

Welcome to the Guide to Grants!

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

For more information, please visit the website at <u>http://sewell.house.gov/</u> and you can subscribe to *Guide to Grants* at: <u>http://sewell.house.gov/contact-me/newsletter</u> or call 202-225-2665. Previous editions of the Guide to Grants are archived at <u>http://sewell.house.gov/guide-grants</u>.

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Recent News

September 8, 2011

Statement from Congresswoman Sewell on President Obama's Jobs Agenda

Washington, D.C. –Today, Congresswoman Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement after President Obama presented his jobs plan:

"Tonight, President Obama unveiled his plan to stimulate job growth and put Americans back to work. I was pleased to hear his ideas for stimulating economic growth, job creation and global demand for American goods and services. America's workers need a comprehensive approach, and I believe the President's plan will make strategic investments to stimulate job creation and strengthen economic development. It is now up to Congress to act responsibly on behalf of the constituents who sent us here to represent them.

While progress has been made in turning our economy around, much more must be done to help create jobs. I believe the President outlined a bold aggressive plan to promote job growth. I agree that we must create incentives for businesses to hire new employees, and put Americans back to work rebuilding our nation's roads, bridges and infrastructure for future generations. We must make bold and wise investments in small businesses, infrastructure, education, workforce training and green manufacturing jobs so that we can grow our economy and expand American competitiveness in global markets. I am pleased that the President's plan focuses on both urban and rural communities. It also focuses on incentives for small businesses, infrastructure projects, tax reforms, and new innovative projects that extend broadband and other technologies to rural communities to foster their economic growth.

I support extending jobless benefits for hardworking Americans who lost their job due to the economic downturn and through no fault of their own so that they can provide for their families. This plan will also help provide training to help put them back to work and create incentives for business to hire again. Reducing the payroll tax will also allow workers to keep more of their hard earned paychecks. When American workers are given the opportunity to share in the prosperity they help create, they rebuild the middle class and our country's economy.

I look forward to immediately working closely with the administration and my colleagues in Congress on this plan so that we can strengthen our economy, create jobs and reduce the deficit. I will continue to fight for hard-working Alabamians and Americans by working to strengthen economic development, create jobs and ensure that America's businesses compete on an equal playing field. "

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Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$100,000 Grants Awarded to the Jefferson County Regional Commission and the West Alabama Regional Commission for Preparedness, Recovery, Rebuilding and Collaboration Efforts in Response to the April Tornadoes

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-7) announced that the Jefferson County Regional Commission and the West Alabama Regional Commission were awarded \$100,000 each to develop preparedness disaster recovery plans that will assist in the preparedness, recovery, rebuilding and regional collaboration efforts in response to the April 2011 tornadoes and heavy storms. The grants were awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce through the Economic Development Administration and will be implemented in communities throughout Jefferson, Greene, Hale, Pickens, Tuscaloosa and other counties in Alabama.

"This funding will help in the recovery and rebuilding efforts in our communities that critically need assistance as a result of the April tornadoes, said Rep. Sewell. This grant will also allow our regional commissions to better prepare our communities for natural disasters. It is critically important that all communities receive the resources and funding they need to recover and rebuild from the devastation that struck the communities across the 7th Congressional District and the State of Alabama."

"We appreciate everything that Congresswoman Sewell is doing to assist us in identifying funding sources for communities in need," said Cory Jackson, Senior Economic Development Planner with the West Alabama Regional Planning Commission. "There are so many things that need attention in response to the tornadoes. We will use this funding to fill the gaps in our communities and within the business sector.

"We are delighted to have the support of Congresswoman Sewell in this endeavor," said Charles Ball, Executive Director of the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham (RPCGB). With the grant awarded by the Economic Development Administration, the RPCGB will work with communities to formulate a Disaster Response and Preparedness Plan that will focus on protecting infrastructure and businesses and enable local governments to provide both proactive and reactive assistance to their citizens."

According to the project description, the funding will be used to provide planning and technical assistance to impacted communities to promote economic recovery through coordination of resources, prioritization of rebuilding efforts, and regional collaboration. Analysis of the storm events will also help local governments develop a disaster response and preparedness plan to protect citizens, infrastructure, and businesses from future events.

