



# Guide to Grants

From the Office of Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell

Proudly Representing Alabama's 7th Congressional District



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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

I am honored to represent the 7<sup>th</sup> 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*.

For more information, please visit the website at <http://sewell.house.gov/> and you can subscribe to *Guide to Grants* at: <http://sewell.house.gov/contact-me/newsletter> or call 202-225-2665. Previous editions of the Guide to Grants are archived at <http://sewell.house.gov/guide-grants>.

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“Congress in Your Community” - June 13, 2012 at 4:30 pm in Gainesville, Alabama

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**Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell**

7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Alabama

**“Congress in Your Community”**



**Wednesday, June 13, 2012**

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**Gainesville Town Hall**

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May 30, 2012

## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell to Attend Inaugural Faith Leaders Summit on Voting Rights**

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) will attend the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) inaugural Faith Leaders Summit on Voting Rights in conjunction with the Conference of National Black Churches (CNBC) 2012 National Consultation. Attorney General Eric Holder will deliver the keynote address and voting rights experts will facilitate discussion surrounding new state voting laws.

“I am delighted to have the opportunity to attend the inaugural Faith Leaders Summit on Voting Rights with faith-based leaders from my district,” said Rep. Sewell. “The right to vote is fundamental to our democracy and now more than ever we must come together to ensure that all Americans can vote without intimidation, prejudice or discrimination.”

Rep. Sewell will be joined by Pastor T.L. Lewis of the historic Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in Pratt City, AL.

“Pastor Lewis is truly a servant leader and a powerful force for good in the Birmingham area,” continued Rep. Sewell. “He continues to exemplify extraordinary leadership in face of the church’s devastation from last year’s April 27th tornadoes. America’s faith-based leaders have played a crucial role in growing and strengthening our spiritual health, family development and community empowerment.”

“This summit is essential because we have so many issues facing our nation currently,” said Pastor T.L. Lewis. “The collaboration of the CBC and faith-based leaders provides a good vehicle for collective strategy that we can take back to our communities and implement to its fullest.”

The Conference of National Black Churches is comprised of the national leadership of the nine largest historically black denominations with a combined membership of over 30 million and 50,000 congregations in the United States. The CNBC holds their “National Consultation” event annually.

May 17, 2012

## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Co-Sponsors Voting Rights Legislation**

WASHINGTON, DC -- Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07), joined her colleagues as an original co-sponsor on H.R. 5799 the “Voter Empowerment Act of 2012” which seeks to modernize voter registration, ensure equal access to the ballot box and prohibit deceptive practices and voter discrimination.

“As the Representative of Alabama’s historic 7th Congressional District, where many fought, bled and died for the right to vote, I am proud to be an original co-sponsor of this important legislation,” said Rep. Sewell. “No right is more fundamental to our democracy, than our right to vote. Although great progress has been made since the days of poll taxes and literacy tests, Congress still has important work to do when it comes to ensuring that all Americans are afforded the right to vote without intimidation, prejudice or discrimination. This legislation will help ensure free and fair elections, so that everyone, including students, seniors, minorities and veterans can exercise their constitutional right to vote,” Sewell added.

The Voter Empowerment Act of 2012 has been designed to modernize the American electoral system by providing improved access to the ballot, enhanced integrity in our voting systems and greater accountability for the administration of our elections.

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May 10, 2012

## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$1.59 Million in Upward Bound Program Funding to Four Colleges in the 7th Congressional District**

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that \$1.59 million was awarded to four colleges in the 7th Congressional District for the Upward Bound Program under the U.S. Department of Education. The Upward Bound Program is one of eight Federal TRIO programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first generation college students and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post baccalaureate programs.

The four institutions awarded funding are:

**Lawson State Community College** — \$337,500

**Miles College** — \$353,266

**Stillman College** — \$553,367

**University of West Alabama** — \$347,834

“I am pleased that the Department of Education will provide this important funding to four colleges in the 7th Congressional District,” said Rep. Sewell. “The Upward Bound Program is critical to ensuring the success of students from all socioeconomic and education backgrounds. This funding will provide the resources needed to level the playing field and give all students the opportunity to achieve and succeed at the college level.”

