

# **Guide to Grants**

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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*.

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

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# STATEMENT FROM CONGRESSWOMAN SEWELL IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

Birmingham, AL – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell issued the following statement in recognition of Labor Day, which will be observed on Monday, September 1, 2014:

"On Labor Day, we pay tribute to the hardworking men and women whose resilience, responsibility, and sacrifice are the foundation of our nation's strength. Our top priority in Congress must be to honor the grit and determination of American workers by defending and strengthening their rights, wages, and benefits.

Our national unemployment rates are at the lowest they've been in years, the housing market is rebounding, our deficits have been cut in half, and the manufacturing industry is adding jobs for the first time since the 1990's. The American worker has been the catalyst for this economic growth. In return, we must continue our effort to put people back to work. Our policies must reflect a steadfast commitment to ensuring that all of America's workers are benefitting from the economic growth that their relentless strength cultivated.

This is why I am proud to support the House Democrats' 'Make It In America' and 'When Women Succeed, America Succeeds' economic agendas. These action plans highlight House Democrats' pro-growth agenda to strengthen our nation's manufacturing sector, create good paying jobs, raise the minimum wage, and close the wage gap. This Labor Day we are called to stand in defense of American workers and the benefits they have earned by fighting for greater prosperity for all Americans and their families."

# USDA SEEKS APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS TO INCREASE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN RURAL AREAS

Washington, DC - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that USDA is seeking applications for grants that will be awarded to organizations to provide critical financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop and strengthen their capacity to carry out housing, community facilities and community and economic development projects.

"Many rural nonprofits often need capital and technical assistance to carry out their missions," Vilsack said. "These grants will provide both of these components through local and regional organizations that are experts at delivering such services."

USDA is making nearly \$6 million available to qualified organizations under the Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI).

Recipients must be non-profit organizations, low-income rural communities, or federally recognized tribes. Intermediary organizations are required to provide matching funds at least equal to the RCDI grant. The grants do not go directly to business recipients but rather through qualified intermediaries.

The deadline for submitting RCDI applications is November 12, 2014. Applications must be submitted to the USDA Rural Development state office where the applicant's headquarters are located. More information about the program and how to apply is available on page 47427 of the August 13, 2014 Federal Register.

Here is an example of how the RCDI program is helping rural communities. The Western Maine Community Action Program (WMCAP) has received several RCDI grants in recent years to help low-and very-low-income seniors maintain their independence and remain in their homes through the Keeping Seniors Home Program. Started in 2004, this program has served nearly 3,000 low-income senior homeowners in Maine. WMCAP is also working on a regional job creation plan to train energy auditors, private contractors, and other community partners to provide additional support services to Maine's elderly rural citizens.

President Obama's historic investments in rural America have made our rural communities stronger. Under his leadership, these investments in housing, community facilities, businesses and infrastructure have empowered rural America to continue leading the way – strengthening America's economy, small towns and rural communities.

#### **NEWS RELEASE**

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# UWA, BLACK BELT COMMISSION OFFER SECOND ANNUAL HOMEGROWN SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Work from Home...Inside or Out!

TUSCALOOSA, AL—The University of West Alabama Small Business Development Center and the Alabama Black Belt Commission will host the second annual Homegrown Small Business Conference on Friday, September 26, 2014.

The conference, to be held at Shelton State Community College, will include two tracks: the first focuses on farming and agribusiness, and the second targets women and youth who want to start businesses in their home. Donald Mills, chairman of the Black Belt Commission's Small Business Development Committee and director of the University of West Alabama's Small Business Development Center, said, "This will be a great opportunity for a diverse set of entrepreneurs to come together and get the tools they need to succeed in business."

Opening the conference will be Charles Spurlin, owner of The Shirt Shop in downtown Tuscaloosa. He will share lessons he has learned as a successful business owner. "We were so pleased that Mr. Spurlin agreed to be our opening speaker," said Ginger Stewart, project manager for the Small Business Development Committee. "He is an excellent example of how small businesses are the

lifeblood of a community. He's done so much to grow and maintain downtown, and he's extremely adept at marketing and branding."

For the luncheon keynote address, 11-year-old Moziah Bridges of Memphis will be traveling to Tuscaloosa to inspire the audience. Moziah, CEO of Mo's Bows, has been featured in national media for his successful entrepreneurship. Mo has appeared in magazines including *O: The Oprah Magazine, GQ, Forbes, Vogue, Glamour* and *Esquire* and has appeared on the television program *Shark Tank*. "Mo's bow tie business earned over \$30,000 last year," Stewart said. "He's a real go-getter. Plus, he's adorable! We can't wait for the audience to meet him."

Breakout sessions will include testimonials from other entrepreneurs, information on resources and loans, and technology. Attendees will also learn how to write a business plan, which Mills said is "the first step to getting any business off the ground."

The program opens at 8:30 a.m., with registration beginning at 7:45 a.m. However, conference organizers encourage interested parties to contact the University of West Alabama Small Business Development Center at (205) 652-3665 to pre-register. More information and online registration are also available at www.westalabamaconferencesandevents.com.

The Alabama Black Belt Commission is Governor Bentley's task force for improving conditions in twelve of the state's most impoverished counties. The Small Business Development Committee assists Black Belt entrepreneurs and business owners in creating and growing their own enterprises.

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## Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

• Grants and Federal Domestic Assistance - Guidance and key resources to help eligible constituents find information on federal grants, loans, and nonfinancial assistance for projects, as well as on private funding. Prepared by the Congressional Research Service for Members of Congress, updated May 2014.

Website: http://sewell.house.gov/grant-information/

- A federal grant is an award of financial assistance from a federal agency to a recipient to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law of the United States. Federal grants are not federal assistance or loans to individuals. A federal grant may not be used to acquire property or services for the federal government's direct benefit. The 26 federal agencies offer over 1,000 grant programs annually in various categories. Website: http://www07.grants.gov/aboutgrants/grants.jsp
- To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit <a href="www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>. It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- To apply for Federal Grants: <a href="http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply\_for\_grants.jsp">http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply\_for\_grants.jsp</a>
- <u>Grants.gov Applicant Training Video</u> Need a quick lesson on how to Register, Find and Apply? Watch this short video to get tips on registering with Grants.gov; finding grant opportunities; understanding your search results; and, applying for opportunities.
- To learn about foundation grant opportunities, please visit <a href="http://foundationcenter.org/">http://foundationcenter.org/</a>. The Foundation Center is a gateway to information about private funding sources and provides guidelines about how to write a grant proposal. It also provides links to state libraries with grants reference collections, and links to other useful Internet websites.

## Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

## **Corporation for National and Community Service**

Program: NEW-2015 RSVP Competition

**Description:** CNCS intends to fund RSVP grants that support volunteers age 55 years and

older in activities that serve community needs and respond to the National Performance Measures in the following focus areas: disaster; education; economic opportunity; environment; healthy futures; and veterans and military families. Encouraged for notice of intent to apply is August 8, 2014. Deadline is

apply is September 09, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-">http://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-</a>

opportunities/2014/2015-rsvp-competition

## **Environmental Protection Agency**

Program: NEW-Air Pollution Monitoring for Communities

**Description:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as part of its Science to

Achieve Results (STAR) program, is seeking applications proposing research on empowering communities and individuals to take action to avoid air pollution exposure, using low-cost portable air pollution sensors. Specifically of interest is research on using low-cost portable sensors to understand and avoid air pollution exposure, on the ways communities and individuals interact with air pollution sensors and their data, on methods for understanding and managing the quality of data from air pollution sensors, and on how sensors and sensor networks compare to existing state-of-the-art air quality monitoring methods. Deadline is October

7, 2014.

Website: http://www.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2014/2014-star-air-pollution-

monitoring.html

# **Institute of Museum and Library Services**

Program: NEW- National Leadership Grants Program

**Description:** National Leadership Grants for Libraries (NLG) support projects that address

challenges faced by the library and archive fields and that have the potential to advance practice in those fields. Deadline is Preliminary Proposal Due Date: Submit through Grants.gov by 11:59 p.m. U.S. Eastern Time on October 13, 2014 Full Proposal Due Date: Submit through Grants.gov by

11:59 p.m. U.S. Eastern Time on January 15, 2015 (by invitation only)

Website: http://www.imls.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=14

## **National Archives and Records Administration**

Program: NEW-Literacy and Engagement with Historical Records

**Description:** The Literacy and Engagement grant program offers support for projects

that will result in archives reaching audiences through digital literacy programs and workshops, new tools and applications, and citizen

engagement in archival processes. Deadline is December 14, 2014.

Website: http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/literacy.html

Program: NEW-Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions

**Description:** The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks

proposals to publish documentary editions of historical records. These editions publish historical records of national significance and may focus on the papers of major figures from American life or cover broad historical movements in politics, military, business, social reform, the arts, and other aspects of the national experience. Closing Date is December 4,

2014

Website: <a href="http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/editions.html">http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/editions.html</a>

# **National Endowment for the Arts**

Program: NEW-NEA Research: Art Works, FY 2015

**Description:** "The Arts Endowment's support of a project may start on May 1, 2015, or any

time thereafter." In September 2012, the NEA's Office of Research & Analysis published its five-year research agenda, supported by a system map and measurement model. Titled How Art Works, the report offers a framework for studying research topics critical to a broader public understanding of the arts' value and/or impact for individuals and communities. Deadline is October 21,

2014.

Website: http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/research-art-works

## **National Endowment of the Humanities**

Program: NEW-Enduring Questions

**Description**: The NEH Enduring Questions grant program supports faculty members in the

preparation of a new course on a fundamental concern of human life as addressed

by the humanities. Deadline is September 11, 2014.

**Website:** http://www.neh.gov/grants/education/enduring-questions

**National Science Foundation** 

Program: NEW-CISE Research Infrastructure

**Description:** The CISE Research Infrastructure (CRI) program drives discovery and learning

in the core CISE disciplines of the three participating CISE divisions by supporting the creation and enhancement of world-class research infrastructure that will support focused research agendas in computer and information science

and engineering. Deadline is November 6, 2014.

Website: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods\_key=nsf14593

Program: NEW-Improving Undergraduate STEM Education

**Description:** Priorities include educating students to be leaders and innovators in emerging

and rapidly changing STEM fields as well as educating a scientifically literate

populace. Deadline Is October 24, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods\_key=nsf14588">http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods\_key=nsf14588</a>

Program: NEW- Advanced Technological Education

**Description:** The program involves partnerships between academic institutions and

industry to promote improvement in the education of science and engineering technicians at the undergraduate and secondary school levels. Deadline is

October 9, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods\_key=nsf14577">http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods\_key=nsf14577</a>

Program: NEW- Increasing the Participation and Advancement of Women in

**Academic Science and Engineering Careers** 

**Description:** The goals of the ADVANCE program are (1) to develop systemic approaches

to increase the representation and advancement of women in academic STEM careers; (2) to develop innovative and sustainable ways to promote gender equity in the STEM academic workforce; and (3) to contribute to the development of a more diverse science and engineering workforce. Deadline

is September 22, 2014.

Website: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods\_key=nsf14573

Program: NEW-Manufacturing Machines and Equipment

**Description:** Key goals of the program are to advance the transition of manufacturing from

skill-based to knowledge-based activities, and to advance technologies that will enable the manufacturing sector to reduce its environmental impacts.

Deadline is September 15, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp?pims\_id=13346">http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp?pims\_id=13346</a>

Program: NEW - Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate

**Program (HBCU-UP)** 

**Description:** Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program

(HBCU-UP) is committed to enhancing the quality of undergraduate STEM education and research at HBCUs as a means to broaden

participation in the nation's STEM workforce.

Letter of Intent Deadline Date: August 25, 2014

Letters of Intent are due for Research Initiation Awards

Full Proposal Deadline Date: October 27, 2014

Proposals are due for Research Initiation Awards Letter of Intent Deadline Date: November 24, 2014

Letters of Intent are due for Targeted Infusion Projects, Broadening Participation Research Projects, Achieving Competitive Excellence Implementation Projects and Implementation Projects

Full Proposal Deadline Date: January 26, 2015

Proposals are due for Targeted Infusion Projects, Broadening Participation Research Projects, Achieving Competitive Excellence Implementation Projects and Implementation Projects

Website: http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2009/nsf09512/nsf09512.pdf

# **U.S. Department of Agriculture**

Program: NEW-Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Program

**Description:** The purpose of this competitive undergraduate scholarship grant program is

to increase the multicultural diversity of the food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce, and advance the educational achievement of all Americans by providing competitive grants to colleges and universities. The Multicultural Scholars Program is available every year. Deadline is

September 30, 2014.

Website: http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/multicultural\_scholars.html

Program: NEW- Rural Community Development Initiative

**Description:** Qualified private, nonprofit and public (including tribal) intermediary

organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs will be eligible to receive the funding. The intermediary will be