August 3, 2011

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

Washington, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that the City of Birmingham will receive \$350,000 in emergency community development block grant disaster recovery funding from The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD generally awards noncompetitive, nonrecurring Disaster Recovery grants by a formula that considers disaster recovery needs unmet by other Federal disaster assistance programs.

The City of Birmingham will be able to use the funding for efforts involving housing, economic development, infrastructure and prevention of further damage to affected areas. 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 Birmingham 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).

More details to come soon.

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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

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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Recent Grant Awards

- September 1, 2011 Jefferson County Regional Commission is awarded \$100,000 to develop preparedness disaster recovery plans that will assist in the preparedness, recovery, rebuilding and regional collaboration efforts in response to the April 2011 tornadoes and heavy storms. The grant was awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce through the Economic Development Administration and will be implemented in communities throughout Jefferson, Greene, Hale, Pickens, Tuscaloosa and other counties in Alabama.
- September 1, 2011 West Alabama Regional Commission is awarded \$100,000 to develop preparedness disaster recovery plans that will assist in the preparedness, recovery, rebuilding and regional collaboration efforts in response to the April 2011 tornadoes and heavy storms. The grant was awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce through the Economic Development Administration and will be implemented in communities throughout Jefferson, Greene, Hale, Pickens, Tuscaloosa and other counties in Alabama.
- August 16, 2011 -- The U.S. Department of the Treasury announced Friday a grant • program expected to create a ten-fold return on business investment in Alabama. Officials say the State Small Business Credit Initiative application process should turn \$31.3-million in available grant dollars into \$313 million in new private lending in that state. The State Small Business Credit Initiative is a part of the Small Business Jobs Act President Obama signed into law last fall.

http://www.treasury.gov/press-center/press-releases/Pages/tg1278.aspx

- August 5, 2011 University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa awarded \$218,345 for Nursing Research for project, Advocates Role in Prostate Cancer Screening Decisions by Rural African Americans. Website: https://hhsgrants.econsys.com/apex/f?p=103:210:634442172109534::NO::P210 GRANT ID:63986
- August 3, 2011 City of Birmingham \$350,000 in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funding from HUD The City of Birmingham be able to use the funding for efforts involving housing, economic development, infrastructure and prevention of further damage to affected areas

- 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.
- August 3, 2011 University of Alabama College of Community Health awarded \$160,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission for the Hale County Health Department Partnership
- 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: <u>http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.cfm?SELEIN=LCYqXyw%2BTE5MQjxXV1IqOEwK</u>
- July 18, 2011 Pickens County Education Center Patient Simulation Laboratory awarded by Appalachian Regional Commission \$70,000 to Bevill State Community College State awards \$32,976 for a total of \$102, 976 for nursing simulation lab.
- July 14, 2011 HUD, VA to provide permanent housing and support to 150 homeless vets in Alabama -- HUD will provide \$703,893 to public housing agencies in Alabama to supply permanent housing and case management for 150 homeless veterans in Alabama. They are part of 6,790 homeless veterans in America that will receive housing for public and case management. http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=HUD-VASH2011Chart.pdf
- June 29, 2011 Birmingham Shuttlesworth International Airport awarded \$ 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.
- June 27, 2011 The Dannon Project Birmingham, AL Awarded amount of \$1,400,161 by Department of Labor for the Young Parents Demonstration to provide intensive mentoring services for low-income young parents or expectant parents, ages 16 to 24, in addition to the educational and occupational skills training available through existing workforce development programs.

- 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.