The Upward Bound Program participants must be first-generation college bound high school students, low-income individuals or individuals who have a high risk for academic failure and a critical need for academic support to successfully pursue a secondary school curriculum and complete a postsecondary education program within six years after high school graduation.

“We would like to thank Congresswoman Sewell for her support of the Upward Bound program,” said Mattie Crawford, Director of the TRIO Classic Upward Bound Program at Lawson State Community College (LSCC). “This grant will afford LSCC the opportunity to continue developing students academically, culturally and socially while attending high school as well as prepare them to attend and complete college.”

“Miles College is pleased to continue our tradition of over three decades of serving our community and youth through the Upward Bound Program,” said Miles College President Dr.

George T. French Jr. “We are always appreciative of Congresswoman Sewell’s advocacy and support for TRIO Programs like Upward Bound.”

“We are delighted to receive this funding because the Upward Bound Program is linked to college success and we are focused on improving college graduation rates for high school students in Sumter County,” said Vicki Spruiell, Director of TRIO at the University of West Alabama.

“This is great news and we are excited to receive this funding for our Upward Bound Program which has been in operation at Stillman College since 1966,” said Dr. Bettye Mullen, Director of Educational Support Services. “The program has served 130 students annually since its inception and is integral to helping build academic skills that assist these students in pursuing a successful post-secondary education.”

Federal TRIO Programs were established by the Higher Education Act of 1965, and amended by the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, public or private agencies or organizations, including community-based organizations with experience in serving disadvantaged youth, secondary schools, and combinations of institutions, agencies, organizations and secondary schools.

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## Recent Grant Awards

- **May 30, 2012** – Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP); ATRIP is an ALDOT administered federal aid highway program that funds up to 80% of the construction of important roadway projects. For the 7<sup>th</sup> District, \$12,137,994.78 is awarded that includes: Choctaw County awarded \$240,958.37; Clarke County awarded \$3,920,000.00; Dallas County awarded \$245,366.40 & Dallas County also awarded \$479,636.00 for a 2<sup>nd</sup> project; Greene County awarded \$1,054,952.00; Jefferson County awarded: Bessemer awarded \$1,154,388.00; Bham awarded \$2,555,917.60; Perry County awarded \$360, 404.67; Pickens County awarded \$744,447.78; Sumter County awarded \$121,000.00 & \$269,515.20; Tuscaloosa awarded \$540,000.00 & Tuscaloosa awarded \$811,813.43 for 2<sup>nd</sup> project.
- **May 23, 2012** – The DOL awards The Dannon Project in Birmingham \$1,212,000 for Reintegration of Ex-Offender program.
- **May 18, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$362,588 for research in heart, blood and lung problems from DHHS
- **May 16, 2012** – Dallas County – Rural Health Medical Program receives \$1,778,784 for rural health center from DHHS
- **May 16, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$86,149 for cognition and cognitive disorders by DHHS.
- **May 11, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$366,250 for research regarding B cells in the lung by DHHS
- **May 11, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$198,269 for Telemedicine to Improve Depression and Adherence t in HIV+ Women in the Rural South
- **May 10, 2012** - Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$1.59 Million in Upward Bound Program Funding to Four Colleges in the 7th Congressional District

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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](http://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](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.

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## Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

### National Archives and Records Administration

**Program:** **NEW - Documenting Democracy: Access to Historical Records Projects**

**Description:** This grant supports projects that promote the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history, and culture.

**Website:** <http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/access.html>

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**Program:** **NEW - Innovation in Archives and Documentary Editing**

**Description:** The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that are exploring innovative methods to improve the preservation, public discovery, or use of historical records. Projects may also focus on techniques and tools that will improve the professional performance and effectiveness of those who work with such records, such as archivists, documentary editors, and records managers.

