utility costs.
- **February 8, 2012** - Neighborhood Housing Services of Birmingham, Inc., a member of the national NeighborWorks[®] network is being awarded \$43,500.00 in grant funds from NeighborWorks[®] America.

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Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

- To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit www.grants.gov. It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- To apply for Federal Grants: http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp
- To learn about foundation grant opportunities, please visit <http://foundationcenter.org/>. The Foundation Center is a gateway to information about private funding sources and provides guidelines about how to write a grant proposal. It also provides links to state libraries with grants reference collections, and links to other useful Internet websites.

Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

National Endowment for the Arts

Program: **NEW - Arts in Media**

Description: The proposals that will be recommended for support under Arts in Media ensure that all Americans have the opportunity to experience great art whether on television, radio, the Internet, or on their mobile phones. We are now moving the specifications for Arts in Media under our umbrella of “Art Works” with the deadline of August 9, 2012.

Website: <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/Folk.html>

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program: **Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)**

Description: Qualified private, nonprofit and public (including tribal) intermediary organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs will be eligible to receive the funding. The intermediary will be required to provide matching funds in an amount at least equal to the RCDI grant. The intermediary must provide a program of financial and technical assistance to a private nonprofit, community-based housing and development organization, a low-income rural community or a federally recognized tribe. The deadline is May 9, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pXsfPrcS1kvLj072yNg29TJLP4IGDhkCsyHpnJCYLj0zlJB65vQr!-916096435?oppId=157274&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Commerce

Program: **FY 2012 Disaster Relief Opportunity**

Description: Through this Disaster Relief Opportunity, EDA intends to award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress as a result of natural disasters that were declared as major Federal disasters between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011. Under this announcement, EDA solicits applications for Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) investments under PWEDA. The EAA program provides recipients with flexible tools to develop and implement regionally based long term economic development strategies in response to major federally declared disasters. The EAA program provides a wide range of technical, disaster recovery, economic recovery planning, and public works assistance. It responds adaptively to pressing economic recovery issues and is well-suited to help address challenges faced by regions affected by natural disasters. Through this program, EDA can support the development of disaster recovery strategies and recovery implementation, including infrastructure improvements and by using revolving loan funds (RLFs). The deadline is March 27, 2015.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=td13PzLK6gJdBqwnMjvpjLHLpthW6491WK2FHGwKtGRMphNbRQYh!-213555334?oppId=159393&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Rural Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge**

Description: The Rural Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge offers a combination of \$15 million in funding from 4 agencies, including the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the Delta Regional

Authority. Funding will be awarded in approximately 20 regions through a competitive inter-agency grant process. This opportunity will support customized solutions targeted to address the gaps and opportunities specific for individual regions by strengthening linkages to self-identified, high-potential industry clusters such as renewable energy, natural resources, food production, rural tourism, and advanced manufacturing. The deadline is May 9, 2012.

Websites:

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/RuralJobsAcceleratorWebinar.html>

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Zzb9PhYRvYmXF9G5P5qCC5F7Ft1J8bmnYyMt9n8G7LR9j7Y5p2pL!712472910?oppId=150574&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Education

Program: **NEW - Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS): Centers for Independent Living (CIL): Training and Technical Assistance CFDA Number 84.132B**

Description: The purpose of the Training and Technical Assistance grant under the Centers for Independent Living program is to provide training and technical assistance to eligible agencies, centers for independent living (CILs), and Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILCs) with respect to planning, developing, conducting, administering, and evaluating CILs. A CIL is a consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability, nonresidential private nonprofit agency that is designed and operated within a local community by individuals with disabilities and that provides an array of independent living services. An eligible agency is a consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability, nonresidential, private nonprofit agency. The deadline is May 21, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=161555&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Investing in Innovation Fund (I3) Scale-Up Grants CFDA Number 84.411A**

Description: The purpose of this program is to provide competitive grants to applicants with a record of improving student achievement and attainment in order to expand the implementation of, and investment in, innovative practices that are demonstrated to have an impact on improving student achievement or student growth (as defined in this notice), closing achievement gaps, decreasing dropout rates, increasing high school graduation rates, or increasing college enrollment and completion rates. The deadline is May 29, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=YDPzP0fC2t8Q905xvwnPcP25WWF Dv2QWB0XYgr4V5wt6hs11mpc0!-213555334?oppId=158993&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Investing in Innovation Fund (I3) Validation Grants CFDA Number 84.411B**