- July, 2011 Grants are awarded from the Administration of Children & Families; CDC, HRSA, NIH, & SAMHSA – For a complete listing of award projects go to weblink: <u>http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.cfm?SELEIN=LCYqXyw%2BTE5MQzxfXVFKOEsK</u> UA awarded July 5th -- \$ 285,745.00 Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry Research Genetic Basis of Genotype-by-Environment Interactions Underlying Physiological
- July, 2011 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
- July, 2011 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

- Fiscal Year 2011 University of Alabama Tuscaloosa --- Grant Awards Totals --\$4,535,242 to date
- Aletheia House of Birmingham, Alabama awarded \$300,000 for the Department of Labor's Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program (IVTP) Second Year Funding
- 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

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- 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) grantshttp://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 <u>www.grants.gov</u>. It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- To apply for Federal Grants: <u>http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp</u>
- To learn about foundation grant opportunities, please visit <u>http://foundationcenter.org/</u>. 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

Program:	Alabama Biodiesel Incentive Program
Description:	The Energy Division is encouraging the use of clean burning biodiesel in Alabama school buses and public fleet vehicles through the Alabama Biodiesel Incentive Program . This grant program provides up to \$2,500 to Alabama public K-12 school systems, colleges, universities and local governments to cover the cost of cleaning existing diesel fuel storage tanks in preparation for storing biodiesel.
Website:	http://adeca.state.al.us/C17/ATF/default.aspx
Program:	Alabama Capital Access Program; Alabama Loan Guarantee Program ; and the Alabama Loan Participation Program

Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

lending in that state. The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) will manage the grants.

Website:

http://www.examiner.com/political-buzz-in-birmingham/feds-offer-alabama-help-using-grants

http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sb-programs/Pages/ssbci.aspx

Alabama State Council on the Arts

Program:	Alabama State Council on the Arts
Description:	The deadline is fast approaching - September 15, 2011 . Grants awarded from \$2,000 to \$5,000 for nonprofit organizations and local governments in the following categories: Presenting Grants, Project Assistance, Operating Support, Technical Assistance, Collaborative Ventures, and Program Development.
Website:	http://arts.state.al.us/grants/index-grants.html

Corporation for National and Community Service

Program:	AmeriCorps State and National Planning 2012 Notice of Federal Funding Opportunity
Description:	The purpose of planning grants is to support the development of AmeriCorps programs that will engage AmeriCorps members in

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZnSvG6 2yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=118894&mode=VIEW

Program:	AmeriCorps State and National Indian Tribes Planning Grant Competitions
Description:	The purpose of planning grants is to support the development of AmeriCorps programs that will engage AmeriCorps members in

evidence-based interventions to solve community problems.

Website:

 $\underline{http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do; jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZ nSvG62yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=118913\&mode=VIEW$

Program:	AmeriCorps State and National Grant Competitions
Description:	The purpose of CNCS is to maximize the power of service and volunteering to improve lives in communities across the country.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZ nSvG62yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=119173&mode=VIEW

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program:	Museums for America
Description:	Museums for America is IMLS' largest grant program for museums, supporting projects and ongoing activities that build museums capacity to serve their communities.

Website:

 $\underline{http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do; jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZ nSvG62yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=117753\&mode=VIEW$

National Science Foundation

Program:	NEW - Interface between Computer Science and Economics & Social Sciences
Description:	The three divisions of CISE and the SES division of SBE seek interdisciplinary research and education projects that develop new knowledge at the Interface between Computer Science and Economics & amp; Social Sciences.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vJ1vTnpTgnw7WgLTWJl4Q6y <u>19ZQLSC1pzSgwc2vJyT4WGkBpJlcB!-</u> <u>1746871694?oppId=120053&mode=VIEW</u>

Program:	NEW- Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases
Description:	The Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases program supports research on the ecological, evolutionary, and socio- ecological principles and processes that regulate the transmission dynamics of infectious diseases.
Website:	
http://www.gran	ts.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vJ1vTnpTgnw7WgLTWJl4Q6y 1970LSC1pzSgwc2vJyT4WCkBpHcB!-

<u>19ZQLSC1pzSgwc2vJyT4WGkBpJlcB!-</u> 1746871694?oppId=119673&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Energy

Program:	NEW-FY 2012 Research Opportunities in High Energy Physics
Description:	The Office of High Energy Physics hereby invites new grant applications for support of research programs in high-energy physics. Applications are sought in the following subprogram areas: Experimental Research at the Energy Frontier, Experimental Research at the Intensity Frontier, Experimental Research at the Cosmic Frontier, Theoretical High Energy Physics Research, and Advanced Technology Research and Development.