Wahrita	required to provide matching funds in an amount at least equal to the RCDI grant. Deadline is November 12, 2014.
Website:	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-13/pdf/2014-19132.pdf
Program: Description: Website:	NEW-Socially Disadvantaged Policy Research Center This notice announces the availability of funds and solicits applications from eligible institutions to compete for financial assistance in the form of a grant to establish a Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Policy Research Center (The Center) at an 1890 Institution (as defined in 7 U.S.C. § 7601). Deadline is September 11, 2014 <a href="http://www.outreach.usda.gov/grants/index.htm">http://www.outreach.usda.gov/grants/index.htm</a>
Program:	NEW-School Wellness Policy
Description: Website:	The funds will support public or private, non-governmental research institutions (such as accredited institutions of higher education and/or non-profit organizations) to enter into a cooperative agreement with USDA FNS for school wellness policy surveillance, research, and reporting that complement other national existing school wellness policy surveillance systems and assist the USDA in fulfilling its Congressional monitoring and surveillance mandate, as delineated in the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act (HHFKA). Deadline is October 6, 2014. <a href="http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/SchoolWellness-RFA.pdf">http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/SchoolWellness-RFA.pdf</a>
Program:	NEW-USDA-FNS-WICSPG-FULLMINI-FY2014
<b>Description:</b>	WIC Grants To States (WGS). Deadline is September 15, 2014.
Website:	http://origin.drupal.fns.usda.gov/wic/2014-wic-special-projects-grant-
	<u>applications</u>
Program: Description:	NEW-Capacity Building Grants for Non Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture Program  Applications may only be submitted by a Non-Land Grant College of Agriculture (NLGCAs) certified as such by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture. In order for an institution to qualify as a NLGCA, it must be a public college or university offering a baccalaureate or higher degree in the study of food and agricultural sciences, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 3103(9). Deadline is September 5, 2014.
Website:	http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/non_land_grant_capacity.html
Program: Description: Website:	NEW-Small Business Innovation Research Program - Phase I USDA SBIR Program has awarded over 2000 research and development projects since 1983, allowing hundreds of small businesses to explore their technological potential, and providing an incentive to profit from the commercialization of innovative ideas. Deadline is October 2, 2014.  http://nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/sbir_rfa.html
Program:  Description:	NEW-Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Loan Guarantees Under Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program (GRRHP) for Fiscal Year 2014 Eligible lenders are invited to submit responses for new construction and acquisition with rehabilitation of affordable rural rental housing. Deadline:
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Eligible responses to this Notice will be accepted until December 31, 2015, 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Selected responses that develop into complete applications and meet all Federal eligibility requirements prior to September 30, 2014 will receive conditional commitments until all FY 2014 funds are expended.

Website: <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-05-21/pdf/2014-11733.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-05-21/pdf/2014-11733.pdf</a>

## **U.S. Department of Commerce**

Program: NEW-Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Technology

**Commercialization Assistance Program (TCAP)** 

**Description:** NIST invites applications for a program involving technical and business

engagement activities directed at small businesses participating in NIST's Small

Business Innovation Research Program. Deadline is September 23, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.nist.gov/tpo/sbir/upload/tcap-final-2.pdf">http://www.nist.gov/tpo/sbir/upload/tcap-final-2.pdf</a>

Program: NEW-Round 1 of Research to Operations Initiative

**Description:** The NWS Research to Operations (R2O) Initiative is a NOAA initiative to

expand and accelerate critical weather forecasting research to operations to address growing service demands and increase the accuracy of weather forecasts.

Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-

grants.html?kevwords=NOAA-NWS-NWSPO-2015-2004117

Program: NEW-Community Resilience Center of Excellence Program

**Description:** NIST is soliciting applications to establish a Community Resilience Center of

Excellence in which NIST researchers collaborate with interdisciplinary researchers from academia and industry on development of tools and standardized methods that will enhance the disaster resilience of communities and their built environment through innovations in measurement science and in new modeling, simulation, data, and informatics tools coupled with field studies

of multiple hazard events. Deadline is September 12, 2014.

Website: http://www.nist.gov/coe/resilience/upload/coe\_commres\_ffo.pdf

**U.S. Department of Education** 

Program: NEW-Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSER):

Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA): Rehabilitation Training: Job-Driven Vocational Rehabilitation Technical Assistance Center CFDA

**Number 84.264A** 

**Description:** Purpose is to support projects that provide training, traineeships, and technical

assistance designed to increase the numbers, and improve the skills, of qualified personnel (especially rehabilitation counselors) who are trained to: Provide vocational, medical, social, and psychological rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities; assist individuals with communication and related disorders; and provide other services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act.

Deadline is September 18, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-19/pdf/2014-19587.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-19/pdf/2014-19587.pdf</a>

Program: NEW-Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE): Preschool

**Development Grants: Expansion Grants CFDA Number 84.419B** 

**Description:** Purpose of program is to support State and local efforts to build, develop, and expand High-Quality Preschool Programs so that more children from lowand moderate-income families enter kindergarten ready to succeed in school and in life. Deadline is Oct 14, 2014. Applications Available: August 18, 2014. Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply: September 11, 2014. Website: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-18/pdf/2014-19427.pdf **Program: NEW-Office Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSER):** Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA): Assistive Technology: Alternative Financing Program CFDA Number 84.224D Purpose of Program: The purpose of the Assistive Technology (AT) **Description:** Alternative Financing Program (AFP) is to support programs that provide for the purchase of AT devices, such as a low-interest loan fund, an interest buydown program, a revolving loan fund, a loan guarantee, or an insurance program. Deadline is September 15, 2014. http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-14/pdf/2014-19288.pdf Website: **Program: NEW-Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS):** Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP): Technical Assistance on State Data Collection: IDEA Data Management Center CFDA Number 84.373M **Description:** Purpose of Program: The purpose of the Technical Assistance on State Data Collection program is to improve the capacity of States to meet the Individual with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) data collection and reporting requirements. Deadline is September 4, 2014. Website: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-05/pdf/2014-18476.pdf **Program: NEW-Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS):** Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA): Vocational Rehabilitation Services Projects for American Indians with Disabilities CFDA Number 84.250J **Description:** Purpose of Program: The purpose of this program is to provide vocational rehabilitation (VR) services to American Indians with disabilities who reside on or near Federal or State reservations, consistent with their individual strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests, and informed choice, so that they may prepare for and engage in gainful employment,

including self-employment, telecommuting, or business ownership. Deadline is September 2, 2014. http://www.gpo.gov/fdsvs/pkg/FR-2014-07-17/pdf/2014-16830.pdf

Website:

**Program:** NEW-OSERS/NIDRR: Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and

Centers Program: Minority-Serving Institution Field-Initiated Projects

Program CFDA Number 84.133G-4 (Research)

**Description:** Purpose of Program: The purpose of the Field-Initiated (FI) Projects program is

> to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with

disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities. Deadline is

September 2, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-07-01/pdf/2014-15380.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-07-01/pdf/2014-15380.pdf</a>

# **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

Program: NEW-Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP

**Description:** The goal of this program is to promote access to health care for children, youth

and their families nationwide, and employ preventive health strategies through

innovative community driven programs. Deadline is October 14, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-">http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-</a>

grants.html?keywords=HRSA-15-034

Program: NEW-Recovery Best Practices

**Description:** The goal of the process will be to prioritize scientific research needs in the

immediate aftermath of a disaster that culminates in a summary report of the strategic science research questions most relevant to promote better response, recovery or enhanced resilience in the affect community. Deadline is

September 15, 2014.

Website:

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnounc

ement.do?id=49849

Program: NEW-Obesity and Asthma: Awareness and Self- Management (R01)

**Description:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to stimulate research to

examine the relationship between asthma, obesity and self-management.

Deadline is September 7, 2014.

Website: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-14-316.html

Program: NEW-Performance Management System Development and Data Collection,

Analysis and Reporting for the Community Services Block Grant Program

**Description:** This three-year funding opportunity will support a process to update Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) performance management systems which will be

available to states to meet annual State reporting requirements of the CSBG as

outlined in Section 687E(a). Deadline is September 8, 2014.

