



Guide to Grants

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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

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

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Statement by Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell In Observance of Veterans Day

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement in recognition of Veterans Day. The holiday will be observed on Sunday, November 11:

“On this Veterans Day, we pause to honor the devotion and sacrifice of all of our veterans who have served here at home and have traveled to distant battle fields around the world to protect our freedoms. We are greatly indebted to these brave service men and women who have answered the call to protect this great nation.

We must also take a moment to recognize our more than 2 million troops and reservists who currently serve in our armed forces. They continue to remain in our thoughts and prayers as they risk their lives for our safety and security here at home.

Now more than ever, we must renew our commitment to keep the promise of providing the support and aid to our 23 million veterans and their families, including 43,540 here in the 7th Congressional District. We must not forget our moral obligation to our veterans to keep the door of opportunity open for them, especially as they return from the Middle East. Our soldiers deserve opportunities for higher education, access to quality affordable healthcare, good paying jobs and assistance as they transition to civilian life. We will keep fighting to ensure our men and women in uniform get the care they deserve and the benefits they have earned.

As many of us gather with our families and loved ones on this Veterans Day weekend, let us pay special tribute and salute our men and women who have defended our democracy and protected our precious gift of freedom.”

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October 11, 2012

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

- **November 8, 2012** - Alabama Dance Council, Inc. located in Birmingham, AL is awarded \$10,000 through NEA for support of the 2013 Alabama Dance Festival.
- **November 8, 2012** - Alabama Symphonic Association, Inc. located in Birmingham, AL is awarded \$20,000 to support Sound Investment, a residency and commissioning project.
- **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.

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Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

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

Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

Corporation for National and Community Service

Program: **NEW – AmeriCorps State and National (AmeriCorps) Program**

Description: The mission of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic participation through service and volunteering. This will focus grant making for fiscal year 2013 in six focus areas identified by the Serve America Act (SAA): Disaster Services; Economic Opportunity; Education; Environmental Stewardship; Healthy Futures; and Veterans and Military Families. The deadline is January 23, 2012.

Website:

http://www.americorps.gov/for_organizations/funding/nofa_detail.asp?tbl_nofa_id=98

Institute of Museum and Library Services

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 history. Nonprofit organizations and Historically Black Colleges or Universities (HBCUs) are also eligible.

Website:

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<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=LQjVQSDc2NHcT99kjKLQFFJp2gV1CWfGzpyhxVSXG6YI9ZzGxDyD!1985272279?oppId=205353&mode=VIEW>

National Endowment for the Arts

Program: **NEW - Big Read Accepting Grant Applications**

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 - Our Town Grant Program**

Description: This grant is for the promotion of the arts in local communities. Creative place making 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. 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. The deadline is 2/20/2013.

Website:

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

Program: **Support for Museums: 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>

National Science Foundation

Program: **NEW - Historically Black Colleges and Universities - Undergraduate Program**

Description: HBCU-UP provides awards to develop, implement, and study evidence-based innovative models and approaches for improving the preparation and success of HBCU undergraduate students so that they may pursue STEM graduate programs and/or careers. The deadline is 2/11/2013.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=5TqhQcLNGKF3G0YxCCG8vGSqTn2PF3y7Ws428vBRRJqbLM2fVM5J!708024679?oppId=206055&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) Program Grant Solicitation**

Description: The National Science Foundation is pleased to announce the release of its new Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) Program Solicitation (12-560) in the Directorate of Education & Human Resources, Division of Research on Learning in Formal & Informal settings. Depending on the project type, projects may be funded for up to \$250,000 over two years or up to \$2.5 million over up to five years. The deadline is 1/14/2013.

Website:

<http://www.servicelearning.org/news-notice/funding-opportunity/advancing-informal-stem-learning-aisl-program-grant-solicitation>

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program: **NEW - Technical Assistance Training Grant**

Description: Funds may be used to pay expenses associated with providing technical assistance and/or training (TAT) to identify and evaluate solutions to water problems relating to source, storage, treatment, and distribution, and to waste disposal problems relating to collection, treatment, and disposal; assist applicants that have filed a preapplication with RUS in the preparation of water and/or waste disposal loan and/or grant applications; and to provide training that will improve the management, operation and maintenance of water and waste disposal facilities.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=hNMMQcqsTISwQGFKwnGhpyNnSMSNyGHy8YPT5NyptDGJ26ppT9N!708024679?oppId=206073&mode=VIEW>

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>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Program: **NEW - Tuberculosis Research Units (U19)**

Description: The purpose of this FOA is to support the establishment of two to three multinational, multidisciplinary Tuberculosis Research Units (TBRUs) that will operate as a collaborative network to study tuberculosis latency and persistence and their relation to active TB disease, in humans and animal models.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=hNMMQcqpSTISwQGFKwnGhpyNnSMSNyGHy8YPT5NyptDGJ26ppT9N!708024679?oppId=205873&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of the Interior

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

Description: NPS will select up to 10 communities for further evaluation from the letters of interest received that are due December 14, 2012. 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>

<http://groundworkusa.org/trusts/developing-a-groundwork-trust-in-your-community/>

U.S. Department of Labor

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

Description: 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:

http://www.doleta.gov/grants/pdf/pfs_sga_dfa_py_11_13.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 that can provide supportive services to very low-income Veteran families living in or transitioning to permanent housing. Grantees provide eligible Veteran families with outreach, case management, and assistance in obtaining VA and other benefits, which may include: healthcare services, child care services, housing counseling services, legal services, etc. The deadline is February 1, 2013.