Website:

https://www.fedconnect.net/fedconnect/?doc=DE-FOA-0000573&agency=DOE

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Program:	NEW- Healthy Habits: Timing for Developing Sustainable Healthy Behaviors in Children and Adolescents (R01)
Description:	This Funding Opportunity for children and adolescents is issued by the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) with participation from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM), and the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR).

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vJ1vTnpTgnw7WgLTWJl4Q6y19ZQ LSC1pzSgwc2vJyT4WGkBpJlcB!-1746871694?oppId=119573&mode=VIEW

Program:	NEW- Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education (THCGME) Program
Description:	To provide graduate medical education payments to support community-based training. Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education payments will cover the costs of new residency programs in community-based ambulatory primary care settings such as health centers.
Website:	
http://www.grants.ge	ov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vJ1vTnpTgnw7WgLTWJl4Q6y19ZQ

<u>LSC1pzSgwc2vJyT4WGkBpJlcB!-</u> 1746871694?oppId=120293&mode=VIEW

Program:	Rural Health Network Development Planning Grant
Description:	The major focus of the Network Planning Grant is to support rural entities in the development of health care networks. The grant

program supports one year of planning to develop and assist health care networks in becoming operational.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=p6dlTpvbp1PJVC2Pvb9QnnNCHYp DhSHJpJgQryy7d5xtlTTvDywK!336881473?oppId=118833&mo de=VIEW

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program:	NEW-Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program FULL 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.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vJ1vTnpTgnw7WgLTWJl4Q6y <u>19ZQLSC1pzSgwc2vJyT4WGkBpJlcB!-</u> <u>1746871694?oppId=120554&mode=VIEW</u>

Program:	Continuum of Care (CoC)
Description:	The purpose of the CoC Homeless Assistance Programs is to reduce the incidence of homelessness in CoC communities by assisting homeless individuals and families move to self- sufficiency and permanent housing.
Website:	

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZ <u>nSvG62yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=118353&m</u> <u>ode=VIEW</u>

U.S. Department of the Interior

Program:	2012 Preservation Technology and Training Grants
Description:	NCPTT seeks innovative projects that advance science and technology for historic preservation. The PTT Grants program funds projects that develop new technologies or adapt existing technologies to preserve cultural resources.
Website:	

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZ nSvG62yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=118473&m ode=VIEW

U.S Department of Transportation

Program:	Highways for LIFE Technology Partnerships Program (Request for Information ONLY!)
Description:	The Highways for LIFE (HfL) Technology Partnerships Program intends to publish two different solicitations for proposals in 2011 to assist industry fill the gap between late-stage prototypes and commercialization.
Website:	
http://www.grants.go	w/search/search.do;jsessionid=xw2BTfJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH7Mpx2JZ

tp://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xw2B1fJWzjb8nfwXnpvJH/Mpx2JZ <u>nSvG62yfhNLGnn7psnD7TMsG!1014880958?oppId=119333&m</u> <u>ode=VIEW</u>

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."
	 Pre-apps due Oct 3rd Final Apps open – Oct 4th Final Apps due – Oct. 31st 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/application-resources.html Questions <u>TIGERGrants@dot.gov</u>

U.S. Small Business Administration

Program:	Small Loan Advantage and Community Advantage 7(a) Loan Initiatives
Description:	SBA is committed to expanding access to capital for small businesses and entrepreneurs in underserved communities so that we can help drive economic growth and job creation. SBA and U.S. Department of Commerce studies have shown the importance of lower dollar loans to small business formation and growth in underserved communities. With that in mind, and building on the agency's "Advantage" platform, both Small Loan Advantage and Community Advantage will offer a streamlined application process for SBA 7(a) loans up to \$250,000.

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program:	NEW- The Power - A Bright Future Program Grant
Description:	Clorox Foundation – The Power a Bright Future Contest 3.0 is open only to K-12 public or private schools (each a "School") operating within the fifty (50) United States and the District of Columbia. The award is \$50,000 for your school. The deadline is 10-17-2011.

