



# Guide to

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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

I am honored to represent the 7<sup>th</sup> 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

### **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces the Winners of the 2011 Congressional Art Competition**

Washington, DC— Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced the winners of this year’s Seventh Congressional District Art Competition. The competition, which was open to all high school students in Alabama’s 7th Congressional District, offers the winning participant the opportunity to have his or her artwork placed on display in the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, D.C. for one year and will be recognized in the district and at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, DC. “The Seventh Congressional District is blessed to have so many talented and gifted students,” said Rep. Sewell. “I am impressed with all of the artwork that was submitted. Each of the entries was well done, and with so many great pieces of art, the judges had difficult decisions to make.”

Students submitted over 35 pieces of artwork to this year’s competition. The competition was divided into three regions. Jefferson County Schools were in Region One. Tuscaloosa, Pickens, Greene, Hale, Perry and Sumter Counties were in Region Two. Dallas, Wilcox, Clarke, Marengo and Choctaw Counties were in Region Three. In round one of judging, a panel of community leaders in each region selected the top three entries. In the second round, the top three pieces from each region competed to win first, second and third places in the competition.

The 2011 winner of the Seventh Congressional District Art Competition is Rashia Martin, a senior at Paul Bryant High School in Tuscaloosa. Her winning piece is entitled “Carnival.

As the first place winner, Martin will receive two round-trip tickets to Washington, D.C. to attend the National Congressional Art Competition Reception, will have her artwork displayed in the U.S. Capitol for one year and will be eligible for a scholarship to the Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, GA.

Second place was awarded to Dewon Moton, a senior at Erwin High School in Center Point for his piece, “Passover.” Michaela Williams, a freshman at Paul Bryant High School and Craton Bush, a senior at McAdory High School in McCalla tied for third place for their works entitled “Thinking Woman” and “Bayside Sunday” respectively.

Several students received regional awards for their artwork, including: Alexis Breeding of Erwin High School, Andrew D’Avignon of Northside High School, Christina Burroughs of Thomasville High School, Kelsey Guy of Jackson High School and Justin Glover of Choctaw High School.

The participants of the art competition will be honored at a reception on Sunday, June 12, at 5 p.m. at The Ward Building Atrium on Lawson State Community College’s Birmingham West Campus.

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## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell to Host a Reception Honoring the Winners and Participants of the 2011 Seventh Congressional District Art Competition**

WASHINGTON, DC – On Sunday, June 12, Rep. Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) will host a reception to honor the winners and participants of the 2011 Seventh Congressional District Art Competition. Rep. Sewell will be joined by Birmingham Mayor William A. Bell, Lawson State Community College President Dr. Perry W. Ward, educators and family members to recognize the students who submitted their pieces to this year's competition.

**Who:** Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07)

**What:** Reception Honoring the Winners and Participants of the Seventh Congressional District Art Competition

**When:** Sunday, June 12, 2011  
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Lawson State Community College Birmingham West Campus  
Ward Building Atrium  
3060 Wilson Road, SW  
Birmingham, AL 35221

*For more information, please call Congresswoman Sewell's Office at (205) 254-1960.*

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## Recent Grant Awards

- 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 (UA) in Tuscaloosa awarded \$2,623,267 to date for Fiscal Year 2011 by Department of Health and Human Services.  
Website:  
<http://taggs.hhs.gov/RecipInfo.CFM?SelEin=LCYqXyw%2BTE5MQzxfXVFKOEsK>
- 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.
- 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

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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](http://www.grants.gov). It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- 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.

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## Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

### Alabama Public Assistance Portal

**Program:** **1971-DR-AL Public Assistance Cost Share**

**How to Apply:** [http://www.alabamapa.org/\\_public/downloads/1971-DR-AL%206-1-11%20Public%20Assistance%20Cost%20Share.pdf](http://www.alabamapa.org/_public/downloads/1971-DR-AL%206-1-11%20Public%20Assistance%20Cost%20Share.pdf)

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### National Endowment for the Arts

**Program:** **NEW- National Endowment for the Arts Announces New Arts in Media Funding Category**

**Description:** The [National Endowment for the Arts'](#) new Arts in Media funding category is designed to help make the excellence and diversity of the arts widely available to the American public through the national distribution of innovative media projects about the arts and media projects that can be considered works of art.

