



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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Recent News

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell in Opposition to S. 627, “The Short-Term Default Act”

July 29, 2011

Washington, D.C. –Today, Congresswoman Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement after voting against S. 627, “The Short-Term Default Act,” introduced by Republican lawmakers:

“Today, I voted responsibly against “The Short-Term Default Act.” This bill would push our country even closer to default by providing an irresponsible short-term approach that would put our economy at risk, ensure another debt ceiling standoff in a few months and does not give families, businesses and the markets certainty that they need in this difficult time. Our constituents sent us here to help solve America’s problems not to create more of them. The constituents of the 7th Congressional District of Alabama sent me here to help make their lives better not to create fear and instability. America’s debts are bills that we have already incurred, and regardless of who incurred them, we are responsible for paying them.

The bill I voted against today does not offer a balanced approach. It makes trillions in spending cuts only at the expense of seniors, children and families. Big oil and our nation’s wealthiest Americans don’t have to make any sacrifices under this bill. The bill is a short term deal not a long term solution to this nation’s default crisis. This bill will cause our nation’s credit rating to be lowered and could cause us to go into another recession. A downgrade in America’s credit means that interest rates will increase on consumer loans and home mortgages. Credit card rates and auto finance rates will go up for already struggling American families. Additionally, American businesses will face increased hardships at a time when they desperately need stability to sustain themselves and grow.

There is less than a week left before we default on our national obligations, and I am disappointed that some of my colleagues are putting politics before our economy, and holding the financial stability and fiscal future of this nation hostage. In order to bring stability and certainty to our economy and avoid catastrophic consequences, we must come together on a long-term agreement so we can reduce our deficit, protect hard-working middle class families, children and seniors, and ensure we pay our nation’s bills. Time is of the essence. America deserves much better. The faith and credit of the United States is at stake. Our nation’s aura has been diminished already by our inaction.

I look forward to supporting a comprehensive measure that minimizes our debt, balances the federal budget and creates jobs.”

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Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell about Mercedes-Benz's Announcement to Strengthen Manufacturing in Alabama

July 20, 2011

Washington, DC- Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell released the following statement about Mercedes-Benz's announcement that they will strengthen manufacturing and produce the redesigned 2012 ML-Class sport utility vehicle at its factory in Vance:

“For 18 years, Mercedes-Benz has maintained a strong manufacturing presence in Alabama and is a source of jobs for thousands of employees and suppliers within the 7th Congressional district and the state of Alabama. It is great news that Mercedes-Benz will continue to make critical investments in our local economy. The business community plays an important role in helping to create and grow jobs in the US and I applaud Mercedes-Benz's commitment to continuing that effort.

In order to expand our economy, it is important that more businesses like Mercedes-Benz make these strategic investments and create jobs right here in America. As a Member of Congress, I will continue to work hard to promote policies that will help businesses and workers succeed in this global economy.”

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Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell in Opposition to H.R. 2560

Jul 19, 2011

Washington, D.C. –Today, Congresswoman Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement after voting against H.R. 2560, “Cut, Cap and Balance” bill introduced by Republican lawmakers:

“Today I voted responsibly against a bill misleadingly named the “Cut, Cap and Balance” bill. It is absolutely necessary that this nation doesn’t default on its obligations, and that we fulfill our country’s fiscal commitments. The bill that I voted against today would undercut the Federal Government’s ability to meet its core commitments to seniors, children, middle-class families and our vulnerable populations. The bill sets out a false and unacceptable choice between the federal government- defaulting on its obligations now or, alternatively, pass a Balanced Budget Amendment that, in the years ahead, will likely leave the nation unable to meet its core commitments. The bill would cap federal spending at a level not seen in over half a century, resulting in severe cuts to Medicare, Social Security, education and research and development. Cutting funding for programs that serve children, the elderly and working families is not the answer to our nation’s deficit crisis.

I believe we must exercise fiscal discipline in our spending as well as fiscal responsibility in managing our debt. These types of political games that threaten the creditworthiness of our nation are reprehensible and cannot continue. America’s economy is a stabilizing force in the global economic market. This stability is essential for our continued economic recovery and our ability to borrow necessary funds at low interest rates. Instead of pursuing an empty political statement and unrealistic policy goals, it is necessary to move beyond politics as usual and find common ground.

