



# Guide to Grants

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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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# **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$55 Million Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funding from HUD for the State of Alabama**

*Birmingham, Tuscaloosa and Jefferson County among grant recipients*

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that the state of Alabama will receive \$55 million in community development block grant disaster recovery funding from The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Approximately \$16.6 million will be awarded to the City of Tuscaloosa, \$6.4 million to the City of Birmingham, and \$7.8 million to Jefferson County, all of which are located in the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Alabama. This funding will enable each community to make vital repairs and improvements in infrastructure, housing, economic development projects, and emergency preparedness.

“I am delighted that HUD will provide this vitally important funding to the cities of Birmingham, Tuscaloosa and Jefferson County to continue to rebuild their communities. These cities are in need of funding for economic development and infrastructure renovation as a result of the April tornadoes. Alabamians are still in desperate need of relief and this funding will assist in their rebuilding and recovery efforts,” said Congresswoman Sewell.

“Last year, I personally saw the extent of the destruction left behind by several of these disasters, the hardship these communities are feeling, and the work that lies ahead,” said HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan. “These funds, will supplement other forms of disaster assistance to put these states and local areas on the path toward long-term recovery.”

“This funding is needed to aid in the continued rebuilding process for the City of Birmingham. The allocation will go a long way in addressing continued critical needs left in the wake of the April storms,” said Mayor William Bell. “We will not stop our efforts on a local, state and federal level until we are able to rebuild bigger and better than ever.”

“This allocation is a tremendous step in our recovery, as we begin to renew and rebuild the City of Tuscaloosa since the storms of 2011,” said Mayor Walter Maddox. “Throughout this entire process, we have realized the importance of keeping an open dialogue with our entire congressional delegation, and Congresswoman Sewell has been an amazing asset in achieving this victory for our City.”

“Given the tremendous devastation caused by last April's tornadoes, I'm very pleased with the funds that the county will be receiving,” said Jefferson County Commission President David Carrington. “The Commission sincerely appreciates the work of our representatives and senators in Washington in securing this much-needed money.”

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January 18, 2012

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on H.J.Res 98, Debt Ceiling Resolution of Disapproval**

WASHINGTON, DC - Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-7) released the following statement after voting against H.J.Res 98, Debt Ceiling Resolution of Disapproval:

“Today, I voted against H.J.Res 98, an unnecessary resolution that does nothing to advance the conversation of fiscal discipline, deficit reduction or job creation. Congress and the administration previously agreed on a plan last year to raise our nation’s debt limit in order to pay our bills and protect vital programs such as Medicare and Social Security. This resolution seeks to reverse all of those meaningful gains, and is nothing more than political posturing at a time when America’s middle class families, workers, children and seniors are still recovering from the worst economic recession since the Great Depression.

I think we all can agree that we as a nation should take deficit reduction seriously and develop ways to reduce our country’s debt. However, allowing America to default on its obligations is simply not an option.

I am disappointed that some of my colleagues have decided to begin the New Year by playing the same political games with our fragile economy. It is my hope that as we continue into 2012, Congress can put aside partisan politics and work together on a plan that minimizes our debt, balances the federal budget and creates jobs.”

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January 18, 2012

## **Rep. Cassidy Follows Through on Friendly Wager with Rep. Sewell, Congratulates University of Alabama on the Floor of House of Representatives**

Washington, DC – Today, as Congress begins a new session, Congressman Bill Cassidy (R-LA) made good on his friendly wager with Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL). Reps. Sewell and Cassidy wagered on the 2011 BCS National Championship football game between Alabama and LSU. Alabama won the game in a decisive 21-0 victory; and in the spirit of true sportsmanship, Rep. Cassidy donned a houndstooth hat, Alabama tie and brought congratulatory remarks which included “Roll Tide” on the Floor of the House of Representatives, as a condition of the bet to pay tribute to the Crimson Tide on their victory.

“It was a hard fought game between the top teams in the nation. I am so proud of my Crimson Tide for securing victory and bringing home the crystal trophy for the second time in three years,” said Congresswoman Sewell. “Congressman Cassidy was a great sport as he brought congratulatory remarks to the team on the House Floor. I look forward to continuing the friendly rivalry between Congressman Cassidy and myself. Roll Tide!!”