**How to Apply:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=341600026](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=341600026)

## **National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Program:** **Bridging Cultures at Community Colleges**

**Description:** Over half of the students who are now enrolled in post-secondary education in the United States attend community colleges, with enrollments expected to increase and to continue to draw on populations with exceptionally varied cultural backgrounds.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=nKpLNnhOJMML75FpJWxNFp6JQJvJKc6mX9QwTf9vPZJk2d1XQ1hY!756542808?oppId=97514&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Science Foundation**

**Program:** **NEW - Environmental Sustainability**

**Description:** The Environmental Sustainability program supports engineering research with the goal of promoting sustainable engineered systems that support human well-being and that are also compatible with sustaining natural (environmental) systems. These systems provide ecological services vital for human survival.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Bp0vNwYX1ysVygWGf4Ps3jhyN1XrnbMWSZTwbNTpg6zYlCq2WpLk!-1156965661?oppId=98373&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - Energy for Sustainability**

**Description:** This program supports fundamental research and education that will enable innovative processes for the sustainable production of electricity and transportation fuels.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Bp0vNwYX1ysVygWGf4Ps3jhyN1XrnbMWSZTwbNTpg6zYlCq2WpLk!-1156965661?oppId=98374&mode=VIEW>

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## U.S. Department of Agriculture

- Program:** **NEW – Rural Cooperative Development Grant program**
- Description:** USDA Offers Job Creation Grants - Initiative focuses on cooperative development centers under the Rural Cooperative Development Grant program, colleges, universities and not-for-profit groups can apply for grants of as much as \$225,000 to create and operate centers that establish or expand rural businesses, with an emphasis on cooperatives. “Cooperative development centers are business and job incubators,” Vilsack said. “They support President Obama’s goal to bring increased economic opportunities to rural communities by assisting new businesses as they create sustainable jobs.”
- More Info:** <http://www.ect.coop/newsmakers/co-op-news-newsmakers/usda-offers-job-creation-grants/30423>
- How to Apply:** <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-06-07/pdf/2011-13927.pdf>
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- Program:** **Farm Business Management and Benchmarking**
- Description:** Grants will be made for the purpose of (1) improving the farm management knowledge and skills of agricultural producers; and (2) establishing and maintaining a national, publicly available farm financial management database.
- How to Apply:**
- <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=MGjhNmQDy5w6pJ9KQhm1vGCptGnp53wLczn10LpTJY6RL0RkFQdm!921374568?oppId=96635&mode=VIEW>
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- Program:** **Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program (REDLG)**
- Description:** USDA Rural Development Agency has funding available for the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant program (REDLG).

REDLG supports rural small businesses that create or retain jobs.  
**The deadline to apply is June 30, 2011.**

**How to Apply:** <http://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2011/02/14/2011-3198/inviting-applications-for-the-rural-economic-development-loan-and-grant-program-for-fiscal-year-2011>

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**Program:** **The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Revolving Fund Program**

**Description:** In addition to announcing the Revolving Fund application window, RUS announces the available funding of \$496,000 for RFP competitive grants for the fiscal year. Under the RFP, qualified private, non-profit organizations receive RFP grant funds to establish a lending program for eligible entities RUS for Water, Waste Disposal and Wastewater loan and grant programs.

**How to Apply:** Water and Environmental Programs (WEP) Web site:  
<http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/index.htm>

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## **U.S. Department of Education**

**Program:** **NEW - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program--Disability Rehabilitation Research Project (DRRP)--Disability in the Family CFDA Number 84.133A-9**

**Description:** The purpose of the DRRP program is to improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, by developing methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technologies that advance a wide range of independent living and employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities.

**How to Apply:**  
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=S6QKNw4b7QbCV1JzGpZ8VR2GJ6CjKJ8CZQrvwFxFxSy9QQ2c5J82yQ!756542808?oppId=98654&mode=VIEW>

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## U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

- Program:** **NEW - Prevention and Public Health Fund Coordinated Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Program**
- Description:** The purpose of the program is to establish or strengthen Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Programs within State Health Departments, to provide leadership and coordination, support development, implementation and evaluation of CDC funded Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion programs, focusing on the top five leading chronic disease causes of death and disability (e.g. heart disease, cancer, stroke, diabetes, and arthritis) and their associated risk factors, in order to increase efficiency and impact of categorical diseases and risk factor prevention programs, including, but not limited to heart disease, cancer prevention and control, stroke, arthritis, diabetes, nutrition, physical activity and obesity.
- How to Apply:**  
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=S6QKNw4b7QbCV1JzGpZ8VR2GJ6CjKJ8CZQrvwFxFxSy9QQ2c5J82yQ!756542808?oppId=98533&mode=VIEW>
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- Program:** **NEW - Health Care Fraud Prevention Program Expansion and SMP Capacity Building Grants**
- Description:** Fraud prevention grant program - The HEAT task force has identified geographic areas most vulnerable to Medicare and Medicaid fraud.
- How to Apply:**  
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=9QnyNn4NsdhSLQ7LXQTMWsC7v0074YBJ86SbhMQ6c111yTL1hkG6!1762745116?mode=VIEWREVISIONS&revNum=0>
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**Program:** **NEW- Child Welfare – Education System Collaborations**

