



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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March 29, 2012

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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March 27, 2012

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

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

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

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

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

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

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March 23, 2012

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

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

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

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

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

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

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March 23, 2012

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

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

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

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

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

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March 7, 2012

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

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

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

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

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

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

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March 6, 2012

Sewell Statement on the Passing of Congressman Donald Payne

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement on the passing of Congressman Donald Payne:

“I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of a great mentor, colleague, legislator and friend, Congressman Donald Payne. Congressman Payne was a gentle giant in the House and his unparalleled leadership inspired all of us to seek a higher level of global consciousness. He was passionately committed to advancing human rights and equality at home and abroad. Congressman Payne’s legacy of strengthening international relations and restoring hope and democracy in Africa and across the world will live on forever. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends and constituents during this difficult time. He will be greatly missed.”

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Recent Grant Awards

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

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Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

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

Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

U.S. Department of Agriculture

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

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

Website: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pXsfPrcS1kvLj072yNg29TJLP4lGDhkCsyHpnJCYLj0zIJB65vQr!-916096435?oppId=157274&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Rural Youth Development**

Description: The Girl Scouts of the United States of America (GSUSA), the National 4-H Council (4-H), the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), and the National FFA Organization (FFA) are eligible to apply for this rural youth development grant. The deadline is May 21, 2012.

Website: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pXsfPrcS1kvLj072yNg29TJLP4lGDhkCsyHpnJCYLj0zIJB65vQr!-916096435?oppId=157173&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Commerce

Program: **NEW - FY 2012 Disaster Relief Opportunity**

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

Website:

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

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

Description: The Rural Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge offers a combination of \$15 million in funding from 4 agencies, including the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the Delta Regional Authority. Funding will be awarded in approximately 20 regions through a competitive inter-agency grant process. This opportunity will support customized solutions targeted to address the gaps and opportunities specific for individual regions by strengthening linkages to self-identified, high-potential industry clusters such as renewable energy, natural resources, food production, rural

tourism, and advanced manufacturing. The deadline is May 9, 2012.

Websites:

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

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

Program: **NEW - Deadline to Apply for Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay Extended**

Description: The deadline for eligible service members, veterans and their beneficiaries to apply for Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay (RSLSP) has been extended to Oct. 21, 2012, providing those eligible more time to apply for the pay under the program guidelines. RSLSP was established to compensate for the hardships military members encountered when their service was involuntarily extended under Stop Loss authority between Sept. 11, 2001, and Sept. 30, 2009.

Website:

<http://www.defense.gov/releases/release.aspx?releaseid=15132>

U.S. Department of Education

Program: **NEW - Training for Real-time Writers Program**

Description: The objective of this program is to provide grants to institutions of higher education (IHEs) that meet certain qualifications, to promote training and placement of individuals, including individuals who have completed a court reporting training program, as real-time writers in order to meet the requirements for closed captioning of video programming set forth in section 713 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 613).

Website:<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsyp1yngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=158133&mode=VIEW>

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

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

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=YDPzP0fC2t8Q905xvwnPcP25WWFDv2QWB0XYgr4V5wt6hs11mpc0!-213555334?oppId=158993&mode=VIEW>

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

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

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=YDPzP0fC2t8Q905xvwnPcP25WWFDv2QWB0XYgr4V5wt6hs11mpc0!-213555334?oppId=159033&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

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

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

Website:

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

Program: **NEW - Advanced Nursing Education Program**

Description: This announcement solicits applications for the Advanced Nursing Education (ANE) program from eligible entities that provide advanced nursing education specialty programs that educate registered nurses to become nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, nurse educators, nurse administrators, public health nurses and other advanced nurse specialists. The deadline is May 18, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsypl yngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=158593&mode=VIEW>

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

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

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=27RvPrYYnQLLH1FWGbyyhFK8pz hXC48N13SrITDjlKFsT121N6f8!-16379161?oppId=156673&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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

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

Website:

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

Program: **NEW - Community Assistance Program - State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE)**

Description: The purpose is to provide, through a State grant mechanism, a means to ensure that communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) are achieving the flood loss reduction objectives of the NFIP. CAP-SSSE is intended to accomplish this by funding States to provide technical assistance to NFIP communities and to evaluate community performance in implementing NFIP floodplain management activities with the goal of building community and State floodplain management expertise and capability. The deadline is June 1, 2012.