Website:

http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/175

Program:	NEW- Georgia-Pacific Foundation Grants
Description:	Create and fund programs and initiatives that improve quality of life near where employees live and work.
Website:	

http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/168

Program:	NEW- 2011-2012 Sharing the Dream Applications
Description:	Awarding 25 Principals With \$5,000 Each To Create Globally Oriented Schools and International Learning Communities
Website:	http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/167

Program:	NEW- Walden University Invites Nominations for Educator
	for a Day National Grant Program
Description:	The Richard W. Riley College of Education and Leadership at Walden University has announced that it will award a total of \$25,000 in grants for pre-K–12 schools that host Educator for a Day events as part of American Education Week (November 13– 19, 2011). The Walden grant program is intended to encourage teachers and administrators to participate in the National Education Association's Educator for a Day event by hosting aspiring educators, community leaders, parents, and friends as they "shadow" teachers in the classroom.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=352200012

Program:	New - Healthcare Facilities Invited to Apply for Expanded Putting Patients First Grant Program
Description:	To help hospitals and imaging centers build new or expand existing education and patient care initiatives, AHRA: The Association for Medical Imaging Management has announced the fourth year of its Putting Patients First Program. Funded by Toshiba America Medical Systems, the grants program is designed to provide healthcare facilities in the United States with the resources needed to improve imaging quality and safety for patients.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=352000022

Program:	NEW- American Health Assistance Foundation Invites Grant Proposals for Glaucoma Research Program
Description:	The <u>American Health Assistance Foundation</u> 's National Glaucoma Research program is accepting grant proposals from domestic as well as international researchers. Grants are awarded on the basis of scientific merit and relevance of the research to understanding

aspects of glaucoma that lead to improved treatments, prevention strategies, and diagnoses.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=352000021

Program:	NEW- KaBOOM! and Dr. Pepper Snapple Group Invite Grant Applications for Let's Play Playground Construction Grants
Description:	<u>KaBOOM!</u> and funding partner <u>Dr. Pepper Snapple Group</u> are offering Let's Play Playground Construction Grants of \$15,000 to qualifying organizations using the KaBOOM! community-build model

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=351700020

Program:	Target Field Trip Grants
Description:	Education professionals who are at least 18 years old and employed by an accredited K-12 public, private or charter school in the United States that maintains a $501(c)(3)$ or $509(a)(1)$ tax- exempt status are eligible to apply.
Website:	http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/171
Program:	Whole Kids Foundation Invites Applications for New Grant Program to Support School Gardens
Description:	The <u>Whole Kids Foundation</u> , a nonprofit organization created by <u>Whole Foods Market</u> to support schools and inspire families to improve children's nutrition and wellness, is accepting grant applications for its first major initiative, the School Garden Grant Program. Grants are designed to help schools grow students' relationships with food through gardening.
Website:	

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=RL1RX05ANDINVLAQB Q4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=350700025

Program:	Grants Available for Families Struggling with Child Health-
	Related Costs
Description:	The <u>UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation</u> has announced that new grants are available to help children who need critical health care treatment, services, or equipment not covered or not fully covered by their parents' health benefit plans. UHCCF provides grants to families to help pay for child health care services such as speech therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy sessions, prescriptions, and medical equipment such as wheelchairs, orthotics, and eyeglasses. Parents and legal guardians may apply for grants of up to \$5,000 each for child medical services and equipment by completing an online application at the UHCCF Web site.
Website:	http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=214300052
Program:	Lego Systems Establishes Lego Children's Fund to Support Youth Creativity Programs
Description:	<u>Lego Systems Inc.</u> , the Americas has announced the formation of the Lego Children's Fund, a nonprofit foundation established to support organizations and programs dedicated to inspiring and encouraging youth creativity, thereby improving their quality of life and preparing them for the future.
Website:	http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=181800039
Program:	Southern Poverty Law Center Offers Youth Grants to Promote Tolerance
Description:	<u>Tolerance.org</u> and Teaching Tolerance, educational programs of the <u>Southern Poverty Law Center</u> , have joined with the <u>Study</u> <u>Circles Resource Center</u> to offer the national "Mix It Up" youth campaign. The "Mix it Up" campaign is designed to help young
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people understand and address the issue of social boundaries in their schools and communities. The Mix It Up Grants Program funds youth-directed activist projects that focus on identifying, questioning, and crossing social boundaries in schools and communities