**Description:** Build collaborations between child welfare & Education systems

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=9QnyNn4NsdhSLQ7LXQTMWsC7v0074YBJ86SbhMQ6c111yTL1hkG6!1762745116?oppId=98076&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **FY11 Minority Youth Tobacco Elimination Project (MYTEP)**

**Description:** Grant funds for tobacco prevention and cessation strategies in preventing and reducing tobacco use among racial and ethnic minority youth aged 13-26.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=nKpLNnhQJMML75FpJWxNFp6JQJyJKc6mX9QwTf9vPZJk2d1XQ1hY!756542808?oppId=97553&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **NEW - 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Workshops Now Underway**

**Description:** Attend a grant workshop in your area today! Important changes have been made to the 2011 AFG Program, make sure you're prepared to submit a good application for grant funding this year.

**More Information:** If you have questions regarding the Assistance to Firefighters Grant opportunity please contact 1-866-274-0960 or at [firegrants@dhs.gov](mailto:firegrants@dhs.gov) and see schedule for workshops at: [www.fema.gov/firegrants/program/workshop\\_schedule.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/firegrants/program/workshop_schedule.shtm)

## **FEMA HIRING LOCAL APPLICANTS FOR DISASTER RECOVERY WORK**

June 9, 2011

AL-1971-NR 086

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** -- The [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#) is hiring residents in central and northern Alabama to help with recovery from the April tornadoes. The agency has hired 67 new employees in disaster recovery operations. The positions are short-term temporary jobs working in numerous areas of the recovery operation. “Recovering from a disaster of this magnitude takes people working together on many different levels and in many different positions,” said Jeff Byard, state coordinating officer for the Joint Field Office in Birmingham. “A local workforce is an important element in successfully reaching our goals to recover from the storms and rebuild Alabama. If you are driven and committed to making your community and state a better place for all, I encourage you to consider these job opportunities.” The positions are part of FEMA’s “local hire” workforce. FEMA has listed positions with the Alabama Career Center. Tara Hutchinson, spokesperson for the center, says that applicants may apply online at [www.joblink.alabama.gov](http://www.joblink.alabama.gov) and log into their account. Applicants may create an account by clicking on “Find a Job,” then on “Create an Account.” After logging in, click on “Search Jobs,” then “Advanced Job Search.” Scroll down. In the box saying “That are from this **company**,” enter “FEMA” and click “Search.”

### **As Your Housing Needs Change, Give FEMA a Call**

Release Date: June 7, 2011  
Release Number: 1971-083

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** – Are you living in a tent or camper on your property? Are you still staying in your damaged home? Or is living with relatives after the tornadoes not working out? Regardless of your initial plans when you registered with the [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#) for disaster assistance, you may still be eligible for temporary housing help. If you’ve changed your mind about not relocating, call the FEMA helpline at **800-621-3362** or the **TTY** number at **800-462-7585** for people who are deaf or hard of hearing. You can also update FEMA by visiting a [disaster recovery center](#). FEMA may be able to help if you are underinsured, have no insurance or a homeowner’s policy that does not cover additional living expenses. If you have additional living expenses as part of your insurance policy, but can’t find a place to rent because of widespread devastation, FEMA may be able to help find a rental or put you in manufactured housing as a last resort. FEMA cannot duplicate insurance benefits, so any living expenses you receive from insurance would be paid back to the agency.

Survivors in the counties designated by the presidential disaster declaration who haven’t registered for assistance are urged to do so by the **June 27 registration deadline**.

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### **FEMA Individual Assistance and Last Days to Register**

- **FEMA’S Individual and Households Program Deadline**

- June 27, 2011
- **Small Business Administration Deadline**
  - June 27, 2011

Individuals must have been working or residing in one of the above-named counties prior to the disaster to be eligible for DUA. If eligible, **benefits can last up to 26 weeks from the April 28** federal disaster declaration.

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**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.