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

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

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=49n7PF6Wn6C4LyyDjdQ3rk01TxxSzZTpLlk2YH1KLwccy2Tn2Dv5!-335065855?oppId=144983&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of the Interior

Program: **Youth Environmental Outdoor Education and Camps**

Description: This BLM youth-oriented project will focus on youth from early childhood through young adulthood to build upon the spark of childhood wonder about the natural world, sustain interest through hands-on education and volunteer experiences during the school-age years, and develop long-term engagement and stewardship, as well as develop an interest in natural resource careers.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pXsfPrcS1kvLj072yNg29TJLP4IGDhkCsyHpnJCYLj0zljJB65vQr!-916096435?oppId=157773&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Section 10 Hunter Education**

Description: Hunter-development programs introduce individuals to and recruit them to take part in hunting, bow hunting, target shooting, or archery. 2. Enhance interstate coordination of hunter-education and firearm- and archery- range programs. 3. Enhance programs for education, safety, or development of bow hunters and archers. 4. Enhance construction and development of firearm and archery ranges. 5. Update safety features of firearm and archery ranges.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=27RvPrYYnQLLH1FWGbyyhFK8pz_hXC48N13SrlTDjlKFsT121N6f8!-16379161?oppId=155553&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Justice

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

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

Website:

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

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

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

Website:

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

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

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

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsypl yngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=159813&mode=VIEW>

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

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

Website:

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

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

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

Website:

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

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

Description: OJJDP supports wide-ranging mentoring initiatives to reduce juvenile delinquency, gang involvement, academic failure, victimization, and school dropout rates. While mentoring is traditionally a volunteer-based service, a need exists for staff and resources to support the efforts of each mentoring program. Developing and maintaining mentoring partnerships and collaboratives can build capacity and increase the power of mentoring to benefit more young people. Local mentoring partnerships and collaboratives can bring together public and private sector leadership, eliminate duplication of efforts, fill service gaps, and offer centralized services. The successful award recipient will fund a coordinator position to support a local continuum of mentoring services for targeted youth. The deadline is May 14, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Y2LcP0xJHpMZDY0XRTDL2bsF11nJKmwqHmzLLdSsyp1yngMkZHWT!-213555334?oppId=159193&mode=VIEW>

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

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

Website:

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

Program: **OVW Fiscal Year 2012 Sexual Assault Services Culturally Specific Grant Program**

Description: The SASP Culturally Specific Grant Program serves to create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services provided by culturally specific organizations. The deadline is April 16, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ZNH9PYSJcFgQm1SBGHLVHxR5hKJMLXyx1psSBGb1thxG9HrNvFMr!-213555334?oppId=150253&mode=VIEW>

Program: **OJJDP FY 2012 Family Drug Court Programs**

Description: The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) will award funding to enhance the capacity of family drug courts. The deadline is April 23, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ZNH9PYSJcFgQm1SBGHLVHxR5hKJMLXyx1psSBGb1thxG9HrNvFMr!-213555334?oppId=150133&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Serving Young Adult Ex-Offenders through Training and Service-Learning - SGA-DFA-PY-11-03**

Description: The Workforce Investment Act for Reintegration of Ex-Offenders (RExO) Training and Service-Learning grants serve young adult offenders ages 18 through 21 who have been involved in the juvenile justice system from the age of 14 or above and have never been convicted as an adult under Federal or State law. The deadline is April 17, 2012.