**Website:** <http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/innovation.html>

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## **National Endowment for the Arts**

**Program:** **NEA GAP: Art Works Deadline 2, FY2013**

**Description:** The Arts Endowment's support of a project may start on or after June 1, 2013. The NEA's guiding principle is embodied in one sentence: "Art works." "Art works" is a noun; the creation of works of art by artists. "Art works" is a verb; art works on and within people to change and inspire them. "Art works" is a statement; arts jobs are real jobs that are part of the real economy. The deadline is August 9, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVM MpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZJlW!-1255049606?oppId=174253&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Program:** **Enduring Questions**

**Description:** The NEH Enduring Questions grant program supports faculty members in the teaching and development of a new course that will foster intellectual community through the study of an enduring question. This question-driven course will encourage undergraduates and teachers to grapple with a fundamental concern of human life addressed by the humanities, and to join together in a deep and sustained program of reading in order to encounter influential thinkers over the centuries and into the present day.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JdJgPHJTqGL2pyxvqMb6MVn9Ss9pnrNgwjyQqdKITvd0PkjpwWnf!2145627009?oppId=173233&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Science Foundation**

**Program:** **Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation**

**Description:** The LSAMP program assists universities and colleges in diversifying the STEM workforce through their efforts at significantly increasing the numbers of students successfully completing high quality degree programs in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JdJgPHJTqGL2pyxvqMb6MVn9Ss9pnrNgwjyQqdKITvd0PkjpwWnf!2145627009?oppId=173497&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S. Department of Agriculture**

**Program:** **NEW - Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG)**

**Description:** The primary objective of the RBOG program is to promote sustainable economic development in rural communities with exceptional needs. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JhjmPQLBpTqC91cPKIJhvT2bwLH2QzQshT6fhy1pHrJQvt2T0QMQ!-1255049606?oppId=174953&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **USDA Seeks Grant Applications to Improve Rural Housing**

**Description:** USDA Rural Development is offering Housing Preservation Grants to intermediaries such as town or county governments, public agencies, federally recognized Indian Tribes, and non-profit and faith-based organizations. The grants are then distributed to qualified homeowners or owners of multi-family rental properties or cooperative dwellings who rent to low- and very-low-income residents. USDA does not provide funding directly to homeowners under this program. The deadline is June 25, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdamediafb?contentid=2012/05/0148.xml&printable=true&contentidonly=true>

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**Program:** **NEW - Capacity Building Grants for Non Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture**

**Description:** NLGCA Institutions may use the funds: (a) to successfully compete for funds from Federal grants and other sources to carry out educational, research, and outreach activities that address priority concerns of national, regional, State, and local interest; (b) to disseminate information relating to priority concerns to interested members of the agriculture, renewable resources, and other relevant communities, the public, and any other interested entity; (c) to encourage members of the agriculture, renewable resources, and other relevant communities to participate in priority education, research, and outreach activities by providing matching funding to leverage grant funds

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JdJgPHJTqGL2pyxvqMb6MVn9Ss9pnrNgwjyQqdKITvd0PkjpwWnf!2145627009?oppId=173073&mode=VIEW>

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## **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. 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 deadline is March 27, 2015.

**Website:**

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

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## **U.S. Department of Education**

**Program:** **NEW - Comprehensive Centers Program**

**Description:** The Comprehensive Centers program supports the establishment of no fewer than 20 comprehensive technical assistance centers to provide technical assistance to State educational agencies (SEAs) that builds their capacity to support local educational agencies (LEAs or districts) and schools, especially low-performing districts and schools; improve educational outcomes for all students; close achievement gaps; and improve the quality of instruction.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVM MpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZJlW!-1255049606?oppId=174594&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - Promise Neighborhood Grants**

**Description:** Funding supports a range of youth services, from K-12 education and early-learning programs to health and safety initiatives in neighborhoods, and access to learning technology. The deadline is July 27, 2012.

