



# 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*.

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# **Congresswoman Terri Sewell on the Intelligence Committee Unanimously Passing FY 2017 Intelligence Authorization Act**

A unanimous vote for critical resources, increased oversight, and a diverse workforce that ensures the continued safety and security of all Americans

**Washington, DC** – The Intelligence Committee unanimously advanced the bipartisan Intelligence Authorization Act (IAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. The annual IAA ensures that the programs and activities of the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC), including Department of Defense (DoD) intelligence elements, are ratified in law and have adequate resources to protect the nation from local and foreign threats.

“Our national security is truly a bipartisan issue, and this legislation is a reflection of both parties’ shared commitment to the safety and security of all Americans. This bill helps provide our Intelligence Community with the necessary resources and capabilities to defend our nation against ongoing and emerging threats around the world. Additionally, this legislation takes important steps towards enhancing thorough oversight of our surveillance capabilities while continuing to make calculated investments in critically important strategic efforts. I am also pleased that President Obama’s budget request for the FY17 IAA is nearly equal to the ultimate base budget of the authorization.

“As a committee, we took great pains to cut unnecessary funding while prioritizing the need to improve upon processes and efficiency. In the IAA we invested in our greatest national security resource-- our people. By accepting provisions that I drafted to promote diversity in the IC workforce, we are now able to provide a summer internship program to students from the existing Centers of Academic Excellence (CAE). We also now hold the IC more accountable for doing a better job of developing a matrix to assess how minority fellowships and internships actually achieve their desired results, which is to increase the number of minorities hired by the IC. I was also successful in including bipartisan language that promotes accountability and transparency in all IC federally-funded academic programs by requiring agencies to report on their recruitment and retention efforts.

“We live in a world where potential threats to our nation are constantly developing and changing. As our military missions and intelligence objectives continue to evolve, we will need an Intelligence Community that is agile and adequately funded. I am proud to support this year’s Intelligence Authorization Act (IAA), and I look forward to its full consideration and passage by Congress.”

# **Congresswoman Sewell Introduces Bipartisan Legislation to Protect and Strengthen Rural Health Care Systems**

H.R. 5133, the Rural Hospital Enhancement and Long-Term Health (HEALTH) Act of 2016 Washington, DC --Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) joined Rep. Crescent Hardy (NV-04) in introducing H.R. 5133, the bipartisan Rural Hospital Enhancement and Long Term Health (HEALTH) Act of 2016.

The Rural HEALTH Act is a bipartisan effort to protect and strengthen vital services provided in rural America through State Offices of Rural Health and rural hospitals. The bill is designed to reauthorize the State Office of Rural Health program, adjust the USDA Community Facilities Grant Program to increase the maximum grant award for hospitals, and direct the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to submit an annual report to Congress on the state of our nation's rural health service.

"The growing fragility of rural hospitals, combined with inaccessibility issues and grave health disparities, threatens the economic viability of the most underserved communities in our country. The Alabama State Office of Rural Health (ASORH) provides critical State and Federal resources to develop long-term solutions for residents of our most rural and vulnerable communities," **said Congresswoman Sewell**. "ASORH's recent collaboration with the Veterans Administration to provide mental health care to rural Veterans through telehealth is just one example of how our state organization is an outstanding steward of the federal funding provided through the State Offices of Rural Health Program. As more rural hospitals are being forced to shut their doors and rural health services are being cut, it is my hope Congress will respond by making the revitalization of America's rural health care infrastructure a top priority and pass the Rural HEALTH Act."

"More than 30% of America's rural hospitals are vulnerable to conditions that have caused the closure of 71 facilities since 2010. We have to act now to prevent more families from losing their literal lifelines in times of emergency. The Rural HEALTH Act will help us save rural America's hospitals," **said Congressman Hardy**.

The bill has the support of the Alabama Department of Public Health, the Alabama Rural Health Association, and the National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH), and the American Osteopathic Association.

**Dr. Thomas M. Miller, the Alabama State Health Officer**, expressed the Department's support for the legislation, "This legislation is extremely important as it will enable the continuation of the vital services provided by the Alabama State Office of Rural Health (ASORH). Overall, the services provided by the ASORH have had a very positive impact on the health care and quality of life of Alabama's 1.6 million rural residents."

In a letter of support, **Dale E. Quinney, Executive Director of the Alabama Rural Health Association**, said, "The Alabama Rural Health Association strongly supports this legislation that, among other things, will increase sorely needed funding for our State Offices of Rural Health...Past experiences of the State Office of Rural Health Program provide ample evidence that this will be a wise investment that will produce benefits far exceeding the investment."

**Teryl Eisinger, Executive Director National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH)** said, "Rural health care systems throughout the country continue to operate in a

fragile state. By reauthorizing the State Office of Rural Health grant program, this bipartisan legislation will help provide improved access to quality health care for the 61 million Americans living in rural areas. NOSORH now calls on the leadership of both parties in the House of Representatives to pass this measure at the earliest opportunity.”

**Dr. John W. Becher, President of the American Osteopathic Association** said, “Rural hospitals are a critical part of the health care infrastructure, and the closure of these facilities can have a significant negative impact on rural patients’ access to care, as well as a physician’s ability to practice effectively within their community. Your legislation seeks to both protect and strengthen rural hospitals by expanding grant opportunities available to them. These grants will help foster both public and private investment in rural hospitals to promote greater stability for these facilities, and will also support efforts to recruit and retain health care professionals to serve in rural areas. This bill also recognizes the need for proper congressional oversight by ensuring that both Congress and the states are informed by the most recent overview of the state of our nation’s rural health care system.”

## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Joins Members of Congress and National Stakeholders in Co-Hosting a Congressional Briefing on Voter Suppression**

Sewell declares: Modern day barriers to the voting polls are intentional acts to suppress the voice of eligible voters and I do not intend to sit by in silence.

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri Sewell (D-AL-07) released the following statement regarding the Congressional Briefing on Voter Suppression:

“We cannot accept the refusal of the Republican Party to vote in favor of the Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2015. As the 2016 Presidential Election draws near, more states are suppressing the vote of eligible voters under the guise of circumventing voter fraud.

“When the Supreme Court struck down Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act, it was not an invalidation of the legislation; it was a charge to Congress to revisit and reconstruct the formula that prevents bias and discrimination in the voting process. It is important to recognize the creation of modern day barriers to the ballot box as a key factor in a deliberate formula to diminish the presence of minority and young voters in the 2016 Presidential election. We must remain ever vigilant in our quest to restore the sacred, most precious right bestowed upon American citizens, the right to vote.

“I am ecstatic to join all my Congressional colleagues and stakeholder groups in taking on the fight to ensure that every eligible voice in America is able to be heard in the democratic process. I am thankful to Barbara Arnwine of the Transformative Justice Coalition, as well as the National Election Defense Coalition, for creating a platform for this issue to be amplified to those who might not understand the severity of participating in an election without full protection of the law. All who believe in our great democracy should fight to ensure a fair and inclusive election process.”

## **Congresswoman Terri Sewell on Equal Pay for Women**

America Suffers when women suffer. We're not asking for special treatment--we're demanding fairness and equality.

**Washington, D.C.** – Today, Congresswoman Terri Sewell (D-AL-7) released the following statement on the wage gap between men and women in recognition of Equal Pay Day highlighting the need for women to receive equal pay for equal work:

"When women succeed, America succeeds. Women have to work three months into the New Year to make what men made the previous year. It is unacceptable that in this modern society, women do not receive equal pay for equal work. Women currently make 79 cents for every dollar men make for equal work. There are real consequences for not only women, but families and the economy as a whole when this kind of inequality exists. The current data and statistics surrounding this injustice make a loud and clear statement--America suffers when women suffer.

“We are grateful for the progress of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act signed into law by President Obama which helped us to move towards the goal of fair wages for women; however, the current data reveals an ongoing problem. The wage gap is even more severe for women of color with African American women only earning 60 cents and Hispanic women 54 cents for every dollar men earn. If this social inequality continues, women will not receive fairness through equal pay until 2058. Congress could pass the Paycheck Fairness Act as a major step towards closing the gap. This piece of legislation cosponsored by all House Democrats would help to close loopholes in the 1963 Equal Pay Act and provide proper remedies for women who do not receive equal pay for equal work.

“Closing the wage gap between men and women for equal work is not a partisan issue but rather a national issue. The House Republicans have blocked the Paycheck Fairness Act from being considered on the House Floor nine times since 2013. This continued denial of fairness to working women must stop. If a man works and earns a dollar, fairness requires a woman to receive a dollar and not 79 cents for doing the same work.”

# **Congresswoman Terri Sewell Applauds the Unanimous Supreme Court Ruling in Voting Rights Case**

Sewell says Supreme Court decision makes it clear that all people matter and all people should be counted.

Washington, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri Sewell (D-AL-7) released the following statement on the Supreme Court’s unanimous decision in the *Evenwel v. Abbott* case upholding state and locality power to continue to draw its legislative districts based on total population:

“The Supreme Court’s refusal to change the way state and municipal districts are drawn and upholding representation based on total population truly affirmed our nation's brand as a democratic society. The Justices of the Supreme Court delivered a strong singular statement that being ineligible to vote doesn’t make one invisible.

“The decision stops the efforts of those who seek to eliminate certain vulnerable groups from the voter count, when apportioning state legislative districts. By counting children, the mentally disabled, prisoners, and non-citizens as "ineligible voters," we deny them the equal protection under the law. Fundamental to our democracy is that all men and women are vested with certain inalienable rights and voting is essential to those founding principles. Permanent residents have rights, the disabled should be protected, immigrants and the incarcerated should be included.

“I applaud the Supreme Court's ruling and the fact that it was a unanimous decision makes a clear statement about the importance of inclusion in our democracy. The Supreme Court decision makes it clear that all people matter and all people should be counted. We are always more powerful united than divided and we all must continue to support equal representation and full protection of voting rights for all Americans.”

## **About the Evenwel v. Abbot Case**

The *Evenwel v. Abbott* case was brought by two Texas voters, Sue Evenwel and Edward Pfenninger, who challenged Texas Senate districts apportionment. It was argued that counting ineligible voters such as children, the mentally disabled, prisoners, and non-citizens violated the “one person one vote” principle of the Fourteenth Amendment’s Equal Protection Clause.

The Supreme Court ruled that the “one-person, one-vote” principle under the Equal Protection Clause allows States to use total population, and does not require States to use voter population, when apportioning state legislative districts.



## **USDA Seeks Applications for Loans and Grants to Help Grow Rural Businesses and Spur Economic Development**

**WASHINGTON**, March 22, 2016 – Rural Business Cooperative-Service Administrator Sam Ridders today announced that USDA is seeking applications for loans and grants to help support the start-up or expansion of rural businesses.

“Our small, rural businesses need financing to compete in the global economy,” Ridders said. “With this announcement, USDA is demonstrating its continued commitment to investing in small towns and rural communities. These loans and grants will spur entrepreneurship, create jobs and improve the quality of life in rural America.”

The funding is being provided through the [Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant \(REDLG\) program](#). Under this program, USDA provides zero-interest loans and grants to local utilities, which use the funding to create revolving funds for projects that will create or retain jobs in rural areas.

USDA is making \$37 million in loans and \$11 million in grants available. A recipient may receive a loan of up to \$1million, or a grant of up to \$300,000.

Since 2009, USDA has invested more than \$330 million in loans and grants through the REDLG program.

In 2015, the Aiken Technical College (ATC) in Graniteville, S.C., received a \$1 million loan to build a facility to provide training in advanced manufacturing. The 35,000-square-foot facility, called the Center for Energy and Advanced Manufacturing, or CEAM, will help ATC’s students graduate with degrees in these growing, technically advanced fields of study.

The REDLG program has also been successful in [StrikeForce](#) counties. StrikeForce is part of the Obama Administration’s commitment to address persistent poverty across America. As areas of persistent poverty are identified, USDA staff work with state, local and community officials to increase awareness of USDA programs and help build program participation through intensive community outreach and technical assistance. In 2015, a \$2 million REDLG loan was awarded to the South Mississippi Electric Power Association. Part of this funding will be used by the city of Greenwood to buy and renovate a building for the Milwaukee Tools company. Once completed, this project is expected to create more than 100 jobs in Lenore County, a designated StrikeForce area.

For information on how to apply for REDLG loans or grants, contact your Rural Development [state office](#) or see page 14415 of the March 17 [Federal Register](#). The first round of applications is due March 31, 2016, and the second round of applications is due June 30, 2016.

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.



## Homeland Security

### **FY 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program (FP&S)**

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#### **Overview**

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is an important component of the larger, coordinated effort to strengthen the Nation's overall level of preparedness and ability to respond to fire and related hazards. Since 2001, the AFG program has provided approximately \$6.1 billion in grants to first-responder organizations to obtain much-needed emergency response equipment, personal protective equipment, firefighting and emergency vehicles, and training.

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#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the AFG Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards. The purpose of the Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Program is to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate incidences of deaths and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards. Funding under FP&S also supports Firefighter Safety, Research and Development (R&D) activities. The allocation of FP&S awards is a highly competitive process; awards are determined based on an applicant's ability to both address FP&S program priorities and provide the most compelling justification for their need. Applicants whose requests meet these criteria are reviewed by a review panel composed of fire service personnel.

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#### **Funding**

In FY 2015, Congress appropriated a total of \$340 million to carry out the activities of the AFG Program. The statute that authorizes AFG includes a requirement that no less than ten percent of the appropriated funds support fire prevention and safety activities, which include assisting fire prevention programs and supporting firefighter health and safety research and development. Therefore, no less than \$34 million of the appropriation must be awarded for fire prevention and safety activities.

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#### **Eligibility**

Program staff will screen submitted applications to affirm the eligibility for award of both the applicants and projects. Ineligible applications will not be considered for funding. For R&D applications, panels of reviewers will be assigned that includes fire service experts and science and technology experts who have expertise pertaining to the subject matter of the proposal.

**Fire Prevention and Safety Activity:** Funding decisions will be informed by an assessment of how well the application addresses the criteria and considerations listed below. Applications will be reviewed by a Technical Evaluation Panel using weighted evaluation criteria to score the project. These scores will impact the ranking of a project for funding.

**Research and Development Activity:** All Research and Development applications will go through a preliminary review process. Eligible applications will be reviewed and scored by a panel of fire service experts to assess the need for the research results and the likelihood that the results would be implemented by the fire service in the United States.

The R&D applications that are determined to be most likely to be implemented to enable improvement in firefighter safety, health or wellness will be deemed to be in the “competitive range” and will be forwarded to the second level of application review, the scientific panel review process. This panel will be comprised of scientists and technology experts who have expertise pertaining to the subject matter of the proposal.

Scientific reviewers will independently score application in the competitive range and, if necessary, discuss the merits or shortcomings of the application in order to reconcile any major discrepancies identified by fellow reviewers.

With input from these panels, for the highest ranked applications, FEMA will review each application’s strengths and weaknesses, how best the strengths fit the priorities of the FP&S Program, and how readily the weaknesses may be resolved to support likely impact of the project to improve firefighter safety, health, or wellness.

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## FP&S Resources

For additional information on the FY 2015 FP&S program please visit our web site at <http://www.fema.gov/fire-prevention-safety-grants>. You may also contact the AFG Program Help Desk by calling 1-866-274-0960 or via email at [firegrants@dhs.gov](mailto:firegrants@dhs.gov)

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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 [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). It is the resource for all Federal grants.
  - To apply for Federal Grants: [http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply\\_for\\_grants.jsp](http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp)
  - [Grants.gov Applicant Training Video](#) - 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 <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

### Environmental Protection Agency

**Program:** [2016 Targeted Air Shed Grant Program](#)

**Description:** This notice announces the availability of funds and solicits applications from eligible entities to compete for financial assistance through the Targeted Air Shed Grant Program. This program will assist local, state and/or tribal air pollution control agencies in developing plans, conducting demonstrations, and implementing projects to reduce air pollution in nonattainment areas that EPA determines are the top five most polluted areas relative to ozone (O3), annual average fine particulate matter (PM2.5), or 24-hour PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The overall goal of the Targeted Air Shed Grant program is to reduce air pollution in the Nation's areas with the highest levels of ozone and PM2.5 ambient air concentrations. Deadline is July 11, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.epa.gov/grants/2016-targeted-air-shed-grant-program-fy-2016-grant-announcement>

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**Program:** [FY 2016 and FY 2017 Source Reduction Assistance Grant Program](#)

**Description:** Source Reduction Assistance (SRA) awards support pollution prevention through source reduction and resource conservation work. In FY 2016 and FY 2017, nine out of the ten EPA Regional Pollution Prevention Program Offices are announcing a two-year grant competition cycle to support two-year SRA agreements. The Regions anticipate awarding approximately \$2.2 million in federal grant funding (\$1.1 million in FY 2016

and \$1.1 million in FY 2017) to support SRA agreements offered as grants and/or cooperative agreements. EPA will not issue a funding announcement in FY 2017. SRA awards will be issued to fund projects that support one or more of the P2 Program's National Emphasis Areas – 1) Climate Change Mitigation/Prevention of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, 2) Food Manufacturing and Processing and 3) State or Community Approaches to Hazardous Materials Source Reduction. These areas will promote national environmental themes and strategies reflected within EPA's P2 Program. As authorized under the statutory authorities for this grant program, proposals must carry out project activities using one or more of the following methods – surveys, studies, research, investigation, experimentation, education, training and/or demonstrations. For more information, please refer to the Request for Proposals. Deadline June 6, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-04/documents/srap16.pdf>

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### **Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service**

**Program:** [FMCS Labor-Management Cooperation Grant Program](#)

**Description:** In accordance with the terms of the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978, FMCS considers applications from plant, geographic or area-wide committees. During the 2016 grant cycle, we especially encourage applications from area-wide, industry or sectoral joint labor-management committees focused on the 21st century economy and the challenges of a rapidly evolving workplace, such as: job security and skills; working conditions for an increasingly mobile workforce; consensus solutions to workplace standards; organizational effectiveness; economic development and competitiveness for entire communities; hiring and retaining the next generations of workers. Deadline is May 31, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.fmcs.gov/resources/forms-applications/labor-management-grants-program/labor-management-cooperation-grant-program/>

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### **Institute of Museum and Library Services**

**Program:** [Museum Assessment Program](#)

**Description:** The Museum Assessment Program (MAP) is supported through a cooperative agreement between the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the American Alliance of Museums. It is designed to help museums assess their strengths and weaknesses, and plan for the future.

A MAP assessment requires members of the museum staff and governing authority to complete a self-study. After completion of the self-study, a site visit is conducted by one or more museum professionals, who tour the museum and meet with staff, governing officials, and volunteers. The reviewers work with the museum and MAP staff to produce a report evaluating the museum's operations, making recommendations, and suggesting resources.

There are three types of MAP assessments:

Organizational Assessment: Reviews all areas of operations.

Collections Stewardship Assessment: Focuses on collections policies, planning access, documentation, and collections care within the context of the museum's total operations.

Community Engagement Assessment: Assesses the museum's understanding of and relationship with its communities as well as its communities' perceptions of and experiences with the museum. Two Application Deadlines is July 1 and December 1.

**Website:** <http://aam-us.org/resources/assessment-programs/MAP>

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**Program:** [National Leadership Grants for Libraries](#)

**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. Successful proposals will generate results such as new tools, research findings, models, services, practices, or alliances that can be widely used, adapted, scaled, or replicated to extend the benefits of federal investment. For FY16, there are two National Leadership Grants for Libraries funding opportunities with two separate deadlines. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.ims.gov/grants/available/national-leadership-grants-libraries>

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**Program:** [Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program](#)

**Description:** The Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (LB21) supports professional development, graduate education and continuing education to help libraries and archives develop the human capital capacity they need to meet the changing learning and information needs of the American public. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.ims.gov/grants/available/laura-bush-21st-century-librarian-program>

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## **National Archives and Records Administration**

**Program:** [State Board Programming Grants](#)

**Description:** The purpose of this grant program is to assist state boards to enhance access to historical records, increase citizen engagement with records, and provide learning and development opportunities for students, citizens and professional archivists. The Commission will award grants to State Historical Records Advisory Boards to:

- Provide educational and outreach programs, workshops, and other activities that enhance citizen and student engagement with historical records
- Operate state-based regrant and scholarship programs that advance access to historical records
- Collaborate on projects with other organizations to address common problems or shared opportunities within a state or among a consortium of state archives
- Hold or participate in meetings and public forums on statewide or national archival issues.

Deadline is June 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/state.html>

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**Program:** [ACCESS-201606](#)

**Description:** This grant program is designed to support archival repositories in preserving and processing primary source materials. The program emphasizes the creation of online tools that facilitate the public discovery of historical records. The Commission looks to fund projects that undertake one or more of the following activities:

- Preservation, arrangement, and online description of historical records in all formats
- Digital preservation of electronic records and unstable audio or moving image formats

After completing arrangement and description activities, applicants may also propose to digitize materials to provide online access to collections. Deadline is June 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/access.html>

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## **National Endowment for the Arts**

**Program:** [Our Town FY 17](#)

**Description:** Organizations may apply for creative placemaking projects that contribute to the livability of communities and place the arts at their core. Our Town offers support for projects in two areas:

- Arts Engagement, Cultural Planning, and Design Projects that

represent the distinct character and quality of their communities. These projects require a partnership between a nonprofit organization and a local government entity, with one of the partners being a cultural organization. Matching grants range from \$25,000 to \$200,000. • Projects that Build Knowledge About Creative Placemaking. These projects are available to arts and design service organizations, and industry, policy, or university organizations that provide technical assistance to those doing place-based work. Matching grants range from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Deadline is September 12, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction>

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**Program:** [NEA FY 2017 Art Works II Application](#)

**Description:** Grant Program Description The guiding principle of "Art Works" is at the center of everything we do at the NEA. "Art Works" refers to three things: the works of art themselves, the ways art works on audiences, and the fact that art is work for the artists and arts professionals who make up the field. Art works by enhancing the value of individuals and communities, by connecting us to each other and to something greater than ourselves, and by empowering creativity and innovation in our society and economy. Deadline is July 14, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/art-works>

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## **National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Program:** [Summer Stipends](#)

**Description:** Summer Stipends support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Eligible projects usually result in articles, monographs, books, digital materials and publications, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources. Summer Stipends support continuous full-time work on a humanities project for a period of two consecutive months. Summer Stipends support projects at any stage of development. Deadline is September 29, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/research/summer-stipends>

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**Program:** [Humanities Collections and Reference Resources](#)

**Description:** The Humanities Collections and Reference Resources (HCRR) program supports projects that provide an essential underpinning for scholarship, education, and public programming in the humanities. Thousands of libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations across the country maintain important collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and material culture, and digital objects. Funding from this program strengthens efforts to extend the life of such materials and make their intellectual content widely accessible, often through the use of digital technology. Awards are also made to create various reference resources that facilitate use of cultural materials, from works that provide basic information quickly to tools that synthesize and codify knowledge of a subject for in-depth investigation. HCRR offers two kinds of awards: 1) for implementation and 2) for planning, assessment, and pilot efforts (HCRR Foundations grants). Deadline is July 19, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/humanities-collections-and-reference-resources>

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**Program:** [Humanities Initiatives](#)

**Description:** These grants may be used to enhance existing humanities programs, resources, or courses, or to develop new ones. Applicants are encouraged to draw on the knowledge

of outside scholars who would contribute expertise and fresh insights to the project. Each project must be organized around a core topic or set of themes. NEH Humanities Initiatives may • create opportunities for faculty members to study together, in order to improve their capacity to teach the humanities; • support new humanities programs (which may include but are not limited to new humanities minors, first-year seminars, and capstone courses), and enhance existing ones; • support humanities contributions to professional training (in such fields as business, law, economics, technology, and nursing and medicine); • develop bridge programs for at-risk and nontraditional students; • help institutions take advantage of humanities resources, especially in the digital humanities; and • support collaborative projects in the humanities between the applicant institution and another institution, such as a college or university, a school or school system, a museum or library, or a historical or cultural society. Deadline is June 23, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/humanities-initiatives>

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**Program:** **Humanities Connections**

**Description:** Through this new grant program, NEH invites proposals that reflect innovative and imaginative approaches to preparing students for their roles as engaged citizens and productive professionals in a rapidly changing and interdependent world. Grants support the development and implementation of an integrated set of courses and student engagement activities focusing on significant humanities content. A common topic, theme, or compelling issue or question must link the courses and activities. Deadline is October 5, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/education/humanities-connections>

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**Program:** **Research and Development**

**Description:** The Research and Development program supports projects that address major challenges in preserving or providing access to humanities collections and resources. These challenges include the need to find better ways to preserve materials of critical importance to the nation's cultural heritage—from fragile artifacts and manuscripts to analog recordings and digital assets subject to technological obsolescence—and to develop advanced modes of organizing, searching, discovering, and using such materials. This program recognizes that finding solutions to complex problems often requires forming interdisciplinary project teams, bringing together participants with expertise in the humanities; in preservation; and in information, computer, and natural science. All projects must demonstrate how advances in preservation and access would benefit the cultural heritage community in supporting humanities research, teaching, or public programming. Deadline is June 21, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/research-and-development>

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**Program:** **Humanities Open Book Program**

**Description:** The Humanities Open Book Program is designed to make outstanding out-of-print humanities books available to a wide audience. By taking advantage of low-cost “ebook” technology, the program will allow teachers, students, scholars, and the public to read humanities books that have long been out of print. Deadline is September 13, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/odh/humanities-open-book-program>

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**Program:** **Common Heritage**

**Description:** The program supports day-long events organized by community cultural institutions, which members of the public will be invited to attend. At these events experienced staff

will digitize the community historical materials brought in by the public. Project staff will also record descriptive information—provided by community attendees—about the historical materials. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/common-heritage>

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**Program:** [State Humanities Councils General Operating Support Grants](#)

**Description:** NEH and the Office of Federal/State Partnership use General Operating Support grants as the primary means of funding the 56 state and jurisdictional humanities councils. NEH awards General Operating Support grants for five-year periods—three years in which the grants provide funding, plus two subsequent years to close out the grants. General Operating Support Grant award amounts are amended each year to reflect the current year's budget, provided that funds are available. NEH determines funding for each state and jurisdictional council according to a legislatively mandated formula. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/fedstate/state-humanities-councils-general-operating-support-grants>

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**Program:** [Humanities Access Grants](#)

**Program:** [Office of Challenge Grants](#)

**Description:** Humanities Access grants help support capacity building for humanities programs that benefit one or more of the following groups: **youth, communities of color, and economically disadvantaged populations.**

Humanities Access grants establish or augment **term endowments** (that is, endowments whose funds are entirely expended over the course of a set time period) to provide funding for existing programs at institutions such as public libraries, local and regional museums, historical societies, community colleges, HBCUs and tribal colleges, Hispanic-serving institutions, archival repositories, and other cultural organizations. Humanities Access grants are intended to seed longer-term endowment-building efforts.