Description: Under this program, the Department awards three types of grants: "Scale-up" grants, "Validation" grants, and "Development" grants. The three grant types differ in the evidence that an applicant is required to submit in support of its proposed project; the expectations for "scaling up" successful projects during or after the grant period, either directly or through partners; and the funding that a successful applicant is eligible to receive. This notice invites applications for Validation grants. The deadline is May 29, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=YDPzP0fC2t8Q905xvwnPcP25WWF Dv2QWB0XYgr4V5wt6hs11mpc0!-213555334?oppId=159033&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Program: **NEW - Emergency Medical Services for Children Resource Center**

Description: The HRSA EMSC Program ensures children receive the right emergency care at the right time in the right place no matter where they live, go to school or travel. EMSC works within the larger Emergency Medical Service System and requires an integrated approach to all of its initiatives. Care for children is provided in pediatric and non-pediatric settings, across a variety of geographical locations some of which may not have the resources or capacity to provide pediatric specialty care.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=160053&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Consortium**

Description: On March 23, 2010, President Barack Obama signed the Affordable Care Act in to law. This law puts in place comprehensive health insurance reforms that will roll out over a four year period, with most provisions becoming active in 2014. It is designed to provide consumers with strong protections, more coverage options, and lower costs. The law gives seniors new preventive benefits, prescription drug discounts and more options for long-term care. Simultaneously, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is continuing to implement its major initiative to reduce or eliminate health disparities among racial and ethnic minority people.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=160115&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- Implementing a National Framework to Eliminate Mother-to-Child HIV Transmission in the United States**

Description: The purpose of the program is to: (1) convene the existing group of EMCT Stakeholders and provide staffing and support to each of the six working groups, and implement the actions directed by the group; (2) lead the efforts of the EMCT Stakeholders Group's expert panel on preconception and reproductive health and to develop, provide and disseminate relevant technical assistance, administrative tools and other educational and training materials; (3) broadly disseminate the FIMR-HIV Prevention Methodology (FHPM) and to provide substantial technical assistance to up to 60 communities via a FIMR-HIV Prevention Methodology National Resource Center.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=160473&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Telehealth Network Grant Program**

Description: Grants made under this authority will demonstrate how Telehealth networks improve healthcare services for medically underserved populations in urban, rural, and frontier communities. TNGP networks are used to: expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of health care services; improve and expand the training of health care providers; and/or expand and improve the quality of health information available to health care providers, and patients and their families, for decision making. Grants will be limited to programs that serve rural communities, although grantees may be located in urban or rural areas. The deadline is April 13, 2012.

Website:

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=146394>

Program: **Primary Care Training and Enhancement Physician Assistant Training in Primary Care Program**

Description: The Physician Assistant Training in Primary Care Program supports primary care curriculum and infrastructure development for physician assistant students and teachers. Funds may be used to: a) Plan, develop, and operate an education program to train physician assistants to practice in primary care settings; and b)

Plan, develop and operate an education program for individuals who will teach primary care in physician assistant training programs, preparing trainees to enter practice in primary care settings.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=27RvPrYYnQLLH1FWGbyyhFK8pz hXC48N13SrlTDjlKFsT121N6f8!-16379161?oppId=156673&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Program: **NEW - Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, Fire Prevention and Safety Grants**

Description: The purpose of the AFG Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards. The Grants Programs Directorate administers the Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) grants as part of the AFG Program. FP&S offers grants to support activities in two categories: (1) activities designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate incidences of death and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards ("Fire Prevention and Safety Activity") and (2) research and development activities aimed at improving firefighter safety ("Firefighter Safety Research and Development Activity"). The program guidance document provides potential applicants with the details of the requirements, processing, and evaluation of an application for financial assistance for both of these activity areas. The deadline is April 27, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=161554&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Application Period Announced for the FY 2011 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grants: April 2-27, 2012**

Description: Fire Prevention & Safety Get Ready Guide is now available. This handy guide will give you a start in preparing your grant application to thoroughly answer all the grant application questions.