**Website:** <http://fundbook.org/promise-neighborhoods-grants/>

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## **U.S. Department of Health & Human Services**

**Program:** **NEW - Runaway and Homeless Youth Training and Technical Assistance Center**

**Description:** The Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) supports a national T and TA effort designed to enhance and promote the continuous evidence based quality improvement of services with a focus on the social and emotional well being of children, youth and families served by FYSB funded RHY grantees.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVM MpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZJlW!-1255049606?oppId=174353&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW-Affordable Care Act – Consumer Assistance Program Grants**

**Description:** Section 2793 of the PHS Act requires that, as a condition of receiving grant funds, consumer assistance or ombudsman programs must: assist consumers with filing complaints and appeals, assist consumers with enrollment into health coverage, and educate consumers on their rights and responsibilities with respect to group health plan and health insurance coverage.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=9pbTPRTXkGLGBmdbyvDBqCdwrmlkyVFnnYP1ZPF1XH1hL7s3H06P!-1255049606?oppId=175077&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW- PPHF 2012: Community Transformation Grants - Small Communities Programs financed solely by 2012 Prevention and Public Health Funds**

**Description:** The overarching purpose of this program is to prevent heart attack, stroke, cancer, diabetes and other leading chronic disease causes of death or disability through implementation of a variety of evidence based programs, policies, and infrastructure improvements to promote healthy lifestyles in small communities that improve health and health behaviors among an intervention population.

**Websites:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JdJgPHJTqGL2pyxvqMb6MVn9Ss9pnrNgwjyQqdKITvd0PkjpwWnf!2145627009?oppId=173114&mode=VIEW>

<http://fundbook.org/community-transformation-grants-small-communities/>

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**Program:** **NEW - Addiction Technology Transfer Centers**

**Description:** The purpose of this program is to develop and strengthen the workforce that provides addictions treatment and recovery support services to those in need. In partnership with Single State Authorities, treatment provider associations, addictions counselors, multidisciplinary behavioral health

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professionals, faith and recovery community leaders, family members of those in recovery, and other stakeholders.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JdJgPHJTqGL2pyxvqMb6MVn9Ss9pnrNgwjyQqdKITvd0PkjpwWnf!2145627009?oppId=172853&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

**Program:** **OPENS June 11<sup>th</sup> - FY 12 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program**

**Description:** Application period opens on Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 8 am! Eligible to apply are Fire departments (career, volunteer, and combination) and nonaffiliated emergency medical service (EMS) providers - What items are eligible for grant funding? Operations and Safety Projects: Training, equipment, personal protective equipment, modifications to facilities, wellness and safety projects; Vehicle Acquisition Projects: Firefighting and EMS vehicles; Regional Projects (benefiting multiple departments): Training, equipment, personal protective equipment.

**Website:** Call the AFG Help Desk toll-free at 1-866-274-0960 or contact AFG staff members by e-mail at [firegrants@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:firegrants@fema.dhs.gov)

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**Program:** **NEW - National Cyber Security Awareness**

**Description:** This grant aims to enhance coordination and collaboration among appropriate private sector and non-profit organizations as well as federal, state and local government entities to facilitate a comprehensive national Cybersecurity awareness campaign. The deadline is July 5, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVMpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZJlW!-1255049606?oppId=174413&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S. Department of Justice**

**Program:** **NEW - 2012 Census of State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies**

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**Description:** This data collection program furthers the Department's mission by working in partnership with the justice community to identify the most pressing challenges confronting the justice system and to provide information in support of innovative strategies and approaches for dealing with these challenges.

**Website:** [http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/csllea12\\_sol.pdf](http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/csllea12_sol.pdf)

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## **U.S. Department of Labor**

**Program:** **Advanced Manufacturing Jobs & Innovation Accelerator Challenge**

**Description:** Program to provide funding for regional partnerships that accelerate innovation and strengthen capacity in advanced manufacturing. The goal is to accelerate job creation and economic prosperity through public-private partnerships and to serve as a catalyst for leveraging private capital, assisting entrepreneurial development in disadvantaged communities, and promoting cluster-based development in advanced manufacturing.