“LSU and Alabama both had great seasons. Although, I wish the outcome had been different, I congratulate Alabama on a game well played. This was a tremendous season for both teams and I look forward to a re-match next year,” said Congressman Cassidy.

Links to Floor Remarks

[Rep. Sewell Congratulates the University of Alabama on their BCS National Championship Win](#)  
[Rep. Cassidy Congratulates the University of Alabama on their BCS Championship Win](#)

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January 13, 2012

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell in Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

WASHINGTON, DC - Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-7) released the following statement today in recognition of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. His birthday is January 15, and the holiday will be observed on Monday, January 16.

“Today we celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a man who inspired our nation to unite around the common goals of love, dignity, peace and justice. The story of the 7th Congressional District and the State of Alabama cannot be told without remembering the many sacrifices of Dr. King and civil rights leaders such as Alabama’s own, the late Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth. We should carry their lessons of courage, inspiration and fortitude with us. It is important to remember Dr. King’s legacy was not just a part of black history, but integral to the very fabric of American history.

Dr. King challenged us to embrace our shared humanity through public service, civic engagement and volunteerism. As Dr. King once said: ‘Life’s most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?’

Let us dedicate this MLK holiday to public service. In difficult times like these, volunteerism and civic engagement connect our communities and reaffirm the strength, humanity and determination of the American people.”

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January 13, 2012

## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Honors Fairfield High School Math Club as They Prepare to Compete in the 14th Annual Harvard MIT-Mathematics Tournament**

BIRMINGHAM, AL – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell joined the student body of Fairfield High School at an academic pep rally as they celebrated the school’s mathematics team’s upcoming trip to Cambridge, Massachusetts to compete in the 14th Annual Harvard-MIT Math Tournament. The Congresswoman presented the team with a Congressional proclamation congratulating them on their great achievement.

“The Fairfield Math Team and its coach Ms. Vonda Davis have committed themselves to reaching new heights in achieving academic excellence,” said Rep. Sewell. “Their dedication and hard work are what have earned them this opportunity to compete alongside the best and brightest students in the nation. We all expect great things from them and wish them luck on their trip to Harvard in February.”

The Harvard-MIT Mathematics Tournament is a highly competitive tournament that promotes mathematical curiosity in high school students and has brought in nearly 900 competitors from across this nation and the world. This is the first time students from Fairfield High School will compete in the tournament at Harvard.

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January 10, 2012

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on University of Alabama's BCS National Championship Victory**

Washington, DC—Today, Rep. Terri A. Sewell issued the following statement on the University of Alabama's Bowl Championship Series (BCS) National Championship win over the LSU Tigers:

“Congratulations to the University of Alabama's football team for its resounding 21-0 victory over the LSU Tigers in the 2011 BCS Championship, said Congresswoman Sewell. Today, we look forward to the team's return to Alabama as they bring home the crystal trophy to the 7th Congressional District of Alabama for the second time in three years. We are so proud of Coach Nick Saban, his coaching staff, and all of the players for their impressive victory last night.

This win is a unifying victory for the state of Alabama which suffered so much devastation in the wake of the April tornadoes. We must continue to work together to ensure the people affected by the storms keep receiving the help they need to recover.

This victory shows the resilient spirit of Alabamians and reflects our hope for a better future. Roll Tide!!”

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January 5, 2012

## **Statement from Congresswoman Sewell on President Obama's Summer Jobs+ Initiative**

Washington, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell released the following statement on the Obama Administration's new Summer Jobs+ initiative:

“I was very pleased to hear President Obama's announcement of the Summer Jobs+ initiative today. America faces few more urgent challenges than preparing our children to compete in a global economy. By partnering with business leaders and local communities, we are providing our youth with valuable real world experience. In Alabama, the unemployment and poverty rates have both increased dramatically in the wake of the most recent recession. In parts of the 7th Congressional District, unemployment rates are as high as 19 percent. Initiatives such as the one announced today by President Obama is critical for our youth and is essential to lowering the unemployment rate. This initiative will help get Alabama and America back to work.

The decisions our leaders make about education in the coming years could help provide opportunities and shape our future for generations to come. I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues in Congress on a comprehensive plan to encourage job creation and strengthen economic development in the 7th Congressional District, the State of Alabama and this nation.”