Website:

<http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?fromSearch=fromsearch&id=5698>

Program: **NEW - FY 2012 National Special Security Event Grant Program**

Description: The mission of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Special Security Event (NSSE) Grant Program is to provide supplemental federal assistance to State, Tribal and local governments for certain actual costs of providing emergency management, public safety, and security during the preparation and conduct of an NSSE. The Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security designates events of national significance as National Special Security Events (NSSE) based on factors including, but not limited to: anticipated attendance by U.S. officials and foreign dignitaries; the size of the event; and, the significance of the event. The deadline is August 31, 2013.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?opId=161353&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - FY 2012 State Fire Training Systems Grant Program**

Description: These grants provide for both monetary and technical assistance that helps States bridge the gaps in their training programs with the delivery of National Fire Academy training courses/programs and also for the associated marketing, administrative costs and electronic feedback of student data.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=160993&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG) Program Region 4**

Description: FEMA makes grants for the purpose of providing a system of emergency preparedness for the protection of life and property in the United States from hazards and to vest responsibility for emergency preparedness jointly in the Federal Government, States, and their political subdivisions. The deadline is May 4, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=49n7PF6Wn6C4LyyDJdQ3rk01TxxSzZTpLlk2YH1KLwccy2Tn2Dv5!-335065855?oppId=144983&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of the Interior

Program: **NEW - U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service: 2013 Multistate Conservation Grant Program**

Description: The Multistate Conservation Grant Program (MSCGP) is a Federal financial assistance program that awards up to \$6 million annually in grants for wildlife and sport fish restoration projects. States as well as Nongovernmental organizations, such as hunters' and anglers' organizations, conservation organizations, and private institutions of higher education are eligible to apply. The deadline is August 6, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=161634&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Justice

Program: **NEW - OJJDP FY 2012 Court-Appointed Special Advocates Membership and Accreditation Program**

Description: The Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990, as amended (Public Law 101-647), mandates that all abused and neglected children involved in dependency proceedings receive timely, sensitive, and effective advocacy. The Act states that every victim of child abuse or neglect in the United States that needs one shall have a court-appointed special advocate. The deadline is May 14, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsypl yngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=159213&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program**

Description: JAG is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice system, from multijurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives. The deadline is May 14, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.policegrantshelp.com/grants/1837331-Federal-JAG-Grant-Program/>

Program: **NEW - OJJDP FY 2012 VOCA Training and Technical Assistance for Child Abuse Professionals**

Description: This program will provide funding for the development and implementation of model technical assistance and training for child abuse professionals and to improve the judicial system's handling of child abuse and neglect cases. The purpose of this program is to improve the coordinated multidisciplinary investigation and response to child abuse. The deadline is May 15, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsyplngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=159813&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW – Second Chance - Adult Offender Reentry Program for Planning and Demonstration Projects**

Description: Grants under this section of the Second Chance Act support the development and implementation of comprehensive and collaborative strategies that address the challenges posed by reentry to increase public safety and reduce recidivism. Projects that provide all offenders with appropriate evidence-based services based on a reentry plan that relies on a risk/needs assessment that reflects the risk of recidivism for that offender will be supported. Applicants may apply for either "planning" or "implementation" projects, but not both. The deadline is April 24, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=145933>

Program: **NEW - BJA FY 12 Smart Probation: Reducing Prison Populations, Saving Money, and Creating Safer Communities**

Description: This is the Second Chance Act Prisoner Reentry Initiative. The deadline is May 21, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pXsfPrcS1kvLj072yNg29TJLP4IGDhkCsyHpnJCYLj0zlJB65vQr!-916096435?oppId=157413&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - OJJDP FY 2012 Local Mentoring Coordinator Program**

Description: OJJDP supports wide-ranging mentoring initiatives to reduce juvenile delinquency, gang involvement, academic failure, victimization, and school dropout rates. While mentoring is

traditionally a volunteer-based service, a need exists for staff and resources to support the efforts of each mentoring program. Developing and maintaining mentoring partnerships and collaboratives can build capacity and increase the power of mentoring to benefit more young people. The deadline is May 14, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsypl yngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=159193&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - OJJDP FY 2012 Community-Based Violence Prevention Demonstration Program**

Description: A growing number of communities have adopted multi-strategy, multi-disciplinary approaches to reduce the violence that has adversely affected youth, families, and neighborhoods across America. This program provides funding for localities to support federal, state, and local partnerships to replicate proven multi-disciplinary, community-based strategies to reduce violence. The deadline is April 30, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=GGnvPhRB2MG2JhhkM8FqsLrSRvPKG1TVgHQzBmlf8n1wDNL4DJtD!712472910?oppId=153173&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Labor

Program: **NEW - Women in Apprenticeship and Non-Traditional Occupations**

Description: (WANTO) program to assist employers and labor unions in promoting the recruitment, training, employment, and retention of women in apprenticeship and nontraditional occupations. DOL will fund approximately six grants in the amount of up to \$300,000 each to eligible community-based organizations (CBO) that form a

consortium with a Local Workforce Investment Area (LWIA), and at least one Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) sponsor.