Programs supported by Humanities Access grants might include, for example

- a summer project for teens at a local historical society;
- internships for Native American students at a tribal museum; or
- a Clemente course at a homeless shelter organized by a community college.

Humanities Access Grants offer two years of match-based funding to be expended through a term endowment over the final three years of the five-year grant period. Humanities Access grant funds should not be used to replace existing program funds. Instead, the grant should expand or enhance an existing exemplary humanities program.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/challenge/humanities-access-grants>

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**Program:** [Programming Grants to Accompany NEH on the Road Exhibitions](#)

**Description:** These grants support ancillary public humanities programs to accompany NEH on the Road traveling exhibitions. Typical formats involve lectures, reading and discussion programs, film discussion programs, Chautauqua presentations by scholars, family programs, exhibition tours, and other appropriate formats for reaching the general public. Deadline is December 29, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/programming-grants-accompany-neh-the-road-exhibitions>

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**Program:** **Preservation and Access Education and Training**

**Description:** The Preservation and Access Education and Training program is central to NEH's efforts to preserve and establish access to cultural heritage collections. Thousands of libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations across the country maintain important collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and material culture collections, electronic records, and digital objects. The challenge of preserving and making accessible such large and diverse holdings is enormous, and the need for knowledgeable staff is significant and ongoing.

Preservation and Access Education and Training grants are awarded to organizations that offer national or regional (multistate) education and training programs. Grants aim to help the staff of cultural institutions, large and small, obtain the knowledge and skills needed to serve as effective stewards of humanities collections. Grants also support educational programs that prepare the next generation of conservators and preservation professionals, as well as projects that introduce the staff of cultural institutions to new information and advances in preservation and access practices. **Receipt Deadline May 3, 2016 for Projects Beginning January 2017**

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/preservation-and-access-education-and-training>

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**Program:** **Humanities Initiatives at Community Colleges**

**Description:** NEH Humanities Initiatives at Community Colleges are intended to strengthen the teaching and study of the humanities in subjects such as history, philosophy, and literature. These grants may be used to enhance existing humanities programs, resources, or courses, or to develop new ones.

**NEH Humanities Initiatives may**

- create opportunities for faculty members to study together, in order to improve their capacity to teach the humanities;
- support new humanities programs (which may include but are not limited to new humanities minors, first-year seminars, and capstone courses), and enhance existing ones;
- support humanities contributions to professional training (in such fields as business, law, economics, technology, and nursing and medicine);
- develop bridge programs for at-risk and nontraditional students;

- help institutions take advantage of humanities resources, especially in the digital humanities; and
- support collaborative projects in the humanities between the applicant institution and another institution, such as a college or university, a school or school system, a museum or library, or a historical or cultural society.

Each project must be organized around a core topic or set of themes. **Receipt**

**Deadline September 7, 2016** for Projects Beginning April 2017

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/education/humanities-initiatives-community-colleges>

**Program:** **Research and Development**

**Description:** The Research and Development program supports projects that address major challenges in preserving or providing access to humanities collections and resources. These challenges include the need to find better ways to preserve materials of critical importance to the nation's cultural heritage—from fragile artifacts and manuscripts to analog recordings and digital assets subject to technological obsolescence—and to develop advanced modes of organizing, searching, discovering, and using such materials. **Receipt Deadline June 21, 2016** for Projects Beginning January 2017

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/research-and-development>

### **National Science Foundation**

**Program:** **Prediction of and Resilience against Extreme Events**

**Description:** PREEVENTS is designed as a logical successor to Hazards SEES and is one element of the NSF-wide Risk and Resilience activity, which has the overarching goal of improving predictability and risk assessment, and increasing resilience, in order to reduce the impact of extreme events on our life, society, and economy. PREEVENTS will provide an additional mechanism to support research and related activities that will improve our understanding of the fundamental processes underlying natural hazards and extreme events in the geosciences. Deadline is September 19, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16562](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16562)

**Program:** **Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program**

**Description:** The National Science Foundation Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program seeks to encourage talented science, technology, engineering, and mathematics majors and professionals to become K-12 STEM teachers. The program invites creative and innovative proposals that address the critical need for recruiting and preparing highly effective K-12 STEM teachers, especially in high-need local educational agencies. The program offers four tracks: Track 1: The Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarships and Stipends Track, Track 2: The NSF Teaching Fellowships Track, Track 3: The NSF Master Teaching Fellowships Track, and Track 4: Noyce Research Track. In addition, Capacity Building proposals are accepted from proposers intending to develop a future Track 1, 2, or 3 proposal. Deadline is September 6, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16559](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16559)

**Program:** **US Ignite:**

**Description:** The primary goal of US Ignite is to break a fundamental deadlock: there is insufficient investment in gigabit applications that can take advantage of advanced network



infrastructure because such end-to-end infrastructure is rare and geographically dispersed. Deadline is June 14, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16553](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16553)

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**Program:** **Cybermanufacturing Systems**

**Description:** There is an opportunity for researchers to pursue research and educational efforts to accelerate the creation of an interoperating, cross-process manufacturing service layer that enables the rapid, bottom-up transformation of access to manufacturing services. Such a service layer can allow creative entrepreneurs and companies to both furnish and access manufacturing apps that span the full spectrum from ideation to physical realization, giving rise to an era of cybermanufacturing. The cybermanufacturing service layer differs from existing Internet services in that it needs an architecture that can incrementally incorporate and organize the rich and deep semantic elements of manufacturing knowledge, requiring an almost unlimited capacity to expand the range and depth of content contributed in the form of partitioned, but interoperating, manufacturing applications. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=505291](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505291)

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**Program:** **Innovation Corps - National Innovation Network Sites Program**

**Description:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) seeks to develop and nurture a national innovation ecosystem that builds upon research to guide the output of scientific discoveries closer to the development of technologies, products and processes that benefit society. In order to contribute to a national innovation ecosystem, NSF established the NSF Innovation Corps Sites Program (NSF I-Corps Sites). Sites are funded at academic institutions, having already existing innovation or entrepreneurial units, to enable them to: Nurture students and/or faculty who are engaged in projects having the potential to be transitioned into the marketplace. Deadline is May 25, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16547](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16547)

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**Program:** **Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoverers in Engineering and Science**

**Description:** The objective is to develop networks that involve representative organizations and consortia from different sectors that are committed to a common agenda to solve a specific STEM inclusion problem at scale. The long-term goal of NSF INCLUDES is to support, over the next ten years, innovative models, networks, partnerships, and research that enable the U.S. science and engineering workforce to thrive by ensuring that women, blacks, Hispanics, and people with disabilities are represented in percentages comparable to their representation in the U.S. population. Deadline is June 24, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16544](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16544)

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

**Description:** To meet the nation's accelerating demands for STEM talent, more rapid gains in achievement and successful degree completion in STEM for underrepresented minority populations are needed. The 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. To this end, HBCU-UP provides awards to develop, implement, and study evidence-based innovative models and approaches for improving the preparation and success of HBCU undergraduate students so that they may pursue STEM graduate programs and/or careers.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16538](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16538)

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**Program:** [Expeditions in Computing](#)

**Description:** The far-reaching impact and rate of innovation in the computing and information disciplines has been remarkable, generating economic prosperity and enhancing the quality of life for people throughout the world. The Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) has created the Expeditions in Computing (Expeditions) program to provide the CISE research and education community with the opportunity to pursue ambitious, fundamental research agendas that promise to define the future of computing and information. In planning Expeditions projects, investigators are encouraged to come together within or across departments or institutions to combine their creative talents in the identification of compelling, transformative research agendas that promise disruptive innovations in computing and information for many years to come. Funded at levels up to \$2,000,000 per year for five years, Expeditions represent some of the largest single investments currently made by the directorate. Together with the Science and Technology Centers CISE supports, Expeditions form the centerpiece of the directorate's center-scale award portfolio. With awards funded at levels that promote the formation of research teams, CISE recognizes that concurrent research advances in multiple fields or sub-fields are often necessary to stimulate deep and enduring outcomes. The awards made in this program will complement research areas supported by other CISE programs, which target particular computing or information disciplines or fields. Deadline is January 18, 2017.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16535](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16535)

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**Program:** [Tribal Colleges and Universities Program](#)

**Description:** The Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP) provides awards to Tribal Colleges and Universities, Alaska Native-serving institutions, and Native Hawaiian-serving institutions to promote high quality science (including sociology, psychology, anthropology, economics, statistics, and other social and behavioral sciences as well as natural sciences and education disciplines), technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education, research, and outreach. Applications accepted anytime.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16531](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16531)

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**Program:** [Ideas Lab: Measuring "Big G" Challenge](#)

**Description:** This solicitation describes an Ideas Lab on "Measuring Big G" Ideas Labs are intensive meetings focused on finding innovative solutions to grand challenge problems. The ultimate aim of this Ideas Lab organized by the Physics Division of the Mathematical and Physical Sciences Directorate at the National Science Foundation (NSF), in collaboration with experts in the field, is to facilitate the development of new experiments designed to measure Newton's gravitational constant G with relative uncertainties approaching or surpassing one part in 100,000. The aspiration is that mixing researchers from diverse scientific backgrounds will engender fresh thinking and innovative approaches that will provide a fertile ground for new ideas on how to measure G that can be used to validate and extend current calculations. US researchers may submit preliminary proposals for participation in the Ideas Lab only via FastLane. The goal is to develop multidisciplinary ideas that eventually will be submitted as full proposals. Deadline is October 26, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16520](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16520)

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**Program:** [GEO Opportunities for Leadership in Diversity](#)

**Description:** This solicitation describes an Ideas Lab on “GEO Opportunities for Leadership in Diversity.” Ideas Labs are intensive workshops focused on finding innovative solutions to grand challenge problems. The ultimate aim of this Ideas Lab, organized by the NSF Directorate for Geosciences (GEO), is to facilitate the design, pilot implementation, and evaluation of innovative professional development curricula that can unleash the potential of geoscientists with interests in broadening participation to become impactful leaders within the community. The expectation is that mixing geoscientists with experts in broadening participation research, behavioral change, social psychology, institutional change management, leadership development research, and pedagogies for professional development will not only engender fresh thinking and innovative approaches for preparing and empowering geoscientists as change agents for increasing diversity, but will also produce experiments that contribute to the research base regarding leader and leadership development. Deadline is June 2, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16516](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16516)

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### **Small Business Administration**

**Program:** **Women’s Business Center Program Renewal Grant**

**Description:** The purpose of this Program Announcement is to provide WBCs that are currently in SBA’s WBC Program that will have successfully completed an 5-year Initial WBC Project by September 29, 2016 or those centers that will have successfully completed a 3-year Renewal WBC Project by September 29, 2016 the opportunity to apply for a new 3-year Renewal WBC Grant. Deadline is June 9, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/wbo/resources/12967>

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**Program:** **Portable Assistance Program**

**Description:** The purpose of this Program Announcement is to invite proposals for funding from entities currently funded by SBA as a Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Lead Center. Each proposal must describe recent, serious economic conditions resulting from diminished business or government operations within a discrete area served by an SBDC network. Proposals must include detailed plans to deliver technical assistance to the affected area with corresponding objectives and milestones to be accomplished. Only applications from SBDC Lead Centers will be considered for funding. Deadline is May 16, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/osbdc/resources/20351>

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**Program:** **FEDERAL AND STATE TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM – SBTDC STATES**

**Description:** The purpose of this Program Announcement is to invite proposals for funding from any public or private organization, entity or individual interested in providing assistance and guidance to small technology business concerns. Deadline is May 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.sbir.gov/>

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

**Program:** **Youth Farm Safety Education and Certification**

**Description:** Youth Farm Safety Education and Certification (YFSEC) Program for fiscal year (FY) 2016 supports national efforts to deliver timely, pertinent, and appropriate farm safety education to youth seeking employment or already employed in agricultural production. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

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

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**Program:** **Community Connect Grant Program**  
**Description:** The Community-Oriented Connectivity Broadband Grant Program (Community Connect Grant Program) is designed to provide financial assistance to provide service at the Broadband Grant Speed in rural, economically-challenged communities where broadband service does not currently exist. Grant funds may be used to: (1) deploy service at the Broadband Grant Speed to critical community facilities, rural residents, and rural businesses, (2) construct, acquire, or expand a community center, and (3) equip a community center that provides free access to service at the Broadband Grant Speed to community residents for at least two years. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis for entities to serve all premises in eligible rural areas at the Broadband Grant Speed to ensure rural consumers enjoy the same quality and range of broadband services as are available in urban and suburban communities. Deadline is June 17, 2016.  
**Website:** <http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-connect-grants>

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**Program:** **Crop Protection and Pest Management**  
**Description:** The purpose of the Crop Protection and Pest Management program is to address high priority issues related to pests and their management using IPM approaches at the state, regional and national levels. The CPPM program supports projects that will increase food security and respond effectively to other major societal challenges with comprehensive IPM approaches that are economically viable, environmentally sound and will help protect human health. The CPPM program addresses IPM challenges for emerging issues and existing priority pest concerns that can be addressed more effectively with new and emerging technologies. The outcomes of the CPPM program are effective, affordable, and environmentally sound IPM practices and strategies supporting more vital communities. Deadline is June 8, 2016.  
**Website:** <https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/crop-protection-and-pest-management>

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**Program:** **Food Safety Outreach Program**  
**Description:** Under the National Food Safety Training, Education, Extension, Outreach, and Technical Assistance Competitive Grants Program, NIFA and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) began jointly funding an infrastructure of national and regional centers to extend food safety education, training, education, and technical assistance to those affected by Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). In FY 2016, the Food Safety Outreach Program will build upon that national infrastructure, with a sustained focus on delivery of customized training to members of the target audiences. Grant applications will be solicited directly from those in local communities - to include those from community-based organizations, non-governmental organizations, food hubs, farm cooperatives, extension, and other local groups. Successful awardees will be required to interact with Regional Centers by reporting project outcomes to the Centers. Deadline is June 2, 2016.  
**Website:** <https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/national-training-education-extension-outreach-and-technical-assistance>

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**Program:** **RDBCP-VAPG-2016**  
**Description:** This Notice announces that the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (Agency) is accepting fiscal year (FY) 2016 applications for the Value-Added Producer Grant (VAPG) program. Approximately \$44 Million in funding is available to help agricultural producers enter into value-added activities for FY 2016. Deadline is June 24, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2016/04/08/2016-08028/inviting-applications-for-value-added-producer-grants>

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**Program:** **Rural Cooperative Development Grant**

**Description:** The primary objective of the RCDG program is to improve the economic condition of rural areas by assisting individuals or entities in the startup, expansion or operational improvement of rural cooperatives and other business entities. Grants are awarded competitively on an annual basis to Rural Cooperative Development Centers who in turn provide technical assistance to individuals and entities. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-cooperative-development-grant-program>

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**Program:** **Rural Health & Safety Education**

**Description:** The RHSE program proposals are expected to be community-based, outreach education programs, such as those conducted through Human Science extension outreach, that provides individuals and families with: Information as to the value of good health at any age; Information to increase individual or family's motivation to take more responsibility for their own health; Information regarding rural environmental health issues that directly impact on human health; Information about and access to health promotion and educational activities; and Training for volunteers and health services providers concerning health promotion and health care services for individuals and families in cooperation with state, local and community partners. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/rural-health-and-safety-education-competitive-grants-program-rhse>

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**Program:** **Farmers Market Promotion Program**

**Description:** The Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP) is a component of the Farmers Marketing and Local Food Promotion Program (FMLFPP), which is authorized by the Farmer-to-Consumer Direct Marketing Act of 1946, as amended (7 U.S.C. 3005). The goals of FMPP grants are to increase domestic consumption of and access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products, and to develop new market opportunities for farm and ranch operations serving local markets by developing, improving, expanding, and providing outreach, training, and technical assistance to, or assisting in the development, improvement, and expansion of domestic farmers' markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs, agritourism activities, and other direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/fmpp>

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**Program:** **Local Food Promotion Program**

**Description:** LFPP offers grant funds with a 25% match to increase domestic consumption of and access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products, and to develop new market opportunities for farm and ranch operations serving local markets, by: developing, improving, expanding, and providing outreach, training, and technical assistance to Local and Regional Food Business Enterprises, or assisting in the development, improvement, and expansion of Local and Regional Food Business Enterprises. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/lfpp>

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**Program:** **Specialty Crop Block Grant Program – Farm Bill**

**Description:** The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) announces the availability of approximately \$62.6 million in grant funds to solely enhance the competitiveness of

specialty crops. Specialty crops are defined as fruits and vegetables, dried fruit, tree nuts, horticulture and nursery crops (including floriculture). State departments of agriculture interested in obtaining grant program funds are invited to submit applications to AMS. Deadline is July 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/scbgp>

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**Program:** **Federal-State Marketing Improvement Program**

**Description:** The 2016 allocation for grants is approximately \$1 million. Proposals may focus on addressing barriers, overcoming challenges or realizing opportunities manifesting at any stage of the marketing chain including direct, wholesale, and retail. Proposals must have a strong marketing focus, must involve research, and the primary beneficiaries must be agricultural producers and agribusinesses. Proposals that involve training or education programs must include a research component that tests the effects of the program on the marketing goals. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/fsmip>

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**Program:** **FY2016 TN Training Grant**

**Description:** The purpose of this FY 2016 TN Training Grant is for State agencies to implement and evaluate nutrition education, training, and technical assistance activities to support implementation of USDA nutrition standards for meals and snacks offered through the Child Nutrition Programs (e.g., NSLP, SBP, and CACFP). Deadline is May 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/2016-training-grant-application>

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**Program:** **2017 National Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program**

**Description:** Funds are to support national urban and community forestry projects on nonfederal public land that have a national or multi-state impact and application. All awards are based on the availability of funding, which may be subject to change. Eligible Applicants: Any U.S. non-Federal organization and Tribal agencies, operating within the United States or its territories, may apply for the Challenge Cost-Share grant. While collaboration with Federal agencies is encouraged, a Federal agency may not receive funding or be used as match to the Federal funds being requested. Individuals and private land are not eligible. Proposals are required to address National or multi-state, multi-tribal land urban forestry issues. The Forest Service will address any conflicts of interest. Not Eligible: If an entity has a local/State tree-planting projects, capital improvements to property of any ownership, and/or projects that have only a local impact and applicability are not eligible and they should contact their State Urban and Community Forestry Coordinator for assistance in identifying funding alternatives at the local level. Deadline is June 17, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.fs.fed.us%20%20http://www.fs.fed.us/ucf/nucfac.shtml>

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**Program:** **Outreach and Education, Technical Assistance, and Financial Education for FSA Programs, Functions, and Activities**

**Description:** This RFA seeks proposals to further support and expand FSA's existing outreach and education efforts. The additional outreach and education could, for example, be public meetings, training sessions, and/or workshops for producers including new and beginning farmers, veterans, underserved communities, and/or established producers. Emphasis will be afforded to proposals that propose to address producers who are ethnic minorities, women, new and beginning, veterans, urban, or who grow non-commodity crops (e.g., fruits and vegetables or specialty crops). Proposals may include innovative outreach approaches that ease the learning curve for farmers and ranchers through training on best practices, common challenges and solutions, and local networking opportunities. Deadline is May 27, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/outreach>

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

**Program:** **FY2016 Regional Innovation Strategies Program**

**Description:** EDA is committed to fostering connected, innovation-centric economic sectors which support the conversion of research into products and services, businesses, and ultimately jobs through entrepreneurship. Deadline is June 24, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.eda.gov/oie/ris/>

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**Program:** **Replicable Smart City Technologies Cooperative Agreement Program**

**Description:** NIST invites applications from eligible applicants (referred to below as City/Community Partners) for a program that will support cities and communities in team-based efforts under the 2016 Global City Teams Challenge (GCTC). The purpose of this funding opportunity is to enable cities and communities to take a lead role in the team-based GCTC efforts to advance the measurement science of replicable, standards-based smart city technologies that provide measurable performance metrics, meet the needs of cities and communities of all types and sizes, and provide platforms for entrepreneurship and innovation. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.nist.gov/eps/upload/20160219-RSCT-FFO.pdf>

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**Program:** **FY 2016 – FY 2019 EDA Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program**

**Description:** Under the Planning program EDA assists eligible recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency of an area or region. As part of this program, EDA supports Partnership Planning investments to facilitate the development, implementation, revision, or replacement of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS), which articulate and prioritize the strategic economic goals of recipients' respective regions. Deadline: Applications are accepted on a continuing basis and processed as received. This Planning and Local Technical Assistance opportunity will remain in effect until superseded by a future announcement.

