



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*.

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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Statement by Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Regarding the U.S. Army Corps Recent Amended Decision on Operation of Alabama River Locks

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement regarding the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recent amended decision on the operation of the Alabama River locks:

“My office has been working closely with the U.S. Army of Corps Engineers and stakeholders in developing a workable solution to the operational issues surrounding the Alabama River locks. I am encouraged by today’s amended decision of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to modify the lock hours of operation on the Alabama and Chattahoochee River systems beginning February 1, 2013. This amended decision is an important step forward in addressing the concerns of constituents and stakeholders in light of the fiscal challenges facing the U.S. Army Corps.

While the amended decision is not perfect, I believe it represents a reasonable compromise and reflects recognition of the public outcry concerning the importance of the Alabama River and other waterways throughout the state. This decision provides certainty to those using these waterways for economic and recreational purposes, while still adhering to the budgetary constraints of the U.S. Army Corps.

The Alabama River plays an important role in the transportation of goods throughout the Black Belt region, specifically for communities such as Wilcox County who depend heavily on this economic resource. If the U.S. Army Corps had stood by their original reduction initiative, it would have had a profound economic impact on my district and the state of Alabama.

This Friday, I am touring the Alabama River with top Corp officials to learn more about the River’s lockage system and dredging challenges. We must continue to work together to ensure that both our rural and urban communities have the resources and services they need to strengthen economic development, create jobs and improve quality of life for families and workers. Promoting economic growth and job creation for the 7th Congressional District and communities across the state remain my top priority.”

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October 3, 2012

Statement by Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Regarding American Apparel Inc. Recent Announcement on Impending Layoffs

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement regarding American Apparel’s recent announcement on impending layoffs:

“I am deeply disappointed in the recent decision by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) not to award the Army Combat Uniform coats contract to American Apparel Inc. I am especially frustrated by this recent decision in light of my office’s continued efforts to strengthen DLA’s critical partnership with American Apparel. At my request, key DLA procurement officials visited American Apparel headquarters in Selma in April 2012 to tour its facility and discuss DLA’s procurement process with company management. During this visit we engaged in intense dialogue about the future of the military uniform industrial base and how companies like American Apparel can remain competitive. While I had hoped this meeting would have resulted in a more meaningful outcome, DLA’s recent decision reflects the same industry frustrations and concerns with its current procurement process.

This decision will have profound economic implications for the more than 250 hardworking women and men affected by the impending lay-offs. I strongly support American Apparel’s protest petition to the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and I am leading an Alabama Delegation letter requesting a thorough and expedited review of American Apparel’s protest. On Friday, September 28th I spoke directly with DLA officials and expressed my deep concerns with the procurement process that lead to this decision. This week, I will issue a letter to DLA further elaborating on my objection to the manner in which the procurement decision was made.

My office will continue to be a strong and vigilant advocate for protecting these vital jobs in our community and ensuring fairness and equity in the military procurement process.”

Recent Grant Awards

- **October 12, 2012** – UWA is awarded \$107,367.00 from HHS to provide healthcare scholarships for local residents
- **October 11, 2012** – Town of Pine Hill is awarded through ADECA \$1,000,000 for a Water Tower for the Dragon Copper Plant
- **October 2, 2012** – Bessemer Police Department is awarded \$47,000 from DOJ to buy laptop computers and printers for about 30 patrol vehicles.
- **September 27, 2012** – The Children’s Aid Society is awarded \$200,000 from HHS for the Transitional Living Program
- **September 27, 2012** – The University of Alabama is awarded \$450,000.00 from HHS for Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students
- **September 26, 2012** – Aletheia House in Birmingham is awarded \$500,000 from HHS for Healthy Living project
- **September 25, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$950,000.00 from the DOE for 2012 RERC on Recreational Technologies and Exercise Physiology Benefiting Individuals with Disabilities
- **September 25, 2012** – Friends of Perry County Library Association awarded \$50,000 from USDA. Rural Development funds will be used to purchase shelving, office equipment, computer equipment and other items for the library. These funds will be used in conjunction with a complete renovation of the existing library.
- **September 14, 2012** – Thomaston in Marengo County is awarded USDA grant of \$325,000 to upgrade parts of the water system
- **September 11, 2012** – The University of Alabama is awarded \$110,000 from DOL for the Susan Harwood Training Grant Program is that provides training and education for workers and employers on the recognition, avoidance, and safety prevention.
- **September 14, 2012** – Tuscaloosa Housing Authority is awarded \$94,408.00 from HUD for Housing Choice Vouchers.
- **September 4, 2012** - Perry County Airport and Industrial Authority is awarded \$37,450 from FAA for Vaiden Field: Install Weather Reporting Equipment

