Guide to Grants

From the Office of Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell

Proudly Representing Alabama's 7th Congressional District

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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

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

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

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Guide to Grants Seminar

A Free Resource for Grant Opportunities in Alabama's 7th District

Thank you

to all the presenters and attendees
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Highlights:
Over 300 attendees from across the 7th Congressional District

Featured Representatives From:

- U.S. Department of Commerce-Economic Development Administration
- U.S. Department of Transportation
- U.S. Department of Justice
- National Endowment for Humanities
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- HHS, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- Small Business Administration
- U.S. Department of Education
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- U.S. Department of Labor

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- Black Belt Community Foundation
- Alabama Association of Non-profits
- National Endowment for the Arts
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Alabama Dept. of Transportation
- Alabama Emergency Management Agency
- U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs-Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center
- Environmental Protection Agency

NOTE: Power Point Presentations from the Participants will be available July 7, 2015 on our website at sewell.house.gov

Make plans to attend our next Guide to Grant Workshop!

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CONGRESSWOMAN TERRI A. SEWELL

Rep. Sewell Votes to Give President Obama Authority to Negotiate Fair Trade Deals

Today, Congresswoman Terri Sewell reiterated her support for President Obama's trade agenda, and voted for a second time to give President Obama the authority he needs to negotiate agreements that expand fair trade.

"I continue to believe that President Obama should be given the same trade promotion authority as past Presidents. I trust that President Obama will do right by the American people, and the people of Alabama's 7th Congressional District. President Obama has our backs, and we should have his.

"President Obama has been unwavering in his support for promoting fair trade that protects American jobs and workers. I trust that President Obama will continue to protect the interests of the nation he has been elected to serve, and to uphold the values we hold dear.

"I am deeply disappointed that Congress has yet to reauthorize the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA). TAA is a vital lifeline for displaced workers that provides the needed resources for training, employment services, and relocation allowances. Globalization and automation -- irrespective of trade agreements -- have created a need for greater support services for workers who lost their jobs through no fault of their own. It is my hope that my colleagues will reconsider the TAA vote because I strongly believe that TPA and TAA go hand in hand."

Rep. Sewell Issued Statement following the Emanuel AME Church Shooting in South Carolina

Congresswoman Terri Sewell issued the following statement after the fatal shooting at a historic black church in Charleston, South Carolina.

"I am deeply saddened by the shooting at Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina. Nine innocent people lost their lives in an unspeakable hate crime, and I mourn for their loss alongside our nation.

"Earlier this year, our country commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the Selma to Montgomery marches, which demonstrated that the power of non-violence and collective action can achieve extraordinary social change.

"This fatal church shooting reminds us that there is still much work to be done. We must teach our children the lessons we learned from the past. Hatred and violence are never the answer. The strength of this nation lies in our diversity. We must respect our differences, and promote love and understanding over hatred and violence."

USDA Seeks Applications for Grants to Help Socially-Disadvantaged Producers

WASHINGTON, May 26, 2015 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is now accepting applications to provide technical assistance to socially-disadvantaged groups in rural areas.

"These grants will help socially-disadvantaged business owners develop the tools and skills they need to grow their enterprises and succeed at creating jobs and expanding economic opportunities in rural areas," Vilsack said. "American agriculture is becoming increasingly diverse in many ways, with more minorities and women seeking to enter the field, as well as greater diversity in the age of farmers, the size of operations, in production methods, and in the types of crops being grown. All of these forms of diversity help strengthen U.S. agriculture for the future."

Funding will be made available through USDA's Socially-Disadvantaged Groups Grant Program (formerly the Small, Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant Program), which assists organizations that provide technical assistance to socially-disadvantaged groups in rural areas. Examples of technical assistance are conducting feasibility studies, developing business and strategic plans, and providing leadership training.

USDA plans to make up to $3 million in grants available. The maximum award under this notice is $175,000. More information on how to apply can be found on page 28937 of the May 20 Federal Register. Applications submitted by mail must be postmarked by July 20, 2015. Electronic applications must be submitted at www.grants.gov no later than midnight Eastern Time July 14, 2015.