**Website:** <http://www.eda.gov/>

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## **U.S. Department of Defense**

**Program:** **Missile Defense Agency STEM Outreach BEST Robotics Grant**

**Description:** Missile Defense Agency (MDA) Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Outreach goal is to increase awareness of K-12 and college students to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM), in order to enhance the number of U.S. scientists and engineers capable of solving future Missile Defense challenges in the Government, industry, and academia. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Contact:** **Latoya Gilbert, Contract and Grants Specialist Phone 256-450-2831; latoya.gilbert@mda.mil**

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

**Program:** **Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE): Performance Partnership Pilots (P3) CFDA Number 84.420A**

**Description:** Purpose of Program: Performance Partnership Pilots, enable pilot sites to test innovative, outcome-focused strategies to achieve significant improvements in educational, employment, and other key outcomes for disconnected youth using new flexibility to blend existing Federal funds and to seek waivers of associated program requirements. Entities that seek to participate in these pilots will be required to commit

to achieving significant improvements in outcomes for disconnected youth in exchange for this new flexibility. Deadline is Jun 27, 2016 Applications Available: April 26, 2016. Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply: May 26, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-04-26/pdf/2016-09748.pdf>

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**Program:** **Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Investing in Innovation Fund: Development Grants Pre-Application CFDA Number 84.411P**

**Description:** 1. Innovations that Improve Achievement for High-Need Students: All grantees must implement practices that are designed to improve student achievement (as defined in this notice) or student growth (as defined in this notice), close achievement gaps, decrease dropout rates, increase high school graduation rates (as defined in this notice), or increase college enrollment and completion rates for high-need students (as defined in this notice). 2. Innovations that Serve Kindergarten-through-Grade-12 (K-12) Students: All grantees must implement practices that serve students who are in grades K-12 at some point during the funding period. To meet this requirement, projects that serve early learners (i.e., infants, toddlers, or preschoolers) must provide services or supports that extend into kindergarten or later years, and projects that serve postsecondary students must provide services or supports during the secondary grades or earlier. 3. Eligible Applicants: Entities eligible to apply for i3 grants include either of the following: (a) An LEA. (b) A partnership between a nonprofit organization and-- (1) One or more LEAs; or (2) A consortium of schools. Deadline is May 25, 2016 Pre-Applications Available: April 27, 2016. Deadline for Notice of Intent to Submit Pre-Application: May 10, 2016. Deadline for Transmittal of Pre-applications: May 25, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-04-25/pdf/2016-09436.pdf>

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

**Program:** **Grants to Address Trafficking within the Child Welfare Population**

**Description:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to solicit proposals for projects that will address human trafficking within the child welfare population. This funding is designed to continue the development of child welfare systems' response to human trafficking through infrastructure building and a multi-system approach with local law enforcement, juvenile justice, court systems, runaway and homeless youth programs, Children & Justice Act grantees, child advocacy centers, and other necessary service providers. Deadline is Jul 11, 2016 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date

**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-CA-1179>

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**Program:** **Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Implementation Research and Evaluation Planning Grants**

**Description:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) plans to solicit applications for Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Implementation Research and Evaluation Planning Grants. These cooperative agreements would support CCDF Lead Agencies by developing rigorous high-quality research and evaluation plans of the implementation of policies in response to the goals of the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014. These planning grants may be followed by a second competitive funding opportunity that would provide funding to carry out the planned research evaluations. Deadline is July 8, 2016.



**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-OPRE-YE-1177>

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**Program:** **Basic Center Program**

**Description:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) supports organizations and communities that work every day to put an end to youth homelessness, adolescent pregnancy, and domestic violence. FYSB's Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) program is accepting applications for the Basic Center Program (BCP). The purpose of the BCP is to provide temporary shelter and counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians, have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might otherwise end up in the law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. This funding opportunity is a 36-month project with three 12-month budget periods. Deadline is July 5, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-CY-1121>

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**Program:** **Street Outreach Program**

**Description:** Today, in communities across the country, young people are living on the streets after running from or being asked to leave homes characterized by abuse, neglect, or parental drug and alcohol abuse. Once on the streets, such youth are at risk of being sexually exploited or abused by adults for pleasure or profit. In addition, youth may engage in shoplifting, survival sex, or drug dealing in order to provide for their basic needs. Since 1996, Street Outreach Program (SOP) has been aiding this population by funding grantees to provide street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to, or are at risk of being subjected to, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation. These services, which are provided in areas where street youth congregate, are designed to assist such youth in making healthy choices and providing them access to shelter. This funding opportunity is a 36-month project with three 12-month budget periods. Deadline is July 5, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-YO-1124>

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**Program:** **Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: National Capacity Building Center on Safe and Supportive Housing for Domestic Violence Survivors**

**Description:** The Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants Program will support one national capacity building center focused on delivering comprehensive training and technical assistance to enhance safe, supportive, and sustainable housing for survivors of domestic violence. The Center's primary purpose will be to strengthen coordination between domestic violence, housing, and homeless service providers. Deadline is June 27, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-EV-1160>

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**Program:** **Collaborating Centers of Excellence in Regulatory Science and Innovation (U01)**

**Description:** This funding opportunity will provide support for one or more Centers of Excellence in Regulatory Science and Innovation (CERSIs), which will serve to advance the Agency's regulatory science goals through cutting-edge research, state-of -the-art

training/educational programs and collaborative interactions including scientific exchanges, workshops and seminars. Deadline is June 28, 2016.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-FD-16-036.html>

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**Program:** **Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Specialized Services for Abused Parents and Their Children (Demonstration Projects)**

**Description:** The Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Specialized Services for Abused Parents and Their Children (Demonstration Projects) will support 10-12 demonstration projects. These projects will focus on expanding their capacity (as family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence coalitions, local programs, tribal communities, and community-based programs) to prevent future domestic violence by addressing, in an appropriate manner, the needs of children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence. Deadline June 27, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-EV-1163>

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**Program:** **2016 Lifespan Respite Care Program: Grants to New States**

**Description:** ACL will fund up to 3 cooperative agreements with a federal funding level of up to \$200,000 per award for a 36 month project period, pending the availability of Federal funds Eligible state agencies funded under this announcement shall use grant funds for planning, establishing and expanding/enhancing Lifespan Respite Care systems in the states, including new and planned emergency respite services, training and recruiting respite workers and volunteers and assisting caregivers with gaining access to needed services. Deadline is June 23, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.acl.gov/Funding\\_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx](http://www.acl.gov/Funding_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx)

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**Program:** **Elder Justice Innovation Grants**

**Description:** The purpose of the Elder Justice Innovation Grants program is to support the development and advancement of new and emerging issues related to elder justice. Funded projects will contribute to the improvement of the field of elder abuse prevention and intervention at large, such as by developing materials, programs, etc., that can be widely disseminated and/or replicated, or by establishing and/or contributing to the evidence-base of knowledge. For FY 2016, the following have been identified as priority areas: self-neglect, abuse in guardianship, elder abuse forensic centers, and elder abuse in Indian Country. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.acl.gov/Funding\\_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx](http://www.acl.gov/Funding_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx)

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**Program:** **Grants to Support the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Health Services Research Grant Program**

**Description:** The purpose of the grant program is to support researchers in implementing health services research activities to meet the needs of diverse CMS beneficiary populations. The goals of the grant program are to: 1) encourage HBCU health services researchers to pursue research issues which impact the Medicare, Medicaid, and Children Health Insurance Programs (CHIP); 2) assist CMS in implementing its mission focusing on health care quality and improvement for its beneficiaries; 3) assist HBCU researchers by supporting extramural research in health care capacity development activities for the African American communities; 4) increase the pool of HBCU researchers capable of implementing the research, demonstration, and evaluation activities of CMS; 5) promote research that will be aimed at developing a better understanding of health care services pertaining to African Americans; and 6) assist in fostering inter-university

communication and collaboration regarding African American health disparity issues. Deadline is June 28, 2016.

**Website:**

<https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=56182>

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**Program:**

**[Grants to Support the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program](#)**

**Description:**

The grant program is designed to: 1) encourage health services and health disparities researchers to pursue research issues which impact Hispanic Medicare, Medicaid, and Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) health services issues, 2) conduct outreach activities to apprise Hispanic researchers of funding availability to conduct research-related issues affecting Hispanic communities to expand the pool of applicants applying for such grants, 3) assist CMS in implementing its mission focusing on health care quality and improvement for its beneficiaries, 4) support extramural research in health care capacity development activities for the Hispanic communities, 5) promote research that will be aimed at developing a better understanding of health care services issues pertaining to Hispanics, and 6) foster a network for communication and collaboration regarding Hispanic health care issues. Deadline is June 29, 2016.

**Website:**

<https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=56177>

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**Program:**

**[Elder Justice Innovation Grants](#)**

**Description:**

The purpose of the Elder Justice Innovation Grants program is to support the development and advancement of new and emerging issues related to elder justice. Funded projects will contribute to the improvement of the field of elder abuse prevention and intervention at large, such as by developing materials, programs, etc that can be widely disseminated and/or replicated, or by establishing and/or contributing to the evidence-base of knowledge. For FY 2016, the following have been identified as priority areas: self-neglect, abuse in guardianship, elder abuse forensic centers, and elder abuse in Indian Country. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:**

[http://www.acl.gov/Funding\\_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx](http://www.acl.gov/Funding_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx)

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**Program:**

**[Quality Improvement Center for Workforce Development](#)**

**Description:**

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to establish, by awarding a cooperative agreement, one Quality Improvement Center (QIC). The purpose of the QIC is to conduct a multi-site demonstration project that will address pervasive workforce challenges in child welfare. This QIC will select or create and then test innovative and promising workforce improvement strategies to examine their effectiveness and utility in child welfare systems. Deadline is June 13, 2016.

**Website:**

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-CT-1178>

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**Program:**

**[Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training \(ARRT\) Program - Community Living and Participation](#)**

**Description:**

The purpose of the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program is to plan and conduct research, demonstration projects, training, and related activities, including international activities, 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, and to improve the effectiveness of services. The purpose of NIDILRR & ARRT program, which is funded through the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program, is to provide advanced research training and experience to individuals with doctorates, or similar advanced degrees, who have clinical or other relevant experience. ARRT projects train rehabilitation researchers, including researchers with disabilities, with particular attention to research areas that support the implementation and objectives of the Rehabilitation Act, and that improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act. Deadline is May 16, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.acl.gov/Funding\\_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx](http://www.acl.gov/Funding_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx)

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**Program:** [Grants for Injury Prevention and Control](#)

**Description:** The purpose of this supplemental FOA is to maximize the value of research activities undertaken in accordance with CDC-RFA-CE12-001 Grants for Injury Control Research Centers (ICRC). Supplemental applications are requested for translation research for ICRC program results and outcomes for public health practice, and for policy-related research to increase population impact within the scope of FOA CDC-RFA-CE12-001. This program expansion supplement will build upon the essential elements that comprise a successful ICRC and broaden the translation and implementation of research results and outcomes of programs and policies for injury prevention and control. Deadline is September 12, 2016.

**Website:** **Office of Grant Services (OGS) Technical Information Management Section (TIMS) E-mail: [ogstims@cdc.gov](mailto:ogstims@cdc.gov) Phone: 770-488-2700 [ogstims@cdc.gov](http://ogstims@cdc.gov)**

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**Program:** [Drug-Free Communities Mentoring Program](#)

**Description:** The primary goal of the DFC Mentoring Program is to assist newly forming coalitions in becoming eligible to apply for DFC funding on their own. It is the intent of the DFC Mentoring Program that, at the end of the Mentoring grant, each Mentee coalition will meet all of the Statutory Eligibility Requirements of the DFC Support Program and be fully prepared to compete for the DFC grant on their own. Grantees will be expected to achieve this goal by meeting the following objectives: 1. Strengthen Mentee coalition's organizational structure. 2. Increase Mentee coalition's leadership and community readiness to address youth substance use problems in the Mentee community. 3. Assist the Mentee coalition in working through a strategic planning process that will result in a comprehensive Action Plan. Deadline is May 16, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sp-16-002>

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**Program:** [Small Business Alzheimer's Disease Research \(R41/R42\)](#)

**Description:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to encourage Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) applications from eligible small business concerns in the area of Alzheimer's disease. Deadline is April 5, 2019.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-092.html>

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**Program:** [Development and Translation of Medical Technologies to Reduce Health Disparities \(SBIR\) \(R43/R44\)](#)

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant applications from small business concerns (SBCs) that propose to develop and translate medical technologies aimed at reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes. Appropriate medical technologies should be effective, affordable, culturally acceptable, and deliverable to those who need them.

Grant applications must address the healthcare needs of a health disparity population and must involve a formal collaboration with a healthcare provider or other healthcare organization serving one or more health disparity populations during Phase I and Phase II. Deadline is July 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-EB-16-001.html>

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**Program:** [Improving Diabetes Management in Pre-teens, Adolescents and/or Young Adults with Type 1 Diabetes \(DP3\)](#)

**Description:** The goal of this FOA is to encourage applications from institutions/organizations proposing to develop, refine, and pilot test innovative strategies to improve diabetes management in pre-teens (ages 10-12), adolescents (ages 13-18) and/or young adults (ages 19-30) with type 1 diabetes. At the end of the funding period, there should be a well-developed and well-characterized intervention that has been demonstrated to be safe, feasible to implement, acceptable in the target population, and, if promising, ready to be tested in a larger efficacy trial. Deadline is June 22, 2016.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-16-001.html>

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**Program:** [Centers for Agricultural Safety and Health \(U54\)](#)

**Description:** The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) invites applications for Centers for Agricultural Safety and Health (Ag Centers). Ag Centers are expected to conduct high quality research and help translate scientific discoveries into practical applications to improve worker safety and health in the areas of agriculture, forestry, and fishing. Center functions should include developing integrated approaches that link basic science with translation and outreach activities. Center structure should take advantage of diverse scientific resources and focus on local, regional, and/or national worker safety and health issues. Centers should place emphasis on the creation and implementation of evidence-based solutions that address important agricultural safety and health problems. Collaborations with other academic institutions, nonprofit organizations, and other occupational safety and health focused groups are expected. Deadline is November 30, 2017.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-353.html>

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**Program:** [Occupational Safety and Health Training Project Grants \(T03\)](#)

**Description:** The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), invites grant applications for Training Project Grants (TPGs) that are focused on occupational safety and health training. NIOSH is mandated to provide an adequate supply of qualified personnel to carry out the purposes of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and the TPGs are one of the principal means for meeting this mandate. The majority of TPGs are in academic institutions that provide high quality training in the core occupational safety and health disciplines of industrial hygiene (IH), occupational health nursing (OHN), occupational medicine residency (OMR), occupational safety (OS), as well as closely related allied disciplines. NIOSH also funds non-academic programs to meet specific training needs of targeted populations including firefighters, commercial fishermen and occupational health and safety interns. Deadline is November 3, 2019.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-352.html>

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**Program:** [Screening and Brief Alcohol Interventions in Underage and Young Adult Populations \(R03\)](#)

**Description:** The objective of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research on screening and brief interventions to prevent and/or reduce alcohol use and alcohol-related harms among underage and young adult populations. Deadline is May 7, 2018.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-296.html>

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**Program:** **[The Pancreatic Cancer Detection Consortium \(U01\)](#)**

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications from multi-disciplinary teams of researchers and clinicians to establish the Pancreatic Cancer Detection Consortium (PCDC) to conduct research to improve the detection of early stage pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma (PDAC) and characterization of its precursor lesions. This initiative addresses one of the four research priorities identified in the National Cancer Institute's 2014 Scientific Framework for Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma. The PCDC is intended to support research for the development and testing of new molecular and imaging biomarkers for identifying patients at high risk for PDAC (because of genetic factors or the presence of precursor lesions) who could be candidates for early intervention. The research will be conducted by individual multi-disciplinary research teams, hereafter called Units. The Units will undertake studies on the following areas: identification and testing of biomarkers measurable in bodily fluids for early detection of PDAC or its precursor lesions; determine which pancreatic cysts are likely to progress to cancer; develop molecular- and/or imaging-based approaches for screening populations at high risk of PDAC; conduct biomarker validation studies; and collect longitudinal biospecimens for the establishment of a biorepository. All Units are expected to participate in collaborative activities with other Units and share ideas, specimens and data within the Consortium. Deadline is April 6, 2018.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-296.html>

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**Program:** **[Limited Competition: Small Grant Program for NHLBI K01/K08/K23 Recipients](#)**

**Description:** The purpose of this FOA is to solicit current or recently completed NHLBI K01, K08, and K23 awardees for grant support to expand their current research objectives or to branch out to a study that resulted from the research conducted under the K award. Recently completed NHLBI K01, K08, and K23 awardees are eligible to apply for this R03 FOA if the earliest possible R03 start date falls within 2 years of their prior NHLBI K award Project Period end date. Thus, this FOA is intended to enhance the capability of NHLBI K01, K08, and K23 award recipients to conduct research as they complete their transition to fully independent investigator status. Deadline is June 15, 2018.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-16-020.html>

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**Program:** **[NINDS Exploratory Clinical Trials for Small Business \(R42\)](#)**

**Description:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to provide a vehicle for Small Business Concerns (SBCs) submitting Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) grant applications for investigator-initiated exploratory clinical trials to the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). The projects must focus on products related to the mission and goals of the NINDS and may evaluate drugs, biologics, devices, or diagnostics, as well as surgical, behavioral or rehabilitation therapies. Deadline is April 5, 2018.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-278.html>

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**Program:** **Integrated Food Defense**

**Description:** The Integrated Food Defense & Emergency Response Cooperative Agreement Program (IFD&ER CAP) grant awards are designed to generate food defense tools and resources that are easily replicated and can complement, aid in the development of, and/or improve State, local, Tribal and territorial (SLTT) food defense programs through unique, innovative, and reproducible projects. The known overlap between food safety (unintentional contamination) and food defense (intentional contamination) is extensive. And the pools of resources available are vast and sometimes difficult to locate and implement.

**Deadline Dates:** Apr 2, 2019 Other key dates include: Open Date (Earliest Submission Date) - May 8, 2015; February 1, 2016; February 1, 2017; February 1, 2018; February 1, 2019 Letter of Intent Due Date(s) - June 15, 2015; March 1, 2016; March 1, 2017; March 1, 2018; March 1, 2019 Application Due Date(s) - July 9, 2015; April 2, 2016; April 2, 2017; April 2, 2018; April 2, 2019:

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-FD-15-022.html>

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**Program:** **High Priority Immunology Grants (R01)**

**Description:** The goal of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to augment the maintenance and growth of the NIAID portfolio of investigator-initiated R01 grants in fundamental immunology. It seeks to address a decline in NIAID immunology R01 applications and awards that has occurred in the past several fiscal years. Deadline is January 7, 2018

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAS-15-055.html>

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

**Program:** **Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 National Incident Management System (NIMS)**

**Description:** The National Incident Management System (NIMS) identifies concepts and principles that answer how to manage emergencies from preparedness to recovery regardless of their cause, size, location, or complexity. The implementation of the NIMS directly supports Quadrennial Homeland Security Report (QHSR) Mission 5: Strengthen National Preparedness and Resilience and Goal 5.3 Ensuring Effective Emergency Response. NIMS also serves as a foundation for the development of multi-jurisdictional and interstate regional mechanisms for coordinating incident management and obtaining assistance during large-scale, complex, or catastrophic incidents. Deadline is July 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov>

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**Program:** **FISCAL YEAR 2015 FIRE PREVENTION & SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM**

**Description:** The *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2015* provides \$340,000,000 for the Assistance to Firefighter (AFG) Grant program to assist first-responder organizations that need support to improve their capability to respond to fires and emergencies of all types, including \$34,000,000 for fire prevention and safety activities.

(FP & S) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) on Monday, April 04, 2016. The application period for the FY 2015 Fire Prevention & Safety Program will open on Monday, April 04, 2016 at 8 am EST and will close on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 5 PM EST.

**Website:** <https://www.fema.gov/fire-prevention-safety-grants>

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**Program:** **Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Emergency Management Baseline Assessment Grant (EMBAG)**

**Description:** The FY 2016 EMBAG Program will support the updating and enhancement of a set of American National Standards Institute (ANSI)-certified standards for emergency preparedness and response as well as a related assessment methodology for the evaluation of state, local and territorial emergency management organizations. This assessment methodology should incorporate a peer review process that results in accreditation of the emergency management organization, regardless of size. Deadline is April 29, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/>

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**Program:** **Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 State Fire Training (SFT) Systems Grant Program**

**Description:** The State Fire Training Systems (SFT) Program provides direct training assistance to States to help bridge the training and competency gaps within the Nation's fire and emergency response community. Deadline is June 30, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppId=282530>

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**Program:** **Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Program - Region 4**

**Description:** "The Cooperating Technical Partners Program (CTP Program) exists to strengthen and increase the effectiveness of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) through fostering strong Federal, State, Tribal, regional and local partnerships for the purposes of reducing flood losses and promoting community resiliency. The CTP Program may provide federal assistance, through a grant or cooperative agreement, to an eligible Cooperating Technical Partner (herein referred to as CTP, partner or grantee) to perform various projects and activities that stimulate and support the ability of NFIP State Coordinating Agencies and NFIP-participating communities (as defined in 44 CFR Part 59.1) to continue their ongoing regulatory NFIP responsibilities as well as support the ability of States, communities and the public and private sector to mitigate flood risk. Deadline is June 10, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.fema.gov/cooperating-technical-partners-program/cooperating-technical-partners-program>

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**Program:** **FY16 Pre-Disaster Mitigation**

**Description:** The Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program makes available Federal funds to State, Local and Tribal Governments to implement and sustain cost-effective measures designed to reduce the risk to individuals and property from natural hazards, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding from future disasters. FEMA will provide allocations of \$575,000 as required by the Stafford Act to states and territories; and a tribal set aside of \$10 million for allocations up to \$575,000 for Native American Indian tribal governments to support overall mitigation planning and projects. The remaining PDM funds will be awarded on a competitive basis with a focus on Climate Resilient Mitigation Activities. Applicants must submit applications via the Mitigation eGrants system on the FEMA Grants Portal: <https://portal.fema.gov>. Applicants may submit a maximum of 19 sub-applications, including 1 management cost sub-application for Applicant management costs. Of the 18 sub-applications for mitigation activities, a maximum of 8 projects may be included. Deadline is June 15, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279>

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**Program:** **FY16 Flood Mitigation Assistance**

**Description:** The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program makes available federal funds to State, Local and Tribal Governments to implement and sustain cost-effective measures that reduce or eliminate risk of flood damage to buildings insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). FEMA will fund planning up to \$100,000 per applicant with a maximum of \$50,000 for state plans and \$25,000 for local plans. FEMA will fund technical assistance up to \$50,000 for states who were awarded FMA Grant Program funds totaling at least \$1 million in FY 2015. The remaining FMA funds will be awarded on a competitive basis for projects that will reduce or eliminate claims under the NFIP with a focus on mitigation of severe repetitive loss and repetitive loss properties as well as projects that will reduce the risk profile in communities through mitigation of the largest number of NFIP-insured properties on a neighborhood level. Deadline is June 15, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279>

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

**Program:** **Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant Program (Technical Correction)**

**Description:** Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants support the implementation of comprehensive neighborhood revitalization plans that are expected to achieve the following three core goals: 1. Housing: Replace distressed public and assisted housing with high-quality mixed-income housing that is well-managed and responsive to the needs of the surrounding neighborhood; 2. People: Improve educational outcomes and intergenerational mobility for youth with services and supports delivered directly to youth and their families; and 3. Neighborhood: Create the conditions necessary for public and private reinvestment in distressed neighborhoods to offer the kinds of amenities and assets, including safety, good schools, and commercial activity, that are important to families & choices about their community. Deadline is June 28, 2016.

**Website:** [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail)

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**Program:** **Fair Housing Initiative Program - Education and Outreach Initiative**

**Description:** This Initiative provides funding for the purpose of developing, implementing, carrying out, or coordinating education and outreach programs designed to inform members of the public concerning their rights and obligations under the provisions of the Fair Housing Act. Deadline is June 23, 2016.

**Website:** [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail)

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**Program:** **Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Private Enforcement Initiative**

**Description:** This Initiative provides funding to private, non-profit fair housing enforcement organizations that meet statutory requirements to investigate violations and obtain enforcement of the rights granted under the Fair Housing Act or State or local laws that provide rights and remedies for discriminatory housing practices that are substantially equivalent to the rights and remedies provided in the Fair Housing Act. Deadline is June 23, 2016.