Website: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2014-ACF-OCS-

ET-0953

Program: NEW-Enhancing Public Health Surveillance of Autism Spectrum Disorder

and Other Developmental Disabilities through the Autism and

**Developmental Disabilities Monitoring (ADDM) Network** 

**Description:** The purpose of this FOA is to enhance the capacity of surveillance programs to

implement or enhance a population-based, multiple-source surveillance program for autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and other developmental disabilities (DDs) that co-occur with ASD (cerebral palsy (CP) and intellectual disability (ID)).

Deadline is October 10, 2014.

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-

grants.html?keywords=CDC-RFA-DD15-1501

Program NEW-Improving Diabetes Management in Young Children with Type 1

Diabetes (DP3)

**Description:** The goal of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support

research to develop, refine, and pilot test innovative strategies to improve diabetes management in young children with type 1 diabetes (5 years old and

under). Deadline is March 18, 2015.

Website: <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-14-022.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-14-022.html</a>

Program: NEW-State Systems Development Initiative Grant Program

**Description:** The purpose of SSDI is to develop, enhance and expand State Title V MCH data

capacity to allow for informed decision making and resource allocation that supports effective, efficient and quality programming for women, infants, children and youth, including children and youth with special health care needs.

Deadline is September 2, 2014.

Contact: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services

Administration, HRSA Grants Application Center, 910 Clopper Road, Suite 155

South, Gaithersburg, MD, 20878

# **U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

Program: NEW-Center of Excellence (COE) - Center for Borders, Trade and

Immigration Research (CBTIR) Center Lead

**Description:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology

Directorate (S&T) Office of University Programs (OUP) is requesting applications from U.S. colleges and universities to serve as a lead institution for a Center for Borders, Trade and Immigration Research (CBTIR). OUP is also posting a separate FOA for eligible applicants to submit single project proposals

for consideration as a partner to this COE. Deadline is October 1, 2014.

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-

grants.html?keywords=DHS-14-ST-061-COE-002A

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

Program: NEW-Rural Capacity Building for Community Development and

Affordable Housing Grants

**Description:** Through funding of national organizations with expertise in rural housing and community development, the Rural Capacity Building program enhances the

capacity and ability of local governments, Indian tribes, housing development organizations, rural CDCs, and CHDOs, to carry out community development and affordable housing activities that benefit low- and moderate-income families

and persons in rural area. Deadline is September 19, 2014.

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=FR-

5800-N-15

Program: NEW-Fair Housing Initiative Program - Fair Housing Organization

**Initiative** 

**Description:** FHIP Funds are used to increase compliance with the Fair Housing Act. This

year there are three Initiatives: Private Enforcement, Education and Outreach, and the Fair Housing Organization Initiatives. HUD will award

grants/cooperative agreements under each of these program initiatives. Deadline is September 2, 2014.

Websites:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

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Program:

NEW-Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)

**Description:** 

SHOP Grant funds are awarded to national and regional non-profit organizations and consortia to facilitate and encourage innovative homeownership opportunities on a national, geographically diverse basis through the provision of self-help homeownership housing programs. Deadline is September 2, 2014.

Website:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

# **U.S. Department of Interior**

Program:

**NEW-BLM CA Youth Opportunities on Public Lands** 

**Description:** 

The goal of this program is to expose youth to the principles of natural resources management in order to instill a strong conservation ethic and to create the next generation of stewards for our public lands. Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/searchgrants.html?keywords=L14AS00177

Program: Description:

NEW-Boating Infrastructure Grant Program Tier 1

This program provides funding to States, the District of Columbia, Commonwealths, and territories for the construction, renovation, and maintenance of docking, mooring, and other facilities for transient, recreational boats 26 feet or greater in length. Deadline is September 19, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-">http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-</a>

grants.html?keywords=F14AS00240

# **U.S. Department of Transportation**

Program: NEW- Development of the Rolling Wheel Deflectometer

**Description:** The FHWA seeks to continue development of the Rolling Wheel Deflectometer

with Applied Research Associates (ARA) to where it can be used as a viable tool by Federal, state and local transportation agencies to accurately measure highway structural capacities for the purpose of improving pavement maintenance and

increasing transportation safety. Deadline is September 10, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppId=262889">http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppId=262889</a>

Program: NEW-FY 2015 New Entrant Grant Program Notice of Funding Availability

**Description:** The New Entrant grant program is a Federal discretionary grant program that

provides financial assistance to reduce the number and severity of crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles by reviewing new interstate motor carriers to ensure that they have effective safety management

programs. Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website:

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnounc

ement.do?id=49823

Program: NEW-Federal Railroad Administration FY14 Grant Application

**Solicitation** 

**Description:** The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for eligible intercity passenger

rail grade crossing improvement projects, positive train control implementation projects, and Passenger Rail Corridor Investment Plan projects. Deadline is

September 15, 2014.

Website:

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnounce

ment.do?id=49723

## **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

Program: NEW-Veterans Cemetery Grants

Description: Grants are available for states, territories, and federally recognized tribal

governments. This program is implemented in 38 Code of Federal Regulations

Part 39. Deadline is July 1, 2015.

Website: <a href="http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/grants/">http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/grants/</a>

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE,

CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: NEW-Public Welfare Foundation Accepting Letters of Intent for Juvenile

Justice Programs

**Description:** The <u>Public Welfare Foundation</u> is accepting Letters of Intent from organizations

and programs working to end the criminalization and over-incarceration of youth

in the United States. Deadline is OPEN.

Website: <a href="http://www.publicwelfare.org/ApplyGrant/FullProposal.aspx">http://www.publicwelfare.org/ApplyGrant/FullProposal.aspx</a>

Program: NEW-William T. Grant Foundation Invites Letters of Inquiry for

**Distinguished Fellows Program** 

**Description:** The William T. Grant Foundation's Distinguished Fellows Program is designed

to increase the supply of, demand for, and use of high-quality research in the service of improved youth outcomes. To accomplish its goals, the program gives influential mid-career researchers the opportunity to immerse themselves in practice or policy settings and gives influential practitioners and policy makers

the opportunity to work in research settings. Deadline is January 6, 2015.

Website: <a href="http://wtgrantfoundation.org/Grants#faq-distinguished-fellows">http://wtgrantfoundation.org/Grants#faq-distinguished-fellows</a>

Program: NEW-Tom's of Maine Invites Nominations for 2014 50 States for Good

**Competition** 

**Description:** Fifty-one organizations — one from each state and the District of Columbia —

will be chosen by public vote to receive \$10,000 each in support of a current or

future community project or event. Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.tomsofmaine.com/community/50SFG-2014/Home">http://www.tomsofmaine.com/community/50SFG-2014/Home</a>

Program: NEW-Project Learning Tree Seeks Applications for Environmental

Education Projects

**Description:** PLT is accepting applications from schools and nonprofit organizations for

environmental service-learning projects through its GreenWorks! grants program, which helps students make their schools greener and more healthy by, for example, implementing recycling programs, conserving water and energy, improving air quality, establishing school gardens and outdoor classrooms, and

integrating these projects into the curriculum. Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website: http://www.plt.org/apply-for-greenworks-environmental-education-

grant

Program: NEW-U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Invites Applications for

**Entrepreneurs Academy Grants** 

**Description:** The foundation has announced that it is accepting applications in support of the

recently launched Young Entrepreneurs Academy. Grants of up to \$2,500 will be awarded to local Chambers of Commerce that are members of the U.S. Chamber

of Commerce and would like to bring the program to their communities. Deadline is September 26, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://yeausa.org/">http://yeausa.org/</a>

Program: NEW-AAUW Accepting Applications for Community Action Grants

**Description:** AAUW is accepting applications for its Community Action Grants Program, an

annual program that provides funds to individuals, AAUW branches, and AAUW state organizations as well as community-based nonprofit organizations for innovative programs and non-degree research projects that promote education

and equity for women and girls. Deadline is January 15, 2015.