If Congress continues to delay an extension of the debt limit, a broad range of government payments will have to be stopped, limited or delayed. Those payments include retirement benefits, Social Security and Medicare payments, military salaries, unemployment benefits and tax refunds. This delay would impose additional hardship on hard-working American families during these already challenging economic times and will raise questions about our ability to defend our national security interests. The risk of allowing such a catastrophic default to occur is one that I am not willing to take.

Neither setting arbitrary spending levels nor amending the Constitution is necessary to restore fiscal responsibility. I look forward to supporting a comprehensive measure that minimizes our debt, balances the federal budget and creates jobs.”

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Congresswoman Sewell Announces that the City of Tuscaloosa Will Receive \$350,000 in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funding from HUD

July 7, 2011

Washington, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that the City of Tuscaloosa will receive \$350,000 in community development block grant disaster recovery funding from The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City of Tuscaloosa be able to use the funding for efforts involving housing, economic development, infrastructure and prevention of further damage to affected areas. HUD generally awards noncompetitive, nonrecurring Disaster Recovery grants by a formula that considers disaster recovery needs unmet by other Federal disaster assistance programs. Earlier today, HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan called Congresswoman Sewell and shared the news with her. “I am pleased that HUD will provide this critically important funding to the City of Tuscaloosa to rebuild its communities. As a result of the April tornadoes and heavy storms, communities and homes were destroyed and hundreds of lives were lost in the State of Alabama. The road to recovery will be long, but this desperately needed funding will assist Alabama in its effort to rebuild again,” said Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07).

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Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$ 4,565,580 in Funding for Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport

June 29, 2011

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-7) announced that \$4,565,580 was awarded to the Birmingham Airport Authority to improve two of the airport's terminals at Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport. The U.S. Department of Transportation funds were awarded by the Federal Aviation Administration.

“This funding will improve the current facilities and enhance safety at Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport,” said Rep. Sewell. “This funding opportunity will create jobs and ensure the safety of passengers. These are the types of funding opportunities that will make our 7th Congressional District stronger.”

"We are grateful to Congresswoman Sewell and our congressional delegation for taking a strong interest in the projects that are being undertaken at the Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport," said Al Denson, President and CEO, Birmingham Airport Authority. "This grant will enable us to continue Phase 2 of taxiway A rehabilitation and to construct terminal apron pavement for aircraft using future concourses A and B."

According to the project description, the project will improve safety at the airport by constructing terminal apron pavement for aircraft using concourses A and B. Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport is a small-hub primary airport associated with Birmingham, Alabama.

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Recent Grant Awards

- **Pickens County Education Center Patient Simulation Laboratory** – awarded July 18, 2011 by Appalachian Regional Commission - \$70,000 to Beville State Community College – State awards \$32,976 for a total of \$102, 976 for nursing simulation lab.
- **The Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA)** will receive 25% of Section 324 State Management Costs, **\$1,679,923**. AEMA will apply these funds to salaries, benefits, equipment and training of staff and other management costs in **implementing the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program**.
- **HUD Awards \$1.9 Billion to Improve, Preserve Nation’s Public Housing Stock**
Alabama Award totals - \$60,538,409
7th District Award totals - \$17,075,398
The funds will allow these public housing agencies to make major large-scale improvements to their public housing units. This annual funding to housing authorities is a down payment toward addressing \$25.6B backlog in large-scale repair, renovation costs.
- **City of Tuscaloosa - \$350,000 in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funding from HUD** The City of Tuscaloosa be able to use the funding for efforts involving housing, economic development, infrastructure and prevention of further damage to affected areas.
- **Birmingham Shuttlesworth International Airport - \$ 4,565,580-** to improve two of the airport’s terminals at Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport. The U.S. Department of Transportation funds were awarded by the Federal Aviation Administration.
- **University of Alabama - Tuscaloosa – NEW -To date for Fiscal Year 2011 – Grant Awards Totals -- \$4,535,242.**

Grants are awarded from the Administration of Children & Families; CDC, HRSA, NIH, & SAMHSA – For a complete listing of award projects go to weblink:

<http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.cfm?SELEIN=LCYqXyw%2BTE5MQzxfXVFKOEsk>

UA awarded July 5th -- \$ 285,745.00

Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry Research Genetic Basis of Genotype-by-Environment Interactions Underlying Physiological