Website:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail)

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**Program:** **Jobs Plus Initiative**

**Description:** This Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announces the availability of funding of approximately \$15 million for the Jobs Plus program for Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) to develop locally-based approaches to increase earnings and advance employment outcomes for Public Housing residents. The NOFA will fund initiatives to improve employment and earnings outcomes for Public Housing residents through supports such as work readiness, employer linkages, job placement and financial literacy. To help applicants with the electronic application registration and submission process, the Department advises applicants to use the checklists, user guides, and other help features located at SAM.gov and Grants.gov websites. Both websites provide access to instructions and answers to frequently asked questions which are updated periodically. Deadline is June 13, 2016.

Website:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail)

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[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail)

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**Program:** **Resident Opportunity & Self-Sufficiency Program**

**Description:** The purpose of the Resident Opportunity & Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinator (SC) program is to assist residents of public and Indian housing in making progress towards economic and housing self-sufficiency. To accomplish this goal, ROSS provides grant funding to eligible applicants to hire Service Coordinators to assess the needs of public and Indian housing residents and link them to supportive services that enable participants to increase earned income, reduce or eliminate the need for welfare assistance, and make progress toward achieving economic independence and housing self-sufficiency. In the case of elderly/disabled residents, the Service Coordinator links participants to supportive services which enable them to age/remain in place thereby avoiding more costly forms of care. Deadline is May 16, 2016.

Website:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail)

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

**Program:** **2017 National Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program**

**Description:** Funds are to support national urban and community forestry projects on nonfederal public land that have a national or multi-state impact and application. All awards are based on the availability of funding, which may be subject to change. Eligible Applicants: Any U.S. non-Federal organization and Tribal agencies, operating within the United States or its territories, may apply for the Challenge Cost-Share grant. While collaboration with Federal agencies is encouraged, a Federal agency may not receive funding or be used as match to the Federal funds being requested. Individuals and private land are not eligible. Proposals are required to address National or multi-state, multi-tribal land urban forestry issues. The Forest Service will address any conflicts of interest. Not Eligible: If an entity has a local/State tree-planting projects, capital improvements to property of any ownership, and/or projects that have only a local impact and applicability are not eligible and they should contact their State Urban and Community Forestry Coordinator for assistance in identifying funding alternatives at the local level. Deadline is June 17, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.fs.fed.us/ucf/nucfac.shtml>

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

**Program:** **OJJDP FY 2016 Studies Program on Trauma and Justice-Involved Youth**

**Description:** OJJDP is seeking applications for funding under its fiscal year (FY) 2016 Studies Program on Trauma and Justice-Involved Youth. This program will support original research; design expansions to current research; and/or secondary analysis of existing data to provide objective, independent knowledge about (1) the developmental pathways of youth from violence exposure and trauma to justice involvement; (2) the implications of justice involvement on possible retraumatization; and (3) the development of culturally appropriate, evidence-based trauma-informed practices. OJJDP is particularly interested in proposals that seek to investigate the experiences of youth whose justice system involvement is often understudied, specifically youth who are Hispanic/Latino, American Indian/Alaska Native, LGBTQI, and girls. Deadline is June 23, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/StudiesProgramonTrauma.pdf>

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**Program:** **OVC FY 16 Vision 21: Enhancing Access and Attitudinal Changes in Domestic Violence Shelters for Individuals with Disabilities**

**Description:** OVC FY 16 Enhancing Access and Attitudinal Changes in Domestic Violence Shelters for Individuals with Disabilities competitive solicitation will seek applicants to carry out two cooperative agreements through which state domestic violence coalitions will encourage their member organizations to make not only physical changes to both facilities and operating practices (i.e., accessible bathrooms, interpreters, plain language forms, action plans) but also attitudinal changes through training and mentorship. Funding will include a research partner to do a program evaluation that should identify bases for evidence-based practice as well as gaps and resources. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx>

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**Program:** **OJJDP FY 16 Tribal Defending Childhood Demonstration Program**

**Description:** This solicitation is intended to help a number of tribes develop or modify tribal codes to support juvenile justice systems that focus on prevention, treatment and healing and/or that strengthen tribal efforts to develop trauma informed, culturally appropriate tribal child welfare services, in line with recommendations from the Attorney General's

Advisory Committee on American Indian/Alaska Native Children Exposed to Violence.  
Deadline is July 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/TribalDefendingChildhood.pdf>

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**Program:** **OJJDP FY 16 Reducing Reliance on Secure Placement and Improving Community-Based Responses for Girls At-Risk of Entering the Juvenile Justice System**

**Description:** The FY 2016 Reducing Reliance on Confinement and Improving Community-Based Responses for Girls at Risk of Entering the Juvenile Justice System will strengthen and expand the use of community-based and gender and culturally responsive programs for girls and promote the development of girls and their individual strengths. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/GirlsAtRisk.pdf>

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**Program:** **OVC FY 16 Identifying and Preventing Gender Bias in Law Enforcement Response to Victims Demonstration Initiative**

**Description:** The Addressing Gender Bias in Law Enforcement Response to Victims Demonstration Initiative will expand the Enhancing Law Enforcement Response to Victims (ELERV) strategy to improve police response to domestic violence and sexual assault with a special emphasis in minority and LGBTQ communities. The aim of the Initiative will be to integrate the ELERV strategy and the principles outlined in the DOJ guidance to Identifying and Preventing Gender Bias in Law Enforcement Response to Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence, released in December 2015, to reduce gender bias in police response to these crimes. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx>

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**Program:** **OVC FY 16 Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human Trafficking: A Jurisdiction-wide Approach**

**Description:** The Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human Trafficking: A Statewide Approach solicitation will seek applications from states to develop, enhance, and coordinate programs and activities geared toward improving outcomes for child and youth victims of sex and labor trafficking. The purpose of this grant is identify a state's greatest challenges in addressing trafficking of children and youth and to encourage the development of a state-wide strategy. Deadline is June 29, 2016.

**Website:** <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx>

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**Program:** **COPS-HIRING-PROGRAM-APPLICATION-2016**

**Description:** CHP provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. 2016 CHP grants will cover up to 75 percent of the approved entry-level salary and fringe benefits of each newly-hired and/or rehired, full-time sworn career law enforcement officer over the three-year (36 months) grant period, with a minimum 25 percent local cash match requirement and a maximum federal share of \$125,000 per officer position. Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2367>

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**Program:** **OJJDP FY 16 Safe and Thriving Communities: Uniting Community Based Violence Prevention, Defending Childhood and National Forum Approaches to Prevent and Heal Violence**

**Description:** This solicitation seeks to help catalyze and further advance the prevention and intervention of youth victimization and violence, especially youth gun and gang violence, by focusing efforts in partnership with a limited number of localities and Tribes. The funds are intended to help initiate or strengthen work to end youth violence

and improve the wellbeing of children, youth, families and communities through comprehensive approaches that unify the central tenets of OJJDP's existing youth violence initiatives through a single, shared framework for collective action. Deadline is June 21, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/Safe&Thriving.pdf>

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**Program:** [Evaluation of the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation \(BCJI\) Program](#)

**Description:** In collaboration with the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), NIJ is seeking competitive applications for a cooperative agreement to support research on the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation (BCJI) Program. The purpose of this solicitation is to inform the program's place-based and community-oriented efforts to reduce violent and serious crime as part of the Administration's comprehensive strategy to advance neighborhood revitalization. In partnership with researchers and community stakeholders, BCJI grantees identify "hot spots" • in neighborhoods challenged by poverty, unemployment, struggling schools, and inadequate housing; they collaboratively develop environmental design, legislative, and other approaches to promote collective efficacy and target crime among offenders returning from incarceration, gangs, and youth. Applications must propose four research tasks: a review of BCJI planning, implementation, and enhancement grants; a process evaluation of BCJI grant activities; an evaluability assessment of BCJI program sites; and a process and outcome evaluation of the BCJI Training and Technical Assistance. Deadline is June 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://nij.gov/funding/Documents/solicitations/NIJ-2016-9326.pdf>

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**Program:** [OJJDP FY 2016 Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning Demonstration Program](#)

**Description:** The OJJDP FY 2016 Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning Demonstration Program will provide resources for state, tribal, local, municipal and community organizations to develop, strengthen and implement emergency preparedness plans for juvenile justice facilities. These plans should be based upon the principles outlined in Emergency Planning for Juvenile Justice Residential Facilities, and should address the specific needs of children, youth, and families involved in the justice system, during an emergency. Deadline May 31, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/EmergencyPlanning.pdf>

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**Program:** [Drug Court Training and Technical Assistance Program](#)

**Description:** The Drug Court Training and Technical Assistance Program is being competed under 5 categories: 1) Adult Drug Court Planning Initiative to train newly forming drug court teams, 2) Adult Drug Court Training Initiative to advertise, enhance, and deliver 22 BJA approved drug court curricula to the drug court field and develop new trainings as needed; 3) Site-specific and State-based Drug Court Technical Assistance to meet the needs of BJA adult drug court grantees to meet their grant goals and objectives as well as develop materials/content to assist the field at large, including statewide drug court coordination efforts; 4) National Drug Court Resource, Policy and Evidence-based Practice Center to maintain an online resource center, develop and market new content with a goal to increase the uptake of evidence-based practices among drug courts nationwide; and 5) Tribal Healing to Wellness Court Technical Assistance to provide assistance to tribal drug courts. Deadline is May 31, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.bja.gov/funding/AdultDrugCourtsTTA16.pdf>

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**Program:** [Community Policing Development \(CPD\)](#)

**Description:** The 2016 Community Policing Development Program is a competitive grant program designed to advance the practice of community policing in law enforcement agencies through training and technical assistance, the development of innovative community policing strategies, applied research, guidebooks, and best practices that are national in scope. The COPS Office, a federal provider of innovative, customer-focused resources that address the continuing and emerging needs of those engaged in enhancing public safety through community policing, has designed the CPD solicitation to address critical topics in the law enforcement field by building on the principles of community policing.

Applications are due by June 1, 2016 at 7:59 PM EDT.

**Website:** <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2450>

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**Program:** **COPS Anti-Heroin Task Force (AHTF)**

**Description:** The 2016 Anti-Heroin Task Force Program is a competitive grant program that assists state law enforcement agencies in states with high per capita levels of primary treatment admissions for both heroin and other opioids. AHTF funds shall be used for investigative purposes to locate or investigate illicit activities related to the distribution of heroin or unlawful distribution of prescription opioids.

Applications are due by June 1, 2016 at 7:59 PM EDT

**Website:** <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2776>

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**Program:** **COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP)**

**Description:** The 2016 COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program is a competitive grant program that advances public safety by providing funds directly to state law enforcement agencies to investigate illicit activities related to the manufacture and distribution of methamphetamine.

Applications are due by June 1, 2016 at 7:59 PM EDT.

**Website:** <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2716>

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**Program:** **OJJDP FY 16 Smart on Juvenile Justice: Statewide Juvenile Justice Reform Planning Training & Technical Assistance**

**Description:** OJJDP will select a TTA provider to deliver direct training and technical assistance and to provide pass-through funding to selected states to assess their current juvenile justice systems and to develop system-wide juvenile justice reform strategic plans. OJJDP will work with the successful applicant to develop a selection process for eligible states to apply for the TTA and pass-through funding available through this program. Deadline is May 31, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/JJReform.pdf>

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**Program:** **OJJDP FY 16 Smart on Juvenile Justice; Reducing Out-of-Home Placement**

**Description:** The FY 2016 Smart on Juvenile Justice: Reducing Out-of-Home Placement will strengthen and expand the use of community-based alternatives to out-of-home

placement and minimize approaches based solely on control and deterrence in favor of individualized treatment and services. Deadline is May 25, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/outofhome.pdf>

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**Program:** **OVC FY 16 Specialized Services for Victims of Human Trafficking**

**Description:** The primary goal of this FY16 program is to enhance the quality and quantity of services available to assist victims of human trafficking, as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended, by enhancing interagency collaboration and the coordinated community response to victims of human trafficking, and through the provision of high-quality services that address the individual needs of trafficking victims. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** [http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY16\\_Specialized\\_Services\\_Solicitation\\_508.pdf](http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY16_Specialized_Services_Solicitation_508.pdf)

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**Program:** **OJJDP FY 16 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategies and Programs**

**Description:** Youth gangs continue to have a significant adverse impact on youth, families, and communities across America. A growing number of communities have adopted OJJDP's Comprehensive Gang Model, a multi-strategy, multidisciplinary approach that has proven to be effective in reducing gang activity. The fiscal year 2016 Comprehensive Anti-gang Strategies and Programs solicitation provides funding for localities to enhance coordination of federal, state, and local resources in support of community partnerships implementing the following anti-gang programs: primary prevention, secondary prevention, gang intervention, and targeted gang enforcement. Deadline is May 23, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/CompAntigang.pdf>

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**Program:** **Veterans Trauma Informed Training**

**Description:** The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is seeking applications for funding under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016. This program furthers NIC's mission by developing a curriculum for training staff within a local jurisdiction on responsibility issues for veterans that will build skills and improve outcomes for justice-involved veterans. Deadline is May 23, 2016.

**Website:** <http://community.nicic.gov/blogs/nic/archive/2016/03/23/cooperative-agreement-curriculum-development-for-veteran-informed-care-training-program.aspx>

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**Program:** **Diversion Symposium**

**Description:** The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is seeking applications for funding under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016. The purpose of the Diversion Symposium is to educate and inform criminal justice stakeholders and policymakers about pretrial diversion decision making. The Symposium will expose participants to a wide range of diversion related topics incorporating proven and research based criminal justice practices on diversion criteria, interventions and programming. Deadline is May 23, 2016.

**Contact:** **Melanie Simms Administrative Officer Phone 202-353-0484; mxsimms@bop.gov**

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**Program:** **Comprehensive School Safety Initiative**

**Description:** The Comprehensive School Safety Initiative (CSSI) funds rigorous research to produce practical knowledge that can improve the safety of schools and students. The initiative is carried out through partnerships between researchers, educators and other stakeholders, including law enforcement and mental health professionals. Projects funded under the CSSI are designed to produce knowledge that can be applied to schools and school districts across the nation for years to come. This solicitation includes multiple funding categories with different expectations and requirements to accomplish the purposes of the CSSI. Deadline is May 27, 2016.

**Website:** <http://nij.gov/funding/Documents/solicitations/NIJ-2016-9093.pdf>

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**Program:** [Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program](#)

**Description:** The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) supports innovative cross-system collaboration for individuals with mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who come into contact with the justice system. BJA is seeking applications that demonstrate a collaborative project between criminal justice and mental health partners from eligible applicants to plan, implement or expand a justice and mental health collaboration program. Deadline is May 17, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.bja.gov/funding/JMHCP16.pdf>

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**Program:** [OJJDP FY 16 Evaluations of Trauma-Informed Care in Juvenile Justice](#)

**Description:** The goal of this evaluation initiative is to advance evidence-based practices for trauma-informed care of youth in the juvenile justice system. Applicants must submit their applications under one of the following two categories: Category 1: Evaluation of Trauma-Informed Care in Juvenile Justice Settings or Category 2: Evaluation of Trauma-Informed, Gender-Specific Girls' Programs. Deadline is May 23, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/EvalTraumaJJ.pdf>

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**Program:** [OJJDP FY 16 Family Drug Court Statewide System Reform](#)

**Description:** The Family Drug Court program seeks to build the capacity of states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized tribal governments to either implement new or enhance pre-existing drug courts to provide services for individuals with substance use disorders or substance use and co-occurring mental health disorders who are involved with the family dependency court as a result of child abuse and neglect issues. Deadline is May 17, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/FamilyDrugStatewide.pdf>

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**Program:** [OJJDP FY 16 Enhancing Forensic Capacity for Internet Crimes Against Children Task Forces](#)

**Description:** OJJDP will provide support to Internet Crimes Against Children task forces to hire wounded, injured, or ill veterans to: 1) enhance digital forensic examination capacity through supporting digital forensic analyst positions in select ICAC task forces; 2) improve ICAC task force effectiveness to prevent, interdict, investigate, and prosecute Internet crimes against children and technology-facilitated child exploitation, and 3) reduce forensic examination backlogs, and/or increase the number of forensic exams completed by ICAC task forces during the project period. Deadline is May 16, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/ForensicCapacityHiring.pdf>

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**Program:** [The Price of Justice: Rethinking the Consequences of Justice Fines and Fees](#)

**Description:** Those who commit crimes should be accountable to victims and their communities. The role of the justice system is to determine a fair and impartial resolution on behalf of society. However, legal financial obligations resulting from criminal justice involvement including fines, fees, and costs may undermine these very goals. The current landscape of legal financial obligations has come under heightened scrutiny in recent months and years, particularly in light of the findings of the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division investigation of the Ferguson Police Department. These findings and other sources report justice agencies focused on maximizing revenue, rather than public safety and rehabilitation; people being incarcerated for failing to pay despite inability to do so; and racial and ethnic disparity in the impacts of criminal justice debt. Currently, little is known about the extent to which government agencies rely on fines and fees, whether it is cost beneficial to fund efforts to collect fines and



fees; and the extent and effects of fines and fees on justice-involved individuals. This program will make available site-based grants and technical assistance available for state and local government agencies to implement innovative approaches to addressing the common barriers to equitable systems of legal financial obligations. Deadline is May 12, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.bja.gov/funding/JRIpriceofjustice.pdf>

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**Program:** **Community Corrections: Technology Research, Development and Evaluation to Improve Supervision and Outcomes**

**Description:** With this solicitation, NIJ seeks proposals for funding for research, development, and/or evaluation projects to explore the ability of mobile device technologies to help enable adult correctional systems more effectively supervise increased numbers of persons under community supervision. Related to this, NIJ is also interested in exploring the potential of mobile device-based solutions to provide an improved means to locate and track offenders under community supervision in areas with cellular coverage. Deadline is May 19, 2016.

**Website:** <http://nij.gov/funding/Documents/solicitations/NIJ-2016-8997.pdf>

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

**Program:** **Susan Harwood Training Grant, FY 2016, (Targeted Topics)**

**Description:** The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is soliciting applications from nonprofit organizations for grants to provide training and educational programs for workers and/or employers. Nonprofit organizations, including qualifying labor unions, community-based and faith-based organizations, and employer associations, that are not an agency of a state or local government, are eligible to apply. Deadline is June 28, 2016.

**Contact:** Donna Robertson, Program Analyst, Phone: 847-759-7700 E-Mail: HarwoodGrants@dol.gov

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## **U.S. Department of State**

**Program:** **Strengthening Law Enforcement's Partnerships with Women's Justice Centers**

**Description:** This project is intended for professionals in the criminal justice field, including judges, prosecutors, and police managers working on women's access to justice, including personnel assigned to the various Women's Justice Centers throughout Mexico. This Cooperative Agreement is intended to assist decision makers in the Mexican Criminal Justice and Social Services Sector to observe best practices in providing comprehensive criminal justice support to victims of gender based violence. The objective is to provide the GOM with additional tools to protect women and children from violence in Mexico. INL will identify and work with the Mexican National Commission to Prevent and Eradicate Violence against Women (Conavim) to send a letter to include the official invitation to the State Police and Women Justice Centers with the profile we provide.

**Contact:** Sean Hantak, Deputy Management Officer, Phone +52 55 5080 2990

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**Program:** **FY 2016 Arts Envoy Program**

**Description:** The Arts Envoy Program annually enables approximately 200 American artists and cultural experts (known as Arts Envoys) to travel abroad for individual programs or as part of an ensemble or group to engage and consult with key foreign audiences through performances, workshops, meetings, seminars, and appearances in foreign media. By addressing topics identified and developed by U.S. Missions (generally U.S. Embassies and Consulates) worldwide in cooperation with ECA, the program promotes an

understanding of U.S. policies and institutions, and the political, economic, social, and cultural context from which they arise. Arts Envoy individuals and groups are programmed in one or more countries with a variety of audiences from a wide range of disciplines in the cultural arena, including in the performing and visual arts, and in arts management, as well as with museum professionals and other cultural experts. Arts Envoy programs range from five days to six weeks in length. For more information, please see the full announcement. Deadline is May 27, 2016.

**Website:**

<https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=56130>

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**Program:** **FY 2016 Creative Arts Exchange**

**Description:** Creative Arts Exchange (CAE) initiatives are arts-based people-to-people exchanges that support and further U.S. Department of State foreign policy objectives. In FY 2016, CAE will focus on the following themes: Theme 1: Hip Hop Collaboration The Bureau intends to award one Cooperative Agreement for approximately \$800,000 to develop and administer an international exchange program with hip hop artists that incorporates artistic collaboration, entrepreneurial skills-building, and outreach to youth to explore and address conflict resolution strategies. This project will incorporate multi-disciplinary hip hop collaborations to provide innovative opportunities to engage youth and underserved communities overseas. This initiative consists of programming approximately 20 to 25 U.S. professional hip hop artists who will lead two to three-week programs in each of the approximately five countries selected by ECA. Deadline is May 26, 2016.

**Website:**

<https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=56164>

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**U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Program:** **Transportation Workforce Strategic Initiative**

**Description:** The Federal Highway Administration hereby requests applications for assistance to result in the award of a new Cooperative Agreement (Agreement), entitled, "Transportation Workforce Strategic Initiative." The purpose of this proposed Agreement is to better define transportation career pathways in the five key disciplines of planning, environment, engineering, safety, and operations. Career pathways are generally considered as an integrated collection of programs and services intended to develop individuals' core academic, technical, and employability skills, and provide them with continuous education and training that allow them to be placed and develop in high-demand, high-opportunity careers. Deadline is July 5, 2016.

**Contact:** Freida Byrd Agreement Specialist Phone 202-366-6547

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**Program** **Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Planning**

**Description:** The Pilot Program for TOD Planning helps support FTA's mission of improving public transportation for America's communities by providing funding to local communities to integrate land use and transportation planning with a New Starts, Core Capacity or fixed-guideway Small Starts project that is seeking or has recently received funding through the CIG Program. MAP-21 established, and the FAST Act continues to require, that any comprehensive planning funded through the pilot program must examine ways to improve economic development and ridership, foster multimodal connectivity and accessibility, improve transit access for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, engage the

private sector, identify infrastructure needs, and enable mixed-use development near transit stations. Deadline is June 13, 2016.

**Website:** <https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/applying/notices-funding/pilot-program-transit-oriented-development-tod-planning>

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**Program:** **FTA – Buses and Bus Facilities Grants & Low or No Emission Grants**

**Description:** The Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities program (49 U.S.C. 5339) makes Federal resources available to States and direct recipients to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities including technological changes or innovations to modify low or no emission vehicles or facilities. Funding is provided through formula allocations and competitive grants. A sub-program provides competitive grants for bus and bus facility projects that support low and zero-emission vehicles.

**Application Deadline:** Friday, May 13, 2016 by 11:59 pm EDT

**FY16 Funding Availability:** Bus & Bus Facilities – Approximately \$211 Million

Low or No Emission – Approximately \$55 Million

**Website:** <https://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/applying/notices-funding/5339b-bus-and-bus-facilities-discretionary-program-bus-program-2016>

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**Program:** **FTA – Tribal Transit Program Grant Program**

**Description:** The Tribal Transit Program supports projects that operate or enhance existing transit service, launch new public transportation services, invest in new or replacement equipment, or plan for future transit needs for American Indians, Alaska natives, and other residents on rural tribal lands. Funding is provided through FTA's Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Tribal Transit Program.

**Application Deadline:** Friday, May 13, 2016 by 11:59 pm EDT

**FY16 Funding Availability:** \$5 Million

**Website:** <https://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grant-programs/tribal-transit-program>

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**Program:** **FRA – Railroad Safety Technology Grants for Positive Train Control (PTC) Grant Program**

In 2008, Congress mandated PTC implementation on certain railroad main lines where railroads transport poisonous-by-inhalation hazardous (PIH) or toxic-by-inhalation hazardous (TIH) materials, or any line where a railroad provides regularly scheduled passenger service. Last October, Congress extended the original deadline from December 31, 2015 to at least December 31, 2018. These funds, available to railroads, suppliers, and state and local governments, will assist entities in implementing PTC.