Eligible applicants include groups of cooperatives, cooperative development centers and individual cooperatives that serve socially-disadvantaged groups. The cooperatives or centers can be located in any area, but the groups assisted must be located in an eligible rural area. Also, the majority of the governing body of the organization must be compromised of individuals who are members of socially-disadvantaged groups.

USDA Rural Development is encouraging applications for projects in census tracts with poverty rates of 20 percent or higher. All grants are awarded through a national competition.

The program is making a difference in many rural areas. For example, in 2013, the Southern California Focus on Cooperation (SCFC) received a $200,000 Small, Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant to provide technical assistance to help 95 refugee immigrant and minority farmers improve their productive capacity, increase revenue, and strengthen their ability to govern and manage their cooperative businesses.

Many of the farmers benefiting from the project had little or no access to formal schooling and had been persecuted and oppressed for years in their native land. The International Rescue Committee (IRC), in concert with SCFC, developed marketing channels including various farmers markets and restaurants where the refugee farmers could sell their produce. Farmers have learned how to manage these marketing channels themselves, without assistance from IRC, and have gained new clients. They have also increased the level of cooperation among Hispanic, Korean and African farmer groups. These groups are working toward merging their efforts to form a single cooperative. The technical assistance provided by SCFC has enabled these farmers to build skills that have truly been life changing.

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.

USDA Announces Funding Opportunity for Distance Learning and Telemedicine Projects

WASHINGTON, May 22, 2015 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is accepting applications for its Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) grant program, which provides increased access to education, training and health care resources in rural areas.

"This program provides people who live and work in rural areas with better access to a variety of educational and health care services," Vilsack said. "For example, because of the DLT program, students in rural areas can take advanced placement classes, residents can have access to specialized medical services not typically available, and many other benefits for rural communities."

USDA's Rural Utilities Service, a Rural Development agency is making $19 million available for fiscal year 2015. The Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program finances telecommunications equipment, computer networks and advanced technologies for use by students, teachers, medical professionals and rural residents. Minimum grant amounts are $50,000; maximum amounts are $500,000 for fiscal year 2015.

Since 2009, USDA has provided more than $182 million to expand access to learning at nearly 4,700 rural educational facilities and to improve delivery of medical care at more than 2,500 rural health facilities.

Details of the DLT funding are on Page 29602 of the May 22 Federal Register. The application deadline is July 6, 2015.

President Obama's plan for rural America has brought about historic investment and resulted in stronger rural communities. Under the President's 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.

USDA's investments in rural communities support the rural way of life that stands as the backbone of American values. President Obama and Agriculture Secretary Vilsack are committed to a smarter use of federal resources to foster sustainable economic prosperity and ensure the government is a strong partner for businesses, entrepreneurs and working families in rural communities.

USDA Seeks Applications to Expand Economic Development in Rural Communities

Washington, District of Columbia, May 15, 2015 —

Agriculture Under Secretary Lisa Mensah today announced that USDA is seeking applications for grants to support rural community economic development.

"This funding from USDA will ensure that technical and financial assistance is available for those who wish to improve the quality of life in rural communities," Mensah said. "Very often, great visions for better rural communities exist, but the next steps toward positive change are unclear. These grants will help rural communities build a path to community economic development so rural America can share in the nation's economic recovery."

Approximately $10.4 million is being made available under the [Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) program](#). Eligible applicants include public, private, and non-profit intermediaries, and federally recognized tribes.

RCDI grants can be used to provide training or technical assistance. Training may be focus on homeownership education, minority business entrepreneurship, strategic community planning or accessing alternative funding sources. Intermediary organizations must provide matching funds at least equal to the RCDI grant. Grants range from $50,000 to $250,000.

USDA has invested more than $33 million through the RCDI program since 2009. In 2013, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma received a $150,000 grant to provide home buying and home maintenance education to 50 Native American women in the community of Broken Bow.

For information on how to apply contact your Rural Development [state office](#) or see Page 27887 of the [5/15 Federal Register](#). Applications must be submitted by August 13, 2015.