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=22400008

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship Websites:

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

Merit Aid http://www.meritaid.com/meritScholarships/Alabama-State-University-100724

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

Alabama Scholarships

Website: http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-bystate/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: <u>http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html</u>

G. I. Dependents' Scholarship Program Website: <u>http://www.va.state.al.us/scholarship.htm</u>

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

Section V RESOURCES

Past editions of Congresswoman Sewell's Guide to Grants

Weblink: http://sewell.house.gov/issue/guide-grants#

Through its Ready Campaign, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security educates and empowers Americans to take some simple steps to prepare for and respond to potential emergencies, including natural disasters and terrorist attacks. Ready asks individuals to do three key things: get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan, and be informed about the different types of emergencies that could occur and their appropriate responses.

Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:

Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation

Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food

Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both

Flashlight and extra batteries

First aid kit

Whistle to signal for help

Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place

Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation

Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities

Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)

Local maps

Cell phone and chargers

Website: http://www.ready.gov/america/_downloads/checklist.pdf

Help Available for Hurricane Victims

Farmers experiencing losses due to Hurricane Irene damage can turn to the USDA for emergency assistance and farm loans.

Website: <u>http://www.hobbyfarms.com/farm-industry-news/2011/09/06/help-available-for-hurricane-victims.aspx</u>

Program: Alabama SAVES Loan Program

Description: Energy Upgrade Loans Now Available for Smaller Alabama Businesses - More Alabama businesses will have the chance to make upgrades that will save energy, reduce expenses and boost employment opportunities. There is reduction in the program's minimum loan amount to \$50,000 from \$250,000. The \$60 million loan fund was established in December 2010 with funds made available to the state by the U.S. Department of Energy's State Energy Program. Loans of up to \$4 million are available to help existing commercial and industrial businesses finance energy-saving improvements.

Website:

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

Tips for Writing a Strong Grant Application

Before you can apply, your organization needs

- 1. <u>DUNS Number</u>: Can be done in 1 day.
- 2. <u>Central Contractor Registry registration</u>: If you have an Employer Identification Number (EIN), this will only take 5 to 7 days.
- 3. <u>Grants.gov registration</u>: Can be as quick as 3 days or as long as 4 weeks. You need the DUNS and CCR to register.

Include DUNS Number. You must include a DUNS Number to have your application reviewed. Applications *will not* be reviewed without a DUNS number. Please include the DUNS number in the appropriate space on the application face page.

Keep your audience in mind. Reviewers will use only the information contained in the application to assess the application. Be sure the application and responses to the program requirements and expectations are complete and clearly written. Do not assume that reviewers

are familiar with the applicant organization, service area, barriers to health care, or health care needs in your community. Keep the review criteria in mind when writing the application.

Start preparing the application early. Allow plenty of time to gather required information from various sources.

Follow the instructions in this guidance carefully. Place all information in the order requested in the guidance. Avoid the risk of having reviewers hunt through your application for information.

Be brief, concise, and clear. Make your points understandable. Provide accurate and honest information, including candid accounts of problems and realistic plans to address them. If any required information or data is omitted, explain why. Make sure the information provided in each table, chart, attachment, etc., is consistent with the proposal narrative and information in other tables. Your budget should reflect back to the proposed activities, and all forms should be filled in accurately and completely.

Be organized and logical. Many applications fail to receive a high score because the reviewers cannot follow the thought process of the applicant or because parts of the application do not fit together.

Be careful in the use of attachments. Do not use the attachments for information that is required in the body of the application. Be sure to cross-reference all tables and attachments to the appropriate text in the application. Be sure to upload the attachments in the order indicated in the forms.