**Application Deadline:** Thursday, May 19, 2016 by 5:00 pm EDT

**FY16 Funding Availability:** \$25 Million

**Website:** <https://www.fra.dot.gov/eLib/Details/L17388>

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**Program:** **FHWA – Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives (SFTSA) Grant Program**

The FAST Act directs the Department to establish the SFTSA program to provide grants to states to test alternative revenue mechanisms to help sustain the long-term solvency of the Highway Trust Fund. The STSFA grant program will fund projects to test the design, implementation, and acceptance of user-based alternative revenue mechanisms that utilize a user fee structure.

**Application Deadline:** Friday, May 20, 2016 by 3:00 pm EDT

**FY16 Funding Availability:** \$15 Million

**Website:** [http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/nofo\\_stsfa\\_20160322.pdf](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/nofo_stsfa_20160322.pdf)

**Program:** **FTA – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities/Rides to Wellness Demonstration & Innovative Coordinated Access & Mobility Grants Program**

**Description:** This program (49 U.S.C. 5310) provides formula funding to states for the purpose of assisting private nonprofit groups in meeting the transportation needs of older adults and people with disabilities when the transportation service provided is unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate to meeting these needs. Funds are apportioned based on each state's share of the population for these two groups. Formula funds are apportioned to direct recipients; for rural and small urban areas, this is the state Department of Transportation, while in large urban areas, a designated recipient is chosen by the governor. Direct recipients have flexibility in how they select subrecipient projects for funding, but their decision process must be clearly noted in a state/program management plan. The selection process may be formula-based, competitive or discretionary, and subrecipients can include states or local government authorities, private non-profit organizations, and/or operators of public transportation.

**Application Deadline:** Tuesday, May 31, 2016 by 11:59 pm EDT

**FY16 Funding Availability:** \$5.3 Million

**Website:** <https://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/applying/notices-funding/rides-wellness-demonstration-and-innovative-coordinated-access-and>

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**Program:** **Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Initiative**

**Description:** The DOT hereby requests applications to result in awards to eligible entities to develop model deployment sites for large scale installation and operation of advanced transportation technologies to improve safety, efficiency, system performance, and infrastructure return on investment. These model deployments are expected to provide benefits in the form of: •reduced traffic-related fatalities and injuries; •reduced traffic congestion and improved travel time reliability; •reduced transportation-related emissions; •optimized multimodal system performance; •improved access to transportation alternatives, including for underserved populations; •public access to real time integrated traffic, transit, and multimodal transportation information to make informed travel decisions; •cost savings to transportation agencies, businesses, and the traveling public; or •other benefits to transportation users and the general public. Deadline is June 3, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=DTFH6116RA00012>

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**Program:** [Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives](#)

**Description:** The purpose of the STSFA program is to provide grants to States to demonstrate user based alternative revenue mechanisms that utilize a user fee structure to maintain the long-term solvency of the Federal Highway Trust Fund. The FAST Act provides that \$15 million in FY 2016 and \$20 million annually from FY 2017 through FY 2020 will be made available for grants for demonstration projects. These grants shall make up no more than 50 percent of total proposed project costs, with the remainder coming from non-Federal sources. Deadline is May 20, 2016.

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

**Program:** [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, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/grants/>

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

**Program:** [Aroha Philanthropies Issues RFP for Artful Aging Grants](#)

**Description:** [Aroha Philanthropies](#) has issued a Request for Proposals for its new national Seeding Artful Aging grants initiative.

As a subset of the broader field of creative aging, artful aging programs inspire and enable older adults to learn, make, and share the arts in ways that are novel, complex, and socially engaging. Successful artful aging programs are led by teaching artists whose creative process and understanding of older adults bring joy, connection, improved health and well-being, and a renewed sense of purpose to older adults in community and residential settings.

The initiative is designed to support the development and expansion of successful artful aging programs, document their effectiveness, and share that information broadly. Through this initiative, Aroha aims to demonstrate the power and impact of artful aging

programs to a broad national audience; encourage arts and cultural organizations to develop participatory arts education programs for older adults; encourage organizations that serve older adults to develop arts education programming; and disseminate program implementation models. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://arohaartfulaging.org/seeding-artful-aging/>

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**Program:** **Conservation, Food and Health Foundation Accepting Applications**

**Description:** Incorporated in 1985, the Conservation, Food and Health Foundation seeks to promote the conservation of natural resources, improve the production and distribution of food, and improve health in the developing world. The foundation helps build capacity within developing countries in its three areas of interest with grants that support research or projects that solve specific problems.

The foundation supports projects that demonstrate strong local leadership; promote professional development in the conservation, agricultural, and health sciences; develop the capacity of local organizations; and address a particular problem in the field. Preference will be given to projects that address underfunded issues and geographic areas. Grants are awarded in three focus areas: conservation, food, and health. Deadline is July 1, 2016.

**Website:** [http://cfhfoundation.grantsmanagement08.com/?page\\_id=5](http://cfhfoundation.grantsmanagement08.com/?page_id=5)

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**Program:** **Food and Farm Communications Fund Accepting LOIs for Public Media Campaigns**

**Description:** The Food and Farm Communications Fund was established in 2012 to help educate the public about the Sustainable Food and Agriculture field. The fund is inviting Letters of Inquiry from projects focused on expanding the communications capacity of sustainable food and agriculture education and public policy organizations.

Grants of up to \$100,000 will be awarded to projects that advance a targeted innovative media/communications effort, assist in removing the "roadblocks" to better communications efforts aimed at affecting consumers and public opinion, and/or which focus on a media and communications campaign that addresses a specific public policy issue.

Letters of Inquiry must be received no later than June 15. Upon review, selected organizations will be invited to submit a full proposal by September 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://foodandfarmcommunications.org/applying.html>

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**Program:** **William H. Johnson Foundation Invites Applications from African-American Artists for 2016 Johnson Prize**

**Description:** The William H. Johnson Foundation for the Arts was established in 2001 in honor of William H. Johnson, an American artist known primarily for his Scandinavian landscapes and his witty and poignant depictions of African-American daily life.

Recognizing that minority artists often need economic assistance, the foundation seeks to encourage artists early in their careers by offering financial grants. To that end, the foundation is accepting applications for the 2016 William H. Johnson Prize.

The Johnson Prize is awarded annually to an early-career African-American artist working in the area of painting, photography, sculpture, printmaking, installation, or a new genre. For award purposes, "early career" is a flexible term that should be interpreted liberally to include artists who have finished their academic work within twelve years from the year that the prize is awarded. Age is not determinative, and artists who have not earned a BFA or MFA are eligible so long as they have not been working as an artist for more than twelve years.

The 2016 prize recipient will receive \$25,000. The winner will be announced in December 20.

**Website:** <http://www.whjohnsongrant.org/whjform/>

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**Program:** [Play Everywhere Challenge Invites Idea Submissions](#)

**Description:** The [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#), in partnership with [KaBoom!](#), has announced a call for entries for a national competition aimed at helping cities create spaces and opportunities for kids to play as they grow.

Through the \$1 million Play Everywhere Challenge, grants will be awarded in support of innovative, scalable, and replicable ideas that make play easy, available, and fun for kids and families. To that end, the challenge seeks community-driven ideas and solutions that integrate play into everyday life and unexpected places — sidewalks, laundromats, vacant lots, bus stops, grocery stores, open streets, and beyond. Ideas that reimagine existing public spaces as places that can support playfulness and help people think differently about where play can occur are encouraged.

Projects can be temporary, semi-permanent, or permanent; however, temporary projects should be implemented and accessible for at least three days. If an idea is selected to be a finalist entry, the applicant will be asked to provide information on how it plans to maintain and activate the space. Deadline is May 31, 2016.

**Website:** <https://playeverywhere.kaboom.org/>

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**Program:** [Foundation CHANEL Issues RFP for Women, Girl Empowerment Projects](#)

**Description:** Created in 2011, [Fondation CHANEL](#) works to improve the social and economic living economic resources and entrepreneurship, education and training, leadership and decision making, health and social protection, and sport and culture as important levers for their social and economic integration.

To that end, the foundation has issued a Request for Proposals focused on women's empowerment efforts by local, national, and regional nongovernmental organizations and social businesses with innovative and high-impact gender equality programs. Projects should focus on Latin America, Europe, Japan, southern Africa, and/or the United States.

Projects should fall within the foundation's priority areas: promoting access to employment and entrepreneurship as a way to reduce discrimination and to foster financial independence; access to education, vocational training, and communication and information technologies as basic requirements for jobs in the twenty-first century and as keys to improving women's social and economic situation; leadership and decision-making; health and social protection; and culture and sports for social inclusion. Deadline is June 10, 2016.

**Website:** <http://projets.fondationchanel.org/en/>

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**Program:** [Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Invites Applications for Program Enhancement Award](#)

**Description:** The [Society of Teachers of Family Medicine](#) is an association of nearly five thousand family medicine educators, including medical school professors, preceptors, residency program faculty, residency program directors, and others involved in family medicine education.

Through its annual Family Medicine Program Enhancement Award program, STFM awards grants of up to \$2,000 to family medicine programs to implement enhancements at their institutions while developing the leadership skills of family medicine faculty. Preference is given to programs whose project leaders are at an early stage of their academic careers.

Eligible projects must be designed to enable a hands-on learning and leadership opportunity for a faculty member (project leader) based on a specific program enhancement. In addition, a project consultant(s) from another institution must be identified. Throughout the duration of the project, the project leader receives skills/training related to the defined program enhancement and is expected to serve as the leader of the implementation at his or her home institution. This training experience may be conducted at the applicant's institution or at the consultant's institution. Deadline is September 16, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.stfm.org/CareerDevelopment/Awards/ProgramEnhancementAward>

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**Program:** [Foundation for Contemporary Art Accepting Applications for Emergency Grants](#)

**Description:** Since its inception in 1963, the mission of the Foundation for Contemporary Arts has been to encourage, sponsor, and promote innovative work in the arts created and presented by individuals, groups, and organizations.

Created in 1993, the foundation's Emergency Grants program provides grants of up to \$2,000 to innovative visual and performing artists who have unanticipated, sudden opportunities to present their work to the public when there is insufficient time to seek other sources of funding; or who incur unexpected or unbudgeted expenses for projects close to completion with committed exhibition or performance dates.



To be eligible, applicants must be living, working, and paying taxes in the United States; have committed to a performance or exhibition opportunity and be able to provide specific dates at the time of application; and be an individual artist or an individual representing an artist collective, ensemble, or group. Curators, producers, workshop organizers, organizations, or arts presenters are not eligible to apply. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://www.foundationforcontemporaryarts.org/grants/emergency-grants>

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**Program:** [Drucker Institute Invites Applications for 2016 Award for Nonprofit Innovation](#)

**Description:** The Drucker Institute at Claremont Graduate University is accepting applications for the 2016 Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation, an annual award that recognizes a nonprofit organization that best demonstrates Peter Drucker's definition of innovation: "change that creates a new dimension of performance."

The award, which includes an unrestricted cash prize of \$100,000, recognizes an existing program that has made a difference in the lives of the people it serves and is granted to the nonprofit organization that best demonstrates innovation.

To be eligible, organizations must be considered tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Deadline is July 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.druckerinstitute.com/drucker-nonprofit-innovation-award/>

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**Program:** [Roslyn S. Jaffe Awards Issues 2016 Call for Nominations](#)

**Description:** Sponsored by the Ascena Foundation, the Roslyn S. Jaffe Awards is a nonprofit program that provides financial awards to everyday heroes who are making the world a better place for women and children, specifically in the areas of health, education, social reform, and esteem.

Each year, the awards program chooses a grand-prize winner to receive \$100,000 and two runners up to receive \$25,000 based on the high-impact work they do to empower women and children in the fields listed above.

Now in its third year, the program has issued a call for anyone to nominate themselves or a peer for the 2016 Jaffe Award.

Nominees must be legal residents of the United States; at least 18 years old on the date of nomination; and the creator or founder of a social impact organization with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service. The nominee also must be the organization's principal decision maker in management and development matters. In addition, the organization must be independent and autonomous and must not be substantially supported by, or serve the purpose of promoting, religious, or political organizations or beliefs. Deadline is June 17, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.jaffeawards.com/jaffe/home.aspx>

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**Program:** **Ribbons of Hope Seeks Applications From Organizations That Benefit Women and Girls**

**Description:** Ribbons of Hope–Invest in Women is an Atlanta-based foundation that began as friends and family of the Coca-Cola Company who wanted to support organizations making a difference in women’s lives. Since its inception, the foundation has expanded to include all women who share its passion for improving the lives of others.

The foundation is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations that promote the well-being and future prospects of women and girls and will award a single grant of \$100,000 to an organization that best accomplishes that goal.

ROH's first three recipients are located in Atlanta; however, the foundation’s regional focus also includes the entire state of Georgia and states contiguous to it.

To be eligible, organizations must be considered tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, have been in operation for a minimum of three years, and have an annual operating budget of at least \$500,000.

Deadline is May 31, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ribbonsofhope.net/grants>

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**Program:** **Calvin Institute of Christian Worship Invites Applications for Vital Worship Grants**

**Description:** The Calvin Institute of Christian Worship is accepting applications for projects designed to foster vital worship in congregations, parishes, and other worship communities in North America.

Through its Vital Worship Grants Program, the institute supports projects that connect public worship to intergenerational faith formation and Christian discipleship. This theme can unfold in many facets of worship, from Bible reading, to preaching, to baptism, intercessory prayer, congregational song, visual arts, and more.

Projects must have the potential to generate renewed interest, thoughtfulness, and energy for public worship at the local, grassroots level; be linked with the worship life of a particular community or congregation(s); include a component of theological reflection on the meaning and purpose of public worship; and be both realistic and visionary. Deadline is January 10, 2017.

Grant amounts will range between \$5,000 and \$15,000.

**Website:** <http://worship.calvin.edu/grants/>

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**Program:** **Crayola Invites Proposals from Elementary Schools for 2016 Creative Leadership Grants**

**Description:** Crayola, in collaboration with the National Association of Elementary School Principals, is accepting applications for the 2016 Creative Leadership Grant program.

The program will award up to twenty grants of \$2,500 each in support of innovative leadership-team-building programs within elementary schools. In addition, each program will receive an in-kind grant of Crayola products valued at \$1,000. Every school that submits an application by June 6 will receive a Crayola product Classpack.

Deadline is June 20, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.crayola.com/for-educators/ccac-landing/grant-program.aspx>

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**Program:** **J.M. Kaplan Fund Offers Grants to Nonprofit Publishers**

**Description:** Through its Furthermore program, the J.M. Kaplan Fund supports nonfiction book publishing about the urban experience; natural and historic resources; art, architecture, and design; cultural history; and civil liberties and other public issues.

The program seeks work that appeals to an informed general audience; demonstrates evidence of high standards in editing, design, and production; promises a reasonable shelf life; might not otherwise achieve top quality or even come into being; and "represents a contribution without which we would be the poorer."

Individual grants range from \$1,500 to approximately \$15,000 and may be used to support writing, research, editing, design, indexing, photography, illustration, and/or printing and binding.

Deadline is September 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.furthermore.org/>

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**Program:** **Chef Ann Foundation Accepting Applications for School Fresh Produce Program**

**Description:** The Chef Ann Foundation provides tools that help schools serve children healthy and delicious scratch-cooked meals made with fresh, whole food. To that end, the foundation, in partnership with Skoop, is accepting applications for Project Produce: Fruit and Veggie Grants for Schools, a program that aims to expand students' palates and encourage increased consumption of and exposure to fresh produce.

Grants of up \$2,500 will be awarded to school districts for programs that engage students in lunchroom education activities that encourage students to taste new vegetables and fruits offered either in a dish, cooked, or raw. Grant funds must be used to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables to support each school's planned Project Produce programming. In addition, the majority of the produce must be locally accessible and at a price point affordable to all households.

Any district or independent school participating in the National School Lunch Program is eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted by the school district's food-service director. Districts may apply for up to ten schools at \$2,500 per school. Deadline is Rolling.

**Website:** <http://www.thelunchbox.org/programs/grants/>

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**Program:** **IDA Seeks Applications to Support Independent Documentary Films**

**Description:** The International Documentary Association is accepting applications for the creation of original, independent documentary films that illuminate pressing issues in the United States.

Through the Pare Lorentz Documentary Fund, IDA will award production grants of up to \$25,000 to up to a dozen projects that tell a compelling story and focus on one of Pare Lorentz's central concerns -- the appropriate use of the natural environment, justice for all, and/or the illumination of pressing social problems. The fund supports full-length documentary films that reflect the spirit and nature of Pare Lorentz's work and exhibit objective research, artful storytelling, a strong visual style, high production values, excellent writing, and outstanding music composition, as well as skillful direction, camerawork, and editing. A program of the International Documentary Association, the Pare Lorentz Documentary Fund is made possible by the New York Community Trust.

Projects must be in production at the time of application, with the bulk of research and development completed but still having substantial production or post-production related work and expenses remaining. Grant funds may be used for production and post-production related expenses incurred during the period of support.

To be eligible, the applicant must be 18 years of age or older and be a producer and/or director of the submitted work. In addition, the applicant must be an independent filmmaker working on an original project. The applicant also should be an experienced filmmaker with at least one key above-the-line (producer, director, co-director, co-producer) or other principal creative (director of photography, editor) credit on a previously completed documentary.

IDA will be accepting applications on a rolling basis until July 31, 2017. Applications will be reviewed throughout the period, with grants being awarded quarterly.

**Website:** <http://www.documentary.org/pare-lorentz-guidelines>

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**Program:** **Rubin Foundation Accepting Applications for Social Justice Arts Projects**

**Description:** Founded in 1995, the Shelley & Donald Rubin Foundation is committed to providing grants that support access to art for a broad audience, art in the service of social justice, art in the service of social change and discourse, and under-recognized artistic practice. Through its art-focused social justice mission, the foundation seeks to catalyze collective action, promote equality, contribute to advocacy and policy change, and develop capacity for greater civic engagement.

To that end, the foundation is accepting applications from arts and cultural organizations active in New York City for projects that embody ethical artistic practice and broaden access to the arts in the five boroughs of New York. Past grants have ranged from \$2,500 to \$100,000. Funding is not provided for grants to individuals, capital (building) projects, endowment funds, scholarships or fellowships, or fundraising activities.

The foundation is open to reviewing requests on a variety of scales, but it will not be the sole funder of an organization or a project.

Only art organizations with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code, or those with a qualifying fiscal sponsor, will be considered.

Deadline is September 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.sdrubin.org/grant-program/>

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**Program:** **Finish Line Youth Foundation Invites Applications for Youth Athletic Programs and Camps**

**Description:** The Finish Line Youth Foundation, the charitable arm of athletic products retailer Finish Line, provides funding to youth athletic programs and sports-based camps, especially those serving disadvantaged children and those with special needs.

The foundation administers three grant programs: programmatic grants, legacy grants, and founder's grants.

- 1) Programmatic Grants: Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to nonprofit organizations for community-based athletic programs and to established camps that teach active lifestyle and team-building skills.
- 2) Legacy Grants: Grants of up to \$75,000 will be awarded to support new facilities improvements and/or renovations to existing buildings, grounds, and property.
- 3) Founder's Grants: Grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded for emergency needs that are keeping the organization from providing current services, such as natural disasters or other unforeseen fiscal circumstances.

To be eligible, applicants must be a nonprofit organization that provides opportunities for kids to participate in community-based youth athletic programs or a camp that emphasizes active lifestyles, especially programs that serve disadvantaged and special-needs kids. Priority will be given to organizations or programs located near Finish Line retail stores.

**Deadline is June 30, 2016.**

**Website:** <http://www.finishline.com/store/youthfoundation/guidelines.jsp>

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**Program:** **Detwiler Family Foundation Invites Applications for Projects Benefitting Children**

**Description:** The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, with additional corporate sponsorship from Enbridge, has issued a Request for Proposals for projects that assist refuge friends organizations in being effective co-stewards of the nation's important natural resources within the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Through the 2016 National Wildlife Refuge Friends Program, NFWF will award grants of up to \$15,000 for creative and innovative projects that aim to increase the number and effectiveness of organizations interested in assisting the refuge system nationwide.

The overarching goals of the program are to help refuge friends organizations build their expertise, expand and increase their capacity and skills, gain and build community recognition and support, build long-term relationships, and encourage the sharing of expertise within the refuge friends network. Within each area of emphasis outlined below, priority will be given to proposals that demonstrate their ability to meet some or all of these overarching programmatic goals.

1) Nonprofit Capacity Building Grants: Grants will be awarded to assist both startup and established refuge friends organizations build their capacity. Funds for newly formed organizations may include formative and/or initial operational support. Funds for established refuge friends organizations may include activities that strengthen the organization's ability to fully achieve its mission and sustain itself over time.

2) Project Specific Grants: Grants will be awarded to refuge friends organizations seeking support for projects initiated and managed by friends. For these grants, friends must clearly demonstrate their involvement in all elements of the project, including how it will benefit the friends and foster increased engagement on the part of the public, community, volunteers, and/or members.

3) Peer-to-Peer Coaching: Funds will be provided to refuge friends organizations that propose to coordinate and execute a friends training workshop for a minimum of four other refuge friends organizations.

Eligible applicants include U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge Friends organizations whose primary mission is to support a refuge or complex of refuges. Applicants must either be tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or in the process of applying for 501(c)(3) status. Applicants in the latter category must submit a copy of the letter from the IRS confirming their determination application has been filed with their grant application. Deadline is July 12, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.nfwf.org/refugefriends/Pages/2016rfp.aspx>

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**Program:** [Children's Prize Foundation Seeks Life-Saving Solutions](#)

**Description:** Today, more than six million children around the world die needlessly before reaching the age of five. Some of the leading causes of child death include preterm birth complications, pneumonia, intrapartum-related complications, diarrhea, and sepsis/meningitis.

To help address the problem, the [Children's Prize Foundation](#) is accepting online proposals from individuals, organizations, and teams detailing an intervention or solution that will save children's lives. The prize is not focused on funding a specific type of health intervention; rather, all types of under-five child interventions are eligible.

Applicants from all walks of life, and from all over the world, are invited to submit a proposal outlining how they plan to save the lives of children under the age of five who would otherwise die from a treatable and preventable cause. All proposals must include a science-based approach to measuring and evaluating the impact of the lives saved. One winner will be awarded \$250,000 to directly execute the proposed project.

Applicants from diverse backgrounds and disciplines are encouraged to apply.

First-round applications must be received no later than May 14, 2016. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a second-round application.

**Website:** <http://www.childrensprize.org/>

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**Program:** [\*\*Kresge Foundation Issues RFP for Loans for Community Investments\*\*](#)

**Description:** The [Kresge Foundation](#)'s Social Investment Practice works to influence and advance how markets work on behalf of low-income people, and those who serve them, in partnership with practitioners, investors, policymakers, and government. In 2015, Kresge committed to invest \$350 million by 2020 through social and mission-related investments and to leverage \$1 billion toward the expansion of opportunities in America's cities.

To that end, the foundation will invest a portion of this new commitment in standardized loans of up to \$3 million to community development finance institutions and community finance development agencies working to expand opportunities for low-income people in America's cities. Projects must support work that aligns with Kresge's six programs — Arts & Culture, Detroit, Education, Environment, Health and Human Services — and their strategic focus areas. Loans offered through the program will be structured with a minimum interest rate of 2 percent and a maximum repayment period of ten years. Successful applicants also will receive a net asset grant equal to 5 percent of the amount of their loan.

The program is open exclusively to certified CDFIs and quasi-public or private CDFAs.

Letters of Inquiry must be received no later than April 29, 2016. Upon review, selected applications will be invited to submit full proposals by May 27, 2016

**Website:** <http://kresge.org/news/kresge-launches-rfp-provide-30m-new-flexible-use-capital-through-standardized-loan-product>

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**Program:** [\*\*Harpo Foundation Seeks Applications for New Work Grants\*\*](#)

**Description:** The Chicago-based [Harpo Foundation](#) was established in 2006 to support visual artists who are underrecognized in their field. Among other things, the foundation seeks to stimulate creative inquiry aimed at encouraging new modes of thinking about art.