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- Grants and Federal Domestic Assistance - Guidance and key resources to help eligible constituents find information on federal grants, loans, and nonfinancial assistance for projects, as well as on private funding. Prepared by the Congressional Research Service for Members of Congress, updated May 2014.
  Website: http://sewell.house.gov/grant-information/
- A federal grant is an award of financial assistance from a federal agency to a recipient to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law of the United States. Federal grants are not federal assistance or loans to individuals. A federal grant may not be used to acquire property or services for the federal government's direct benefit. The 26 federal agencies offer over 1,000 grant programs annually in various categories.
  Website: http://www07.grants.gov/aboutgrants/grants.jsp
- To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit 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
- 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.

Section II   PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

Consumer Product Safety Commission

Program:	**Pool Safely Grant Program**
Description:	The purpose of this program is to prevent the drowning and drain entrapments of children in pools and spas. The PSGP seeks to provide state and local governments with assistance for prevention education and enforcement of pool safety requirements. Deadline is August 19, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.poolsafely.gov/grants/vgbfy16/**

Corporation for National and Community Service

Program:	**National Service and Civic Engagement Research Competition**
Description:	This research competition's goal is to increase the nation's understanding and knowledge about the importance and potential of national and community service, volunteering, and civic engagement in America. We are seeking applications to design and implement research studies that build on existing research in the field, address gaps in knowledge, and provide new ideas and methodological approaches to the study of national service and civic engagement. Deadline is July 16, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-opportunities/2015/national-service-and-civic-engagement-research**

Environmental Protection Agency

Program:	**FY 2015 TRIBAL WASTE MANAGEMENT CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING GRANT**
Description:	The recipient will conduct trainings that will assist tribes in the development and implementation of sustainable waste management programs. The trainings will focus on: (1) developing Integrated Waste Management Plans (IWMPs); and (2) developing Tribal Codes and Ordinances. In addition, the recipient will offer travel scholarships to support the trainings as well as provide travel scholarships to financially assist tribes that voluntarily participate in the EPA's National Peer Matching Program. Deadline is July 31, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-orcr-15-03.pdf**

Program:	**Pesticide Safety Resource Projects**
Description:	The Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) is soliciting applications from eligible parties for an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) cooperative agreement to provide financial assistance to an eligible organization to carry out projects. The selected recipient will coordinate the development of resources for use by EPA's "partners" (i.e., state, tribal, and territorial pesticide regulatory agencies and university-based extension pesticide safety education programs) and "stakeholders" (e.g., healthcare professionals, nonprofit and professional organizations, associations and others) involved in pesticide safety. Resources are educational and outreach pieces that include, but are not limited to, printed, electronic or computer-based. Deadline is July 12, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/grants/rfa-pest-safety.html**

National Archives and Records Administration

Program:	**Literacy and Engagement with Historical Records**
Description:	The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that encourage citizen engagement with historical records, especially those available online, and/or projects that train people on how to enhance digital literacy skills for using historical records. Deadline is October 8, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/literacy.html**

Program:	**State Government Electronic Records**
Description:	The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that will accession, describe, preserve, and provide access to state government electronic records of enduring value. Government information maintained by state archives is a national asset, serving as important resources for documenting rights and capturing the national experience. The NHPRC will support projects that actively engage in activities that preserve electronic record assets and make them available for public discovery. The Commission encourages collaborative projects that bring together multiple parties to plan for and carry out project goals and outcomes. Deadline is October 8, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/electronic.html**

Program:	**Digital Dissemination of Archival Collections**
Description:	The National Historical Publications and Records Commission desires to make historical records of national significance to the United States broadly available by disseminating digital surrogates on the Internet. Projects may focus on the papers of major figures from American life or cover broad historical movements in

politics, military, business, social reform, the arts, and other aspects of the national experience. The historical value of the records and their expected usefulness to broad audiences must justify the costs of the project. The Commission will not consider proposals that charge for access. Deadline is October 8, 2015.