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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 STATE AGENCIES

Alabama Office of Workforce Development

Program: **State Workforce Development Funds: Alabama Workforce Training**

Description: Keeping Alabama's workforce well-trained for current and future jobs is a top priority in Alabama. Applications for funds to address local workforce development needs are accepted for consideration twice a year. Proposed activities must support preparing individuals to enter employment or advance in high-wage, high-demand occupations and must align with the Workforce Development Councils of Alabama regional strategies and occupational needs. Priority will be given to projects that address specific and immediate training/hiring needs. Only entities under the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) may be recipients of state workforce development funds; non-ACCS training service providers are eligible to receive these funds if partnered with an ACCS entity for fiscal agent services. The deadline is February 6, 2013.

Website: <http://alworkforce.dpe.edu/GrantResources.aspx>

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program: **NEW - National Leadership Grants for Museums**

Description: National Leadership Grants (NLG) for Museums support projects that address current and future needs of the museum field and that have the potential to advance practice in the profession so that museums can

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improve services for the American public. Successful proposals will generate results such as models, new tools, research findings, services, practices, and/or alliances that can be widely used, adapted, scaled, or replicated to extend and leverage the benefits of federal investment.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=94kpQScf5FpYnmQCF5pH4kS2tPTNs5P1F0Vn3lr5GLrXrGKjsnGG!1985272279?oppId=204075&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Museum Grants for African American History and Culture**

Description: Eligible applicants include museums whose primary purpose is African American life, art, history, and/or culture, encompassing: the period of slavery; the era of Reconstruction; the Harlem renaissance; the civil rights movement; and other periods of the African American diaspora. Nonprofit organizations whose primary purpose is to support museums identified above may also apply. Historically Black Colleges or Universities (HBCUs) are also eligible.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=LQjVQSDc2NHcT99kjKLQFFJp2gV1CWfGzpyhxV SXG6YI9ZzGxDyD!1985272279?oppId=205353&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Museums for America**

Description: The goal of the Museums for America (MFA) program is to strengthen the ability of an individual museum to serve the public more effectively by supporting high-priority activities that advance its mission, plans, and strategic goals and objectives. The deadline is January 15, 2013.

Website:

<http://www.imls.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=11>

National Endowment for the Arts

Program: **NEW - Big Read Accepting Grant Applications for Community-Wide Reading Programs**

Description: The Big Read, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, aims to restore reading to the center of American culture. The program provides competitive grants to support innovative reading programs in selected communities. Eligible organizations may apply for grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=B0VCPHZJN2YZZLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=398100036

Program: **NEW -National Endowment for the Arts Invites Creative Placemaking Proposals for Our Town Grant Program**

Description: This grant is for the promotion of the arts in local communities. Creative placemaking animates public and private spaces, rejuvenates structures and streetscapes, improves local business viability and public safety, and brings diverse people together to celebrate, inspire, and be inspired. Communities across our nation are leveraging the arts and engaging design to make their communities more livable with enhanced quality of life, increased creative activity, a distinct sense of place, and vibrant local economies that together capitalize on their existing assets. Grants will range from \$25,000 to \$200,000. The deadline is January 14, 2013.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=bG2tQ38JzYL2cgQXLLvdyVgG8pHVI0xp1x2NbyMtZ19G6pzhQGxM!1776773140?oppId=203833&mode=VIEW>

National Endowment for the Humanities

Program: **NEW - Challenge Grants for Two-Year Colleges**

Description: The National Endowment for the Humanities invites two-year colleges to apply in a special Challenge Grant competition to strengthen their long-term humanities programs and resources.