To that end, the foundation is inviting Letters of Inquiry for its 2016 New Work Project Grants program. Through the annual program, grants of up to \$10,000 are awarded to nonprofit organizations in support of new work by underrecognized visual artists who are at least 21 years old. The foundation considers proposals that directly support the production of new work by artists and/or collaborative teams. Productions can happen in the context of an installation, public intervention, residency, or exhibition.

To be eligible, applicant organizations must be considered tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

LOIs must be received no later than April 27, 2016. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a full application by June 30, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.harpofoundation.org/new-work-project-grants/>

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**Program:** [Center for First-Year Experience and Students and Transition Invites Applications for Research Projects](#)

**Description:** The [National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition](#) is accepting applications from research projects aimed at improving the experiences of college students transitioning into and through higher education.

Through its Paul P. Fidler Research grant program, the center will award a stipend of \$5,000, plus travel to two national conferences, a presentation slot at a national conference, and priority consideration for publication, for a research project that supports and promotes research with the potential to have a national impact on student success. Topics may include but are not limited to underrepresented student populations, community colleges, the advising system, transfer and articulation, career development, and other issues related to college-student transitions. Deadline July 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.sc.edu/fye/fidler/>

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**Program:** [Captain Planet Foundation Offers Grants for Hands-On Environmental Education Activities](#)

**Description:** The mission of the [Captain Planet Foundation](#) is to promote and support high-quality educational programs that help children and youth understand and appreciate the natural world through learning experiences that engage them in active hands-on projects.

Grants are intended to serve as a means of bringing environment-based education to schools and of inspiring youth and communities to participate in community service through environmental stewardship activities. The foundation will fund unique and innovative projects that do not precisely match its grant guidelines but otherwise promote its focus on hands-on environmental activities.

The foundation makes grants to U.S.-based schools and nonprofit environmental and educational organizations with annual operating budgets of less than \$3 million.

Preferential consideration is given to grant requests that include at least a 50 percent matching or in-kind funding component. (Because external funding is a good indicator of the potential long-term sustainability of the activity, projects with matching funds or in-kind support are given priority.) The foundation will on occasion consider grants of up to \$2,500. Deadline is September 30, 2016.

**Website:** <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/>

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**Program:** [Kress Foundation Accepting Proposals for Conservation Grants](#)



**Description:** The Samuel H. Kress Foundation supports projects that illuminate European works of art and architecture from antiquity to the early nineteenth century.

As part of that mission, the foundation's Conservation Grants Program provides support for the professional practice of art conservation. Grants are awarded to projects that create and disseminate specialized knowledge, including archival projects, the development and dissemination of scholarly databases, documentation projects, exhibitions and publications focused on art conservation, scholarly publications, and technical and scientific studies. Grants are also awarded for activities that enable conservators and conservation scientists to share their expertise with professional colleagues and a broader audience through international exchanges, professional meetings, conferences, symposia, consultations, the presentation of research, exhibitions that include a prominent focus on materials and techniques, and other professional events.

Grants are awarded to nonprofit institutions with 501(c)(3) status based in the United States, including supporting foundations of European institutions. Deadline is October 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.kressfoundation.org/grants/conservation/>

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**Program:** [Russell Sage Foundation Seeks Letters of Inquiry for Social Inequality Research](#)

**Description:** The foundation's program on Social Inequality supports research on the social, economic, political, and labor market consequences of rising economic inequality in the United States. The program seeks Letters of Inquiry for investigator-initiated research projects with the potential to broaden current understanding of the causes and consequences of rising economic inequality. Priority will be given to projects that use innovative data or methodologies to address important questions about inequality.

Examples of the kinds of topics that are of interest include but are not limited to economic well-being, equality of opportunity, and intergenerational mobility; the political process and resulting policies; psychological and/or cultural change; education; labor markets; child development and child outcomes; neighborhoods and communities; families, family structure, and family formation; and other forms of inequality.

Two-year grants of up to \$150,000 will be awarded to qualified organizations.

To be eligible, organizations must be considered a nonprofit organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The foundation encourages methodological variety, but all proposals should have a well-developed conceptual framework and research design. Analytical models should be specified and research questions and hypotheses should be clearly stated. Awards are available for research assistance, data acquisition, data analysis, and investigator time for conducting research and writing up results.

Letters of Inquiry must be received no later than June 15, 2016. Upon review, select applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal by August 15, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.russellsage.org/research/social-inequality/funding\\_opportunity](http://www.russellsage.org/research/social-inequality/funding_opportunity)

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**Program:** [J.M. Kaplan Fund Offers Grants to Nonprofit Publishers](#)

**Description:** Through its Furthermore program, the J.M. Kaplan Fund supports nonfiction book publishing about art, architecture, and design; cultural history, the city, and related public issues; and conservation and preservation..

The program seeks work that appeals to an informed general audience; demonstrates evidence of high standards in editing, design, and production; and promises a reasonable shelf life.

Individual grants ranging from \$1,500 to approximately \$15,000 may be used to support writing, research, editing, design, indexing, photography, illustration, and/or printing and binding.

Book projects to which a university press, nonprofit, or trade publisher is already committed and for which there is a feasible distribution plan are usually preferred.

Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) organization. Trade publishers and public agencies may apply for grants in partnership with an eligible fiscal sponsor. Deadline is September 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.furthermore.org/>

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**Program:** [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. The program is designed to help students make their schools "greener" and healthier by, for example, implementing a recycling program, conserving water and energy, initiating a project to improve air quality, or establishing a school garden or outdoor classroom and integrating it into the curriculum. Deadline is September 30, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.plt.org/apply-for-greenworks-environmental-education-grant>

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**Program:** [Farm Aid Seeks LOIs for Projects Supporting Family Farmers](#)

**Description:** Farm Aid works year-round to build a system of agriculture that values family farmers, good food, soil and water, and strong communities.

To that end, the organization is awarding grants of up to \$10,000 to organizations in the following categories: Helping Farmers Thrive, Taking Action to Change the System, and Growing the Good Food Movement.

Helping Farmers Thrive: Grants in this category fund organizations that provide farmers with the tools and resources they need to get started on the land, access new markets, transition to more sustainable farming practices, produce renewable fuels, and stay on the land in the face of financial crisis and natural disasters.

Taking Action to Change the System: Grants in this category fund organizations that promote fair farm policies and grassroots organizing campaigns aimed at defending and bolstering family farm agriculture, lifting the voices of family farmers, and promoting their interests on a local, regional, or national level.

Growing the Good Food Movement: Grants in this category fund organizations that are creating innovative programs that build local and regional food systems, connect farmers directly to consumers, and/or create new value-added markets for family farmers.

To be eligible, applicants must be a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit (family farm and rural service) organization in the United States that supports family farm agriculture.

Letters of Inquiry must be received no later than May 1, 2016. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a full application by August 1, 2016.

**Website:**

<https://www.farmaid.org/our-work/grants/grant-guidelines/>

**Program:**

**[Home Depot Foundation Offers Grants to Support the Housing Needs of Military Veterans](#)**

**Description:**

The [Home Depot Foundation's](#) Veteran Housing Grants Program awards grants to nonprofit organizations for the development and repair of veterans housing. To date, the foundation has awarded over \$80 million in grants and has helped impact more than 17,000 units of housing for veterans.

Veteran Housing Grants are best suited to fund single-family home repairs when they are part of a permanent program managed by the nonprofit partner.

Eligible projects include new construction, rehab or repair, single family or multifamily, permanent supportive housing or transitional housing. Grants are awarded solely for the physical construction or repair of housing for veterans (hard costs).

Proposals for the third round of 2016 grants are due June 23, with final determinations to be announced in December.

Awards typically will range from \$100,000 to \$500,000.

To be eligible, applicants must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has been in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service for at least the last five years; have a current operating budget of at least \$300,000 and audited financial statements from the past three years; have previous experience developing veteran specific housing; and either currently manage or own such housing. For rental projects, nonprofit applicants must have a 15+ year ownership stake in the development.

Complete program guidelines, eligibility requirements, project criteria, grant terms and reporting requirements, and the online application are available at the Home Depot Foundation. **Deadline is June 23, 2016.**

**Website:** <http://homedepotfoundation.org/page/veteran-housing-grants>

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**Program:** [National Weather Association Invites Applications for K-12 Meteorological Projects](#)

**Description:** The [National Weather Association](#) is accepting applications for its 2015-16 Sol Hirsch Education Fund grants, which support projects aimed at improving K-12 education in meteorology and related sciences.

The program will award grants of up to \$750 to help teachers purchase scientific materials for the classroom, school, or community; launch new school or community science outreach and education programs; enhance or expand existing meteorology/science education programs; and/or attend accredited courses, workshops, or conferences related to meteorology that will significantly enhance their teaching activities. Priority will be given to projects that show the most creativity and have the potential for greatest impact.

The program is open to teachers, program directors, school district supervisors, and other individuals or groups proposing to improve the education of K-12 students in meteorology. Deadline is June 3, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.nwas.org/grants/solhirsch.php>

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**Program:** [National Storytelling Network Seeks Applications for Brimstone Award](#)

**Description:** The [National Storytelling Network](#) is accepting applications for the 2016 Brimstone Award for Applied Storytelling, an annual award that recognizes the transformational properties of storytelling and the ways storytelling can promote change in individuals and communities.

Grants of \$5,000 will be awarded in support of model storytelling projects that are service-oriented, based in a community or organization, and are replicable (to some extent) in other places and situations. Projects should have impact beyond their own communities, organizations, or clients; inspire excellence in applied storytelling work; and communicate to new audiences the humanitarian possibilities of storytelling. Deadline is May 28, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.storynet.org/grants/brimstone.html>

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**Program:** [Brookdale Foundation Announces RFP for Respite and Early Memory Programs](#)

**Description:** The [Brookdale Foundation](#) is accepting applications to its Group Respite and Early Loss programs.

Since 1989, the Brookdale National Group Respite Program has awarded seed grants to organizations for the development and implementation of social model group respite programs — programs that have served thousands of elders with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia and their family caregivers. In addition to group respite, the development of programs for people with early memory loss is also supported through this initiative. Deadline is July 7, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.brookdalefoundation.org/>

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**Program:** **NEEF Accepting Applications for Greening STEM Integration Grants**

**Description:** The National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF), with major funding support from the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas, is offering funding for teachers, afterschool programs, and nature organizations for projects that support the integration of Greening STEM into current or new programming or curriculum.

NEEF believes that the natural world offers a compelling and universal context for investigations and applications of many STEM lessons, an approach it calls Greening STEM. By learning about STEM concepts in reference to real-life environmental examples or issues, the subject matter is more tangible and extends beyond the textbook or classroom, influencing the way students think about the world and the way they view their connection to it.

**Website:** <https://www.neefusa.org/greening-stem-integration-grant-educators>

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**Program:** **NEA Foundation Invites Applications for Learning and Leadership Grants**

**Description:** The NEA Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the National Education Association, is a public charity supported by contributions from educators' dues, corporate sponsors, and others. The foundation supports student success by helping public school educators work with key partners to build strong systems of shared responsibility.

As part of its efforts to achieve this goal, the foundation is inviting applications for its Learning and Leadership Grants program. The program provides support to public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education through grants to individuals to fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences such as summer institutes or action research; or to groups for collegial study (including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for new faculty or staff).

The grant amount is \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. All group grant applicants must include partner information.

To be eligible, applicants must be a public school educator in grades Pre-K–12; a public school education support professional; or faculty and staff members at a public institution of higher education. The foundation encourages applications from education support professionals. Preference will be given to members of the National Education Association. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.neafoundation.org/pages/learning-leadership-grants/>

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**Program:** **Horses and Humans Research Foundation Invites Proposals for Research Projects**

**Description:** Through investment in rigorous research, the Horses and Humans Research Foundation serves as a catalyst to advance knowledge of horses and their potential to impact the health and wellness of people.

To advance this mission, the foundation invites proposals from nonprofit organizations for its 2016 research grants program. Grants of up to \$100,000 will be awarded for research that investigates the therapeutic effects of horses on humans. The foundation's broad research agenda includes basic research as well as clinical studies with the potential to impact the physical and mental health and quality of life for people with disabilities who are involved with equine-assisted activities/therapies. Equine-assisted activities studies are needed that validate horse-rider combinations; therapeutic riding lesson progression; professional qualifications; lesson duration; lesson frequency; lesson effectiveness; frequency of treatment; outcomes of treatment; efficacy for different diagnosis; efficacy within age ranges; duration of treatment; protocols during treatment; horse selection for treatment; equine movement during treatment; and professional competency recommendation. Deadline is July 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.horsesandhumans.org/Research.html#Applications>

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**Program:** **Carey Institute for Public Good Invites Applications for Fall Nonfiction Residencies**

**Description:** The Carey Institute for Global Good is dedicated to making a better world by contributing to a strong, educated, and just society. The institute is located in the historic hamlet of Rensselaerville, New York -- a community of farmers, writers, artists, and civic advocates -- just a two-hour drive from New York City. Nestled on a one-hundred-acre campus in the heart of a pristine nature reserve, it offers an inspiring place to convene and advance the work of journalists, policy makers, artists, agricultural innovators, entrepreneurs, and other changemakers seeking sustainable solutions to local and global challenges.

The institute is accepting applications for its fall nonfiction residency program. Applications for residency are judged on the quality of the applicant's work and professional promise. Residencies vary in length. The minimum stay is two weeks; the maximum stay is three months.

Documentarians, journalists, and nonfiction writers working at the professional level in their fields are eligible to apply once each calendar year. Particular areas of emphasis relate to the most pressing issues of our day, including but not limited to war and conflict; social justice and human rights; science, health, agriculture, environment and technology; biographies, histories and government; education; journalism and the media; and economics and business.

Pre-applications are due by July, 2016, with applications due no later than August 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://careyinstitute.org/nonfiction-residency-application-guidelines/>

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**Program:** [Rockefeller Archive Center Accepting Applications for Grant-in-Aid Program](#)

**Description:** The Rockefeller Archive Center in Sleepy Hollow, New York, annually offers a competitive grant-in-aid program to foster, promote, and support research by serious scholars in the collections located at the center, which includes the records of the Rockefeller family, Rockefeller University, the Rockefeller Foundation, and other Rockefeller-associated philanthropies and individuals.

An independent committee reviews each application based on research topic and the availability of relevant material in the RAC collections. Awards are made to individuals only; institutions are not eligible to apply. Awards do not support research at other institutions and cannot be used for general tuition support. Application to the grant-in-aid program is open to citizens of the United States and foreign countries.

Awards will provide for reimbursement of up to \$4,000 in expenses after the award recipient has finished his or her research visit and submitted expense receipts.

Applicant must contact the center via email or by fax with a description of the project no later than October 15, 2016. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a complete application by November 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.rockarch.org/grants/generalgia.php>

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**Program:** [Walmart Foundation Accepting Applications for Community Grant Program](#)

**Description:** The Walmart Foundation is accepting applications through its Community Grant Program.

Through the annual program, grants of up to \$2,500 will be awarded to local nonprofit organization within the service area of individual Walmart stores. Grants will be awarded in the areas of hunger relief and healthy eating, sustainability, women's economic empowerment, and/or career opportunities.

To be eligible, an organization must be tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3), (4), (6) or (19) of the Internal Revenue Code; a recognized government entity (i.e., state, county, or city agency, including law enforcement or fire departments, requesting funds exclusively for public purposes); a K-12 public or private school, charter school, community/junior college, state/private college or university; or a church or other faith-based organization with a proposed project that benefits the community at large.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until December 31, 2016.

**Website:** <http://foundation.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/local-giving>

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**Program:** [IEEE Foundation Issues 2016 Request for Proposals](#)

**Description:** The [IEEE Foundation](#), the charitable arm of technology innovation organization [IEEE](#), has issued a Request for Proposals for projects that raise awareness and understanding of technology and its impact on society.

Twelve-month grants of up to \$100,000 will be awarded in support of projects that provide technical information at a level that can be understood by the general public; reaches a broad cross-section of society; presents, in a neutral and balanced manner, an analysis of the social benefits and costs of deploying the subject technology; and avoids advocating a particular action but encourages and enables participants to make an informed decision. In addition, projects should directly involve IEEE members, including, as appropriate, student members.

To be eligible, applicants must be a part of an IEEE organizational unit, including sections, regions, societies, affinity groups, student branches, and/or major boards. Deadline is July 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.ieeefoundation.org/Grants#Focus>

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**Program:** [Weyerhaeuser Giving Fund](#)

**Description:** The mission of the Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation is to improve the quality of life in communities where it operates. Funding priorities include:

- **Affordable housing and shelter:** Supports programs that construct and maintain affordable, efficient and healthy housing, including programs that provide affordable homes for working families and programs that help homeless families find permanent housing.
- **Education and youth development:** Supports public schools in district-level improvements to teaching and learning. Also supports educational programs for youth.
- **Environmental stewardship:** Supports projects that assist in green building and energy efficiency, conservation of natural resources, and climate change efforts.
- **Human services, civic, and cultural growth:** Supports programs that assist the most vulnerable residents of their community. Funds programs that serve the basic needs of families, promote economic development, provide cultural enrichment, and respond to local emergencies or disasters.

**Deadline:** Grant proposals are accepted until August 31, but it is recommended that proposals are submitted well in advance of the deadline.

**Website:** <http://www.weyerhaeuser.com/sustainability/communities/community-investment/giving-fund/>

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**Program:** [BBVA Compass Foundation Grants](#)



**Description:** BBVA Compass Foundation Grants funds organizations working in the following priority areas

- Health and Human Services:
  - Enable and sustain independence for individuals and families
  - Ensure access to health education programs
  - Ensure access to quality healthcare
- Community development
- Education
- Arts and culture
- Environment and natural resources
- Diversity and inclusion

**Deadline is September 30, 2016.**

**Website:** <https://www.bbvacompass.com/compass/responsibility/foundations.jsp>

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**Program:** **Plum Creek Foundation Grants**

**Description:** Plum Creek Foundation Grants are offered in areas of company operations for projects related to arts, community, education, and environment.

Grants are offered for the following types of projects:

- Human service organizations that serve children, troubled youth, low income and/or needy individuals, senior citizens, victims of abuse, or provide related services
- Hospital and medical programs, equipment, and special projects
- Educational institutions, both public and private
- Youth organizations such as the Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of America, 4-H Clubs, etc.
- Cultural organizations
- Environmental education and conservation programs
- Civic service organizations that handle crime prevention, parks and recreation facilities, or community development

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

**Website:** <https://plumcreek.fluidreview.com/>

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**Program:** **Wells Fargo Corporate Giving Programs**

**Description:** Wells Fargo supports nonprofit organizations that work on a community level in the areas of human services, arts and culture, community development, civic responsibility, education, environmental consciousness, and volunteerism. Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

**Website:** <https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/>

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**Program:** **Mary Kay Foundation Accepting Applications for Domestic Violence Shelter Grant Program**

**Description:** The goal of the Mary Kay Foundation is to eliminate domestic violence. As part of this effort, the foundation makes grants to organizations in the United States that assist survivors of domestic violence by operating emergency shelters. The grants are announced each October in observance of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Funds awarded by the foundation may be used for the operating budget of the applicant, with the exception of staff travel. The foundation will award a grant to at least one domestic violence shelter in every state. Any remaining funds will be distributed based on state population.

In 2015, the foundation awarded grants of \$20,000 to more than a hundred and fifty women's domestic violence shelters across the nation.

Only applicants operating an emergency shelter (immediate overnight housing) for survivors of domestic violence are eligible for a grant. Applicant organizations must be recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**Deadline is May 31, 2016.**

**Website:** <http://www.marykayfoundation.org/Pages/ShelterGrantProgram.aspx>

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**Program:** **Donaghue Foundation Invites LOIs for Improvements to Senior Care**  
**Program:** **Good Sports Accepting Applications for Sports Equipment Program**

**Description:** Good Sports helps lay the foundation for healthy, active lifestyles by providing athletic equipment, footwear, and apparel to disadvantaged young people nationwide. By working closely with teams, coaches, and community leaders across the United States, the organization is able to focus on the respective needs of each individual program and help offset the main factors causing the greatest challenges.

Good Sports is accepting applications from organizations and schools for equipment, apparel, and footwear for a wide range of sports. Organizations that are approved will have access to equipment, apparel, and footwear inventory for a two-year period. During that time, organizations can make up to six separate donation requests — as long as need is well documented, donations will be granted. There is no need to resubmit a full application again during the two-year period.

To be eligible, applicants must directly serve youth between the ages of 3 and 18; serve youth in an economically disadvantaged area; be located in North America (the U.S. and Canada); and operate an organized sport, recreational activity, or fitness program that offers consistent and structured opportunity for play to large groups of children. Schools must apply as a whole; applications for individual programs within a school will not be considered. Donation requests for short-term events such as sports camps and tournaments or to individual athletes will not be considered.

While the equipment, apparel, and footwear received through the program are free, recipients are expected to pay shipping and handling costs, which amount to roughly 10 percent of the donation value, with a maximum fee of \$1,500.

Applications are reviewed on a **rolling basis**. It is recommended, however, that organizations apply at least eight weeks prior to the start of their particular season or program to ensure the desired equipment can be accessed and shipped on time

**Website:** <https://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

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**Program:** **Dammann Fund Accepting Applications From Mental Health, Teen Pregnancy Organizations**

**Description:** Established in 1946, the Dammann Fund is committed to using its resources to support qualified charitable organizations operating programs in New York City, southwestern Connecticut, and Charlottesville, Virginia, with a focus on mental illness or teen parenthood.

1) Mental Health: The fund supports programs that foster independent living for the mentally ill.

2) Teen Parenthood: The fund supports programs that enable development of parenting skills in young parents.

Three-year grant amounts are determined on a project-by-project basis. Grants are not made to individuals and are not made for capital or annual campaigns, endowments, loans, conferences, or travel. Deadline is June 30, 2016.

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

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**Program:** **Gerber Foundation Seeks Proposals for Pediatric Research Projects**

**Description:** The mission of the Gerber Foundation is to enhance the quality of life of infants and young children in nutrition, care, and development. The foundation is accepting concept papers for health and/or nutrition-related research projects with the potential to make a significant impact on issues affecting infants and young children from birth to age three.

The foundation will award grants to research projects focused on issues faced by care providers that, when implemented, will improve the health, nutrition, and/or developmental outcomes for infants and young children. Projects may address etiologic mechanisms of disease; new, improved, or less invasive diagnostic procedures; reduction or elimination of side effects; alleviation of symptoms; new, improved, or less invasive therapies or treatments; dosage or dosing requirements or mechanisms for drugs, nutrient supplementation, or other therapeutic measures (under or overdosing); and preventative measures.

Priority is given to projects offering a substantial promise of meaningful advances in prevention and treatment of disease, as well as those with broad applicability to the general population on a regional or national level. Deadline is June 1, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.gerberfoundation.org/pd-research/research-awards/application-process>

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**Program:** **[Karma for Cara Foundation Invites Applications for Youth Microgrants](#)**

**Description:** The [Karma for Cara Foundation](#) is a nonprofit founded by 21-year-old Cara Becker and her family while she was undergoing treatment for leukemia at the [Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center](#). Cara and her two brothers began volunteering at a young age as part of their family's commitment to community service. She and her family saw a tremendous need to help support other patients and their families who were also challenged by cancer. Tragically, Cara passed four months after her diagnosis, yet her wish to help others through K4C lives on with the support of an ever-growing circle of family and friends.

As part of an effort to promote and support youth voluntarism, k4C started a microgrant program in fall 2014 to encourage kids 18 and under to apply for a grant of between \$250 and \$1,000 to complete service projects in their communities. Examples of fundable projects include but are not limited to turning a vacant lot into a community garden, rebuilding a school playground, and helping senior citizens get their homes ready for winter. Grants will be distributed as gift cards to home goods stores, office supply stores, grocery food chains, and toy stores. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://karmaforcara.org/get-involved/apply-for-a-microgrant/>

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**Program:** **[RedRover Seeks Applications From Emergency Shelters to Help Domestic Abuse Victims and Their Pets](#)**

**Description:** Founded in 1987, the mission of [RedRover](#) is to bring animals out of crisis and strengthen the bond between people and animals through emergency sheltering, disaster relief services, financial assistance, and education.