Website: http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

Program: **NEW - Susan Harwood Training Grant, FY 2012**

Description: The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) awards funds to nonprofit organizations to provide training and educational programs for workers and/or employers. Nonprofit organizations, including qualifying labor unions, community-based and faith-based organizations and employer associations, that are not an agency of a state or local government, are eligible to apply. Additionally, state or local government-supported institutions of higher education are eligible to apply in accordance with 29 CFR Part 95. Grants are awarded to provide training and education programs for workers and employers on the recognition, avoidance, abatement, and prevention of safety and health hazards in the workplace, and to inform workers of their rights and employers of their responsibilities under Section 21 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act). The deadline is May 17, 2012.

Website:
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=161134&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Serving Adult and Youth Ex-Offenders through Strategies Targeted to Characteristics Common to Female Ex-Offenders - SGA-DFA-PY-11-12**

Description: The Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) announces the availability of approximately \$12 million in grant funds authorized by the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) to award approximately eight grants to serve adult and youth ex-offenders pre- and post-release. The deadline is May 4, 2012.

Website: http://doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

Program: **Serving Juvenile Offenders in High-Poverty, High-Crime Communities - SGA-DFA-PY-11-09**

Description: The U.S. Department of Labor (Department of DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), announces the availability of approximately \$20 million in grant funds authorized by the Workforce Investment Act for four grants to serve juvenile offenders, ages 14 and above, in high-poverty, high-crime communities. The purpose of these grants is to improve the long-term labor market prospects of these youth. The deadline is May 1, 2012.

Website: http://doleta.gov/grants/pdf/hphc_sga_dfa_py_11_09.pdf

Program: **Youth Build Grants**

Description: The Youth Build grants will be awarded through a competitive process. Under this solicitation, DOL will award grants to organizations to oversee the provision of education, occupational skills training, and employment services to disadvantaged youth in their communities while performing meaningful work and service to their communities. The deadline is May 8, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=11V2PYYT5JHBlsVk18ZLmh5RD632qrRCSIXjCqhvL057KP1F0SGS!-213555334?oppId=150353&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs

Program: **NEW - Olympic Opportunity Fund Grant**

Description: The USOC is now seeking applications under the Olympic Opportunity Fund for grant projects to promote lifelong health and to motivate, encourage and sustain participation and competition in adaptive sports from the local level through elite levels among disabled veterans and disabled members of the Armed Forces

through partnerships with VA clinical personnel as well as national and community-based adaptive sports programs.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tG0JP9jZ5bD1yhK2zcQL1hvwlyKn1C3XLMzpQB3zpMBvXqfdzhpV!-213555334?oppId=161893&mode=VIEW>

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: **NEW - Target Stores Grant Program Accepting Applications for Arts and Culture in Schools and Early Childhood Reading**

Description: Every year, the Target Store Grant program provides grants to K-12 schools and other nonprofit organizations working to provide reading and arts programs for children and youth. Target Early Childhood Reading Grants are awarded to schools, libraries, and nonprofit organizations to support programs such as afterschool reading events and weekend book clubs. Grants are intended to help foster a love of reading and encourage children, preschool through third grade, to read with their families. The deadline is April 30, 2012.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=HRS4EFPADPFUPLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=375900019

Program: **NEW - Home Depot Foundation Accepting Applications for 2012 Community Impact Grants Program**

Description: The Home Depot Foundation, a philanthropic vehicle of Home Depot, has announced that it is accepting applications for its Community Impact Grants Program from nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, public schools, and public service agencies in the United States that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered: repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income and/or

transitional veteran's housing, or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.); weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income and/or transitional veterans' housing, or community facilities; and planting trees or community gardens and/or landscaping community facilities that serve veterans. Grants must support work completed by community volunteers in the U.S.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=HRS4EFPADPFUPLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=375900020