**Website:** [www.manufacturing.gov/accelerator/index.html](http://www.manufacturing.gov/accelerator/index.html).

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## **U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Program:** **Small Community Air Service Development Program**

**Description:** The program is designed to provide financial assistance to small communities to help them enhance their air service. The Department provides this assistance in the form of monetary grants that are disbursed on a reimbursable basis. The deadline is June 11, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Jc3tP11fRd7xJg47qYL2Jv5dk5JkG4bnJxypQtnCvwwSh8hvKNHV!64499778?oppId=170433&mode=VIEW>

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## **US Small Business Administration**

**Program:** **NEW - Federal and State Technology Partnership Program (FAST)**

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**Description:** The U.S. Small Business Administration (SB) plans to issue Program Announcement No. FAST-12-R-0006 and make twenty awards of up to \$100,000 to organizations to conduct outreach and provide technical assistance services to technology-based small business owners.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVMpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZjIw!-1255049606?oppId=174316&mode=VIEW>

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### **Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS**

**Program:** **NEW - Baseball Tomorrow Fund Offers Support for Youth Baseball and Softball Programs**

**Description:** The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association designed to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment.

**Website:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=156100045](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=156100045)

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**Program:** **NEW - Tony Hawk Foundation Offers Support for Skatepark Construction in Low-Income Areas**

**Description:** As part of its mission to foster lasting improvements in society, with an emphasis on supporting and empowering youth, the Tony Hawk Foundation provides grants to encourage and facilitate the design, development, construction, and operation of high-quality public skate parks serving at-risk youth in low-income areas across the United States.

**Website:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=378300027](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=378300027)

**Program:** **NEW - National Alliance for Accessible Golf to Administer Grant Program for People With Disabilities**

**Description:** Through a grant from the United States Golf Association , the National Alliance for Accessible Golf is expanding its efforts to provide financial assistance and resources to help make the game of golf more accessible to people with disabilities. With funding from the USGA, the alliance will for the first time administer the grant application process for organizations providing golf programs for individuals with disabilities.

**Website:** [http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=297700004](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=297700004)

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**Program:** **NEW - CVS Caremark Charitable Trust Offers Support for Programs to Increase Healthcare Access and Inclusion of Children With Disabilities**

**Description:** The CVS Caremark Charitable Trust seeks to support programs and initiatives in the areas of access to healthcare and inclusion for children with disabilities and special healthcare needs.

**Website:**  
[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml;jsessionid=JVCJXU3ODQWZLLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=380900047](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=JVCJXU3ODQWZLLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=380900047)

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**Program:** **21st Century Community Learning Center**

**Description:** 21st CCLC initiative is a key component of the “No Child Left Behind” Act. It is an opportunity for students to enhance and reinforce academic lessons of the regular school day, while also allowing them to learn new skills and discover new opportunities after the regular school day has ended. In addition 21st CCLC programs provide youth development activities, drug and violence prevention programs, technology education programs, art, music and recreation programs, counseling, and character education to enhance the academic component of the program.

**Website:** <http://www.fldoe.org/curriculum/21century/>

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**Program:** **Best Buy Community Foundation**

**Description:** Through the Community Grants program, Best Buy teams across the United States select non-profit organizations that give teens access to opportunities through technology to help them excel in school and develop 21st century skills. This year, the Best Buy Children's Foundation will give \$2.8 million in Community Grants. Grant amounts will average \$4000-\$6000 and will not exceed \$10,000.