- **Whatley Health Services** – Tuscaloosa – to date for Fiscal Year 2011 – HRSA awards total - \$ 7,320,539
<http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.cfm?SELEIN=LCYqXyw%2FLFJOQlxHVINaOEsK>
- **Rural Health Medical Program** – Selma, Alabama –to date for Fiscal Year 2011 – HRSA award total - \$1,828,380
<http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.cfm?SELEIN=LCYqXyw%2FLFJPQlw%2FWFFKOEsk>
- **University of Alabama, School of Library and Information Studies** - Tuscaloosa, AL Award Amount: \$24,007; Matching Amount: \$21,200
Grant Category: Planning - Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program -The University of Alabama School of Library & Information Studies, unique among library schools in offering a self-contained book arts program, will join with the Alabama Center for the Book and academic experts in a one-year planning process to explore a dual master's degree in Library and Information Studies (MLIS) and Book Arts (MFA). <http://imls.gov/news/2011/062111a.shtm>
- **University of Alabama – Tuscaloosa** - Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship-DHHS/ HRSA award - \$38,028.00
- **Aletheia House of Birmingham, Alabama** awarded \$300,000 for the Department of Labor’s Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program (IVTP) Second Year Funding
- **University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB)** awarded \$4,523,521 to date for Fiscal Year 2011 by the Department of Health and Human Services
Website:
<http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.cfm?SELEIN=LCYqXyw%2BTE5MQjxXV1IqOEwK>
- **Jefferson County Child Development Council, Inc** awarded \$1,462,668.00 for Head Start Projects by DHHS
- **Jefferson County Commission** awarded \$1,001,509 for Fiscal Year 2011 for Ryan White Part C Outpatient EIS PROGRAM – HIV/AIDS

- **Sumter County Opportunity, Inc.** awarded \$1,784,939.00 for Head Start Projects by DHHS
- **Jefferson County Committee for Economic Opportunity** awarded \$5,505,850.00 for Head Start Projects
- **Community Service Programs of West Alabama, Inc.** awarded \$2,536,867.00 for Head Start Projects by DHHS
- **HUD announces over \$49 million for community development and affordable HOUSING IN ALABAMA FOR REMAINDER OF FY2011**
Auburn, Decatur, Florence, Mobile, Mobile County, and **Tuscaloosa** will receive more than \$49 million to support community development and produce more affordable housing in Alabama. HUD's annual funding will also help find homes for individuals and families living on the streets and provide permanent housing for individuals living HIV/AIDS.
<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/states/alabama/news/HUDNo.2011-06-13>
- **Alabama Medicaid Agency – Fiscal Year 2011- Totals to Date: \$4,150,272,622.00 – Ranks in the Top 50 for Recipients with Health and Human Services (HHS) grants–**
<http://taggs.hhs.gov/TopRecipients.cfm?FiscalYear=2011>

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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

Alabama Housing Finance Authority

Program: **Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund**

Description: Program providing \$162 million for the prevention of foreclosure in Alabama to provide assistance targeted at Alabama's unemployed homeowners. Eligible homeowners will receive assistance to pay their current mortgage payment and all other mortgage-related expenses, including payments on any subordinate liens, while unemployed. HHA will provide up to 12 monthly mortgage payments not to exceed \$15,000, per household. Alabama homeowners who have been declared eligible to receive unemployment compensation benefits may apply. To qualify, applicants must have a total annual household income of less than \$75,740, and the unpaid principal balance on their home's mortgages must be less than \$258,690.

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

<http://www.hardesthitalabama.com/faqsHHA.html>

Hardest Hit Alabama hotline number is 877.497.8182 for free assistance

Appalachian Regional Commission of West Alabama

Program:

Appalachian Regional Commission FY 2012

Description:

The deadline for pre-applications for FY 2012 ARC projects is August 31, 2011. An applicant for ARC funds can be a local government, an educational institution, a hospital, or a 501C3 non-profit organization. The maximum grant from ARC is generally limited to \$200,000. The maximum federal funds from all sources in a project cannot exceed 80 percent of project costs.

Counties in Appalachia:

Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Cullman, De Kalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Morgan, Pickens, Randolph, St. Clair, Shelby, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, and Winston

Website:

http://www.arc.gov/appalachian_region/Alabama.asp

If you have questions about a project's eligibility or anything else about the program, call 205/333-2990 ext. 215 or email

jean.rosene@adss.alabama.gov

Corporation for National and Community Service

Program:

September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance 10th Anniversary Challenge

Description:

CNCS will award up to \$500,000 through approximately 10-15 awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000 to organizations that achieve the highest level of volunteer engagement. Service activities should honor those who died and those who have served because of the tragedies of 9/11, and include a time of reflection and remembrance. Projects should be implemented on or near September 11, 2011 and clearly be linked to the observance of the September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance. The submission period is July 14, 2011 to July 29, 2011.