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Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7CTsQJDctnSqhRXmTy2H2fMQY683Dv6CSBpjW6VJX2ynQFvdQlrL!-1207555576?oppId=204616&mode=VIEW>

Program: **America's Historical and Cultural Organizations**

Description: America's Historical and Cultural Organizations grants provide support for museums, libraries, historic places, and other organizations that produce public programs in the humanities. Grants support the following formats: • exhibitions at museums, libraries, and other venues; • interpretations of historic places, sites, or regions; • book/film discussion programs; living history presentations; other face-to-face programs at libraries, community centers, and other public venues; and • interpretive websites. The deadline is January 9, 2013.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=bDbZQtGhH2T8FFRQ8j3vzYlcJRpfTChFkTyMYtTv6G8vjnydHz7y!1985272279?oppId=203253&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program: **Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program**

Description: Community Food Projects should be designed to meet the food needs of low-income people; increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for their own food needs; and promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues; and/or meet specific state, local, or neighborhood food and agriculture needs for infrastructure improvement and development; planning for long-term solutions; or the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers. The deadline is November 28, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ZzSNQQRGsKvmnwmqT5QHdW4wnTrTV6GpJxBGLhd6qDvpjH5cbJ5D!-1207555576?oppId=204114&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education, and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants Program**

Description: Applications may only be submitted by: (1) public secondary schools, (2) public or private nonprofit junior and community colleges, (3) institutions of higher education, or (4) nonprofit organizations. The deadline is January 18, 2013.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=bDbZQtGhH2T8FFRQ8j3vzYlcJRpfTChFkTyMYtTv6G8vjnydHz7y!1985272279?oppId=203154&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Commerce

Program: **NEW - FY 2013 Coastal Resilience Networks**

Description: Proposals must leverage, enhance, or create a system in which one or more coastal hazard issues can be addressed through partnerships to improve coordination and collaboration throughout the region. Partnerships must include multiple institutions, disciplines, and sectors at the local, state, and federal level. Proposals submitted in response to this announcement should provide beneficial public outcomes for coastal communities to address existing and potential future climate and hazard risks to coastal infrastructure, local economies, vulnerable populations, and the natural environment. The deadline is November 19, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7CTsQJDctnSghRXmTy2H2fMQY683Dv6CSBpjW6VJX2ynQFvdQlrL!-1207555576?oppId=204493&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Justice

Program: **NEW - OVW FY 2013 Court Training and Improvements Program: Domestic Violence Mentor Court Initiative Call for Concept Papers**

Description: The Mentor Court Initiative creates a unique opportunity to recognize well-established specialized courts and enable them to guide other courts and court-based programs that wish to significantly improve their court

responses to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking cases and ensure victim safety and offender accountability.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=LQjVQSDc2NHcT99kjKLQFFJp2gV1CWfGzpyhxVSXG6YI9ZzGxDyD!1985272279?oppId=205373&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of the Interior

Program: **NEW - Conservation Activities by Youth Service Organizations: Ground Work USA**

Description: Promote and stimulate public purposes such as education, job training, development of responsible citizenship, productive community involvement, and further the understanding and appreciation of natural and cultural resources through the involvement of youth and young adults in care and enhancement of public resources. Continue the longstanding efforts of the NPS to provide opportunities for public service, youth employment, minority youth development and training, and participation of young adults in accomplishing conservation-related work.

Website:

<https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&mode=form&tab=core&id=9695259740065a32d95bf04109553837>

U.S. Department of Labor

Program: **Pay for Success Pilot Projects – Workforce Innovation Fund**

Description: The Pay for Success (PFS) model is a new way of financing social services to help governments target limited dollars to achieve a positive, measurable outcome. At a time when all levels of government are facing cutbacks, Pay for Success offers a new approach to invest in services for vulnerable populations that need more – not less – support, while at the same time saving money for the public sector. To support innovative approaches to the design and delivery of employment and training services that generates long-term improvements in the performance of the public workforce system. The deadline is December 11, 2012.

Website:

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U.S. Department of State

Program: **NEW - Study of the U.S. Institutes for Scholars and Secondary Educators**

Description: The Study of the U.S. Branch, Office of Academic Exchange Programs, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), invites proposal submissions for the design and implementation of four different Study of the U.S. Institutes to take place over the course of six weeks beginning in June 2013, pending the availability of funds. These Institutes should provide a multinational group of experienced foreign university educators, scholars, and other professionals with a deeper understanding of U.S. society, culture, values, and institutions.