**Website:**

[http://www.bestbuy-communityrelations.com/community\\_grants.htm](http://www.bestbuy-communityrelations.com/community_grants.htm)

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**Program:** **NEW - Lois Lenski Covey Foundation Library Grants**

**Description:** The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation awards grants ranging from \$500 to \$3,000 to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need, to purchase books published for young people grades PK-8. Apply by June 15, 2012

**Website:**

<http://eeinalabama.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.115.37934&tid=85010>

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**Program:** **NEW - Mazda Foundation Grants**

**Description:** The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting education and literacy, environmental conservation, cross-cultural understanding, social welfare and scientific research. Apply by July 1, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://eeinalabama.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.115.37934&tid=85010>

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**Program:** **NEW - Home Depot Community Impact Grants**

**Description:** Home Depot Community Impact Grants up to \$5,000 are available to registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, public schools, or tax-exempt public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their community. Grants are given in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services. More competitive grant proposals will specifically identify projects for veterans and will include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work.

**Website:**

<http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=96876.0.0.37934>

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## Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / LOANS/ INTERNSHIPS

### **Alabama Student Loan Program**

Learn the facts about Alabama's designated guarantor of Federal Family Education Loan Programs

**Website:**

<http://www.alabama.gov/portal/secondary.jsp?id=educationResources>

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

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

### **Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs**

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

### **Fast Web**

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

### **Merit Aid**

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

### **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>

### **Scholarship Experts**

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

### **College Scholarships.org**

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

### **Alabama Scholarships**

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

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## **Section V RESOURCES**

### **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.

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

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

**The Fund Book** – These are open grants programs which are of interest to local governments

**Website:** <http://fundbook.org/>

### **Homebuyers looking to secure a mortgage may find help from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) -- and they don't even need to plow a field to be eligible.**

Two USDA loans -- the [Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan](#) and the [Single Family Housing Direct Loan](#)- are available to a range of potential homebuyers, including some borrowers who are buying in areas that many would characterize as "suburban." The biggest lure of [USDA home loans](#) compared with other mortgage products is that it is one of the few mortgage programs available today that requires no down payment. The concept behind USDA loans is to encourage homeownership among low- to moderate-income families in locations that are not densely populated.

**Website:** <http://www.foxbusiness.com/personal-finance/2012/05/24/not-farmer-can-still-get-100-percent-usda-financing/#ixzz1voaCAcW1>

**Alabama Giving:** Alabama Giving is a statewide association of grantmakers dedicated to building and strengthening organized philanthropy in Alabama.

**Website:** <http://www.alabamagiving.org/>

### **Community Action Agencies of Alabama**

**Website:**

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

### **Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund**

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

### **AlabamaSAVES Energy 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>

## **REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA**

Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments  
P.O. Box 2603  
Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662  
Phone: 256.389.0500  
Fax: 256.389.0599  
Executive Director: Keith Jones  
Visit the Web site of Region 1 - <http://nacolg.com/>

West Alabama Regional Commission  
4200 Highway 69 North  
Northport, Alabama 35473-3505  
Phone: 205.333.2990  
Fax: 205.333.2713  
Executive Director: Robert B. Lake  
Visit the Web site of Region 2 - <http://www.warc.info/index.php>

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham  
1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200  
Birmingham, Alabama 35203  
Phone: 205.251.8139  
Fax: 205.328.3304  
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  
Phone: 256.237.6741

Fax: 256.237.6763  
Executive Director: Bill Curtis  
Visit the Web site of Region 4 - <http://www.earpdc.org/>

South Central Alabama Development Commission  
5900 Carmichael Place  
Montgomery, Alabama 36117  
Phone: 334.244.6903  
Fax: 334.270.0038  
Executive Director: Tyson Howard  
Visit the Web site of Region 5 - <http://scadc.state.al.us/>

Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission  
107 Broad Street  
Camden, Alabama 36726  
Phone: 334.682.4234  
Fax: 334.682.4205  
Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs  
Visit the Web site of Region 6 - <http://www.alarc.org/atrc/index.htm>

Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission  
P.O. Box 1406  
Dothan, Alabama 36302  
Phone: 334.794.4093  
Fax: 334.794.3288  
Executive Director: Thomas B. Solomon  
Visit the Web site of Region 7 - <http://www.sanman.net/searpdc/searpdc.htm>