Website: Details on the Challenge are available at
www.Serve.gov/September11

Delta Regional Authority

Program: **Delta Regional Authority Announces States' Economic Assistance Program**

Description: **DEADLINE approaching!** Communities create jobs and improve infrastructure through the States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP), formerly known as the Federal Grant Program. The States' Economic Development Assistance Program may be used to fund projects for basic public infrastructure, transportation infrastructure, business development including entrepreneurship and workforce training. Priority is given to projects that demonstrate innovation and small business, a regional approach, multiple funding partners, and emergency need. Projects are due to Local Development Districts by August 4, 2011.

Website: <http://www.dra.gov/state-grant-funding/>

Delta Regional Authority, www.dra.gov - Online Application Portal for economic development projects, <http://grants.dra.gov>

Interested applicants should contact their Local Development District to begin the application process. A list of Local Development Districts for the eight Delta states is available on the DRA [website](#).

National Institute of Corrections

Program: **NEW - Correctional Health Care Executive Curriculum Development.**

Description: Seeking applications for the development of a competency-based correctional health care executive curriculum to train two-person teams comprised of a Warden, Associate Warden, or Jail Administrator and a Health Services Administrator.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ryY1TwxYWqjR8VWGjNhLJT yTwhKT9MnbNBQPDPC0JS6HDwCfTbyV!751481409?oppId=108354&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Quarterly Publication of a Corrections Mental Health Newsletter**

Description: Cooperative agreement for a twelve-month period to publish the Corrections Mental Health Newsletter quarterly and provide up-to-date information, news, research, relevant issues, highlighted training and programs, etc. to a correctional audience responsible for and interested in mental health issues in community corrections, prisons, and jails.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v3vQTwyTZ2tpgfHXxrKTD5Sx QZpvtYJ9SF8X118g8DTyh2NG71Q1!751481409?oppId=108333&mode=VIEW>

National Science Foundation

Program: **NEW- Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring**

Description: Seeks to identify outstanding mentoring efforts that enhance the participation and retention of individuals (including persons with disabilities, women and minorities) who might not otherwise have considered or had access to opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JBMTTvWJsQDmGFcGGd5vLvzbjxhySWv2PYdBK2SPQGW1LmBRYBLQ!-1346687983?oppId=107933&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- Partnerships for International Research and Education**

Description: Supports international activities across all NSF supported disciplines. The primary goal of PIRE is to support high quality projects in which advances in research and education could not occur without international collaboration. PIRE seeks to catalyze a higher level of international engagement in the U.S. science and engineering community.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JBMTTvWJsQDmGFcGGd5vLvzbjxhvSWv2PYdBK2SPQGW1LmBRYBLO!-1346687983?oppId=107934&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program: **Small Business Innovation Research: Biofuels and Biobased Products**

Description: Small business eligible to apply. Its objective is to promote the use of biofuels and non-food bio-based products by developing new or improved technologies that will lead to increased production of industrial products from agricultural materials. This research will lead to new opportunities to diversify agriculture and enhance agriculture's role as a reliable supplier of raw industrial materials. The due date is September 1, 2011.

Website:

<http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/biofuelsandbiobasedproductsbir.cfm>

Program: **Small Business Innovation Research: Aquaculture**

Description: It seeks to enhance the knowledge and technology base for the domestic aquaculture industry. Emphasis is placed on research leading to improved production efficiency and increased competitiveness of US aquaculture sector. Studies on commercially important (or potentially important) species of fish, shellfish and plants, from both freshwater and marine environments, can be addressed. The deadline is September 1, 2011.

Website: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/aquaculturesbir.cfm>

Program: **Small Business Innovation Research: Small and Mid Sized Farms**

Description: Funds for the development of new technologies and information that will help improve the viability and profitability of small and mid-size farms and ranches. Emphasis is placed on developing new agricultural enterprises that are focused on specialty farm products, including both plants and animals, and how to market these products; developing new management tools to enhance the efficiency and profitability of small farms; developing farming methods appropriately scaled to small farms that are directed at more efficient use of natural resources; and developing new educational tools for small farmers.