**How to Apply:** <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/hmgp/>

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**Program:** **Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)**

**Description:** The HSGP is a primary funding mechanism for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities. Together, these grants fund a range of preparedness activities, including planning, organization, equipment purchase, training, exercises, and management and administration.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pmM5Nd2LpNQhy6bJf1YZh2GLQGRs1N9IWNYcKGhVqfDJNK6LbW7F!756542808?oppId=95574&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG) Program Region 4

**Description:** The EMPG Program provides resources to assist state, local, and tribal governments in preparing for all hazards, as authorized by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.). Title VI of the Stafford Act authorizes FEMA to make grants for the purpose of providing a system of emergency preparedness for the protection of life and property in the United States from hazards and to vest responsibility for emergency preparedness jointly in the federal government and the states and their political subdivisions.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pmM5Nd2LpNQhy6bJf1YZh2GLQGRs1N9IWNYcKGhVqfDJNK6LbW7F!756542808?oppId=95494&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** Fiscal Year 2011 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program Region 4

**Description:** The Fiscal Year 2011 EOC Grant Program improves emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, strategically located, and fully interoperable EOCs with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. Funding in the amount of \$14,101,740 is available for grants for construction or renovation of a State, local, or Tribal government's primary EOCs. This grant program is not intended to fund the construction or renovation of State, local, or Tribal Fusion Centers.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=pmM5Nd2LpNQhy6bJf1YZh2GLQGRs1N9IWNYcKGhVqfDJNK6LbW7F!756542808?oppId=95496&mode=VIEW>

## **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

**Program:** **NEW -Choice Neighborhood Initiative Planning Grant**

**Description:** Grants to support the development of comprehensive neighborhood revitalization plans which will transform these communities into viable, mixed-income neighborhoods by linking housing improvements with appropriate services, schools, public assets, transportation, and access to jobs.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=9QnyNn4NsdhSLQ7LXQTMWsC7v0074YBJ86SbhMQ6c111yTL1hkG6!1762745116?oppId=98093&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - Capacity Building for Sustainable Communities**

**Description:** Grants for organizations that can provide capacity building support for communities engaged in planning efforts that support community involvement and integrate housing, land use, land cleanup and preparation for reuse, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=9QnyNn4NsdhSLQ7LXQTMWsC7v0074YBJ86SbhMQ6c111yTL1hkG6!1762745116?oppId=98173&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S. Department of Justice**

**Program:** **NEW - BJA FY 11 Prison Industry Enhancement Certification Technical Assistance Program**

**Description:** The Crime Control Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-647) continues the Prison Industry Enhancement Certification Program (PIECP), which was originally authorized within the Justice System Improvement Act of 1979 (Pub. L. 96-157). This legislation provides exemption from federal constraints on the marketability of prisoner-made goods by permitting the sale of these products in interstate commerce (18 U.S.C. 1761(c)), the Summers-Ashurst



Act, 1948) and contracting in excess of \$10,000 with the Federal Government (41 U.S.C. 35(d), the Walsh-Healey Act, 1936).

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=S6QKNw4b7QbCV1JzGpZ8VR2GJ6CjKJ8CZQrvwFxFxSy9QQ2c5J82vQ!756542808?oppId=98493&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW- Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Fiscal Year 11 (FY) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Local Solicitation**

**Description:** The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (42 U.S.C. 3751(a)) is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice system, from multijurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Bp0vNwYX1ysVygWGf4Ps3jhyN1XrnbMWSZTwbNTpg6zYICq2WpLk!-1156965661?oppId=98213&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **BJA FY11 Public Safety Officers' Benefits (PSOB) National Firefighter Survivor Support**

**Description:** Applicants are limited to for-profit organizations and nonprofit organizations with significant experience in designing and delivering support and resources at the national level for survivors of fallen firefighters.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=1sn9NlfGTCHq41TMVGFgn25GJ9kG3BGG9M9z2RGpnhcxDVCbN32b!354298477?oppId=97274&mode=VIEW>

**Program:** Bureau of Justice Assistance Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 National Justice Information Sharing (JIS) Initiative- Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program

**Description:** Share information for critical public safety /criminal justice

**How to Apply:** <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/11NationalJISsol.pdf>

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## **U.S. Department of Labor**

**Program:** **NEW- Urban and Non-Urban Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP)**

**Description:** To provide services to assist in reintegrating homeless Veterans into meaningful employment within the labor force, and To stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless Veterans.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=S6QKNw4b7QbCV1JzGpZ8VR2GJ6CjKJ8CZQrvwFxFxSy9QQ2c5J82yQ!756542808?oppId=98673&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications for Cooperative Agreements Under the Disability Employment Initiative