Program:

NEW – Dollar General Literacy Foundation

Description:

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. The deadline is May 14, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/239>

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / LOANS/ INTERNSHIPS

Emerging Leaders Internship Program

The goal of the Emerging Leaders Internship Program sponsored by Walmart is to create a corps of trained, young leaders with the skills, outlook and contacts necessary to generate and sustain positive change in Washington, D.C., and their local communities. Alumni will return to their communities knowing what it takes to pass legislation, form public policy and create coalitions. In short, they will leave the program better informed about how politics works and more aware of how they can influence the public policy-making process. The deadline is June 7, 2012.

Website: <http://cbcfinc.org/programs/leadership-development/179.html>

Scholarship Websites:

Alabama Scholarships

Website: <http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/alabama-scholarships/>

Get Help Paying for College with Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Website: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Fast Web

Website: <http://www.fastweb.com/>

Merit Aid

<http://www.meritaid.com/meritScholarships/Alabama-State-University-100724>

Student Aid Programs

Website: <http://www.ache.state.al.us/StudentAsst/Programs.htm>

Scholarship Experts

Website: <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htx>

200 Free Scholarships For Minorities

Website: <http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html>

G. I. Dependents' Scholarship Program

Website: <http://www.va.state.al.us/scholarship.htm>

College Scholarships.org

Website: <http://www.collegescholarships.org/states/alabama.htm>

Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs

Website: <http://www.collegescholarships.org/states/alabama.htm>

Alabama Student Grant Program (ASGP)

This is a state program that offers grants of approximately \$360 per year to full-time undergraduate students who are legal residents of Alabama who are attending approved independent colleges or universities within the state of Alabama.

Website: <http://www.collegescholarships.org/states/alabama.htm>

CBC Spouses Education Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established in response to federal cuts in spending for education programs and scholarships. This is the foundation's first educational program. The CBC Spouses Educational Scholarship is a national program that awards scholarships to academically talented and highly motivated students who intend to pursue full-time undergraduate, graduate or doctoral degrees. Recipients for this program are selected through volunteers in the district offices of the members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC). CBC Members work through local scholarship committees to award money to academically talented and highly motivated students.

Deadline: May 31, 2012

CBC Spouses Cheerios Brand Health Initiative Scholarship

This scholarship program focusing on health was established in 1998 as the CBC partnered with the naming sponsor, General Mills, to increase the number of minority students pursuing degrees

in the fields of medicine, engineering, technology, nutrition and other health-related professions. Since the inception of the program, General Mills has invested more than \$1,000,000 to underwrite this initiative. The CBC Spouses Cheerios Brand Health Initiative Scholarship has served hundreds of students over the years, and has helped to create leaders in the medical and health related fields.

Deadline: May 31, 2012

CBC Spouses Heineken USA Performing Arts Scholarship

Established in the year 2000, the CBC Spouses Heineken USA Performing Arts Scholarship program was developed in honor of the late Curtis Mayfield to ensure that students pursuing a career in the performing arts receive the financial assistance to achieve their goals.

Deadline: May 3, 2012

CBC Spouses Visual Arts Scholarship

The CBC Spouses Visual Arts Scholarship was established in 2006 for students who are pursuing a career in the visual arts.

Deadline: May 3, 2012

Section V RESOURCES

Free Tax Preparation offered by IRS

The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs offer free tax help for taxpayers who qualify. The Black Belt Community Foundation is offering free tax help on April 10th in Selma. Call (334)874-1126 for an appointment. For a list of places offering free tax preparation please go to weblink below:

Website: <http://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/>

Free File: Do Your Federal Taxes for Free

Let Free File do the hard work for you with brand-name software or online Fillable Forms. You can prepare and e-file your federal return for free.

Website: <http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=118986,00.html?portlet=104>

2011–2012 Medal of Valor Nomination Period

Every day, public safety officers risk their lives to protect America's citizens and communities. To honor that commitment, Congress passed The Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act of 2001, which created the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor, the highest national award for valor by a public safety officer. The medal is awarded annually by the President to public safety officers who have exhibited exceptional courage, regardless of personal safety, in the attempt to save or protect human life. The 2011–2012 Medal of Valor nomination period will open May 31, 2012 and close July 31, 2012. To be considered for the 2011–2012 MOV, an officer must be nominated for actions that occurred between June 1, 2011 and May 31, 2012.