Website:

<http://exchanges.state.gov/media/pdfs/rfgps/scholar-rfgp-fy-13-final.pdf>

U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs

Program: **NEW - VA Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program**

Description: Under the SSVF program, VA awards grants to private non-profit organizations and consumer cooperatives who can provide supportive services to very low-income Veteran families living in or transitioning to permanent housing.

Website: <http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/SSVF.asp>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Program: **National Smart Growth Conference**

Description: EPA is seeking proposals for organizing a series of national smart growth conferences over a period of five years. Each conference will be a multi-disciplinary event that focuses on diverse smart growth issues and attracts

an audience of developers, builders, local elected officials, key local government staff, transportation professionals, planners, realtors, architects, landscape architects, public health officials, law enforcement/crime prevention professionals, urban designers, lending institutions, parks and recreation professionals, bicycle and pedestrian advocates, advocates for youth and older adults, educators, students, youth leaders, citizen activists, environmental justice advocates and community leaders. The deadline is November 26, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ZzSNQQrGsKvmnwmqT5QHdW4wnTrTV6GpJxBGLhd6qDvpjH5cbJ5D!-1207555576?oppId=204074&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Environmental Justice Small Grants Program**

Description: The Environmental Justice Small Grants (EJSG) Program provides funding for eligible applicants for projects that address local environmental and public health issues within an affected community. The deadline is January 7, 2013.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ZzSNQQrGsKvmnwmqT5QHdW4wnTrTV6GpJxBGLhd6qDvpjH5cbJ5D!-1207555576?oppId=204113&mode=VIEW>

Program: **EPA Regional EE Grants**

Description: EPA's Office of Environmental Education has issued a request for proposals for grant funded projects to increase public awareness and knowledge about environmental issues and provide the skills that participants in its funded projects need to make informed environmental decisions and take responsible actions toward the environment. Apply by November 21, 2012

Website:

<http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=104623.0.0.37934>

Program: **Brownfields Area-Wide Planning Grant**

Description: This notice announces the availability of EPA grant funds for projects from eligible entities to facilitate community involvement and conduct research, training and technical assistance necessary to develop area-wide plans and implementation strategies to facilitate brownfields assessment, cleanup, and subsequent reuse. The deadline is Nov 30, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=nz5JQtd9flsIS2pf6dK3qQpdQp8sRT34Qp1QSyx2z7f3yGWRGTn!1985272279?oppId=202753&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Small Business Administration

Program: **NEW - Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities Program**

Description: The purpose of this Program Announcement is to invite proposals for funding from Public or Private Institutions interested in obtaining administrative funding to further build their capacity to market and promote their existing EBV Program to post 9/11 service-disabled veterans and to expand their existing Consortium of world-class, 4-year Colleges and Universities that offer entrepreneurship training to service-disabled veterans from the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7CTsQJDctnSqhRXmTy2H2fMQY683Dv6CSBpjW6VJX2ynQFvdQlrL!-1207555576?oppId=204474&mode=VIEW>

Section IV PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: **NEW - Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries Accepting School Library Grant Applications**

Description: The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries, a component fund of the Community Foundation for the National Capital Region in

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Washington, D.C., seeks to provide books and reading materials to the school libraries and students that most need them. The foundation provides grants of up to \$5,000 to help school libraries expand, update, and diversify their book collections. In the last funding cycle, the foundation made grants totaling more than \$1.1 million to two hundred and thirty-eight schools.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=B0VCPHZJN2YZZLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=398000053

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS/ FINANCIAL AID

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Invites Applications for New Careers in Nursing Program

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation New Careers in Nursing initiative is designed to help alleviate the nursing shortage in the United States and increase the diversity of nursing professionals. Through grants to schools of nursing, the program will provide scholarships to college graduates without nursing degrees who are enrolled in accelerated baccalaureate and master's nursing programs.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=B0VCPHZJN2YZZLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=398100037

Knowles Science Teaching Fellowship

KSTF Science and Mathematics Teaching Fellows are chosen from among individuals who have earned or are in the process of earning a degree in a discipline related to the science or math subject(s) they intend to teach. Fellowships are intended for individuals committed to teaching high school mathematics, physical sciences or biological sciences.