In cooperation with [Sheltering Animals and Families Together](#), RedRover is accepting applications from emergency shelter organizations to help victims of domestic violence and their animal companions stay together during times of crisis.

A limited number of RedRover Domestic Violence Safe Housing grants of up to \$6,000 each will be awarded to shelter organizations to support the creation of space on site to temporarily house the pets of victims of domestic violence. The one-time grants are intended as start-up funding to initiate projects. It is expected that the funds will enable the housing of at least one pet within a year of the project's completion. Deadline is May 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.redrover.org/node/1099>

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**Program:** **[VFW Accepting Applications From Veterans for Emergency Financial Assistance](#)**

**Description:** [Veterans of Foreign Wars](#) is accepting applications from active and discharged military service members who have been deployed in the last six years and have run into unexpected financial difficulties as a result of deployment or other military-related

activity. Since the program's inception, Unmet Needs has distributed more than \$5 million in assistance to qualified military families, with nearly half of those funds going directly toward basic housing needs.

The Unmet Needs Program provides financial assistance of up to \$5,000 to assist with basic life needs in the form of a grant — not a loan — so no repayment is required. Eligible expenses include housing and vehicle payments; utility and phone bills; food and incidentals; children's clothing, food, diapers, school, and childcare; and medical bills, prescriptions, and eyeglasses. Each expense will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and payments will be made directly to the recipient's creditors.

The hardship must be the result of deployment, a military pay issue, or military-related illness or injury. It cannot be due to civil legal or domestic issues, misconduct, or any issues that are a result of spousal separation or divorce, financial mismanagement, or bankruptcy. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:**

[http://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/?gclid=CjwKEAiAhPCyBRCTwMDS5tzT03gSJADZ8VjRw5RxJw1br5NTowrY1NFzylowGtdvOagXa3LHvYK\\_PRoCB4Hw\\_wcB](http://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/?gclid=CjwKEAiAhPCyBRCTwMDS5tzT03gSJADZ8VjRw5RxJw1br5NTowrY1NFzylowGtdvOagXa3LHvYK_PRoCB4Hw_wcB)

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**Program:**

**Good Sports Accepting Applications for Athletic Equipment Grants**

**Description:**

Good Sports in Quincy, Massachusetts, is a nonprofit whose mission is to increase youth participation in sports, recreation, and fitness activities.

To that end, the organization provides sports equipment, apparel, and footwear to youth organizations offering sports, fitness, and recreational programs to youth in need.

To be eligible, organizations must directly serve youth between the ages of 3 and 18 in an economically disadvantaged area; be located in North America (U.S. and Canada); and operate an organized sport, recreational activity, or fitness program that offers consistent and structured opportunity for play to large groups of children. Winning organizations may make up to six equipment requests within a two-year period. Winners will be responsible for operational costs, including equipment shipping, up to \$1,500. Deadline is ROLLING.

**Website:**

<https://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

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**Program:**

**Start a Snowball Invites Applications for Youth Philanthropy Projects**

**Description:**

Start a Snowball, Inc. encourages kids of all ages to engage in philanthropic and community service activities. The organization believes that even one child with the right intentions and support can start a project that seems small in the beginning and eventually grows (“snowballs”) into something that inspires and benefits an entire community.

In order to help kids kick off their philanthropy efforts, Start a Snowball awards \$100 in seed funding for projects taken on by individuals or organizations.

To be eligible, projects must be led by youth between the ages of 5 and 18 and have the intention of doing good.

Start a Snowball does not give directly to collection funds. The organization also does not provide support for fundraisers for sports teams, unless they serve an underserved or disadvantaged group, or support projects that are discriminatory or political in nature. Deadline is Rolling.

**Website:** <http://startasnowball.com/philanthropic-grant-for-kids/>

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**Program:** [Barbara Deming Memorial Fund Invites Applications From Women Artists](#)

**Description:** The Barbara Deming Memorial Fund gives encouragement and grants to individual feminists in the arts, specifically writers and visual artists, in the United States and Canada.

Grants of up \$1,500 will be awarded to women poets, fiction and nonfiction writers, visual artists, and mixed-genre (illustration and text) artists whose work in some way focuses on women. Priority will be given to projects that have been initiated or are well under way and for which the artist has substantial work to show.

The fund does not support theater, playscripts, videos, or work that is or will be self-published. It also does not provide funds for editing services, business projects, or emergency situations for people in need.

Individuals working in fiction, mixed genres, and visual arts **must apply by December 31, 2015. The deadline for nonfiction and poetry writers is June 30, 2016.**

As of this year, the foundation no longer accepts applications by physical mail. A processing fee of \$25 is required to submit an online application

**Website:** <http://demingfund.org/apply-pd-11.php>

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**Program:** [Craft Emergency Relief Fund Accepting Applications From Craftspeople in Need](#)

**Description:** The Craft Emergency Relief Fund is a national nonprofit organization that awards small grants and loans to professional craftspeople experiencing career-threatening illness, accident, fire, theft, or natural disaster.

Financial assistance ranges from \$500 to \$8,000. Other services include referrals to craft suppliers who have agreed to offer discounts on materials and equipment to craftspeople eligible for CERF funds and booth fee waivers from specific craft show producers.

CERF loan recipients are expected to repay the loan in full within five years, enabling CERF to have funds readily available for future craftspeople in need.

Applicants must be a professional artist working in a craft discipline (e.g., a potter, metalsmith, glass artist, woodworker, fiber artist, or furniture maker) who has had a recent career-threatening emergency and is a legal resident of the U.S. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** [http://craftemergency.org/artists\\_services/emergency\\_relief/](http://craftemergency.org/artists_services/emergency_relief/)

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**Program:** [Presbyterian Mission Agency Seeks Applications for Programs Addressing Hunger in United States](#)

**Description:** The [Presbyterian Mission Agency](#) is inviting Letters of Inquiry for projects that address the root and systemic causes of hunger in the United States.

Grants of up to \$20,000 will be awarded to projects that fall within one or more of the program's five focus areas, including direct food relief, development assistance, public policy advocacy, lifestyle integrity, and education and interpretation. Proposals do not need to fit neatly into one of these five areas but may include activities in multiple areas.

Direct Food Relief  
Development Assistance  
Public Policy Advocacy  
Lifestyle Integrity  
Education and Interpretation

To be eligible, applicants must be an organization that can demonstrate that a significant part of its work, or the specific project for which funds are being sought, attempts to address the root and systemic causes of hunger. Presbyterian congregations working to run a hunger or homeless ministry, or establish a new hunger ministry or new hunger/poverty initiative, are eligible to apply for grants of up to \$2,000.

Letters of Inquiry must be received no later than April 30, 2016. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit full applications by June 30, 2016

**Website:** <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/hunger/grants-projects-within-united-states/>

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**Program:** [Home Depot Foundation Offers Grants to Support the Housing Needs of Military Veterans](#)

**Description:** The [Home Depot Foundation's](#) Veteran Housing Grants Program awards grants to nonprofit organizations for the development and repair of veterans housing. To date, the foundation has awarded more than \$80 million and has helped impact more than 17,000 units of housing for veterans.

Veteran Housing Grants are best suited to fund single family home repairs when they are a part of a permanent program managed by the nonprofit partner.

Eligible projects include new construction or the rehab or repair of single or multifamily permanent supportive or transitional housing. Grants are awarded solely for the physical construction or repair of housing for veterans (hard costs). Preference will be given to projects that serve the housing needs of women veterans with children, post-9/11 wounded veterans, veterans with caregivers, homeless veterans, and senior veterans aging in place; are located in a major metropolitan area; address the needs of veterans with supportive services or opportunities for community service activities; are supported by a mix of local private/public financial support as well as a mix of local, city, state, federal, and private funding; involve multifamily developments with a successful track record, or new construction or repair for single-family homes; and provide volunteer opportunities for local Home Depot store associates.

Awards typically range from \$100,000 to \$500,000.

To be eligible, applicants must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service for at least five years; have an operating budget of at least \$300,000; and have developed and either currently manage or own veteran-specific housing. For rental projects, nonprofit must have an ownership stake in the development for more than fifteen years. Deadline is

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Grant Proposal Due	Final Determinations
2/24/16	August 2016
6/23/16	December 2016

**Website:** <http://homedepotfoundation.org/page/veteran-housing-grants>

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**Program:** [Laura and John Arnold Foundation Issues RFP for Criminal Justice Research Projects](#)

**Description:** The [Laura and John Arnold Foundation](#) works to address the nation's most pressing and persistent challenges using evidence-based, multidisciplinary approaches. Its strategic investments are currently focused in criminal justice, education, evidence-based policy and innovation, research integrity, and science and technology.

To advance this mission, the foundation has issued a request for criminal justice research proposals as part of its effort to build an evidence base about the approaches, innovations, and strategies that work best to improve public safety as well as increase the fairness and efficiency of the criminal justice system. LJAF has committed up to \$14 million in funding to support the research: \$12 million to fund at least four randomized controlled trials (RCTs) and \$2 million to fund innovative, early-stage research projects that, if successful, could advance to the RCT stage.

**Website:** <http://www.arnoldfoundation.org/laura-and-john-arnold-foundation-announces-request-for-criminal-justice-research-proposals>

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**Program:** [\*\*Pollock-Krasner Foundation Accepting Applications From Artists With Financial Need\*\*](#)

**Description:** The mission of the Pollock-Krasner Foundation is to aid those individuals who have worked as artists over a significant period of time. The foundation's dual criteria for grants are recognizable artistic merit and financial need, whether professional, personal, or both.

The foundation welcomes, throughout the year, applications from visual artists (painters, sculptors, and artists who work on paper, including printmakers) with genuine financial needs. Grants are intended for a one-year period of time, with the size of the grant to be determined by the artist's individual circumstances and professional exhibition history. Artists applying for a grant must be actively exhibiting their current work in a professional artistic venue such as a gallery or museum space.

The foundation does not accept applications from commercial artists, video artists, performance artists, filmmakers, crafts-makers, computer artists, or any artist whose work primarily falls into these categories. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://www.pkf.org/grant.html>

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**Program:** [\*\*Pollination Project Invites Applications From Social Entrepreneurs for Seed Grants\*\*](#)

**Description:** The Pollination Project is accepting applications from social entrepreneurs looking to make their communities and world a better place.

Seed grants of up to \$1,000 will be awarded to projects in the early stages of development, including those that promote compassion toward all life (people, planet, animals), environmental sustainability, justice in all its forms, community health and wellness, and social change-oriented arts and culture. Only applications for seed funding, as opposed to ongoing operational or program costs of a nonprofit organization, will be accepted.

To be eligible, applicants must be a passionate, committed individual with a social change vision that fits within one or more of the categories above. Established nonprofit organizations with paid staff will not be considered. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://thepollinationproject.org/applicantinformatio/funding-guidelines/>

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**Program:** [\*\*Hope for The Warriors Accepting Applications for Critical Care Support for Wounded Veterans\*\*](#)

**Description:** Hope For The Warriors believes those touched by military service can succeed at home by restoring their sense of self, family, and hope. Nationally, the organization provides service members, veterans, and military families with comprehensive support programs focused on transition, health and wellness, peer engagement, and community resources.

Originally designed to meet short-term needs in the days following an injury, the Hope for The Warriors' Critical Care Coordination program has expanded to assist post-9/11 combat-wounded veterans and their families as they navigate through long-term recovery.

Program case coordinators work daily with post-9/11 combat-wounded service members and veterans, their families, and families of the fallen to meet immediate financial needs related to daily living including utilities, groceries, rent, mortgage, and rental deposits. The program provides casework assistance and resource referrals that will help clients immediately and in the future. Payment is always made to a third party.

To be eligible, applicants must be seeking support for needs that are a direct result of a service member's post-9/11 combat-related injury. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://www.hopethewarriors.org/story/18721712/critical-care-coordination>

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**Program:** [Big Read Accepting Grant Applications for Community-Wide Reading Programs](#)

**Description:** The Big Read, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, aims to restore reading to the center of American culture. Managed by Arts Midwest, the program provides organizations with grants and comprehensive resources that support their efforts to inspire their community to read and discuss a single book or the work of a poet.

Community organizations participating in the Big Read develop and produce reading programs that encourage reading and participation by diverse local audiences. These programs include activities such as author readings, book discussions, art exhibits, lectures, film series, music or dance events, theatrical performances, panel discussions, and other events and activities related to the community's chosen book or poet. Activities must focus on a book or poet from the Big Read Library. Previous grantees must select a different reading choice from their previous programming.

The program is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations to develop reading programs between September 2016 and June 2017. Organizations selected to participate receive a grant, educational and promotional materials, and access to online training resources and opportunities. Approximately seventy-five organizations will be selected from communities of varying size in the United States.

Eligible organizations may apply for grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$20,000. Grants must be matched on a one-to-one basis with non-federal funds. Grant funds may be used for a variety of expenses, including book purchases, speaker fees and travel, salaries, advertising, and venue rental. Deadline is January 26, 2017.

**Website:** <http://www.neabigread.org/guidelines.php>

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**Program:** [NCTM School Invites Applications for In-Service Training Grants for Pre-K-5 Math Teachers](#)

**Description:** The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics is accepting applications for its 2016 School In-Service Training grants to support the professional development of teachers in the areas of mathematical knowledge for teaching, pedagogical content knowledge, and knowledge of students as learners of mathematics.

Grants of up to \$4,000 each will be awarded to elementary schools. Costs may include honoraria and expenses for consultants, materials, substitute teacher time, and conference or workshop registrations. No funds may be used for staff travel or equipment. While the program does not fund the purchase of technology, proposals including professional development in the use of technology to enhance student learning are encouraged.

Only schools with a current NCTM Pre-K–8 school membership are eligible to apply. Funded activities must be completed between September 1, 2016, and August 31, 2017. Deadline is May 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.nctm.org/Grants-and-Awards/Grants/School-In-Service-Training-Grants/>

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**Program:** [NCTM Invites Proposals for PreK-8 Pre-service Teacher Action Research Grant](#)

**Description:** The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics is inviting proposals from pre-K teachers to support a collaborative action research project by university faculty, pre-service teachers, and classroom teachers seeking to improve their understanding of mathematics in Pre-K–8 classrooms.

Primary emphasis will be placed on collaboration among a team of researchers consisting of university, elementary/middle school teachers, and pre-service teachers from the undergraduate ranks. The action research should be designed, implemented, and completed with a focus on enhancing the teaching and/or learning of mathematics in Grades Pre-K–8.

One grant of up to \$3,000 will be awarded. Grant funds should be used to support project expenses to plan and carry out the action research.

The applicant must be a current full individual or e-member of NCTM or must teach at a school with a current NCTM Pre-K–8 school membership. The participating pre-service teacher(s) must be in an initial licensure/certification program at the undergraduate level and, at some point during the term of the grant, must be engaged in some form of practicum experience or student teaching. Deadline is May 6, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.nctm.org/resources/content.aspx?id=15479>

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**Program:** [RGK Foundation Accepting LOIs for Education, Community Programs](#)

**Description:** The RGK Foundation in Austin, Texas, is inviting grant proposals in the areas of education, community, and health and medicine.

The foundation's primary education interests include programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science, and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education. Within the community area, the foundation supports a broad range of human services, community improvement, abuse prevention, and youth development programs. In the area of health and medicine, the foundation's current interests include programs that promote the health and well-being of children, access to health service, and programs initiated by the foundation focused on ALS. Deadline is Rolling.

**Website:** <http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines>

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**Program:** [Singing for Change Accepting LOIs for Projects to Address Social and Environmental Problems](#)

**Description:** Created by Jimmy Buffett in 1995, [Singing for Change](#) initially was funded with contributions from the singer's summer concert tour. Since then, SFC has offered competitive grants to progressive nonprofit organizations working to address the root causes of social or environmental problems.

Priority will be given to organizations that keep their overhead low, include community members in planning, and collaborate with other groups to find innovative ways of solving common problems. SFC aims to advance the common good by empowering people to thrive and strengthen and sustain vibrant, diverse communities.

Grants will range in size from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations with tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to organizations that have a sponsoring agency with exempt status. Deadline is Ongoing.

**Website:** <http://www.singingforchange.org/>

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**Program:** [A Little Hope Announces Youth Bereavement Support Services Grants](#)

**Description:** A Little HOPE supports organizations that provide bereavement support services and grief counseling to children and teens who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, or loved one.

To be considered, applicants must e-mail (no telephone calls) the name of their program, website address, names of the executive director and program director, and the location of the program. No other information is needed or will be processed. Strong preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a commitment to the use of community trained volunteers.

Grant award amounts are based on the scope and budget of the project. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://www.alittlehope.org/granting>

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**Program:** **Kurt Weill Foundation Accepting Applications for Grant Program**

**Description:** Since 1984, the foundation has awarded more than five hundred grants totaling \$3 million to organizations and scholars worldwide in support of excellence in the presentation and study of Kurt Weill's compositions. In 2013, the Blitzstein catalogue joined the list of works eligible for support.

The foundation awards grants to individuals and nonprofit organizations for performances of musical works by Weill and Blitzstein; for scholarly research pertaining to Weill, Lenya, and Marc Blitzstein; and for relevant educational initiatives. The foundation is accepting applications for projects and performances taking place on or after January 1, 2016, and before **June 30, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.kwf.org/current-news/press-releases/698-the-kurt-weill-foundation-for-music-announces-2015-grant-program>

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**Website:** <http://www.kwf.org/current-news/press-releases/698-the-kurt-weill-foundation-for-music-announces-2015-grant-program>

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**Program:** **Partnership for Clean Competition Accepting Applications for Doping Research Projects**

**Description:** PCC is accepting applications for its grants program, which supports original projects focused on improving existing methods for detecting particular drugs, developing new analytical methods to test for substances not currently detectable, and discovering cost-effective approaches for testing widely abused substances across all levels of sport. The programs areas of interest include developing methods of cost-effective testing to detect and deter the use of banned and illegal substances; developing testing protocols to detect designer substances used for doping purposes; improving existing analytical methods to detect particular drugs (e.g. GH, IGF-1, EPO, hCG); developing analytical methods to detect performance enhancing drugs not currently detectable; critical reviews that support interpretation of laboratory data; and alternative specimens, (e.g., oral fluid, dried blood/plasma spots) for testing. Deadline is rolling. PCC reviews pre-applications three times a year, with applications due March 1, July 1, and November 1. Full applications are due on April 1, August 1, and December 1.

**Website:** <http://www.cleancompetition.org/>

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**Program:** **Annenberg Foundation Grants**

**Description:** The Annenberg Foundation exists to advance the public well-being through improved communication. As the principal means of achieving its goal, the Foundation encourages the development of more effective ways to share ideas and knowledge

throughout the U.S. and globally.

The Foundation focuses its grantmaking on the following program areas:

Education and youth development  
Arts, culture, and humanities  
Civic and community  
Animal services and the environment  
Health and human services

The Foundation only considers organizations defined as a public charity and tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Letters of inquiry that address the Foundation's interests are accepted throughout the year. Deadline OPEN.

**Website:** <http://www.annenbergfoundation.org/>

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**Program:** **Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood Invites Letters of Intent**

**Description:** The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports innovative, creative projects, and programs designed to significantly enhance the development, health, safety, education, and/or quality of life of children from infancy through five years of age.

The foundation provides funding in the areas of early childhood welfare, early childhood education and play, and parenting education.

1) Early Childhood Welfare: Children can only reach their full potential when all aspects of their development, intellectual, emotional and physical are optimally supported. Providing a safe and nurturing environment for infants and preschoolers is essential, as is imparting to them the skills of social living in a culturally diverse world. To that end, the foundation supports programs that research best child rearing practices and identify models that can provide creative, caring environments to ensure all children thrive.

2) Early Childhood Education and Play: Research shows that children need to be stimulated as well as nurtured, early in life, if they are to succeed in school, work, and life. That preparation relates to every aspect of a child's development, from birth to age 5, and everywhere a child learns -- at home, in childcare settings, and in preschool. The foundation seeks to improve the quality of both early childhood teaching and learning through the development of innovative curricula and research-based pedagogical standards, as well as the design of imaginative play materials and learning environments.

3) Parenting Education: To help parents create nurturing environments for their children, the foundation supports programs that teach parents about developmental psychology, cultural child-rearing differences, pedagogy, issues of health, prenatal care and diet, as well programs that provide both cognitive and emotional support to parents.

Letters of Intent are accepted on a rolling basis. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit full applications.

**Website:** <http://earlychildhoodfoundation.org/>

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**Program:** **Captain Planet Foundation Offers Grants for Hands-On Environmental Education Activities**

**Description:** The mission of the Captain Planet Foundation is to promote and support high-quality educational programs that help children and youth understand and appreciate our world through hands-on learning experiences aimed at improving the environment in their schools and communities.

Grants are intended to serve as a means of bringing environment-based education to schools and inspiring youth and communities to participate in community service through environmental stewardship activities. The foundation will fund unique and innovative projects that do not precisely match the grant guidelines but otherwise promote the foundation's mission to advance hands-on environmental activities.

The foundation makes grants to schools and nonprofit environmental and educational organizations in the United States with annual operating budgets of less than \$3 million

**Deadline is:**

January 31 (typically for fall and winter projects)  
September 30 (typically for spring and summer projects)

**Website:** <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/>

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**Program:** **Chambers of Commerce Invited to Start Young Entrepreneur Academies**

**Description:** The Young Entrepreneurs Academy today serves thousands of students across America. In 2011, the United States Chamber of Commerce Foundation became a national sponsor and partner of the academy to help celebrate the spirit of enterprise among today's youth and the future leaders of tomorrow.

To that end, YEA, in partnership with Sam's Club and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, is accepting applications from chambers of commerce across the country to start Young Entrepreneurs academies of their own. The thirty-week program teaches students in grades 6-12 how to generate business ideas, conduct market research, write business plans, pitch to a panel of investors, and launch their own companies. In 2015, Sam's Club will award startup funds of up to \$2,500 each to thirty chambers of commerce across the country.

**Website:** <http://www.uschamberfoundation.org/young-entrepreneurs-academy>

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**Program:** **Advocacy Event Fund**

**Description:** Building public and political support is critical for successfully advocating to incorporate **permanently affordable housing (PAH)** into public policies and programs. Building this support requires bringing together the right stakeholders to inform, discuss, and strategize. We know that this is often challenging for our members who have limited resources. During 2015, the Network will award three to four grants of up to \$3,000 for eligible Network members to support the planning of one-time

events that bring stakeholders together and garner support for the incorporation of PAH into state or local housing, transportation, and community development public policies and programs. The purpose of the grants is to fund events that will have a catalyzing effect on policy discussions, partnerships, advocacy campaigns, and eventually, policies and programs themselves.

**Website:** <http://cltnetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/RFP-for-Advocacy-Event-Funds-FINAL-2.pdf>

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**Program:** [The Office Depot Foundation Grants](#)

**Description:** The Office Depot Foundation awards grants to support activities that serve, teach and inspire children, youth and families, and to support civic organizations and activities that serve community needs.

**Website:** [http://officedepotfoundation.org/?page\\_id=237](http://officedepotfoundation.org/?page_id=237)

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**Program:** [Environmental Competitive Grant](#)

**Description:** Legacy provides environmental education grants annually through the Competitive Grants Program. Funds for this program are allocated specifically to assist with helping to create environmentally responsible citizens through education.

**Website:** [www.legacyenvd.org](http://www.legacyenvd.org)

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**Program:** [Cornell Douglas Foundation Grant](#)

**Description:** The Cornell Douglas Foundation provides grants to organizations that advocate for environmental health and justice, encourage stewardship of the environment, and further respect for sustainability of resources. The average grant amount is \$10,000. Deadline is accepted all year.