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CONSTITUENT SERVICES GUIDE

# Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell: Putting Alabama Families First



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Dear Friend,

I am honored to represent you in Congress. I am here to help in any way possible. One of my most important responsibilities as your representative is to provide you with assistance as you work with federal agencies.

Our office can help you break through the bureaucracy if you are having challenges with issues including Social Security, Medicare or veterans' benefits. We can also help you find federal grant opportunities for community projects and identify funding for first responders and other important services that our communities need. Our office in Washington, D.C. offers tours of the Capitol and can help provide gallery passes to see Congress in session. American flags that have been flown above the U.S. Capitol can also be ordered upon request.

We are here to serve you. Please let us be of assistance to you and your family.

Warmly,

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell

### Standing Up for Alabama Workers

Creating jobs and rebuilding our economy are Congresswoman Sewell's top priorities. She is committed to expanding workforce development funding and strengthening public-private partnerships to create jobs. Our office is available if you need help with:

- Small Business Assistance
- Federal Grants
- Internal Revenue Service
- Job Training and Unemployment Benefits



### Protecting Our Seniors

Congresswoman Sewell will always fight to protect Social Security and Medicare. She is also working to restore our country's fiscal discipline to ensure that these programs are available for future generations. Please contact us if you need assistance with:

- Social Security Benefits
- Medicare Benefits
- Survivor's Benefits
- Retirement Benefits



### Helping Our Students

A strong education can make all the difference in achieving the American Dream. That is why Congresswoman Sewell is working hard to strengthen and reform early childhood education, improve performance in elementary and secondary education and improve outcomes in higher education. She supports students by assisting with:

- Internships
- Financial Aid
- Military Academy Nominations



Congresswoman Sewell visits with students at Cedar Park Elementary School in Selma.

### Honoring America's Veterans

Congresswoman Sewell is a strong advocate for our veterans and will work tirelessly to ensure that they receive the care and benefits they have earned. She is working hard to help veterans and their families with:

- Benefits Assistance
- Veterans Administration Claims
- Assistance for Returning Service Members
- Disability Compensation
- Pension Assistance



Congresswoman Sewell visits with Alabama veterans.

For more information and to sign up for news, the e-newsletter and our grant guide, please visit [www.sewell.house.gov](http://www.sewell.house.gov)





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*Congresswoman Sewell talks with constituents about available resources after the tornado disaster.*

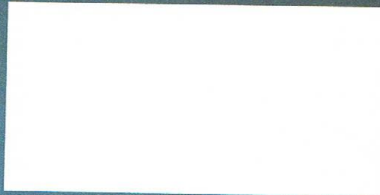


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**CASEWORK SUCCESS STORY:**

Frederick C. contacted our Tuscaloosa office because he was denied disability benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs. He was diagnosed with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder from his service in the Gulf War. He continued to file claims and appeals without resolution.

Congresswoman Sewell's office worked on his claim, helping Frederick receive a favorable decision for total and permanent disability. We helped him secure a retroactive check for over \$86,000.

Contact us today so we can help you.

## Recent Grant Awards

- **January 12, 2012** – Economic Development Administration awards \$189,000 to the West Alabama Regional Commission that will establish an economic development planning framework, process and strategy that supports private capital investment and job creation in the region.
- **January 4, 2012** – Federal Highway Administration’s Recreational Trails Grant Program administered through ADECA awards \$17,727 to the Southwest Alabama Economic Development Association (Marengo County) to construct a 1,110-foot-long walking trail in the Dixons Mills community.
- **January 4, 2012** - Federal Highway Administration’s Recreational Trails Grant Program administered through ADECA awards \$100,000 to Birmingham Urban Mountain Peddlers to construct nine miles of trail at Tannehill Ironworks Historical State Park.
- **December 30, 2011** - U.S. Dept of Health & Human Services announces award of \$132,592.00 to University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa for Minority AIDS Research Initiative CFDA 93.941.
- **December 15, 2011** –Governor announces grant award of \$10,000 for the City of Irondale to the Irondale Police Department for its Violence Against Women Response program. ADECA is administering the grant from funds made available to the state by the U.S. Department of Justice.
- **December 15, 2011** – U.S. Dept of Health & Human Services announces award of \$500,755.00 to the Jefferson County Commission (Jefferson County, Alabama) for the Ryan White Title III Outpatient EIS Program.
- **December 14, 2011** – International Paper announces \$56,800 in grants to twenty-six (26) Dallas County, Alabama schools and nonprofit organizations.
- **December 2, 2011** – U.S. Dept of Health & Human Services announces award of \$1,581,273.00 to Whatley Health Services for the Health Center Cluster program.
- **November 9, 2011** – USDA Announces Seedco Financial Services, Inc. receives: \$250,000 USDA loan; \$62,500 USDA grant to capitalize a rural microloan revolving fund to make loans to rural microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in Choctaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Limestone, Perry, Pickens, Sumter and Wilcox counties.