Website: **http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/digital.html**

Program: **Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions**
Description: The goal of this program is to provide access to, and editorial context for, the historical documents and records that tell the American story. Deadline is October 8, 2015.
Website: **http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/editions.html**

National Endowment for the Arts

Program: **NEA Arts Education Partnership (AEP) Program Solicitation, FY2015**
Description: This Cooperative Agreement will begin no earlier than December 15, 2015, and end on September 30, 2016. The purpose of this Program Solicitation is to select an organization (Cooperator) to administer the Arts Education Partnership (AEP), a national coalition of more than 100 organizations representing the arts and education fields as well as the government and private sectors. Deadline is August 4, 2015.
Website: **http://arts.gov/program-solicitation-arts-education-partnership**

Program: **NEA Our Town, FY2016**
Description: The Our Town grant program supports creative placemaking projects that help to transform communities into lively, beautiful, and resilient places with the arts at their core. Creative placemaking is when artists, arts organizations, and community development practitioners deliberately integrate arts and culture into community revitalization work - placing arts at the table with land-use, transportation, economic development, education, housing, infrastructure, and public safety strategies. Deadline is September 21, 2015.
Website: **http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town**

Program: **NEA Our Town Technical Assistance Program**
Description: The purpose of this Program Solicitation is to select an organization (Cooperator) to implement the Our Town Technical Assistance Pilot Program activities as described below. In brief, the Cooperator will: • Plan, coordinate, and implement a technical assistance program serving select Our Town grantees that will both assist these organizations in effectively executing their creative placemaking activities and educate the Arts Endowment in its understanding of the creative placemaking field. Projects must include these components: 1. Short-term, targeted technical assistance consultancies with selected organizations. 2. A barriers analysis across the selected organizations to identify impediments to successful creative placemaking. 3. Development and dissemination of project resource materials for participating organizations as well as other practitioners and general audiences. • Present recommendations on the desirability and viability of a future technical assistance program for all Our Town grantees, including a cost analysis that ramps up from 50 to 200 grantees throughout the country. Deadline is July 21, 2015.
Website: **http://arts.gov/program-solicitation-our-town-technical-assistance-program**

Program: **NEA GAP FY2016 Art Works II Applications**

Description: An organization may submit only one application through one of the following FY 2016 categories: Art Works or Challenge America. The Arts Endowment's support of the project may start on or after June 1, 2016. Generally, a period of performance of up to two years is allowed. 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 23, 2015.

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

Program: Art Works
Description: To support the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, public engagement with diverse and excellent art, lifelong learning in the arts, and the strengthening of communities through the arts. Matching grants generally range from $10,000 to $100,000.

Deadline: July 23, 2015
Notification: April 2016
Earliest Start Date: June 1, 2016

Website: http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/art-works/grant-program-description

National Endowment for the Humanities

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. Deadline is August 24, 2015.

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

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. Deadline is July 21, 2015.

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

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Program: Humanities in the Public Square

Description: The Common Good initiative envisions humanities scholars and organizations turning their attention and expertise to topics that have widespread resonance with the American people and that lend themselves to humanistic methods and concerns. Organizations are encouraged to think creatively about what discussion topics would be meaningful to their community. Deadline is June 24, 2015.

Website: http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/humanities-in-the-public-square

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Program: Museums, Libraries, and Cultural Organizations: *Planning* Grants

Description: Museums, Libraries, and Cultural Organizations grants provide support for museums, libraries, historic places, and other organizations that produce public programs in the humanities. Deadline is August 12, 2015.

Planning grants support the following formats:

- **exhibitions at museums, libraries, and other venues;**

- **interpretations of historic places, sites, or regions; and**

- **book/film discussion programs; living history presentations; and other face-to-face programs at libraries, community centers, and other public venues.**

Website: http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/museums-libraries-and-cultural-organizations-planning-grants

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Program: Museums, Libraries, and Cultural Organizations: *Implementation* Grants

Description: Museums, Libraries, and Cultural Organizations grants provide support for museums, libraries, historic places, and other organizations that produce public programs in the humanities. Deadline is August 12, 2015.

Implementation grants support the following formats:

- **exhibitions at museums, libraries, and other venues;**

- **interpretations of historic places, sites, or regions;**

- **book/film discussion programs; living history presentations; other face-to-face programs at libraries, community centers, and other public venues; and**

- **interpretive websites, mobile applications, games, and other digital formats.**

Implementation grants support final scholarly research and consultation, design development, production, and installation of a project for presentation to the public.