Carefully proofread the application. Misspellings and grammatical errors will impede reviewers in understanding the application. Be sure that page limits are followed. Limit the use of abbreviations and acronyms, and define each one at its first use and periodically throughout application. Make sure you submit your application in final form, without markups.

Print out and carefully review an electronic application to ensure accuracy and completion. When submitting electronically, print out the application before submitting it to ensure appropriate formatting and adherence to page limit requirements. **Check to ensure that all attachments are included before sending the application forward.**

Ensure that all information is submitted at the same time. We will not consider additional information and/or materials submitted after your initial submission, nor will we accept e-mailed applications or supplemental materials once your application has been received.

Website: http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/granttips.html

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

For Storm Survivors, Permanent Housing Is The Goal

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – For Alabamians affected by the April storms and tornadoes, now is the time to work toward a permanent housing plan. The <u>Alabama Emergency Management Agency</u> and the <u>Federal Emergency Management Agency</u> encourage you to consider all options available, including local resources, in making a long-term plan.

You can stay in touch with FEMA by contacting your caseworker or by calling the FEMA helpline at **800-621-FEMA (3362)** or TTY **800-462-7585**. Phone lines are available every day from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. local time. Different situations call for different plans of action.

NEW -Voices for Alabama's Children

The 2011 National KIDS COUNT Data Book is now available online at <u>http://datacenter.kidscount.org/</u>. See how Alabama compares with other states based on these ten national measurements of child well-being. <u>http://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/acrossstates/Rankings.aspx?ind=137</u>

Data Profile for Alabama, Congressional District 7 (Congressional District) Website: http://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/bystate/stateprofile.aspx?state=AL&loc=8814

Alabama Housing Finance Authority

Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund

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. Due to the overwhelming response Hardest Hit has received, please allow up to 6 weeks for Processing of your application. Storm victims who have been unable to return to work following the April tornadoes may be eligible for increased assistance of up to 18 consecutive monthly payments, or \$25,000, through Hardest Hit Alabama. Program providing \$162 million for the prevention of foreclosure in Alabama to provide 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.

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

http://www.hardesthitalabama.com/faqsHHA.html Hardest Hit Alabama hotline number is 877.497.8182 for free assistance

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

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments P.O. Box 2603 Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662 Phone: 256.389.0500 Fax: 256.389.0599 Executive Director: Keith Jones Visit the Web site of Region 1 - <u>http://nacolg.com/</u>

West Alabama Regional Commission 4200 Highway 69 North Northport, Alabama 35473-3505 Phone: 205.333.2990 Fax: 205.333.2713 Executive Director: Robert B. Lake Visit the Web site of Region 2 - <u>http://www.warc.info/index.php</u>

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham 1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200 Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Phone: 205.251.8139 Fax: 205.328.3304 Executive Director: Charles Ball Visit the Web site of Region 3 - <u>http://www.rpcgb.org/</u>

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission P.O. Box 2186 Anniston, Alabama 36202 Phone: 256.237.6741 Fax: 256.237.6763 Executive Director: Bill Curtis Visit the Web site of Region 4 - <u>http://www.earpdc.org/</u>

South Central Alabama Development Commission 5900 Carmichael Place Montgomery, Alabama 36117 Phone: 334.244.6903 Fax: 334.270.0038 Executive Director: Tyson Howard Visit the Web site of Region 5 - <u>http://scadc.state.al.us/</u>

Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission 107 Broad Street Camden, Alabama 36726 Phone: 334.682.4234 Fax: 334.682.4205 Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs Visit the Web site of Region 6 - http://www.alarc.org/atrc/index.htm

Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission P.O. Box 1406 Dothan, Alabama 36302 Phone: 334.794.4093 Fax: 334.794.3288 Executive Director: Thomas B. Solomon Visit the Web site of Region 7 - <u>http://www.sanman.net/searpdc/searpdc.htm</u>

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission P.O. Box 1665 Mobile, Alabama 36633 Phone: 251.433.6541 Fax: 251.433.6009 Executive Director: Russ Wimberly Visit the Web site of Region 8 - http://www.sarpc.org/