Website: http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-

awards/community-action-grants/

Program: NEW-Target Accepting Applications for K-12 Field Trip Grants Program

**Description:** Grants are intended to fund visits to art, science, and cultural museums;

community service or civic projects; career enrichment opportunities; and other events or activities away from school. More than 3,600 grants of up to \$700 will

be awarded. Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website: <a href="https://targetfieldtripgrants.target.com/">https://targetfieldtripgrants.target.com/</a>

Program: NEW-YoungArts Foundation Invites Applications for 2015 Young Artists

**Prize** 

**Description:** The National YoungArts Foundation provides emerging artists (age 15-18 or

grades 10-12) with opportunities to work with renowned mentors, access to significant scholarships, national recognition, and other opportunities throughout their careers to help ensure that the nation's most outstanding young artists are

encouraged to pursue careers in the arts. Deadline is October 17, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.youngarts.org/apply">http://www.youngarts.org/apply</a>

Program: NEW-Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation Accepting Applications for USArtists

**International Grants** 

**Description:** Grants of up to \$15,000 will be awarded to American dance, music, and theater

ensembles and solo performers that have been invited to perform at international festivals and/or for performance engagements that represent extraordinary career

opportunities abroad. Deadline is December 5, 2014.

Website:

http://www.midatlanticarts.org/funding/pat\_presentation/us\_artists/

index.html

Program: NEW-RedRover Seeks Applications From Emergency Shelter Groups to

**Help Victims of Domestic Abuse and Their Pets** 

**Description:** RedRover is accepting applications from emergency shelter organizations to help

victims of domestic violence and their animal companions stay together during

times of crisis. Deadline is October 15, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.redrover.org/node/1099">http://www.redrover.org/node/1099</a>

Program: NEW- MAP Fund Invites Letters of Inquiry for Performance Work

**Embodying Spirit of Exploration** 

**Description:** Starting on September 8, Multi-Arts Production Fund (MAP) will begin

accepting Letters of Inquiry from artists, ensembles, producers, and arts presenters whose work in the disciplines of contemporary performance embodies this spirit of exploration and inquiry. The fund is particularly interested in work that examines notions of cultural difference or "the other," whether based in class, gender, generation, race, religion, sexual orientation, or another aspect of diversity. Only projects that contain a live performance

will be considered. Deadline Dates are:

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2014** 

Online Letter of Inquiry Application Open

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. EDT

Online Letter of Inquiry Application Deadline

**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3, 2014** 

Notification of Invite for Full Proposal

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. EDT

Deadline for Full Proposals (by invite)

Website: <a href="http://apply.mapfund.org//index\_anonymous.php">http://apply.mapfund.org//index\_anonymous.php</a>

Program: NEW- Ben Cohen Stand Up Foundation Invites Applications for Anti-

**Bullying Programs** 

**Description:** The Ben Cohen Stand Up Foundation, the charitable foundation of rugby star

Ben Cohen, works to raise awareness of the damaging long-term effects of bullying and raise funds to support those doing real-world work to stop it.

Grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded to nonprofit organizations for programs and projects designed to stop bullying, help those hurt by bullying, and/or help increase equality and diversity in sports. Deadline is November 30, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.standupfoundation.com/grants/requesting-funding/">http://www.standupfoundation.com/grants/requesting-funding/</a>

Program: NEW- AG Bell Association Invites Applications for Parent-Infant

Financial Aid Program

**Description:** The Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is

accepting applications for its 2014 Parent-Infant Financial Aid Program for families of infants and toddlers diagnosed with a moderately severe to profound hearing loss who are in pursuit of a spoken language outcome for

their child. Deadline is October 7, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://listeningandspokenlanguage.org/Document.aspx?id=269">http://listeningandspokenlanguage.org/Document.aspx?id=269</a>

Program: NEW-Alabama Power Foundation Accepting Applications for 'Power to

Play' Grants

**Description:** The Alabama Power Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Birmingham-based

energy provider Alabama Power, aims to give high schools across its service

area the chance to improve their athletic programs.

To accomplish that goal and increase the number of students participating in high school athletic programs, the foundation will award grants of \$2,500 through its Power to Play program to thirty-six schools across the state.

Deadline is September 14, 2014.

Website: http://powertoplav.org/

Program: NEW-Community Giving Through the BBVA Compass Foundation

**Description:** To be considered for grant funding, organizations must meet the following

criteria:

• Have a nonprofit, tax-exempt classification under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code:

- Be located or provide service in BBVA Compass' markets;
- Have broad community support and address specific community needs;
- Demonstrate fiscal and administrative stability; and
- Align with one or more of the Foundation's six focus areas:
  - o Community Development (including Financial Literacy)
  - Education

- Health and Human Services
- Arts and Culture
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Diversity and Inclusion

## Deadline is September 30, 2014.

# Website: <a href="http://www.bbvacompass.com/compass/responsibility/foundations.jsp">http://www.bbvacompass.com/compass/responsibility/foundations.jsp</a>

## Program: NEW-Foundation for Rural Service Grant Program

# **Description:** Foundation for Rural Service Grant Program provides grants for programs in rural communities served by the National Telecommunications Cooperative

Association (NTCA) members.

Funds may be used for:

- **Business Development:** Technology equipment for agriculture, entrepreneurship and/or job creation programs.
- **Community Development:** Parks and recreation, tourism and the arts.
- **Education:** Education technology (such as computers and smart boards), curriculum development, extracurricular activities, and distance learning programs.
- **Telecommunications:** Broadband adoption projects, technology education, and training.

Deadline is October 1, 2014.

## Website: http://www.raconline.org/funding/3227

#### Program: NEW-Economic Development Assistance Programs

**Description:** These funds will be provided to rural and urban communities in distressed regions to support the implementation of regional economic development.

Funding is available for:

- Public Works Projects:
  - Water and sewer system improvements
  - o Industrial parks
  - Shipping and logistics facilities
  - Brownfield development

o Telecommunications infrastructure and development facilities

#### • Economic Adjustment Assistance:

Awards funding to projects that have specific solutions for regional economic development. Projects must foster collaboration, create jobs, and attract investment.

Deadline is October 17, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.raconline.org/funding/2932">http://www.raconline.org/funding/2932</a>

Program: NEW-Applications Invited for Soros Justice Fellowships in Advocacy and

**Media** 

**Description:** The fellowship program is part of a larger effort by the Open Society

Foundations' Criminal Justice Fund to reduce the destructive impact of current criminal justice policies on the lives of individuals, families, and communities in the U.S. by challenging the overreliance on incarceration and harsh punishment, and by ensuring a fair and equitable system of justice for all. Deadline is October

22, 2014.