Website:	**http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/museums-libraries-and-cultural-organizations-implementation-grants**

Program:	**Common Heritage**
Description:	The Common Heritage program aims to capture this vitally important part of our country's heritage and preserve it for future generations. Common Heritage will support both the digitization of cultural heritage materials and the organization of public programming at community events that explore these materials as a window on a community's history and culture. Deadline is June 25, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/common-heritage**

Program:	**Humanities Initiatives**
Description:	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. Deadline is June 25, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.neh.gov/grants/humanities-initiatives**

Program:	**Humanities Initiatives at Historically Black Colleges and Universities**
Description:	NEH Humanities Initiatives are intended to strengthen and enrich humanities education and scholarship at Historically Black Colleges and Universities. These grants may be used to enhance the humanities content of existing programs, develop new programs, or lay the foundation for more extensive endeavors in the future. Each project must be organized around a core topic or set of themes. Deadline is June 25, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.neh.gov/grants/education/humanities-initiatives-historically-black-colleges-and-universities**

Program:	**Enduring Questions**

Description: The NEH Enduring Questions grant program supports faculty members in the preparation of a new course on a fundamental concern of human life as addressed by the humanities. This question-driven course would encourage undergraduates and teachers to join together in a deep and sustained program of reading in order to encounter influential ideas, works, and thinkers over the centuries. Deadline is September 10, 2015.

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

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Program: Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants

Description: The Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants program awards relatively small grants to support the planning stages of innovative projects that promise to benefit the humanities.

Proposals should be for the planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in any

area of the humanities. Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants may involve

- research that brings new approaches or documents best practices in the study of the digital humanities;

- planning and developing prototypes of new digital tools for preserving, analyzing, and making accessible digital resources, including libraries' and museums' digital assets;

- scholarship that focuses on the history, criticism, and philosophy of digital culture and its impact on society;

- scholarship or studies that examine the philosophical or practical implications and impact of the use of emerging technologies in specific fields or disciplines of the humanities, or in interdisciplinary collaborations involving several fields or disciplines;

- innovative uses of technology for public programming and education incorporating both traditional and new media; and

- new digital modes of publication that facilitate the dissemination of humanities scholarship in advanced academic as well as informal or formal educational settings at all academic levels.

Deadline is September 16, 2015.

Website: http://www.neh.gov/grants/odh/digital-humanities-start-grants

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National Science Foundation

Program: Collections in Support of Biological Research

Description: The Collections in Support of Biological Research (CSBR) Program provides funds: 1) for improvements to secure and organize collections that are significant to the NSF BIO-funded research community; 2) to secure collections-related data for sustained, accurate, and efficient accessibility to the biological research community; and 3) to transfer ownership of collections. The CSBR program provides for enhancements that secure and improve existing collections, improves

the accessibility of digitized specimen-related data, and develop better methods for specimen curation and collection management. Requests should demonstrate a clear and urgent need to secure the collection, and the proposed activities should address that need. Biological collections supported include established living stock/culture collections, vouchered non-living natural history collections, and jointly-curated ancillary collections such as preserved tissues and DNA libraries. Deadline is September 10, 2015.

Website:	http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf15577

Program:	Computer and Network Systems (CNS): Core Programs
Description:	CISE & Division of Computer and Network Systems (CNS) supports research and education projects that develop new knowledge in two core programs: Computer Systems Research (CSR) program; and Networking Technology and Systems (NeTS) program. Proposers are invited to submit proposals in three project classes, which are defined as follows: Small Projects - up to $500,000 total budget with durations up to three years; Medium Projects - $500,001 to $1,200,000 total budget with durations up to four years; and Large Projects - $1,200,001 to $3,000,000 total budget with durations up to five years. A more complete description of the three project classes can be found in section II. Deadline is September 24, 2015.
Website:	http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf15572

Program:	Environmental Sustainability
Description:	The Environmental Sustainability program supports research that would affect more than one chemical or manufacturing process or that takes a systems or holistic approach to green engineering for infrastructure or green buildings. Improvements in distribution and collection systems that will advance smart growth strategies and ameliorate effects of growth are research areas that are supported by Environmental Sustainability. Deadline is October 20, 2015.
Website:	http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=501027