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: **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.

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<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 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=7CTsQJDctnSghRXmTy2H2fMQY683Dv6CSBpjW6VJX2ynQFvdQlrL!-1207555576?oppId=204474&mode=VIEW>

Section IV PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

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

Description: The Home Depot Foundation is accepting applications for its Community Impact Grants Program from nonprofit 501(c) (3) organizations, public schools, and public service agencies in the United States that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Given the realities of the current housing market, the foundation is prioritizing projects designed to help military veterans stay in their homes comfortably. More competitive grant proposals will specifically identify projects for veterans and will include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=2YDXPD015WY2DLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=398800013

Program: **NEW - General Mills Foundation Accepting Applications for Champions for Healthy Kids**

Description: The General Mills Foundation, in partnership with the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation and the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, is inviting nonprofit organizations in the United States working to improve youth nutrition and physical fitness behaviors to apply for the Champions for Healthy Kids program. The program will award fifty grants of \$10,000 to community-based groups such as health departments, government agencies, schools, and Native American Tribes that develop creative ways to help youth adopt a balanced diet and physically active lifestyle.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=2YDXPD015WY2DLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=398600045

Program: **NEW - Grants for Sustainable Fisheries Available From National Fish and Wildlife Foundation**

Description: The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation have announced the third round of grants available from its Fisheries Innovation Fund. The fund fosters the design and implementation of new and inventive approaches to ensure sustainable fisheries in the United States. The fund is made possible through a partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and additional support from the Walton Family Foundation and the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=2YDXPD015WY2DLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=398600042

Program: **[NEW - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Invites Applications for New Careers in Nursing Program](#)**

Description: 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=2YDXPD015WY2DLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=398100037

Program: **[NEW - Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries Accepting School Library Grant Apps](#)**

Description: 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

[Environmental Grants in Alabama](#)

[BoatUS. Foundation Grant](#)

The BoatUS. Foundation awards nonprofit organizations up to \$10,000 for the promotion of safe and clean boating education. Past topics have ranged from public service announcements on the effects of boating under the influence to hands-on education about the effects of marine debris. Apply by December 17, 2012.

Alibris Collection Award

The Alibris Collection Award is an annual grant of books to an academic, public, special, or K-12 library supporting specific collection development projects that advance the mission, priority areas, and goals of the selected library. Apply by December 1, 2012

SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund

The SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund provides grants in support of wildlife conservation projects - including conservation education. Grants generally range from \$5,000 to \$25,000. Apply by December 1, 2012.

Walmart Store and Sam's Club Giving Programs

The Walmart Foundation supports charitable organizations that are important to its customers and associates in their neighborhoods. Its Walmart Store and Sam's Club Giving Programs recommend grants beginning at \$250 to local charitable organizations. Apply by December 1, 2012.

Starbucks Shared Planet Youth Action Grants

The Starbucks Foundation's Youth Leadership Grant Program supports organizations that provide young people ages 6-24 a continuum of services in developing creative approaches to address pressing concerns in their communities. Grants range from \$10,000-\$30,000. The Letters of inquiry are due December 1, 2012.

Website: <http://eeinalabama.org/CORE/ITEM/TOPIC.ASPX?S=0.0.115.37934&TID=85010>

Current Funding Opportunities from the National Service-Learning Clearinghouse:

Spreading Smiles Service-Learning Photo Contest

Deadline: Mon, 12/03/2012

Are you a K-12 classroom that is participating in a service-learning project and could use funds to complete your project? Capture a photo of your classroom participating in their project and submit a completed entry form online at www.inter-state.com/

DoSomething.org Foot Locker Scholar Athletes Program

Deadline: Wed, 12/19/2012

The Foot Locker Scholar Athletes program honors athletes for demonstrating excellence in school, on their sports team, and in their communities. DoSomething.org and Foot Locker have partnered up to give out twenty \$20,000 scholarships to athletes.

Captain Planet Foundation Grants

The Captain Planet Foundation primarily makes grants to U.S.-based schools and organizations with an annual operating budget of less than \$3 million. Grants are made for activities that promote and support high-quality educational programs that enable...

Do Something Seed Grants

Are you working to start a community action project or program with your friends? Do you need money to put your ideas into action? A \$500 Do Something Seed Grant is given out every week to help young people just like YOU!

The Do Something Awards

Since 1996, DoSomething.org has honored the nation's best young world-changers, 25 and under. Do Something Award nominees and winners represent the pivotal "do-ers" in their field, cause, or issue.