Website: http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/soros-justice-

**fellowships** 

Program: NEW- American Council of Learned Societies Invites Applications for

**Digital Innovation Fellowships** 

**Description:** With funding from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the fellowship program

supports digitally-based research projects in all disciplines of the humanities and related social sciences. The aim of the program is to provide scholars with the means to pursue intellectually significant projects that deploy digital technologies

intensively and innovatively. Deadline is September 24, 2014.

Website: http://www.acls.org/programs/digital/

Program: NEW-Finish Line Youth Foundation Invites Applications for Youth Athletic

**Programs and Camps** 

**Description:** Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to nonprofit organizations for

community-based athletic programs and to establish camps that teach active-lifestyle and team-building skills. Preference will be given to organizations that provide opportunities for participation for individuals age 18 and under and

whose activities provide direct services and produce tangible results.

Grants Application Period Review Period Grant Awarded By \*

Pre-Applications Schedule	Full Proposal Deadlines	
Summer: Opens Jan. 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 – Deadline Mar. 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2014 at 5pm ET.	Summer: Jun. 16 <sup>th</sup> , 4pm EST	
Winter 2015: Opens Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup> – Deadline Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup> , 5pm ET If invited, see Full Proposal Deadline in next column.	Winter 2015: on or about Jan. 15 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Renewals 2015:</b> Opens July 1 <sup>st</sup> , with ongoing basis through Feb. 2015	Renewals: Based on invitation date.	

 January 1 - March 31
 April - May
 June 1

 April 1 - June 30
 July - August
 September 1

 July 1 - September 30
 Oct - Nov
 December 1

 Oct 1 - December 31
 Jan - Feb
 March 1

Website: http://www.finishline.com/store/youthfoundation/review.jsp

Program: NEW- Ben & Jerry's Foundation Seeks Proposals for Social and

**Environmental Justice Projects** 

**Description:** One-year grants of up to \$20,000 will be awarded to nonprofit grassroots

community-organizing groups in the United States working to further social and environmental justice and support sustainable and just-food systems. Grants can

be used to support both program and operational costs.

Website: http://benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-

social-change-program/

Program: NEW-Family Caregiver Alliance Accepting Nominations for Innovations in

Alzheimer's Disease Caregiving Legacy Awards

**Description:** The Family Caregiver Alliance is accepting nominations for the Rosalinde

Gilbert Innovations in Alzheimer's Disease Caregiving Legacy Awards, an annual program that recognizes organizations that focus primarily on family/informal caregivers of adults with Alzheimer's disease and related

dementias. Deadline is September 5, 2014.

Website: http://www.alzdiscovery.org/assets/content/static/ADDF-

ADCS RFP\_FINAL.pdf

Program: NEW-KaBOOM! Invites Applications for Community Playground Grants

**Description:** KaBOOM!, a program that provides eligible communities with most of the funds,

tools, and resources they need to build a custom-made playground in one day.

Deadline is OPEN.

Website:

http://kaboom.org/build\_playground/build\_it\_kaboom\_playground\_

grant

Program: NEW-NCTM Accepting Applications for Projects Using Music to Teach

**Pre-K-2 Mathematics** 

**Description:** The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics is accepting applications from

teachers of pre-K-2 mathematics for projects that incorporate music into the elementary school classroom to help young students learn mathematics.

Deadline is November 7, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.nctm.org/resources/content.aspx?id=1318">http://www.nctm.org/resources/content.aspx?id=1318</a>

Program: NEW-Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Announces 2015 Culture of Health

**Prize** 

**Description:** The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has issued a Call for Applications for its

2015 Culture of Health Prize, an annual program which honors outstanding community efforts and partnerships that are helping people live healthier lives.

Deadline is September 17, 2014.

Website: 2015 RWJF Culture of Health Prize - Robert Wood Johnson

**Foundation** 

Program: NEW-Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation Grant

**Description:** The mission of the Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation is to support

educators in developing environmental curricula that integrate field activities and classroom teaching and that incorporate basic ecological principles and problem

solving. Deadline is September 14, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://www.mgaef.org/application.htm">http://www.mgaef.org/application.htm</a>

Program: NEW-Binoculars for Young Citizen Scientists

**Description:** Cornell's BirdSleuth K-12 initiative is awarding binoculars to schools where

educators have made outstanding efforts to engage their students in citizen

science. Deadline is OPEN.

Website: http://www.birdsleuth.org/binoculars-for-the-citizen-scientists/

Program: NEW-Fuel Up to Play 60 School Wellness Grants

**Description:** Fuel Up to Play 60 offer

Fuel Up to Play 60 offers funding to K-12 schools enrolled in its wellness program. Eligible schools may apply for up to \$4,000 to help increase awareness of and access to nutrient-rich foods and physical activity opportunities for

students. Deadline is November 5, 2014.

Website: <a href="http://school.fueluptoplay60.com/funds/introduction.php">http://school.fueluptoplay60.com/funds/introduction.php</a>

Program: NEW-Gannett Foundation Community Action Grants

**Description:** The Gannett Foundation supports local organizations in communities served by

the Gannett Company. Community action grant priorities include education and

neighborhood improvement, economic development, youth

development, community problem-solving, assistance to disadvantaged

people, environmental conservation and cultural enrichment. Deadline is August

29, 2014.

Website: http://www.gannettfoundation.org/guidelines.htm

Program: NEW-International Paper Environmental Education Grants

**Description:** The International Paper (IP) Foundation supports non-profit organizations in

communities where its employees live and work. Environmental education is one of the primary areas the Foundation supports. The Foundation seeks programs that help generations understand a sustainable approach to business that balances

environmental, social and economic needs.

Website:

http://www.internationalpaper.com/US/EN/Company/IPGiving/Appl

icationGuidelines.html

Program: NEW-Joseph S. Bruno Charitable Foundation

**Description:** Our strategy is also to seek partners both public and private who share

common interests for collaborations and positive change. Focus Areas: Education, Health and Human Services, Basic services for at risk families and children, Family literacy and adult education, Community Improvement and Nonprofit Capacity Building, Culture and increasing accessibility to the arts and Philanthropy and Volunteerism. Deadline is September 15 for October Board

Meeting.

Website: <a href="http://www.jsbcf.org/funding.asp">http://www.jsbcf.org/funding.asp</a>

SECTION IV STATE OF ALABAMA GRANTS

Program: NEW- ALABAMA TOURISM DEPARTMENT GUIDELINES FOR

MATCHING GRANTS

**Description:** The Alabama Tourism Department (ATD) will continue its Matching Grants

Program in 2014. The Matching Grants Program provides assistance to nonprofit Alabama organizations promoting travel and vacation business to Alabama on a reimbursement 50/50 matching basis. All event specific brochure projects must be for events in 2014. Deadline for August 2014 for November 2014 event. Deadline is September for December 2014. Brochures must be completed by November, 2014, or the grant will be withdrawn at 5:00 PM on December 1, 2014. This includes receipt of final paperwork by the Alabama Tourism

**Department.** (ABSOLUTELY NO EXTENSIONS)

Website: http://tourism.alabama.gov/content/uploads/Matching-Grant-

**Guidelines-Brochure-2014.pdf** 

**Program:** NEW- Alabama Humanities Foundation Grants

**Description:** Applicants are encouraged to develop projects for a wide variety of audiences

including: library and museum patrons, teachers and scholars, youth, senior citizens, nursing home residents, hospital patients, the economically disadvantaged, the incarcerated, and the hearing and sight impaired.