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission  
P.O. Box 1665  
Mobile, Alabama 36633  
Phone: 251.433.6541  
Fax: 251.433.6009  
Executive Director: Russ Wimberly  
Visit the Web site of Region 8 - <http://www.sarpc.org/>

Central Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission  
125 Washington Avenue  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104  
Phone: 334.262.4300  
Fax: 334.262.6976  
Visit the Web site of Region 9 - <http://www.carpdc.com/>



Lee-Russell Council of Governments  
2207 Gateway Drive  
Opelika, Alabama 36801  
Phone: 334.749.5264  
Fax: 334.749.6582  
Executive Director: Suzanne G. Burnette  
Visit the Web site of Region 10 - <http://www.lrcog.com/>

North-Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments  
P.O. Box C  
Decatur, Alabama 35601  
Phone: 256.355.4515  
Fax: 256.351.1380  
Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews  
Visit the Web site of Region 11 - <http://www.narcog.org/>

Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments  
5075 Research Drive, NW  
Huntsville, Alabama 35805-5912  
Phone: 256.830.0818  
Fax: 256.830.0843  
Executive Director: Robert B. Culver  
Visit the Web site of Region 12 - <http://www.tarcog.org/>

## **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](http://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

Contact: Linnette Clausman  
Website: [www.communityendowment.com](http://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  
Website: <http://blackbeltfound.org/>

The Greater Brewton Foundation  
P.O. Box 87  
Brewton, AL 36427  
Phone: (251) 867-4881  
Contact: John David Finlay, Jr., Pres.

Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama  
P. O. Box 36202  
Anniston, Alabama 36202  
Telephone: 256-231-5160 Fax: 256-231-5161  
Contact: Eula M. Tatman, Interim President and CEO  
Email: [etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
For general information: [info@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:info@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
Website: <http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org/>

Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.  
434 N. McDonough Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
Telephone: 334-264-6223 Fax: 334-263-6225  
Contact: Carol W. Butler, President  
Website: <http://www.cacfinfo.org>

Elmore County 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.eccfinfo.org](http://www.eccfinfo.org)

The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham  
2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700  
Birmingham, AL 35203  
Telephone: (205) 328-8641 Fax: (205) 328-6576  
Contact: Kate Nielsen, President  
Email: [knielsen@foundationbirmingham.org](mailto:knielsen@foundationbirmingham.org)

For general information: [info@foundationbirmingham.org](mailto:info@foundationbirmingham.org)  
Website: <http://www.foundationbirmingham.org>

The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur  
P.O. Box 2003  
Decatur, AL 35602  
Phone: 256-353-5312  
Contact: Arthur W. Orr  
Website: [www.cfogd.org](http://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.  
P.O. Box 578  
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  
Chairman: Chad Scroggins (205)669-3737  
Additional Contact: Donna Falkner (205)620-8112

The Community Foundation of South Alabama  
P.O. Box 990  
Mobile, Alabama 36601-0990  
251-438.5591, 251-438.5592 Fax  
Contact: Linnette Clausman, Finance Officer  
Website: <http://www.communityendowment.com>

Southeast Alabama Community Foundation

P.O. Box 1422  
Dothan, AL 36302-1422  
Phone: 334-671-1059, Fax: 334-793-0627  
Contact: Millie Armstrong, Program Director  
Website: [www.sacinfo.org](http://www.sacinfo.org)

Community Foundation of West Alabama  
P.O. Box 3033  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403  
Telephone: 205-366-0698, Fax 205-366-0813  
Contact: Glenn Taylor, Exec. Director  
E-mail: [CFOWA@bellsouth.net](mailto:CFOWA@bellsouth.net)  
Website: <http://thecfwa.org/>

Walker Area Community Foundation  
P.O. Box 171  
Jasper, AL 35502-0171  
Telephone: 205-302-0001, Fax: (205) 302-0424  
Contact: Paul Kennedy, Executive Director  
Website: <http://www.wacf.org>