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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

### Institute of Museum and Library Services

**Program:** **NEW - Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services**

**Description:** The Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services program promotes enhanced learning and innovation within museums and museum related organizations, such as cultural centers. The program provides opportunities for Native American tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations to sustain heritage, culture, and knowledge by strengthened museum services. The deadline is April 2, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=138553&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **21st Century Museum Professionals**

**Description:** Museum professionals need high levels of knowledge and expertise as they help create public value for the communities they serve. The purpose of the 21st Century Museum Professionals grants program is to increase the capacity of museums by improving the knowledge and skills of museum professionals in

multiple institutions. These grants are intended to reach broad groups of museum professionals throughout a city, county, state, region, or the nation. The deadline is March 15, 2012.

**Website:** <http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=1>

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## **National Endowment for the Arts**

**Program:** **NEA Our Town Guidelines, FY2012**

**Description:** Art works to improve the lives of America's citizens in many ways. Communities across our nation are engaging design and leveraging the arts to create livable, sustainable neighborhoods with enhanced quality of life, increased creative activity, distinct identities, a sense of place, and vibrant local economies that capitalize on existing local assets. The deadline is March 1, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=MJ1dTXhFcY8f2JqzRGNz27c2hq714V5lsw2fGGVfklNCKLypyyTS!65310457?oppId=132434&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEA Challenge America Fast-Track, FY2013**

**Description:** The Challenge America Fast-Track category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations -- those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted above also must be present. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development. The deadline is May 24, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=TPqGPGqPd1QJhjn8LvFJ4THXGwGR7mN2s1Nn9R1J1SLrGxwj8ytf!1302121408?oppId=136713&mode=VIEW>



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

**Description:** 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 March 8, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=TPqGPGqPd1QJhnj8LvFJ4THXGwGR7mN2s1Nn9R1J1SLrGxwj8ytf!1302121408?oppId=136693&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Program:** **Preservation Assistance Grants**

**Description:** Preservation Assistance Grants help small and mid-sized institutions—such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, cultural organizations, town and county records offices, and colleges and universities—improve their ability to preserve and care for their significant humanities collections. The deadline is May 1, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=yGTjPTKGtnW0gpkTRdR1cQFrpCKQWmGvJ3d8fGsPkKzldGp9Q8NQ!-1890905838?oppId=136473&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Institute of Corrections**

**Program:** **NEW - Jail Resource Management: Review and Revision**

**Description:** The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is seeking applications for the revision of its Jail Resource Management training program. The project will be for a 9-month period and will be carried out in



conjunction with the NIC Jails Division. The deadline is February 9, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=137693&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Science Foundation**

**Program:** **NEW - Computing Education for the 21st Century**

**Description:** The Computing Education for the 21st Century (CE21) program aims to build a robust computing research community, a computationally competent 21st century workforce, and a computationally empowered citizenry. The deadline is April 12, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=137813&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - NSF Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics**

**Description:** This program makes grants to institutions of higher education to support scholarships for academically talented students demonstrating financial need, enabling them to enter the STEM workforce or STEM graduate school following completion of an associate, baccalaureate, or graduate-level degree in science, technology, engineering or mathematics disciplines.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=138673&mode=VIEW>

## U.S. Department of Agriculture

**Program:** **NEW - CIG-Water Quality Credit Trading Markets Funding Opportunity**

**Description:** In FY 2012, CIG is offering a water quality credit trading systems funding category. Water quality credit trading markets are an emerging means to meet existing or potential Federal and State level water quality requirements. The overall goal of these grants is to support State agencies and/or other cooperating entities seeking to design and launch water quality credit trading markets between point and non-point sources. The deadline is March 2, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=138073&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative**