**Application submission deadlines:** 

Major Grants (\$1,500 and up) – February 15, June 16, September 15 Minor Grants (\$1,500 or less) – February 15, June 16, September 15

Website: <a href="http://www.alabamahumanities.org/grants/">http://www.alabamahumanities.org/grants/</a>

SECTION V FELLOWSHIPS / INTERNSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS /

FINANCIAL AID/ AWARDS

Program: NEW-Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation Grant

**Description:** Organizations, including schools, non-profits and government agencies, are

invited to apply for grants up to \$1,500 to develop or implement environmental curricula that integrate hands-on ecology exercises into the classroom. One-page

pre-proposals are due September 14, 2014

Website: http://www.mgaef.org/application.htm

Program: NEW-ClimateChangeLIVE \$1,000 GreenWorks! Grant

**Description:** Do you have an idea for a school/community native plant garden, forest

improvement project, streamside restoration plan, recycling program, energy conservation project or any other project that could help address climate change? Need funds to implement it? Apply for a \$1000 ClimateChangeLIVE GreenWorks!

Grant. Deadline is September 30, 2014.

Website: http://climatechangelive.org/index.php?pid=177

Program: NEW-Walmart Foundation National Giving Program Grants

**Description:** Through its National Giving Program, the Walmart Foundation awards grants of

\$250,000 and above to non-profit organizations that operate on a national scope through chapters/affiliates in many states around the country or through programs that operate regionally/locally but seek funding to replicate program activities

nationally. Deadline is OPEN.

Areas of focus for the Foundation include:

	Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating Sustainability Women's Economic Empowerment
Website:	Career Opportunity <a href="http://foundation.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/national-giving">http://foundation.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/national-giving</a>
Program: Description:	NEW-Captain Planet Foundation Grant The Captain Planet Foundation provides grants of up to \$2,500 to school and community groups to support hands-on environmental projects. The objective of the Foundation is to encourage innovative programs that empower children and youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Deadline is September 30, 2014.
Website:	http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/
Program:	NEW-William G. McGowan Charitable Fund Issues Request for Proposals for Projects That Address Homelessness
Description:	The fund will award grants in support of initiatives that seek to correct circumstances contributing to homelessness, as well as initiatives designed to help eradicate the condition of homelessness in the long term. Deadline is OPEN.
Website:	http://www.williamgmcgowanfund.org/pdf/Homelessness%20RFP.pdf
Program: Description:	NEW-Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM)  Each "Individual" or "Organizational" PAESMEM awardee will receive a \$10,000 award and a commemorative Presidential certificate. Awardees are also invited to participate in an award recognition ceremony in Washington, DC which includes meetings with STEM educators, researchers and policy leaders. Up to 16 awards may be made from the nominations received on or before October 3, 2014. Deadline is October 3, 2014.
Website:	http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf14567
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Program:	NEW-Aspen Institute Invites Applications for William Randolph Hearst Endowed Fellowship for Minority Students
Program:  Description:	NEW-Aspen Institute Invites Applications for William Randolph

Program: NEW-John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Accepting

Fellowship Applications From Artists and Scholars in the United

States and Canada

**Description:** The John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation provides fellowships

for advanced professionals in all fields -- including the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and creative arts -- except the performing arts

Website: <a href="http://www.gf.org/applicants/the-united-states-canadian-competition/">http://www.gf.org/applicants/the-united-states-canadian-competition/</a>

Program NEW-Nominations Invited for I Love My Librarian Award

**Description:** The Carnegie Corporation of New York/New York Times I Love My Librarian

Award encourages library users to recognize the accomplishments of exceptional public, school, and college librarians. Nominees must currently be working in the United States in a public library, a library at an accredited two- or four-year college or university, or at an accredited K-12 school. Deadline is September 12,

2014.

Website: <a href="http://atyourlibrary.org/ilovemylibrarian">http://atyourlibrary.org/ilovemylibrarian</a>

Program: NEW-Freedoms Foundation Accepting Nominations for 2015 Leavey

**Awards** 

**Description:** The foundation is accepting nominations for the 2015 Leavey Awards, an annual

program that recognizes educators at the elementary, junior high school, high school, and college levels for innovative and effective techniques related to the teaching of entrepreneurship and the free enterprise system. Deadline is

November 1, 2014.

Website: http://www.freedomsfoundation.org/awards-programs

**HBCU Scholarship Directory** 

Website: http://hbcuconnect.com/scholarships/

**Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs** 

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

Alabama Scholarships

Website: <a href="http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-">http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-</a>

state/alabama-scholarships/

## Nerd Scholar

**Website:** <a href="http://www.nerdwallet.com/nerdscholar/scholarships/">http://www.nerdwallet.com/nerdscholar/scholarships/</a>

Fast Web

Website: <a href="http://www.fastweb.com/">http://www.fastweb.com/</a>

Scholarship Experts

**Website:** http://scholarshipexperts.com

FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/

Federal Aid Website: http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/federal-aid/

#### FELLOWSHIP SEARCH

#### **National Endowment for the Humanities**

Fellowships support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources in the humanities. Projects may be at any stage of development.

Website: http://www.neh.gov/grants

#### Minority Fellowship Program

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html

#### Section VI RESOURCES

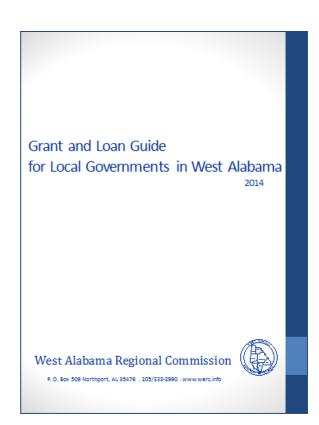
# THE UPDATED GRANT AND LOAN GUIDE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN WEST ALABAMA IS AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW!

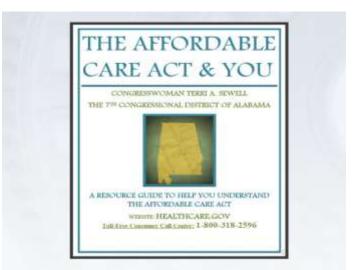
The guide is a quick reference to a variety of commonly used programs giving you the most important details you need to get started.

Find the Guide at <a href="http://warc.info/planning-a-development/documents">http://warc.info/planning-a-development/documents</a>. Scroll down to REGIONAL INFORMATION DOCUMENTS.

The guide is a free web-based resource designed to provide counties and municipalities in the West Alabama region with information about available grant and loan programs for community and economic development activities.