Project Ignition Grants

Deadline: Thu, 11/15/2012

The National Youth Leadership Council and State Farm announce the availability of \$2,000 Project Ignition grants for public high school students and teachers to address teen driver safety through service-learning.

Website: <http://www.servicelearning.org/funding-opportunities>

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS/ FINANCIAL AID

EPA Fellowships for Undergraduate Environmental Study

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is offering undergraduate fellowships for bachelor level students in environmental fields of study. Subject to availability of funding and other considerations, the Agency plans to award approximately 40 new fellowships in the summer of 2013. Apply by December 5, 2012

Website: <http://eeinalabama.org/CORE/ITEM/TOPIC.ASPX?S=0.0.115.37934&TID=85010>

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/>

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

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

Section V RESOURCES

Presidential Proclamation for Veterans Day 2012

Website: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2012/11/07/presidential-proclamation-veterans-day-2012>

Celebrating Veterans Day 2012

Celebrated on November 11 every year, Veterans Day honors men and women who have served in the U.S. armed forces. The date marks the anniversary of the end of World War I -- which ended on the 11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th month of 1918.

Here are some more facts behind the holiday.

By the numbers

21.5 million: The number of military veterans in the United States in 2011.

1.6 million: The number of female veterans in 2011.

2.3 million: The number of black veterans in 2011.

Additionally, 1.2 million veterans were Hispanic; 264,695 Asian; 153,223 American Indian or Alaska Native; 27,469 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; and 17.2 million non-Hispanic white.

9.2 million: The number of veterans 65 and older in 2011. At the other end of the age spectrum, 1.8 million were younger than 35.

7.5 million: Number of Vietnam-era veterans living in 2011: 5.1 million served during the Gulf War eras (representing service from August 2, 1990, to present); 1.8 million in World War II (1941-1945); 2.4 million in the Korean War (1950-1953); and 5.4 million in peacetime only.

51,079: Number of living veterans in 2011 who served during the Vietnam era and both Gulf War eras and no other period.

Other living veterans in 2011 who served during three wars:

-- 43,942 served during World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam era.

Living veterans in 2011 who served during two wars and no other period:

-- 876,663 served during both Gulf War eras.

-- 205,205 served during both the Korean War and the Vietnam era.

-- 129,972 served during both World War II and the Korean War.

End Veteran Homelessness by 2015

Veteran homelessness is a problem of national importance. According to a count on a January night in 2011, there were 67,495 homeless Veterans. And an estimated 144,842 Veterans spent at least one night in an emergency shelter or transitional housing program in a recent year. Help VA spread the word about our mission to end Veteran homelessness by 2015. Download brochures, posters and other materials to distribute in your VA facility or through community organizations.

Website: http://www.va.gov/homeless/resource_center.asp

1-877-4AID-VET: Your 24/7 Hotline

The National Call Center for Homeless Veterans hotline offers Veterans who are homeless or at risk for homelessness 24/7 access to trained counselors. The hotline offers information and assistance to Veterans and their families; VA Medical Centers; federal, state, and local partners; and community-based agencies, service providers, and others who work with or simply want to support our nation's Veterans.

Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents and Survivors Booklet - 2012 Online Edition

Website: http://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp

Alabama Veteran Benefits

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

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>

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>

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
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South Central Alabama Development Commission
5900 Carmichael Place
Montgomery, Alabama 36117
Phone: 334.244.6903
Fax: 334.270.0038
Executive Director: Tyson Howard
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Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission
107 Broad Street
Camden, Alabama 36726
Phone: 334.682.4234
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Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs
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Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
P.O. Box 1406
Dothan, Alabama 36302
Phone: 334.794.4093
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Executive Director: Thomas B. Solomon
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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
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North-Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments
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Decatur, Alabama 35601
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Fax: 256.351.1380
Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews
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Huntsville, Alabama 35805-5912
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Fax: 256.830.0843
Executive Director: Robert B. Culver
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COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

Autauga Area Community Foundation
c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.
434 N. McDonough Street
Montgomery, AL 36104
Phone: 334-264-6223
Contact: Carol W. Butler, President
Website: www.aacinfo.org

The Community Foundation of Baldwin County
c/o The Community Foundation of South Alabama
P.O. Box 990
Mobile, AL 36601
Phone: 251-438-5591
Contact: Linnette Clausman
Website: www.communityendowment.com

Black Belt Community Foundation
609 Lauderdale Street
Selma, AL 36701-4555
Phone: 334-874-1126 Fax: 334-874-1131
Contact: Felecia L. Jones, Executive Director
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
For general information: info@yourcommunityfirst.org
Website: <http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org/>

Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.
434 N. McDonough Street
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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
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Contact: Carol W. Butler, President
Website: 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
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For general information: 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

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

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Contact: Linnette Clausman, Finance Officer
Website: <http://www.communityendowment.com>

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Dothan, AL 36302-1422
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Contact: Millie Armstrong, Program Director
Website: www.sacinfo.org

Community Foundation of West Alabama
P.O. Box 3033
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403
Telephone: 205-366-0698, Fax 205-366-0813
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Website: <http://thecfwa.org/>

Walker Area Community Foundation
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