**Description:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), in coordination with Department of Labor's (DOL's) Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP), announces the availability of approximately \$20 million for a second round of cooperative agreements to state agencies that administer the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). These funds provide an opportunity for states to develop and implement a plan for improving effective and meaningful participation of persons with disabilities in the workforce.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=97174>

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## **U.S. Small Business Administration**

### **SBA APPROVES OVER \$20 MILLION FOR DISASTER SURVIVORS IN ALABAMA; DEADLINE TO APPLY IS June 27**

For information about the SBA Disaster Loan Program call the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the hearing-impaired) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET. Loan application forms can also be downloaded from [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov). Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155. Survivors may fill out a loan application online by visiting SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>The deadline to return SBA applications for physical property damage is **June 27, 2011**. The deadline to return applications for economic injury is **January 30, 2012**.

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## **Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS**

- Program:** **NEW - Association for Supervision And Curriculum Development (ASCD) Outstanding Young Educator Award**
- Description:** Begun In 2002, ASCD's Outstanding Young Educator Award (OYEA) Program Recognizes Creative And Committed Teachers And Administrators Under The Age Of 40 Who Are Making A Difference In The Lives Of Children. These Educators Are Developing And Using Best Practices To Ensure All Children Are Healthy, Safe, Engaged, Supported, And Challenged.
- How to Apply:** <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/92>

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- Program:** **NEW- Mockingbird Foundation Invites Applications for Children's Music Education Program Grants**
- Description:** The [Mockingbird Foundation](#), an all-volunteer nonprofit organization created by fans of the rock band Phish, annually

provides competitive grants to U.S. nonprofit organizations and public schools for children's music education programs.

**How to Apply:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml;jsessionid=FDN5Z10HXHKELLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=341300021](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=FDN5Z10HXHKELLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=341300021)

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**Program:** **NEW- Tourism Cares Invites Letters of Inquiry for Worldwide Grants Program**

**Description:** [Tourism Cares](#), a philanthropic organization of the tourism industry, works to preserve the travel experience for future generations. As part of this mission, the organization awards grants to preserve and facilitate access to important natural, cultural, and historic sites around the world.

**How to Apply:** [http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=341300019](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=341300019)

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**Program:** **NEW - Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Offers Funding for Film Festival Grants**

**Description:** The [Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences](#) Film Festival Grant program has awarded a total of \$4.4 million to film festivals since 1999. Grants totaling \$450,000 were granted to thirty U.S. film festivals in 2010.

**How to Apply:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=341100061](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=341100061)

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**Program:** **NEW - United Methodist Women Offer Brighter Future Funding for Youth Anti-Violence Programs**

**Description:** The [United Methodist Women/Women's Division](#) is offering funding through the Brighter Future grant program for projects that address the needs of children and young people between the ages of 5 and 18 in the areas of violence and relationship abuse.

**How to Apply:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=341300017](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=341300017)

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## **Environmental Education in Alabama Grants**

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

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## **Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **G. I. Dependents' Scholarship Program**

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

### **MeritAid.com**

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

### **Student Aid Programs**

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

### **College Scholarships.org**

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

### **Fast Web**

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

### **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>

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### **Wallace Community College Scholarships**

Website: <http://www.wccs.edu/index.php?page=fascholar.html>

### **Lawson State Community College Scholarships**

Website: <http://www.lawsonstate.edu/scholarship.html>

### **Auburn University Scholarships**

Website: <http://www.auburn.edu/scholarship/>

### **Harvard University Announcement**

No tuition and no student loans

Harvard's financial aid website at: <http://www.fao.fas.harvard.edu/> or call the school's financial aid office at (617) 495-1581.

### **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>

### **University of Alabama - In-State Scholarships for 2011-2012**

#### **Capstone Scholar**

An *in-state* first-time freshman student who meets the **December 1st** scholarship priority deadline, has a **27 ACT or 1210-1240 SAT score** and at least a **3.5 cumulative GPA** will be selected as a Capstone Scholar and will receive **\$1,500 per year (\$6,000 over four years)**.

#### **Collegiate Scholar**

An *in-state* first-time freshman student who meets the **December 1st** scholarship priority deadline, has a **28-29 ACT or 1250-1320 SAT score** and at least a **3.5 cumulative GPA** will be selected as a Collegiate Scholar and will receive **\$3,500 per year (\$14,000 over four years)**.