Website: <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/262>

Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs

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

HBCU Scholarship Directory

Website: <http://hbcuconnect.com/scholarships/>

Scholarship Experts Website: <http://scholarshipexperts.com>

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

WyzAnt College Scholarship

The WyzAnt College Scholarship is available to students who plan to be enrolled in a four - year college or university sometime between August 1, 2013 and November 1, 2015. To be considered, you must submit a 300 - word essay about how you will use your education to make an impact on others. Finalist selection will be based on votes from your email...

Posted: 10/30/2012 | Dollar Amount: \$10,000

SmarterBucks \$1000 Giveaway

SmarterBucks is a revolutionary rewards program that helps pay down your student loans for free. Created by the folks at SimpleTuition, this rewards program lets you earn rewards on the money you're already spending. Then those rewards become extra payments on any student loan, getting you out of debt faster and for less. Sign up today and you'll ...

Posted: 10/30/2012 | Dollar Amount: \$1,000

Animal Welfare Awareness Scholarship

Every year, over 3 million animals in shelters are put-down because they don't get adopted in time. Most are never even considered: shelters cannot afford the advertising and high quality photos needed to get their beautiful animals in front of people looking to adopt. That's why DoSomething.org created Pics for Pets, a Facebook App and that allows...

Posted: 10/30/2012 | Dollar Amount: \$10,000

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

AVAILABLE TO START APPLYING ON NOVEMBER 1 2012 Through its Education and Leadership Development Program, the Jackie Robinson Foundation provides scholarships of up to \$24,000/four years to minority high school students showing leadership potential and demonstrating financial need to attend an accredited 4-year college or university of their choice....

Posted: 10/31/2012 | Dollar Amount: \$24,000

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

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

Scholarships through Joyner Foundation

- Hercules Scholars – targeted to support outstanding young men with a strong academic and community service background;
- First Generation College Students Scholarship – through this program, the first in a family to attend college would realize that goal through corporate support;
- Scholar of Honor – funded from the Tom Joyner Foundation to support veterans who had served in the Gulf War; and

- Single Parent Scholarship Support – made possible over the years by partnerships with three corporations.

Website:

<http://tomjoynerfoundation.org/about-us/history-tom-joyner-foundation/>

Section V RESOURCES

Alabama Advantage

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

Alabama Job Link- your no fee source for posting and finding jobs in Alabama. Whether you're looking for the right job or the right employee, Alabama JobLink is for you!

Website: <https://joblink.alabama.gov/ada/>

Website: <http://jobs.monster.com/l-alabama.aspx>

Website: <http://www.job.com/my.job/btsup/us=6049/?param2=Alabama>

The Alabama Department of Revenue administers several tax incentives available for existing industries, expanding industries, and new industries locating in Alabama. Tax incentives are created and administered under the Alabama Constitution of 1901 and the Code of Alabama 1975. The statutory basis for Alabama tax incentives gives industry a stable framework for long term investment.

Website: <http://www.ador.state.al.us/Taxincentives/index.html>

The **“Yellow Dot”** program is a free service provided to individuals of all ages, with an emphasis on senior citizens. The “Yellow Dot” program is the first program of its kind in the state of Alabama. It is designed to assist Alabama citizens and first responders in the event of an automobile crash or other medical emergency involving the participant’s vehicle. The program can help save lives during the critical “golden hour” by improving communication at a time when accident victims may be unable to communicate for themselves.

Website: <http://adeca.alabama.gov/Divisions/lets/TrafficSafety/Pages/YellowDot.aspx>

Connecting Kids to Conservation

Website: <http://kidstoconservation.org/planning/connectingwithyouth.htm>

Guide to Rural Development Funding - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) this month announced the publication of a guide outlining programs the federal government has available to support rural communities as they promote economic development and enhance the quality of life for rural residents.

Website: <http://fundbook.org/new-guide-to-rural-development-funding/>

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/>

Community Action Agencies of Alabama

Website:

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

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Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments

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

Autauga Area Community Foundation

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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
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Black Belt Community Foundation
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Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama
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Website: www.cfogd.org

The Community Foundation of Huntsville
659 Gallatin Street
Huntsville, AL 35801
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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
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Shelby County Community Health Foundation
Shelby Baptist Medical Center
1000 First Street N.
Alabaster, AL 35007
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