Website:

<http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/smallandmidsizedfarmssbir.cfm>

Program: **Preserve and Revitalize Rural Rental Housing Complexes**

Description: USDA is accepting applications to participate in a demonstration program to preserve and revitalize existing Multi-Family Housing projects financed by Rural Development .This funding is to preserve and revitalize rural rental housing complexes. The deadline is August 22nd.

Website: <http://www.selfhelphousinghub.com/2011/07/new-funding.html>

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-07-07/pdf/2011-17107.pdf>.

Program: **Household Water Well System Grant Program for FY 2011**

Description: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) announces the availability of

\$2,173,662 in grant funds to be competitively awarded for the Household Water Well System (HWWS) Grant Program for fiscal year 2011 (FY2011). RUS will make grants to qualified private non-profit organizations to establish lending programs for homeowners to borrow up to \$11,000 to construct or repair household water wells for an existing home. The deadline is August 10, 2011.

Website: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-individualwellsystems.htm>

Cheryl Francis, Community Programs Specialist, Water Programs Division, Water and Environmental Programs. Telephone: (202) 720-1937, fax: (202) 690-0649, e-mail: cheryl.francis@wdc.usda.gov

Program: **Rural Housing Preservation Grants**

Description: The HPG program is a grant program which provides qualified public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, Faith-Based and Community Organizations, and other eligible entities grant funds to assist very low- and low-income homeowners in repairing and rehabilitating their homes in rural areas. In addition, the HPG program assists rental property owners and cooperative housing complexes in repairing and rehabilitating their units if they agree to make such units available to low- and very low-income persons. The deadline is August 22, 2011

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=0YQ1TVZKqhh0RS7vznp7fglFWygDDNRTk7w1fyWDynLGnYnBj0vm!1974073125?oppId=103613&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Education

Program: **NEW - Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Arts in Education National Program CFDA Number 84.351F.**

Description: The Arts in Education National Program supports national level high-quality arts education projects and programs for children and

youth, with special emphasis on serving students from low-income families and students with disabilities.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=w2m6TyFVssyLvTgKKkHnrVhwHqz1X2YsT4QsqlKCfv3pp8SG7qPf!966857159?oppId=105373&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Energy

Program: **NEW - Administration of a National Clean Energy Business Creation Competitive for University Students.**

Description: Propose to administer annual U.S. regional business creation competitions for university-based student entrepreneurs with business ideas and models that fall within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) mission and technology portfolio.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ryY1TwxYWqjR8VWGjNhLJTvTwhKT9MnbNBQPDPC0JS6HDwCfTbyV!751481409?oppId=108254&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Program: **NEW - T1 Translational Research: Novel Interventions for Prevention and Treatments of Age-Related Conditions**

Description: Encourages exploratory/developmental R21 research projects to accelerate the pace of development of novel therapeutics involving biologics, pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches for preventing and treating key health issues affecting the elderly.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JBMTTvwJsQDmGFcGGd5vLvzbjxhySWv2PYdBK2SPQGW1LmBRYBLO!-1346687983?oppId=107713&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - T2 Translational Research: Research Leading to New Healthcare Practices, Community Programs, and Policies Affecting Older Persons (R21).**

Description: Encourages exploratory/developmental R21 research projects on translational research (T2) directed towards development of health care practices, community programs and policies, including monitoring and quality improvement for pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches for preventing and treating key health issues affecting the elderly.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JBMTTvwJsQDmGFcGGd5vLvzbjxhySWv2PYdBK2SPQGW1LmBRYBLO!-1346687983?oppId=107714&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- NIH Small Research Grant Program (Parent R03)**

Description: Supports small research projects that can be carried out in a short period of time with limited resources. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of projects including pilot and feasibility studies;

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JBMTTvwJsQDmGFcGGd5vLvzbjxhySWv2PYdBK2SPQGW1LmBRYBLO!-1346687983?oppId=107253&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Real Choice Systems Change Grant Building Sustainable Partnerships for Housing**

Description: This Initiative develops and implements innovative strategies that increase opportunities for Americans with disabilities and older adults to enjoy meaningful community living.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=GM5xTyyhWjCmqMnQWN2VjLdM7XL8PJMR5nSTJjpZjxn2hgLFcQQH!-1346687983?oppId=105713&mode=VIEW>

U.S Department of Homeland Security- Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA)

AFTER THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE – WHAT’S NEXT?

Even though registration for federal disaster aid has ended, that doesn’t mean that the disaster assistance process has ended for survivors.