Website: <https://www.bja.gov/programs/medalofvalor/index.html>

Dun & Bradstreet (D-U-N-S®) Number

To apply for a federal grant program, you will need to apply for a D-U-N-S® number. The Federal government uses the D-U-N-S® number to identify organizations that are applying for grant funding and to provide consistent name and address data for electronic grant applications. D-U-N-S® numbers are issued by the Dun & Bradstreet Corporation. To apply for a D-U-N-S® number for your organization, complete the online application at: www.dnb.com

About PoliceGrantsHelp.com

PoliceGrantsHelp.com provides members of the first responder community with a comprehensive resource for Police Grants information and assistance. PoliceGrantsHelp.com features the most extensive law enforcement grant database ever created, with a library of information not only for federal grant programs, but also state, local and corporate grant opportunities. Need help writing grants to purchase equipment for your department or agency? Let PoliceGrantsHelp's grant experts assist you.

Website: <http://www.policegrantshelp.com/grants101/>

Alabama Open Grants: <http://www.policegrantshelp.com/grants/byState/23/>

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library - Books for Children

Website: http://usa.imaginationlibrary.com/start_a_program.php

Community Action Agencies of Alabama

Website:

<http://www.adeca.alabama.gov/CSBG/Document%20Library/Copy%20of%20Community%20Action%20Agency%20List0409.pdf>

Website: http://www.caaalabama.org/agency_finder.php

Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund

Website: <http://www.hardesthitlabama.com/>

AlabamaSAVESEnergy Revolving Loan Fund

Energy Upgrade Loans Now Available for Smaller Alabama Businesses - More Alabama businesses will have the chance to make upgrades that will save energy, reduce expenses and boost employment opportunities. There is reduction in the program's minimum loan amount to \$50,000 from \$250,000. Loans of up to \$4 million are available to help existing commercial and industrial businesses finance energy-saving improvements.

Website:

<http://www.alabamasaves.com/AlabamaSAVES-Brochure.pdf>

www.AlabamaSAVES.com

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Northport, Alabama 35473-3505
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Executive Director: Robert B. Lake
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1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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Executive Director: Charles Ball
Visit the Web site of Region 3 - <http://www.rpcgb.org/>

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
P.O. Box 2186
Anniston, Alabama 36202
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Executive Director: Bill Curtis
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5900 Carmichael Place
Montgomery, Alabama 36117
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Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission
107 Broad Street
Camden, Alabama 36726

Phone: 334.682.4234
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Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs
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Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
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South Alabama Regional Planning Commission
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COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

Please visit <http://www.nonprofitexpert.com/community%20foundations/al.htm>

Autauga Area Community Foundation

c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.

434 N. McDonough Street

Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: 334-264-6223

Contact: Carol W. Butler, President

Website: www.aacinfo.org

The Community Foundation of Baldwin County

c/o The Community Foundation of South Alabama

P.O. Box 990

Mobile, AL 36601

Phone: 251-438-5591

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Website: www.communityendowment.com

Black Belt Community Foundation

609 Lauderdale Street

Selma, AL 36701-4555

Phone: 334-874-1126 Fax: 334-874-1131

Contact: Felecia L. Jones, Executive Director

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P.O. Box 87

Brewton, AL 36427

Phone: (251) 867-4881

Contact: John David Finlay, Jr., Pres.

Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama
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Website: <http://www.foundationbirmingham.org>

The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur
P.O. Box 2003
Decatur, AL 35602
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Contact: Arthur W. Orr
Website: www.cfogd.org

The Community Foundation of Huntsville
659 Gallatin Street
Huntsville, AL 35801
Phone: 256-564-7430
Contact: Lynne Berry, President
Website: <http://www.communityfoundationhsv.org/>

Limestone Area Community Foundation, Inc.
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Athens, AL 35612
Phone: 256-232-4200
Contact: Martha Jo Leonard, Executive Director

Riverbend Community Foundation
635 West College Street
Florence, AL 35630
Phone: 256-764-3431
Contact: Bryan Libell, Secretary/Treasurer

Shelby County Community Health Foundation
Shelby Baptist Medical Center
1000 First Street N.
Alabaster, AL 35007
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