**Description:** The OREI seeks to solve critical organic agriculture issues, priorities, or problems through the integration of research and extension activities. The purpose of this program is to fund projects that will enhance the ability of producers and processors who have already adopted organic standards to grow and market high quality organic agricultural products. The deadline is March 9, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=138253&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **NEW - Affordable Care Act - Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Research Program**

**Description:** The MIECHV Research Program supports applied research relating to maternal, infant, and early childhood home visiting

services which show promise of advancing knowledge about the implementation and effectiveness of home visiting programs designed to improve life outcomes among mothers, infants, and young children. The deadline is March 16, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=138273&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development**

**Program:** **Choice Neighborhood Implementation Grants**

**Description:** Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants support those communities that have undergone a comprehensive local planning process and are ready to implement their “Transformation Plan” to redevelop the neighborhood. HUD is focused on directing resources to achieve the following three core goals: 1. Housing: Transform distressed public and assisted housing into energy efficient, mixed-up income housing that is physically and financially viable over the long term; 2. People: Support positive outcomes for families who live in the target development(s) and the surrounding neighborhood, particularly outcomes related to residents’ health, safety employment, mobility, and education and 3. Neighborhood: Transform distressed, high-poverty neighborhoods into viable, mixed-up income neighborhoods with access to well –functioning services, high quality public schools and education programs, high quality early learning programs and services, public assets, public transportation, and improved access to jobs. The deadline is April 10, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=yGTjPTKGtnW0gpkTRdR1cQFrpC KQWmGvJ3d8fGsPkKzldGp9Q8NQ!-1890905838?oppId=137313&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **Housing Counseling Training Program**

**Description:** Funds are available to provide, under cooperative agreements with HUD, training activities designed to improve and standardize the quality of counseling provided by housing counselors employed by “participating agencies.” The deadline is February 7, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=yGTjPTKGtnW0gpkTRdR1cQFrpCKQWmGvJ3d8fGsPkKzldGp9Q8NQ!-1890905838?oppId=137033&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S Department of the Interior**

**Program:** **NEW - Partners for Fish and Wildlife 2012**

**Description:** The Partners for Fish and Wildlife is a voluntary habitat conservation program that provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners for habitat restoration projects that benefit Federal trust species.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=137933&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **BJA FY 12 Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program**

**Description:** BJA is accepting applications for FY 2012 grants to establish new drug courts or enhance existing drug court services, coordination, and offender management and recovery support services. The deadline is March 8, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=yGTjPTKGtnW0gpkTRdR1cQFrpCKQWmGvJ3d8fGsPkKzldGp9Q8NQ!-1890905838?oppId=137273&mode=VIEW>

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## U.S. Department of Labor

**Program:** **NEW - Reintegration of Ex-Offenders (RExO) Adult Generation 5**

**Description:** The Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, announces the availability of approximately \$20.6 million to serve adult ex-offenders returning to their communities. The Department expects to award approximately 17 grants of up to \$1,212,000 each for 27-months, which includes up to three months for a planning phase and a minimum of 24 months of operation. The deadline is March 13, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v2WRPXMGQS2LyqGH2n3RN0M Mz2ZhTzyL2rQkLWcsKzX4Gh44ybNL!-2085669396?oppId=137673&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **Workforce Innovation Fund**

**Description:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), announces the availability of approximately \$98.5 million in Workforce Innovation Fund grants authorized by the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011 (P.L. 112-10). These funds support innovative approaches to the design and delivery of employment and training services that generate long-term improvements in the performance of the public workforce system, both in terms of outcomes for job seeker and employer customers and cost-effectiveness. The deadline is March 22, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Lj7vT7TQ2K8jkNKhN2nL1VzCyGw131LZhhXL1K92MmGyHBq1c6H0!-1784104149?oppId=135594&mode=VIEW>

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## U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

**Program:** **Proposal Guidelines for Brownfields Multi-Purpose Pilot Grants**

**Description:** EPA is piloting a new grant program that will provide a single grant to an eligible entity for both assessment and cleanup work at a specific brownfield site. Only applicants who have received an EPA Brownfields grant in 2003 or later are eligible to apply for the Multi-purpose pilot grant. Applicants who received a Brownfields grant prior to 2003 are not eligible to apply. The deadline is February 10, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Lj7vT7TQ2K8jkNKhN2nL1VzCyGw131LZhhXL1K92MmGyHBq1c6H0!-1784104149?oppId=135537&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **NEW-AVANCE Announces Extended Deadline for Proposals to Implement Parent-Child Education Program**