1. Survivors with questions about their FEMA application or with updated contact information, they should call FEMA’s toll-free Helpline at **800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585)**.
2. Insured applicants are encouraged to keep FEMA up-to-date about the status of their insurance settlement. Underinsured survivors may be eligible for additional federal assistance.
3. For survivors not receiving federal assistance but with disaster-related needs an assortment of programs and many community and faith-based volunteers are available through **2-1-1 Connects Alabama** to help storm survivors get back on their feet. Go on-line <http://211connectsalabama.org> or dial **2-1-1** at any time.
4. Free help for disaster-related legal problems is available from a team of volunteer lawyers of the Alabama State Bar. Call **800-354-6154** from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information and to download free publications, visit www.vlpbirmingham.org/disaster-legal-information.
5. Crisis counseling is available any time by calling the toll-free Alabama Department of Mental Health crisis counseling hotline at **800-639-REBOUND (7326)**. The department’s website www.mh.alabama.gov has free publications to help members of a community cope with stress.

Program:

FY 2011 Degrees at a Distance Program

Description: The Degrees at a Distance Program (DDP) purpose is to increase the number of fire service personnel who acquire college-level learning using alternative delivery methods developed by the National Fire Academy (NFA) and through other means. The DDP institutions are regionally accredited colleges and universities offering fire-related baccalaureate degrees which include delivery of the 13-course curriculum developed by the NFA.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=GM5xTyvhWjCmqMnQWN2VjLdM7XL8PJMR5nSTJjpZjxn2hgLFcQQH!-1346687983?oppId=105933&mode=VIEW>

Program: **BEGINNING SOON: 2011 AFG – Firefighters Grants**

Description: The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations Prepare now to apply for FY 2011 AFG funding! Important changes have been made to the AFG Program, and you need to know about them before starting your application/ attend a grant workshop in your area today.

Website: If you have questions regarding the Assistance to Firefighters Grant opportunity please contact 1-866-274-0960 or at firegrants@dhs.gov and see schedule for workshops at: www.fema.gov/firegrants/program/workshop_schedule.shtm

Available Now:

- [Get Ready Guide](#) (PDF, 1.27 MB)
- [Narrative Assistance Guide](#) (PDF, 2.38 MB)

[http://www.fema.gov/firegrants/docs/Get Ready Guide Application Information.pdf](http://www.fema.gov/firegrants/docs/Get_Ready_Guide_Application_Information.pdf)

Program: **FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grants Program (HMGP)**

Description: Provides grants to states, local governments, and Indian tribal governments to retrofit public or private structures and facilities to minimize damages from high winds, earthquake, flood, wildfire, or other natural hazards. Funding for safe rooms is initiated through local officials, such as emergency manager, mayor or building code/enforcement office. Local officials send requests for FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grants Program through the state.

1. FEMA reimburses up to 75 percent of the eligible costs of each approved project. The state or local match does not have to be cash; in-kind services or materials may be used. Approximately \$33 million has been allocated so far.
2. Federal funding under the HMGP is based on 15 percent of the federal funds spent on the Public and Individual Assistance programs (minus administrative expenses) for each disaster.
3. The HMGP program is managed by the state once the application is approved.

The deadline is September 1, 2011

Website: <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/hmgp/>

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program: **NEW - Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Pre-Application**

Description: The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program (Program) supports metropolitan and multijurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact. The deadline is August 25, 2011.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=fVNZTx6d4xb3qh1nvvLny7YQy1DT6JPMRw1pyGPVfkm82BhNSGz7!-1176040633?oppId=109013&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Community Challenge Planning Grant Program**

Description: The Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Challenge Planning Grant Program fosters reform and reduces barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital, and sustainable communities. Such efforts may include amending or replacing local master plans, zoning codes, and building codes, either on a jurisdiction-wide basis or in a specific neighborhood, district, corridor, or sector to promote mixed-use development, affordable housing, the reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes, and similar activities with the goal of promoting sustainability at the local or neighborhood level.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=fVNZTx6d4xb3qh1nvvLnv7YQy1DT6JPMRw1pyGPVfkm82BhNSGz7!-1176040633?oppId=108994&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing Grants.**

Description: This NOFA announces the availability of approximately \$49.4 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 funding to carry out the eligible activities related to affordable housing and community development for the Section 4 Capacity Building program, of which at least \$5 million shall be made available for rural capacity building activities.