**Website:** <http://www.cornelldouglas.org/apply/>

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**Program:** [Public Welfare Foundation Accepting Letters of Intent for Juvenile Justice Programs](#)

**Description:** The [Public Welfare Foundation](#) 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:** <http://www.publicwelfare.org/ApplyGrant/FullProposal.aspx>

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**Program:** [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/>

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**Program:** **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](http://kaboom.org/build_playground/build_it_kaboom_playground_grant)

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**Program:** **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/>

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**Program:** **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/ApplicationGuidelines.html>

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## **SECTION IV STATE OF ALABAMA GRANTS**

**Agency:** **West Alabama Commission**

**Description:** 2016 Grant and Loan Guide for Local Governments in West Alabama

**Website:** <http://warc.info/component/rsfiles/download-file?path=Regional%20Information%20Documents/2016%20Grant%20and%20Loan%20Guide-Web.pdf&Itemid=483>

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**Program:** **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**

**Description:**

**A. Competitive Fund, Single purpose or multi-purpose activities**

**GRANT CYCLE**

Application workshop held in April; application due date between June/July. Award announcements are typically in the fall with a mandatory compliance workshop to follow.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Non-entitlement cities (excludes members of the Jefferson or Mobile consortium), counties (excludes Jefferson and Mobile). Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Water, Sewer, Streets, Drainage, Housing Rehabilitation, Neighborhood and Downtown Revitalization, Professional Services e.g., engineering, administration within fee scale limits.

**Requirements:**

Benefit at least 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries, or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. See current program year thresholds. No open Competitive or Enhancement grant. Annual close-out deadline is March 31.

**FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: County \$350,000; Large City (2010 Census population 3,000 +) \$450,000; Small City \$350,000.

Match Requirement: 10% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

**B. Community Enhancement Fund**

**GRANT CYCLE**

Application workshop held in April; application due date between June/July. Award announcements are typically in the fall with mandatory compliance workshop to follow.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Non-entitlement Local Governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Water, Sewer, Streets, Drainage, Housing Rehab, Senior or Community Center,

Demolition, Recreation, Boys & Girls Clubs, Fire Protection, Misc. Requirements:

Benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries, or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. See current program year thresholds. No open Competitive or Enhancement grant. Annual closeout deadline is March 31.

**FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: \$250,000. Minimum Request: \$50,000

Match Requirement: 10% Source: Cash/In-kind  
Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials  
Disbursement Method: Grant  
Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

### **C. Economic Development Fund**

#### **GRANT CYCLE**

Applications accepted on a continuous basis. Award upon approval and as funding is available. Application workshop held in April and compliance workshop held in the fall.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Non-entitlement local governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Land, facilities and infrastructure to benefit industry that will create jobs.

Requirements: Create minimum of 15 permanent jobs to benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries. See current program year thresholds. May have open Competitive, Enhancement or Planning grant.

#### **FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: \$200,000. Minimum Request: \$50,000

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for Applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

State may also waive the grant ceiling for projects that demonstrate significant long-term economic benefit to the State.

### **D. Economic Development Incubator projects**

#### **GRANT CYCLE**

Continuous - applications are taken throughout the year. Award upon approval and as funding is available. Application workshop held in April and compliance workshop held in the fall.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Units of local government. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Facility, infrastructure or program support.

Requirements: Program must benefit at least 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries. Project must commit to create jobs. See current program year thresholds.

#### **FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: \$250,000

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for Applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less. State may also waive the grant ceiling for projects that demonstrate significant long-term economic benefit to the State.

### **E. Planning Fund**

#### **GRANT CYCLE**

Application workshop held in April; application due date between June/July. Award announcements are typically in the fall with mandatory compliance workshop to follow.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Non-entitlement local governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Comprehensive plans, Downtown Revitalization plans etc.

Requirements: Benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries, or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. See current program year thresholds. May have open Competitive or Enhancement grant.

#### **FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: \$40,000.

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

**Contact:**

Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager (334) 242-5468,  
[shabbir.olia@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:shabbir.olia@adeca.alabama.gov)

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**Program:**

**RECREATION PROGRAMS**

**Description:**

**A. Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)**

**GRANT CYCLE**

FY15 pre-applications due February 1, 2016.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Units of local government, State agencies and State Authorities (except State or local educational institutions). Entities with an open LWCF or Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant are ineligible to apply; entities may not apply for both programs. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Outdoor recreation only, land acquisition, playgrounds, ball fields, trails, picnic and camping areas, support facilities, access roads, parking areas, utilities.

Requirements: Existing LWCF funded facilities owned by applicant must be well maintained and be in compliance with program regulations. Applicants developing new facilities must agree to comply with program operation and management conditions. LWCF developed sites must be deeded as such, in perpetuity. It is recommended that applicants consult with Recreation Program staff for technical assistance prior to submitting an application.

FUNDING LEVELS

Maximum Request: \$150,000 Minimum Request \$50,000

Match Requirement: 50% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Reimbursement

**B. Recreational Trails Program (RTP)**

GRANT CYCLE

FY16 program to be announced.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants: Units of local government, State Agencies, Federal Agencies, Non-Profit 501(c) (3) Organizations. Entities with an open Recreational Trails Program (RTP) or Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant are ineligible to apply; entities may not apply for both programs. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Urban trail linkages, maintenance of existing recreational trails, trail-head facilities (see program criteria), acquisition of property and easements, construction of new trails, purchase of trail maintenance equipment (certain restrictions apply).

Requirements: It is recommended that applicants consult with Recreation Program staff for technical assistance prior to submitting an application.

FUNDING LEVELS

Maximum Request: 80% of total eligible project cost, up to \$35,000 non-motorized, single-use trails; \$100,000 Non-motorized diverse-use. Contact ADECA for projects involving motorized, diverse-use trails or education. Amount available may vary with announcement.

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Reimbursement

**Website:**

Crystal Davis, Programs Manager (334) 353-2630

[crystal.davis@aedeca.alabama.gov](mailto:crystal.davis@aedeca.alabama.gov)

**Program:**

**Industrial Access Road and Bridge Corporation**

**Description:**

GRANT CYCLE

Applications must be filed with ALDOT at least 45 days prior to a meeting of the board of directors. Board meetings are scheduled on the second Tuesday of October, March and June of each year.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants: Units of local government. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Public access roads to new or expanding distribution, manufacturing and industrial firms.

Requirements: Industry must be committed to new investment and creation of new jobs. Notification Acknowledgement letter from the Secretary of Commerce must be

included with application. See <http://www.dot.state.al.us/adweb/Industrial%20Access.htm> for application form and program guidance.

**FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: N/A

Disbursement Method: Reimbursement

**Contact:** Ed Austin, Innovative Programs Bureau Chief (334) 242-6751,  
[austine@dot.state.al.us](mailto:austine@dot.state.al.us)

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**Program:** **Alabama Power Foundation Grant**

**Description:** The Alabama Power Foundation Grant offers funds to nonprofit organizations in Alabama working in one of the following areas:

- Health
- Human services
- Arts
- Community life
- Education
- Environment

Priority is given to projects that address underserved segments of the population and can be duplicated in other communities.

**Website:** <http://powerofgood.com/foundation-grant/>

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**Program:** **Alabama Board of Medical Scholarship Awards**

**Description:** The Alabama Board of Medical Scholarship Awards offers forgivable loans to students enrolled in an Alabama medical school who agree to practice primary care in a pre-approved medically, underserved community in Alabama upon graduation.

Loans are repaid at the rate of one year of service per year of loan.

**Applications accepted on ongoing basis.**

**Website:** <http://www.bmsa.alabama.gov/#>

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**Program:** **Economic Development Fund**

**Description:** Land, facilities and infrastructure to benefit industry that will create jobs. Create minimum of 15 permanent jobs to benefit 51% low to moderate income beneficiaries. **Continuous. Applications are taken throughout the year.** Maximum request: \$250,000. Minimum Request: \$50,000. Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less. May also waive the grant ceiling for projects that demonstrate significant long-term economic benefit to the State.

**Contact:** **Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, [shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov)**

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**Program:** **Economic Development Incubator projects**  
**Description:** Units of local government. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM. Program must benefit 51% low to moderate income beneficiaries. Project must commit to create jobs. Maximum request: \$250,000. Match request: 20%. **Applications are taken throughout the year. Award upon approval and as funding is available. Application workshop held in April and compliance workshop held in the fall.**  
**Website:** **Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, [shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov)**

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**Program:** **States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP)**  
**Description:** Applicants: State and local units of governments, public bodies, and non-profit entities. Eligible counties in West Alabama: Bibb, Fayette, Hale, Lamar, Pickens, and Tuscaloosa.  
  
Activities: Water and wastewater facilities, telecommunications, health care, planning activities, leadership development, education and training programs, business development, and entrepreneurship.  
  
Requirements: Project must meet one of ARC's goals: increase job opportunities and per capita income, strengthen the capacity of people to compete in the global economy or develop and improve infrastructure to make the Region economically competitive. Construction projects funded by ARC must have an "Administering Agency" such as ADECA, USDA Rural Development or TVA. The project will be administered by and take on the requirements of that agency  
  
Pre-application due date in August. Applicant notified in late fall/winter if a full application is requested. Award announcements typically made in May.  
**Contact:** Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA), Jimmy Lester, ARC Program Manager (334) 353-4490, [jimmy.lester@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:jimmy.lester@adeca.alabama.gov)

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**Program:** **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:** <http://www.alabamahumanities.org/grants/>

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**SECTION V      FELLOWSHIPS / INTERNSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS / FINANCIAL AID/ AWARDS**

**Program:** **Harpo Foundation Invites Applications for 2016 Emerging Artists Fellowship**

**Description:**

The Chicago-based Harpo Foundation was established in 2006 to support artists who are underrecognized by the field. The foundation seeks to stimulate creative inquiry and encourage new modes of thinking about art.

The foundation's Emerging Artist Fellowship at the Santa Fe Art Institute was established in 2013 to provide an annual opportunity to an emerging visual artist age 25 and older who needs time and space to explore ideas and start new projects. Artist fellows will receive a one-month residency at the Santa Fe Art Institute that includes a well-appointed room with private bath, a well-lit studio space, and a \$500 travel stipend.

Founded in 1985, the Santa Fe Art Institute provides a unique opportunity for emerging artists to pursue creative projects without interruption. SFAI supports over fifty residents per year and offers a cohesive, arts-focused environment that creates the ideal working conditions for resident artists. Living and studio space is located within a nearly 17,000-square-foot complex designed by renowned Mexican architect Ricardo Legoretta. The unique SFAI environment allows residents to be as interactive or private as they wish. There are no requirements on the work produced during their time at SFAI.

One fellowship is awarded annually to an emerging artist who demonstrates strong artistic ability and promise, as well as an evolving practice that is at a pivotal moment in its development.

**Deadline is October 1, 2016.**

**Website:**

<http://www.harpofoundation.org/apply/emerging-artist-fellowship/>

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**Program:**

**Aetna Foundation Announces Healthiest Cities & Counties Challenge**

**Description:**

The Aetna Foundation, in partnership with the American Public Health Association, the National Association of Counties, and CEOs for Cities, is accepting applications from small to mid-sized cities, counties and federally recognized tribes in the U.S. working to improve the health of their residents.

The goal of the Healthiest Cities & Counties Challenge is to develop practical, evidence-based strategies that improve measurable health outcomes and promote health and wellness, equity, and social interaction. Through the challenge, the foundation will award more than \$1.5 million in grants in support of community-based efforts to become healthier places to live, work, learn, play, and pray; recognize excellence in achieving a measurable impact as a result of these efforts; and identify models of effective collaboration that can be sustained and replicated across the United States.

**Website:**

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

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**Program:**

**CBC Spouses Education Scholarship**

**Description:**

Seeing an educational need in their congressional districts, the CBC Spouses Education Scholarship was established in 1988 by the spouses of Congressional Black Caucus members in response to federal cuts in spending for education programs and scholarships, which disproportionately affect people of color. This scholarship awards scholarships to academically talented and highly motivated students of all majors who



intend to pursue full-time undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral degrees. Selected applicants will be qualified African-American or black students.

- *Application Deadline:* May 20, 2016

**Website:** <https://cbcfinc.academicworks.com/opportunities/321>

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**Program:** [Seventh Project](#)

**Description:** 2016 Internships will be offered in Congresswoman Sewell's Washington, D.C. office as well as her District Offices in Alabama located in Birmingham, Montgomery, Tuscaloosa, and Selma. A congressional internship gives deserving students the opportunity to experience first hand the inner workings of a Congressional office. Deadline:

Each Washington internship session is four weeks long. There are two sessions for Summer 2016: #1 May 22 – June 18 and #2 June 19 – July 16. Applications must be received by midnight on April 4, 2016 for Session #1 and April 11, 2016 for Session #2. Selected applicants will be notified in late April.

**Website:** <http://the7thproject.com/application/>

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**Program:** [NSF Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Program](#)

**Description:** The program seeks: 1) to increase the number of low-income academically talented students with demonstrated financial need obtaining degrees in STEM and entering the workforce or graduate programs in STEM; 2) to improve the education of future scientists, engineers, and technicians, with a focus on academically talented low-income students; and 3) to generate knowledge to advance understanding of how factors or evidence-based curricular and co-curricular activities affect the success, retention, transfer, academic/career pathways, and graduation in STEM of low-income students. Deadline is May 15, 2016.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16540](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16540)

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**Program:** [Frank B. Sessa Scholarship for Continuing Professional Education of a Beta Phi Mu Member](#)

**Description:** The Sessa scholarship is awarded to a Beta Phi Mu member to increase his/her professional skills through additional study or attendance at a formal program or workshop. Scholarship will be awarded on: 1) Plan of study; 2) Usefulness of the planned study to the applicant's present job; and/or 3) Usefulness of the planned study to the applicant's future professional endeavors. Continuing professional education should not be interpreted exclusively as attendance at a formal program or workshop, but can be activities which will increase the professional skills of the recipient. The scholarship gives very low priority to those applicants who are pursuing a formal degree program. Deadline: Scholarship applications for 2016 will be available from November 15, 2015 to March 15, 2016.

**Website:** <https://app.smarterselect.com/programs/25287-Beta-Phi-Mu-International-Library--Information-Studies-Honor-Society>

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**Program:** [Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Invites Entries From Creative Teens](#)

**Description:** The Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, a nonprofit organization dedicated to recognizing the most talented teen artists and writers in the United States and Canada, has issued a call for entries for the 2016 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards.

Creative teens in grades 7-12 are invited to submit work in twenty-eight categories of art and writing, including film and animation, video game design, sculpture, photography, fashion design, poetry, journalism, humor, dramatic script, and science fiction.

Student submissions are judged on the regional level by the alliance's affiliates, with the top winning works then presented to national panels of creative leaders to determine which will receive the highest honors. Fifteen graduating high school seniors will be awarded with Portfolio Gold Medals, which include a \$10,000 scholarship. Additional scholarships are made available to Portfolio Silver Medalists and through sponsored awards and stipends for summer arts programs. Deadline is various.

**Website:** <http://mediaroom.scholastic.com/press-release/2016-scholastic-art-writing-awards-call-submissions-opens-new-scholarship-opportunities>

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**Program:** [American Psychological Foundation Invites Applications for Violet and Cyril Franks Scholarship](#)

**Description:** The [American Psychological Foundation](#) is accepting applications for the 2016 Violet and Cyril Franks Scholarship.

The annual program supports graduate-level scholarly projects that use a psychological perspective to help understand and reduce stigma associated with mental illness. The \$5,000 scholarship helps address research which shows that stigma is a significant barrier to treatment and recovery for many of the fifty million Americans living with mental illness.

To be eligible, applicants must be a full-time graduate student, in good standing at an accredited university, and have a demonstrated commitment to stigma issues surrounding mental illness. APF encourages applications from individuals who represent diversity in race, ethnicity, gender, age, disability, and sexual orientation. Deadline is May 15, 2016.

**Website:** <http://www.apa.org/apf/funding/franks.aspx>

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**Description:** The Bank of America (BoA) offers grants that support high-impact initiatives, organizations and the development of visionary leaders. Schools with farm-to-school type programs may be eligible under the funding areas:

- Developing Career Leadership and Skills: Opportunities that increase civic and community engagement, career exploration and youth employment, financial knowledge and life-skill and soft-skill development
- Assisting with Food Access: Food deserts, green/fresh food access, etc

BoA's Charitable Foundation provides philanthropic support to address needs vital to the health of communities through a focus on preserving neighborhoods, educating the workforce for 21st century jobs and addressing critical needs, such as hunger.

Requests for proposals are issued three times per year.

**Website:** <http://about.bankofamerica.com/en-us/global-impact/find-grants-sponsorships.html#fbid=pYn5RLQL62N>

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**Program:** **Costco Wholesale Grants**

**Description:** Costco Wholesale grants support programs focusing on children, education and health and human services. They look to achieve the greatest impact where Costco's employees and members live and work. Only 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, which meet their giving guidelines and focus areas, are considered.

Applications are accepted throughout the year on a rolling basis.

**Website:** <http://shop.costco.com/About/Charitable-Giving/Frequently-Asked--Questions.aspx>

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**Program:** **ING Foundation Grants**

**Description:** ING Foundation is the charitable giving arm of ING in the Americas. The foundation awards grants to non-profit organizations addressing a variety of community needs and resources, but focuses on four primary areas:

Financial Literacy  
Children's Education  
Diversity  
Environmental Sustainability

**Website:** <http://ing.us/about-ing/responsibility/giving/grants>

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**Program:** **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  
Career Opportunity

**Website:** <http://foundation.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/national-giving>

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**Program:** **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.williammcmgowanfund.org/pdf/Homelessness%20RFP.pdf>

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

**Website:** <http://www.nerdwallet.com/nerdscholar/scholarships/>

### **Fast Web**

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

### **Scholarship Experts**

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

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**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**

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

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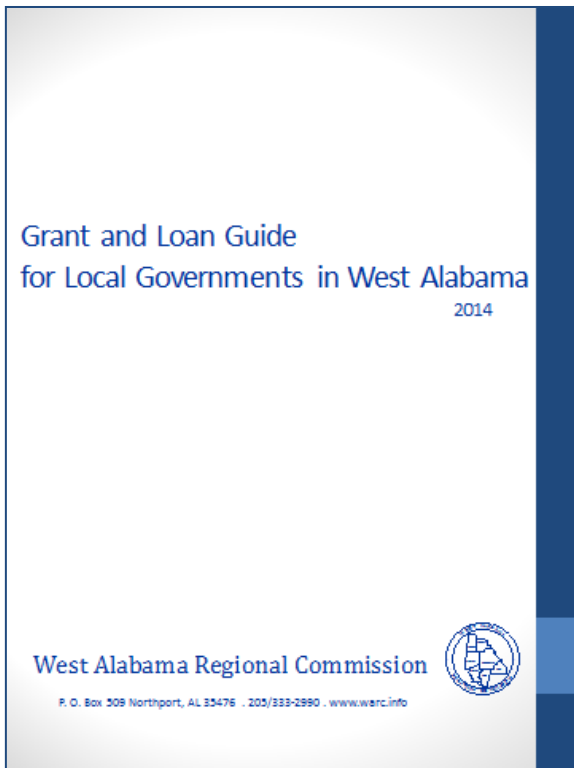
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## Section VI RESOURCES

### **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 <http://warc.info/planning-a-development/documents>. Scroll down to REGIONAL INFORMATION DOCUMENTS.

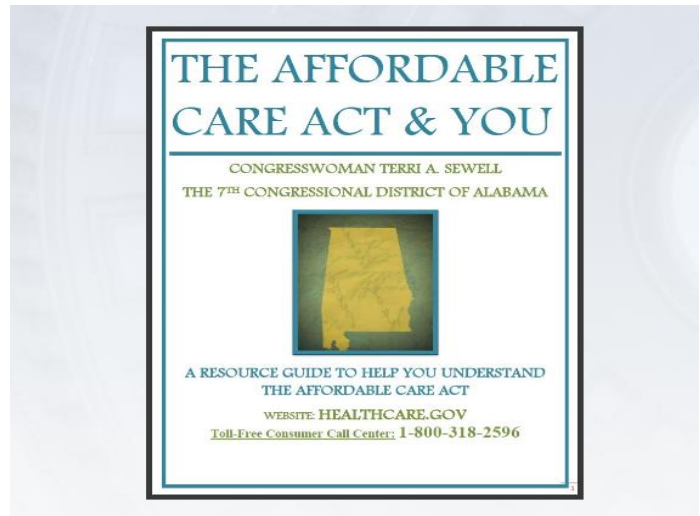


The guide is a free web-based resource designed to provide counties and municipalities in the West Alabama region with information about available grant and loan programs for community and economic development activities.

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

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**Website:** <http://sewell.house.gov/the-aca-you/>

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 - [HealthCare.Gov](#) is the Health Insurance Marketplace for Alabama. Consumers can apply as early as October 1, 2013. Visit [HealthCare.Gov](#) 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 [marketplace.cms.gov](#) to see how you can partner with HHS to help people enroll in the new coverage options in Alabama.

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

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## ALABAMA ADDITIONAL FUNDING SOURCES

**Community Foundations in Alabama** There are 13 community foundations in Alabama, covering 78 percent of the counties in the state and holding assets that total more than \$190 million.

**Daniel Foundation** The Daniel Foundation offers grants in four program areas: Civic and Community Improvement, Education, Health, and Arts and Culture. Applications are limited to 501 (c)(3) organization that are located in Alabama. <http://danielfoundationofalabama.com>

**Alabama Power Foundation** The Alabama Power Foundation allocates funding in four categories: Improving Education, Strengthening Communities, Promoting Arts and Culture, and Restoring and Enhancing the Environment. <http://www.alabamapower.com/foundation/grantsandinitiatives.asp>

**Alabama Humanities Foundation** The AHF awards grants solely to support public humanities projects. Active public participation, involvement of humanities scholars, and strong humanities content are the three essential components of AHF-funded projects. <http://www.ahf.net/programs/grantsProgram.html>

**Gwyn Turner Endowed Fund** The fund is administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, in partnership with Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation. Nonprofits and governmental agencies can obtain funding for preservation planning, heritage education, workshops, conferences and special interventions. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and require a 1:1 cash match. Applicants are encouraged to discuss their project with the National Trust Southern Office before submitting an application. Contact the Southern Office at 843.722.8552, or e-mail [soro@nthp.org](mailto:soro@nthp.org). [www.PreservationNation.org/resources/find-funding](http://www.PreservationNation.org/resources/find-funding)

**Sybil H. Smith Trust** Established in 1983, this trust funds organizations in the First Congressional District only. Awards limited to arts, community development, education, and human services. No awards are given for individuals. For more information, call: 251.432.0208. <http://dynamodata.fdncenter.org/990s/990search/ffindershow.cgi?id=SMIT235>

**PUBLIC SOURCES Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs** Community Development Block Grant program can be used to invest in the revitalization of downtowns. <http://www.adeca.alabama.gov/Community%20Development%20Block%20Gr/default.aspx>

**Alabama State Council on the Arts** Grants awarded to nonprofit organizations and local governments in the following categories: Presenting Grants, Project Assistance, Operating Support, Technical Assistance, Collaborative Ventures, and Program Development. <http://arts.state.al.us/grants/index-grants.html>

**Historic Chattahoochee Commission** The Historic Chattahoochee Commission (HCC) promotes tourism and historic preservation in the Chattahoochee Trace, an 18-county region in Alabama and Georgia. The HCC supports preservation through two grant programs: Seed Grant and the Threatened Landmarks Program. <http://www.hcc-al-ga.org/resources.cfm?GetPage=6>

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## **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>

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

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 - <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

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

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission

P.O. Box 1665

Mobile, Alabama 36633

Phone: 251.433.6541

Fax: 251.433.6009

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

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 - <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

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

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## **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.aacinfo.org](http://www.aacinfo.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: [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  
Website: <http://blackbeltfound.org/>

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.cacinfo.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.eccinfo.org](http://www.eccinfo.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: [www.cfogd.org](http://www.cfogd.org)

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