#### **Presidential Scholar**

An *in-state* first-time freshman student who meets the **December 1st** scholarship priority deadline, has a **30-36 ACT or 1330-1600 SAT score** and at least a **3.5 cumulative GPA** will be selected as a Presidential Scholar and will receive the **value of in-state tuition for four years**.

Website: [http://scholarships.ua.edu/types/in\\_state.html](http://scholarships.ua.edu/types/in_state.html)

## **Section V RESOURCES**

**Legal Services Alabama at 1-866-456-4995 or Apply ONLINE at**

<http://alabamalegalhelp.org/AL/index.cfm>

**Small Business Administration (SBA)** assistance at a Disaster Recovery Center is available or call 1-800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 TTY). **SBA - Disaster Loan Fact Sheets**<http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/disaster-loans/disaster-loan-fact-sheets>

**The Governor's Recovery Response Line is 1-866-465-2241**  
Website: <http://www.servealabama.gov/2010/default.aspx>

**The Governor's Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives**  
Website: <http://www.servealabama.gov/2010/default.aspx>

**Alabama's Statewide 2-1-1 Volunteer Call Center** is a 24/7 volunteer and donations hotline that provides an opportunity for people to connect to available volunteer and donation options. By calling 2-1-1 (in the state of Alabama or toll free 1-888-421-1266) or visiting [www.servealabama.gov](http://www.servealabama.gov), individuals can register to volunteer or provide a financial donation to the Governor's Emergency Relief Fund.

**Alabama Department of Industrial Relations**  
Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Unemployment Compensation  
Website: <http://dir.alabama.gov/FAQ%20-%20Regular%20UC%20and%20DUA.pdf>

**Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships**  
Phone: 202-708-2404  
[www.hud.gov/offices/fbci](http://www.hud.gov/offices/fbci) Email: [Talk to us@hud.gov](mailto:Talk_to_us@hud.gov)

**Counseling** If you or a loved one needs counseling services to help deal with the recent tornado tragedy, please contact your local mental health center. You can call **1-800-367-0955** -Call 911 if you are in need of immediate medical attention, or go to the closest ER.

- Call 800-273-TALK (8255) for 24/7 suicide prevention services.
- Call 211 or 888-421-1266 for any type of assistance - housing, clothing, etc.
- Visit [safeandwell.communityos.org/cms/index.php](http://safeandwell.communityos.org/cms/index.php) to list yourself as safe and well or to search for your loved ones on the American Red Cross web site.

**American Red Cross** provides information on shelter locations, information on affected areas and disaster safety information. The Red Cross hotline is (866) 438-4636. You can register online for services from your local Red Cross Chapter.

**The Salvation Army – visit website:** [www.disaster.salvationarmyusa.org](http://www.disaster.salvationarmyusa.org)

#### **Federal Government**

- [Pay.gov](http://Pay.gov)
- [IRS Disaster Assistance and Emergency Relief for Individuals and Businesses](#)
- Taxpayers may also call the IRS Disaster Hotline at 1-866-562-5227

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- [U.S. Office of Personnel Management \(OPM\)](#)
- [USA.Gov](#)
- [U.S. Department of Agriculture \(USDA\)](#)

#### Emergency Management Office

- [Alabama Emergency Management Agency \(AEMA\)](#)

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## REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

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

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

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham  
 1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200  
 Birmingham, Alabama 35203  
 Phone: 205.251.8139  
 Fax: 205.328.3304  
 Executive Director: Charles Ball  
 Visit the Web site of Region 3 - <http://www.rpcgb.org/>

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

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 - <http://scadc.state.al.us/>

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 - <http://www.sanman.net/searpc/searpc.htm>

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 - <http://www.lrcog.com/>

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 - <http://www.narcog.org/>

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.aacinfo.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
For general information: [info@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:info@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
Website: <http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org/>

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: <http://www.cacinfo.org>

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](http://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: [kn Nielsen@foundationbirmingham.org](mailto:kn Nielsen@foundationbirmingham.org)  
For general information: [info@foundationbirmingham.org](mailto:info@foundationbirmingham.org)  
Website: <http://www.foundationbirmingham.org>

The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur  
P.O. Box 2003  
Decatur, AL 35602  
Phone: 256-353-5312

Contact: Arthur W. Orr  
Website: [www.cfogd.org](http://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

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: [www.sacinfo.org](http://www.sacinfo.org)

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: [CFOWA@bellsouth.net](mailto:CFOWA@bellsouth.net)  
Website: <http://thecfwa.org/>

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: <http://www.wacf.org>