Website:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/nofa11/grpcapbldg

Program: **NEW - Fair Housing Initiative Program (FHOI).**

Description: Build their capacity in fair housing enforcement, establish new fair housing enforcement organizations and/or provide fair lending enforcement. Under this component, these enforcement organizations will conduct fair housing enforcement activities in underserved areas as defined in Program Definitions of this NOFA, rural areas and/or areas with new immigrants (especially racial and ethnic minorities who are not English speaking or have limited English proficiency.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ryY1TwxYWqjR8VWGjNhLJT yTwhKT9MnbNBQPDPC0JS6HDwCftbyV!751481409?oppId=108513&mode=VIEW>

Program: **HOPE VI**

Description: The purpose of the HOPE VI Main Street program is to provide grants to small communities to assist in the rejuvenation of an historic or traditional central business district or Main Street area by replacing unused commercial space in buildings with affordable housing units. The objectives of the program are to: Redevelop Main Street areas; Preserve historic or traditional architecture or design features in Main Street areas; Enhance economic development efforts in Main Street areas; and Provide affordable housing in Main Street areas. The deadline is August 22, 2011.

Website:

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=100915>

U.S Department of Transportation

Program: **NEW - Bus and Bus Facilities Program Funds: Solicitation of Project Proposals for Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative (VTCLI) Grants**

Description: This grant opportunity will be funded using \$30 million in unallocated Discretionary Bus and Bus Facilities Program funds, authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5309(b) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy For Users

(SAFETEA-LU), Public Law 109-59, August 10, 2005. This VTCLI grant opportunity makes funds available to local governmental agencies to finance capital costs of implementing, expanding, or increasing access to local One-Call/One-Click Transportation Resource Centers.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=fVNZTx6d4xb3qh1nvvLnv7YQy1DT6JPMRw1pyGPVfkm82BhNSGz7!-1176040633?oppId=108773&mode=VIEW>

Program:

FY 2011 TIGER Grants

Description:

DOT is authorized to award \$526.944 million in TIGER+ Discretionary Grants pursuant to Div. B of the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011 (Pub. L. 112-010, Apr. 15, 2011). Given that funds have now been appropriated for these similar programs in three separate statutes, DOT is referring to the grants for National Infrastructure Investments under the FY 2011 Continuing Appropriations Act simply as “TIGER Discretionary Grants.”

- Opens August 22nd
- Pre-apps due Oct 3rd
- Final Apps open – Oct 4th
- Final Apps due – Oct. 31st
- Additional application help July 27th – Talking Freight / August 17th – Benefit Cost Analysis / August 22nd – Project Readiness
- This is for transportation projects involving all forms – rail, water, roads, air, ports, bridges
- Urban projects - \$10 million minimum
- Rural projects - \$1 million minimum

Website:

http://www.dot.gov/tiger/docs/FY11_TIGER_IntNOFA.pdf

www.dot.gov/tiger

[http://www.dot.gov/tiger/docs/TIGER_seminar%20\(508\).pdf](http://www.dot.gov/tiger/docs/TIGER_seminar%20(508).pdf)

<http://www.dot.gov/tiger/application-resources.html>

Questions TIGERGrants@dot.gov

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: **NEW - Verizon Foundation Offers Domestic Violence Prevention Grants for Alabama Nonprofits**

Description: The [Verizon Foundation](#) is inviting Alabama nonprofit organizations working to promote awareness of domestic violence to apply for a total of \$50,000 in grants. Eligible initiatives may include but are not limited to proposals focusing on domestic violence prevention among teenagers and young adults; programs educating teenagers about healthy relationships and dating violence prevention; programs educating young men about how not to be a perpetrator of domestic or sexual violence, or both; and programs utilizing technology and social media to prevent domestic violence and increase education among teens. Grant amounts will range between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=345800045

Program: **NEW - National Center for Family Literacy Offers Grants for Implementation of New Online Resources**

Description: Accepting grant applications from education and community organizations working to provide support for Latino and other families whose members want to earn college degrees & expand the reach of the Family Literacy - Community College Partnership Initiative to communities and programs across the U.S. Examples of grantee implementation can include community colleges and literacy programs establishing partnerships to improve the transition and success of non-traditional students in postsecondary educational settings; community colleges and literacy programs working to align GED instruction with the skills and knowledge

needed for college and careers; community-based programs and schools beginning or enhancing their work with families to promote investments in education and successful pathways to college; and community colleges and literacy programs working to strengthen existing partnerships and improve upon non-traditional student transitions into postsecondary education. Ten grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded. The deadline is August 22, 2011

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=346300034

Program: **NEW- The Grammy Foundation Grant Program**

Description: Annually provides support for music archiving and preservation efforts and for scientific research projects related to the impact of music on the human condition. The foundation awards scientific research project grants of up to \$20,000 to organizations and individuals working to research the impact of music on the human condition.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=346200035

Environmental Education in Alabama Grants

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

Description: The Home Depot Community Impact Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations, public schools and public service agencies that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Funds may be used for planting trees or community gardens, landscaping community facilities, and development of community parks or green spaces. Apply by October 31, 2011.