Central Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission 125 Washington Avenue Montgomery, Alabama 36104 Phone: 334.262.4300 Fax: 334.262.6976 Visit the Web site of Region 9 - http://www.carpdc.com/

Lee-Russell Council of Governments 2207 Gateway Drive Opelika, Alabama 36801 Phone: 334.749.5264 Fax: 334.749.6582 Executive Director: Suzanne G. Burnette Visit the Web site of Region 10 - <u>http://www.lrcog.com/</u>

North-Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments P.O. Box C Decatur, Alabama 35601 Phone: 256.355.4515 Fax: 256.351.1380 Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews Visit the Web site of Region 11 - <u>http://www.narcog.org/</u>

Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments 5075 Research Drive, NW Huntsville, Alabama 35805-5912 Phone: 256.830.0818 Fax: 256.830.0843 Executive Director: Robert B. Culver Visit the Web site of Region 12 - http://www.tarcog.org/

COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

Autauga Area Community Foundation c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc. 434 N. McDonough Street Montgomery, AL 36104 Phone: 334-264-6223

Contact: Carol W. Butler, President Website: www.aacfinfo.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: <u>www.communityendowment.com</u>

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: <u>http://blackbeltfound.org/</u>

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: <u>etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org</u> For general information: <u>info@yourcommunityfirst.org</u> Website: <u>http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org</u>/

Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc. 434 N. McDonough Street Montgomery, AL 36104 Telephone:334-264-6223 Fax:334-263-6225 Contact: Carol W. Butler, President Website: <u>http://www.cacfinfo.org</u>

Elmore County Community Foundation c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc. 434 N. McDonough Street Montgomery, AL 36104 Phone: 334-264-6223 Contact: Carol W. Butler, President Website: www.eccfinfo.org The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham 2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700 Birmingham, AL 35203 Telephone: (205) 328-8641 Fax: (205) 328-6576 Contact: Kate Nielsen, President Email: <u>knielsen@foundationbirmingham.org</u> For general information: <u>info@foundationbirmingham.org</u> Website: <u>http://www.foundationbirmingham.org</u>

The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur P.O. Box 2003 Decatur, AL 35602 Phone: 256-353-5312 Contact: Arthur W. Orr Website: www.cfogd.org

The Community Foundation of Huntsville 659 Gallatin Street Huntsville, AL 35801 Phone: 256-564-7430 Contact: Lynne Berry, President Website: <u>http://www.communityfoundationhsv.org/</u>

Limestone Area Community Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 578 Athens, AL 35612 Phone: 256-232-4200 Contact: Martha Jo Leonard, Executive Director

Riverbend Community Foundation 635 West College Street Florence, AL 35630 Phone: 256-764-3431 Contact: Bryan Libell, Secretary/Treasurer

Shelby County Community Health Foundation Shelby Baptist Medical Center 1000 First Street N. Alabaster, AL 35007 Chairman: Chad Scroggins (205)669-3737 Additional Contact: Donna Falkner (205)620-8112

The Community Foundation of South Alabama P.O. Box 990 Mobile, Alabama 36601-0990 251-438.5591, 251-438.5592 Fax Contact: Linnette Clausman, Finance Officer Website: http://www.communityendowment.com

Southeast Alabama Community Foundation P.O. Box 1422 Dothan, AL 36302-1422 Phone: 334-671-1059, Fax: 334-793-0627 Contact: Millie Armstrong, Program Director Website: <u>www.sacfinfo.org</u>

Community Foundation of West Alabama P.O. Box 3033 Tuscaloosa, AL 35403 Telephone: 205-366-0698, Fax 205-366-0813 Contact: Glenn Taylor, Exec. Director E-mail: <u>CFOWA@bellsouth.net</u> Website: <u>http://thecfwa.org/</u>

Walker Area Community Foundation P.O. Box 171 Jasper, AL 35502-0171 Telephone: 205-302-0001, Fax: (205) 302-0424 Contact: Paul Kennedy, Executive Director Website: <u>http://www.wacf.org</u>