Website:

http://www.doleta.gov/grants/pdf/training_and_service_learning_sga.pdf

U.S. Department of Labor

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

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

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

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

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

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

Program: **Indian and Native American Employment and Training Programs; Solicitation for Grant Applications and Announcement of Competition Waivers for Program Years 2012 and 2013 - SGA-DFA-PY-11-07**

Description: The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (the Department or DOL), announces the availability of \$47,561,938 in adult funding and \$12,365,295 in Supplemental Youth program funding to grantees designated to provide employment and training services to Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians under section 166 of the Workforce

Investment Act (WIA) for Program Year (PY) 2012 (July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013). The deadline is April 18, 2012.

Website: http://doleta.gov/grants/pdf/dinap_sga_dfa_py_11_07.pdf

Program: **Senior Community Service Employment Program National Grants for Program Year (PY) 2012**

Description: The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL, or the Department) announces a grant competition for national grantees funded under the Community Service Employment for Older Americans program, authorized under title V of the Older Americans Act (OAA) as amended in 2006, Pub. L. No. 109-365. This program is commonly referred to as the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). The deadline is May 10, 2012.

Website:
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Zzb9PhYRvYmXF9G5P5qCC5F7Ft1J8bmnYyMt9n8G7LR9j7Y5p2pL!712472910?oppId=150653&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW-Youth Build Grants**

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

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

U.S. Department of Transportation

Program: **2013 PHMSA HMIT**

Description: The HMIT Grants Program is open to non-profit hazardous materials employee organizations demonstrating: (1) expertise in conducting a training program for hazmat employees, and (2) the ability to reach a target population of hazmat employees. The deadline is May 1, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=GGnvPhRB2MG2JhhkM8FqsLrSRvPKG1TVgHQzBmlf8n1wDNL4DJtD!712472910?oppId=152393&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Small Business Administration

Program: **Over \$3 Million in SBA Disaster Loans Approved in Alabama; SBA Urges Return of Applications Before April 2 Deadline**

Description: The U. S. Small Business Administration has approved more than \$3 million in Disaster Assistance Loans for residents and business owners in Alabama affected by the severe storms, tornadoes, winds and flooding that occurred from Jan. 22-23, 2012. The deadline to apply for physical damage is **April 2**. “Currently, **47** home and business disaster loans have been approved in the amount of **\$3,275,400** for affected survivors,” said Frank Skaggs, director of SBA’s Field Operations Center East in Atlanta. “We are pleased to be able to get these loans approved so residents and businesses in the disaster area can start to rebuild and resume their normal lives. With the April 2 deadline approaching, I encourage anyone who has not completed their disaster loan application to do so and return it as quickly as possible.”

Website: To be considered for all forms of disaster assistance, those affected by the disaster should first call FEMA at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or 800-462-7585 (TTY) for the deaf and hard-of-hearing or register online at www.disasterassistance.gov. The deadline to return SBA applications for physical property damage is April 2, 2012. The deadline to return applications for economic injury is November 1, 2012.

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE &

Program: **NEW - Gateway to College National Network Offers Funding for College/K-12 Partnerships to Serve Out-Of-School Youth**

Description: The Gateway to College National Network has funds available for partnerships between colleges and K-12 school districts to implement the Gateway to College dropout recovery program. Gateway to College is a nationally recognized dual credit program that serves youth who have dropped out of school or are significantly behind in credits and unlikely to graduate. The deadline is April 30, 2012.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=374100051

Program: **NEW - American Association of Equine Practitioners Foundation Accepting Funding Requests for Horse Health and Welfare Programs**

Description: The American Association of Equine Practitioners Foundation, the charitable arm of the American Association of Equine Practitioners, is accepting funding requests from nonprofit organizations and individuals that share its mission to support research, education, benevolence, and the equine community.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=BO452DI0XGJ35LAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=375400032