**Description:** AVANCE, Inc., a national nonprofit organization that provides parent and early childhood education programs along with other family support services, has extended the deadline for proposals from qualified nonprofit organizations working to expand the AVANCE Parent-Child Education Program to serve low-income Hispanic families. The deadline is extended past January 31, 2012.

**Website:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=366800022](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=366800022)

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**Program:** **NEW - Tony Hawk Foundation Announces New Guidelines for Skate park Grants**

**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. The deadlines are February 1 and July 2, 2012.

**Website:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml;jsessionid=53TXSJ32PLEF1LAQBQ4CGXD5AAAAC12F?id=366500037](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=53TXSJ32PLEF1LAQBQ4CGXD5AAAAC12F?id=366500037)

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**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. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. There is no deadline.

**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 - Pets in the Classroom**

**Description:** Pets in the Classroom is an educational grants program to help bring aquarium fish or small pets into PreK-6th grade classrooms. The Pet Care Trust sponsors this program to help teachers support pets in the classroom through direct, no-hassle grants. A grant or coupon for the purchase of new pets, pet environments or pet food and supplies for existing classroom pets may be obtained through this opportunity.

**Website:**

<http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=97217.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **NEW - Fuel Up to Play 60 Grant**

**Description:** The competitive, nationwide funding program can help your school jumpstart and sustain healthy nutrition and physical activity improvements. The deadline is February 1, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/212>

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**Program:** **NEW - \$500 Do Something Seed Grant**

**Description:** Young people age 25 and under who are working to start a community action project or program are eligible to apply for a \$500 Do Something Seed Grant. One winner is chosen every week. Do Something Seed Grants are targeted toward project ideas and programs that are just getting started. These grants can be used to jump-start a program or to realize ideas for the first time.

**Website:** <http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=93136.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Blue Water Project Leadership Grants**

**Description:** Grants range from \$25,000 to \$500,000 and focus on watershed protection and/or access to safe drinking water. Apply by February 3, 2012.

**Website:** <http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=69205.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **National Geographic Student Expeditions Scholarship Program**

**Description:** The National Geographic Student Expeditions Scholarship Program provides financial support to high school students seeking educational summer experiences they otherwise could not afford. Apply by March 1, 2012.

**Website:** <http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=99687.0.0.37934>

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## Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS

### 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>

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### **Alabama Student Assistance Program**

Website: <http://www.moneymatters101.com/states/alabama.asp>

### **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>

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## **Section V RESOURCES**

### **The King Legacy of Service**

The Corporation for National and Community Service MLK Day Legacy of Service videos feature civil rights luminaries Congressman John Lewis, Ruby Bridges, Reverend Dr. Joseph E. Lowery, and former U.S. Senator Harris Wofford remembering Dr. King and his legacy of service. The PSAs remind us of the importance of keeping Dr. King's legacy of service alive and challenge us to make service a part of our everyday lives.

Website: <http://mlkday.gov/>

### **MLK - The Spirit of Service – Curriculum for Grades 3-5 – Service**

Website: <http://www.scholastic.com/MLKDay/>

### **SBA - Search for Business Loans, Grants and Financing**

Website: <http://www.sba.gov/content/search-business-loans-grants-and-financing>

## **U.S. Department of Transportation Selects Seedco Financial to Provide Small Business Loans**

**Website:** <http://www.seedcofinancial.org/press-releases/?id=642>

**Police Grants Help 101** -- Whether your police department needs body armor, less lethal devices, training or funding to hire additional staff, grants can help bridge the gap between a budget shortfall and successfully funding your project.

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

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

## **Alabama SAVES Loan Program**

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) is pleased to offer the state's first and only energy revolving loan program for existing industries. 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. The \$60 million loan fund was established in December 2010 with funds made available to the state by the U.S. Department of Energy's State Energy Program. 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>

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

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

## **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.cacinfo.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.eccinfo.org](http://www.eccinfo.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>