The guide provides program details on major Federal and State programs including agency contacts; award cycles; grant ceilings; matching requirements; and eligibility factors.





Website: <a href="http://sewell.house.gov/the-aca-you/">http://sewell.house.gov/the-aca-you/</a>

Enroll now in a plan that covers essential benefits, pre-existing conditions, and more. Plus, see if you qualify for lower costs.

https://www.healthcare.gov/

### Alabama

Health Insurance Marketplace - <u>HealthCare.Gov</u> is the Health Insurance Marketplace for Alabama. Consumers can apply as early as October 1, 2013. Visit <u>HealthCare.Gov</u> to learn more.

Find out where the uninsured live in Alabama: Enroll America's Outreach Maps

The new Alabama Health Insurance Marketplace is operated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Visit <u>marketplace.cms.gov</u> to see how you can partner with HHS to help people enroll in the new coverage options in Alabama.

See more at: <a href="http://www.enrollamerica.org/states/alabama#sthash.uT0mDsbB.dpuf">http://www.enrollamerica.org/states/alabama#sthash.uT0mDsbB.dpuf</a>

#### **ATTENTION VETERANS:**

#### **FACT SHEET: Veterans Employment Center**

The online Veterans Employment Center is the single federal source for Veterans looking for new career opportunities in the private and public sectors, as well as Service Members transitioning to the civilian workforce, military and Veteran spouses and dependents looking for employment opportunities, GI Bill beneficiaries transitioning from training to the job market and employers looking to connect with high quality applicants. It is the first interagency tool that brings together public and private job opportunities with resume building and other career tools currently offered on a variety of websites together in one place.

Through the online Veterans Employment Center, Veterans, transitioning Service Members and spouses are connected to high quality career choices by matching their identified skills with available public and private job opportunities. The site is built using an open application programming interface (API) to attract private sector innovation.

## **Veteran Applicant Resources:**

- Quick public resume posting with an instant connection to thousands of public and private employers
- Target job search based on specific, high-demand career paths
- Single search for both public and private sector positions
- Military skills translator and resume generator
- Social media integration with popular bookmarking sites for saving job postings

#### **Employer Resources:**

- Access targeted feed of qualified resumes from Veteran applicants
- View reverse skills translation (military to civilian skills) for applicants
- Set Veterans hiring goals and track progress
- Connect to resources designed to help recruit and retain talented, Veteran employees

In connection with the First Lady and Dr. Biden's Joining Forces initiative, the Department of Veterans Affairs worked with the Departments of Defense, Labor, and Education, and the Office of Personnel Management to design and develop the site and incorporate features of existing online employment tools at each agency. The result is an upgrade to the existing Veterans Job Bank and an integrated solution connecting Veterans, transitioning Service Members and employers.

Employers, Veterans and transitioning Service Members deserve a single, authoritative source for connecting to each other. Now that the core tools and an integrated search function exist in one single location, each agency is engaged in minimizing duplication and redundancy of current sites and services.

The Veterans Employment Center can be found at: https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/jobs

For a tutorial video on how to use the Veterans Employment Center, please visit:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWfhI-eSoWk

## 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

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

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

Visit the Web site of Region 3 - <a href="http://www.rpcgb.org/">http://www.rpcgb.org/</a>

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

P.O. Box 2186

Anniston, Alabama 36202

Phone: 256.237.6741 Fax: 256.237.6763

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

Visit the Web site of Region 5 - <a href="http://scadc.state.al.us/">http://scadc.state.al.us/</a>

Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission

107 Broad Street

Camden, Alabama 36726

Phone: 334.682.4234 Fax: 334.682.4205

Visit the Web site of Region 6 - <a href="http://www.alarc.org/atrc/index.htm">http://www.alarc.org/atrc/index.htm</a>

Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

P.O. Box 1406

Dothan, Alabama 36302 Phone: 334.794.4093 Fax: 334.794.3288

Visit the Web site of Region 7 - <a href="http://www.sanman.net/searpdc/searpdc.htm">http://www.sanman.net/searpdc/searpdc.htm</a>

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission

P.O. Box 1665

Mobile, Alabama 36633 Phone: 251.433.6541 Fax: 251.433.6009

Visit the Web site of Region 8 - <a href="http://www.sarpc.org/">http://www.sarpc.org/</a>

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 - <a href="http://www.carpdc.com/">http://www.carpdc.com/</a>

Lee-Russell Council of Governments

2207 Gateway Drive

Opelika, Alabama 36801

Phone: 334.749.5264 Fax: 334.749.6582

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

Visit the Web site of Region 11 - <a href="http://www.narcog.org/">http://www.narcog.org/</a>

Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments

5075 Research Drive, NW

Huntsville, Alabama 35805-5912

Phone: 256.830.0818 Fax: 256.830.0843

Visit the Web site of Region 12 - <a href="http://www.tarcog.org/">http://www.tarcog.org/</a>

## COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

Website: http://alabamagiving.org/cf-directory/

Autauga Area Community Foundation

*c/o* Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.

434 N. McDonough Street Montgomery, AL 36104 Phone: 334-264-6223

Website: www.aacfinfo.org

The Community Foundation of South Alabama c/o The Community Foundation of South Alabama P.O. Box 990

Mobile, AL 36601 Phone: 251-438-5591

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

Website: <a href="http://blackbeltfound.org/">http://blackbeltfound.org/</a>

The Greater Brewton Foundation

P.O. Box 87

Brewton, AL 36427 Phone: (251) 867-4881

Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama

P. O. Box 36202

Anniston, Alabama 36202

Telephone: 256-231-5160 Fax: 256-231-5161 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

Website: http://www.cacfinfo.org

Elmore County Community Foundation

c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.

434 N. McDonough Street Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: 334-264-6223

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 Website: http://www.foundationbirmingham.org

The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur

P.O. Box 2003 Decatur, AL 35602 Phone: 256-353-5312 Website: <u>www.cfogd.org</u>

The Community Foundation of Huntsville/Madison County

659 Gallatin Street Huntsville, AL 35801 Phone: 256-564-7430

Website: http://www.communityfoundationhsv.org/

Limestone Area Community Foundation, Inc.

P.O. Box 578 Athens, AL 35612 Phone: 256-232-4200

**Riverbend Community Foundation** 

635 West College Street Florence, AL 35630 Phone: 256-764-3431

Shelby County Community Health Foundation

Shelby Baptist Medical Center

1000 First Street N. Alabaster, AL 35007 Phone: (205)669-3737

Southeast Alabama Community Foundation

P.O. Box 1422

Dothan, AL 36302-1422

Phone: 334-671-1059, Fax: 334-793-0627

Website: www.sacfinfo.org

Community Foundation of West Alabama

P.O. Box 3033

Tuscaloosa, AL 35403

Telephone: 205-366-0698, Fax 205-366-0813

Website: http://thecfwa.org/

Walker Area Community Foundation

P.O. Box 171

Jasper, AL 35502-0171 Telephone: 205-302-0001, Fax: (205) 302-0424 Website: <a href="http://www.wacf.org">http://www.wacf.org</a>