Program: **Keystone Initiatives – National Fish & Wildlife Foundation**

Description: Keystone Initiatives are a core portfolio of multi-year initiatives through which the Foundation and its partners seek to find the best conservation investments, fund the best solutions, and deliver measurable results for wildlife. The four current keystones are: Bird Conservation; Fish Conservation; Marine and Coastal; and Wildlife and Habitat. Each keystone area contains specific

initiatives with their own goals and desired outcomes. The deadline is June 1, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.nfwf.org/Content/NavigationMenu/GrantPrograms/ProgramsOverview/Keystones/default.htm>

Program: **AT&T Aspire Local High School Impact Initiative Offers Funding for Student Retention Programs**

Description: AT&T Aspire, a \$100 million philanthropic program created by AT&T to help strengthen student success and workforce readiness, is offering funding through the Local High School Impact Initiative to high school success and college and career readiness programs that are helping to reduce dropout rates in their communities.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=UJOVE3TTYCRGXLAQB.Q4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=374600050

Program: **State Farm Youth Advisory Board Grant Program**

Description: The Youth Advisory Board Grant Program funds student-led, service-learning projects throughout the U.S. and Canada. Specific areas of interest include natural and societal disasters, driver safety, environmental responsibility, accessing higher education/closing the achievement gap, and financial literacy. Educators who currently teach in a public K-12, charter or higher education institution are eligible to apply. The deadline is May 4, 2012.

Website: <http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=84418.0.0.37934>

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / LOANS/ INTERNSHIPS

Emerging Leaders Internship Program

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

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

John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act

The John R. Justice (JRJ) Grant Program provides loan repayment assistance for local, state, and federal public defenders and local and state prosecutors who commit to continued employment as public defenders and prosecutors for at least three years.

Website: <https://www.bja.gov/Funding/12JRJGuidance.pdf>

Scholarship Websites:

Alabama Scholarships

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

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

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

Fast Web

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

Merit Aid

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

Student Aid Programs

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

Scholarship Experts

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

200 Free Scholarships For Minorities

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

G. I. Dependents' Scholarship Program

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

College Scholarships.org

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

Harvard University is offering free tuition to families of honor students if their income is less than \$125,000 per year. Visit www.fao.fas.harvard.edu or call 617.495.1581

Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs

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

Alabama Student Grant Program (ASGP)

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

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

CBC Spouses Education Scholarship

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

Deadline: May 31, 2012

CBC Spouses Cheerios Brand Health Initiative Scholarship

This scholarship program focusing on health was established in 1998 as the CBC partnered with the naming sponsor, General Mills, to increase the number of minority students pursuing degrees in the fields of medicine, engineering, technology, nutrition and other health-related professions. Since the inception of the program, General Mills has invested more than \$1,000,000 to underwrite this initiative. The CBC Spouses Cheerios Brand Health Initiative Scholarship has served hundreds of students over the years, and has helped to create leaders in the medical and health related fields.

Deadline: May 31, 2012

CBC Spouses Heineken USA Performing Arts Scholarship

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

Deadline: May 3, 2012

CBC Spouses Visual Arts Scholarship

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

Deadline: May 3, 2012

Section V RESOURCES

Take a Tour of the New Bureau of Justice Assistance Website

Website: <https://www.bja.gov/About/bjatour/index.html>

2011–2012 Medal of Valor Nomination Period

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

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

Dun & Bradstreet (D-U-N-S®) Number

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

About PoliceGrantsHelp.com

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

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

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

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library - Books for Children

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

Community Action Agencies of Alabama

Website:

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

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

Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund

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

AlabamaSAVESEnergy Revolving Loan Fund

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

Website:

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

www.AlabamaSAVES.com

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Anniston, Alabama 36202

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COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

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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
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Contact: Felecia L. Jones, Executive Director
Website: <http://blackbeltfound.org/>

The Greater Brewton Foundation
P.O. Box 87
Brewton, AL 36427
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The Community Foundation of Huntsville
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Limestone Area Community Foundation, Inc.
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Shelby Baptist Medical Center
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