Website:

<http://eeinalabama.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.0.37934&tid=85010>

Program: **NEW - State Farm Grants**

Description: State Farm awards grants for safety, community development and education. Charitable contributions are awarded to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, educational institutions and governmental entities. Applications due October 31, 2011

Program: **PepsiCo Foundation Grants**

Description: These grants support health, including food security and improved nutrition; environment, including water security, sustainable agriculture, and adaptive approaches to climate change; and education, including access to education and training for the underserved and women's empowerment. Requests up to \$100,000 are accepted year-round.

Website:

<http://eeinalabama.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.0.37934&tid=85010>

Program: **NEW - Kids in Need Teacher Grants**

Description: Kids in Need grants help K-12 educators provide innovative learning opportunities for their students. Grants range from \$100-\$500 each. Each teacher who applies will receive a supply package from ArtSkills valued at \$25. Applications due September 30, 2011.

Website:

<http://eeinalabama.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.0.37934&tid=85010>

Program: **NEW- Two \$1,000 Project Learning Tree Grants**

Description: Do you have an idea for a school/community native plant garden, a forest improvement project, a streamside restoration plan, a recycling program or energy conservation project for your

students? Need funds to implement it? Project Learning Tree is offering two \$1,000 grants. Applications due September 30, 2011.

Website:

<http://eeinalabama.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.0.37934&tid=85010>

Program: **NEW- Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant Program Grant**

Description: Now in its 6th year of helping build better schools and communities, the Lowe's Toolbox for Education program has provided nearly \$25 million to more than 5,000 schools across the country.

Website: <http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/index.html>

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS

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>

Alabama Scholarships

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

Scholarship Experts

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

Alabama Student Assistance Program

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

200 Free Scholarships For Minorities

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

G. I. Dependents' Scholarship Program

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

College Scholarships.org

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

Section V RESOURCES

Voices for Alabama's Children – Kid's Count Data Book online

<http://www.alavoices.org/files/2010AKCDB.pdf>

<http://www.alavoices.org/kids-count-2010-alabama-kids-count-data-book.aspx>

Senior Resource

Did you know that there is an 800 number for any and all senior concerns in Alabama? The number is 1-800-AGE-LINE.

Police Grants Help 101 --Whether your police department needs body armor, less lethal devices, training or funding to hire additional staff, grants can help bridge the gap between a budget shortfall and successfully funding your project. Most grant programs have specific eligibility requirements and are often intended to provide funding for a particular operational area of your department. Careful grant planning and research will ensure that your police department's project meets any program requirements.

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

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments

P.O. Box 2603

Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662

Phone: 256.389.0500

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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

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Executive Director: Robert B. Lake

Visit the Web site of Region 2 - <http://www.warc.info/index.php>

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Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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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
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South Central Alabama Development Commission
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Montgomery, Alabama 36117
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Executive Director: Tyson Howard
Visit the Web site of Region 5 - <http://scadc.state.al.us/>

Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission
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Camden, Alabama 36726
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Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs
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Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
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Dothan, Alabama 36302
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Executive Director: Thomas B. Solomon
Visit the Web site of Region 7 - <http://www.sanman.net/searpdc/searpdc.htm>

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission
P.O. Box 1665
Mobile, Alabama 36633
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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
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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
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Fax: 334.749.6582
Executive Director: Suzanne G. Burnette
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Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews
Visit the Web site of Region 11 - <http://www.narcog.org/>

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

COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

Autauga Area Community Foundation
c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.
434 N. McDonough Street

Montgomery, AL 36104
Phone: 334-264-6223
Contact: Carol W. Butler, President
Website: www.aacinfo.org

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
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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
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The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur
P.O. Box 2003
Decatur, AL 35602
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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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Dothan, AL 36302-1422
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Tuscaloosa, AL 35403
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