Program:	Information and Intelligent Systems (IIS): Core Programs
Description:	CISE & Division of Information and Intelligent Systems (IIS) supports research and education projects that develop new knowledge in three core programs: The Cyber-Human Systems (CHS) program; The Information Integration and Informatics (III) program; and The Robust Intelligence (RI) program. Proposals in the area of computer graphics and visualization may be submitted to any of the three core programs described above. Proposers are invited to submit proposals in three project classes, which are defined as follows: Small Projects - up to $500,000 total budget with durations up to three years; Medium Projects - $500,001 to $1,200,000 total budget with durations up to four years; and Large Projects - $1,200,001 to $3,000,000 total budget with durations up to five years. A more complete description of the three project classes can be found in section II. Deadline is September 24, 2015.
Website:	http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf15574

Program:	Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) Research Initiation Initiative
Description:	With the goal of encouraging research independence immediately upon obtaining one's first academic position after receipt of the PhD, the Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) will award grants to initiate the course of one's independent research. Understanding the critical role of establishing

that independence early in one's career, it is expected that funds will be used to support untenured faculty or research scientists (or equivalent) in their first two years in a primary academic position after the PhD, but not more than a total of five years after completion of their PhD. Deadline is September 30, 2015.

Website: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf15569

Program:	**Historically Black Colleges and Universities - Undergraduate Program**
Description:	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. Deadline is October 7, 2015.
Website:	http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf15552

Small Business Administration

Program:	**Office of Small Business Development Centers**
Description:	The purpose of this Program Announcement is to invite proposals for funding from entities that are current recipients of an SBA Small Business Development Center (SBDC) award. Only applications that are submitted by SBDC Lead Centers will be considered for funding. For-profit businesses are not eligible for this award. Deadline is July 30, 2015.
Website:	http://www.sba.gov/about-offices-content/1/700/resources/13279

U.S. Department of Agriculture

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 27, 2015.
Website:	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-cooperative-development-grant-program

Program:	**Rural Community Development Initiative**
Description:	Qualified private, nonprofit and public including tribal intermediary organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs will be eligible to receive the funding. The Intermediary will be required to provide matching funds in an amount at least equal to the RCDI grant. The respective minimum and maximum grant amount per Intermediary is $50,000 and $250,000. The Intermediary must provide a program of financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development that will support the community. Deadline is August 13, 2015.
Website:	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-15/pdf/2015-11741.pdf

Program:	**Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program**
Description:	Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program. Deadline is July 6, 2015.
Website:	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants

Program:	**Socially Disadvantaged Groups Grant**
Description:	The Rural Business-Cooperative Service announces the availability of $3,000,000 in competitive grant funds for the FY 2015 Socially-Disadvantaged Groups Grant (SDGG) program, formerly known as the Small Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant program, as authorized by the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113–235). We are requesting proposals from applicants who will provide technical assistance to socially-disadvantaged groups in rural areas. The Agency is encouraging applications that direct grants to projects based in or serving census tracts with poverty rates greater than or equal to 20 percent. This emphasis will support Rural Development's (RD) mission of improving the quality of life for rural Americans and commitment to directing resources to those who most need them. Eligible applicants include Cooperatives, Groups of Cooperatives, and Cooperative Development Centers. Deadline is July 14, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-20/pdf/2015-12225.pdf**

Program:	**Rural Housing Preservation Grants**
Description:	The HPG program is a grant program which provides qualified public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, which may include but not be limited to Faith-Based and Community Organizations, and other eligible entities grant funds to assist very low- and low-income homeowners in repairing and rehabilitating their homes in rural areas. In addition, the HPG program assists rental property owners and cooperative housing complexes in repairing and rehabilitating their units if they agree to make such units available to low- and very low-income persons. Deadline is July 6, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/housing-preservation-grants**

Program:	**Capacity Building Grants for Non-Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture (NLGCA) Program**
Description:	NLGCA Institutions may use the funds: (a) to successfully compete for funds from Federal grants and other sources to carry out educational, research, and outreach activities that address priority concerns of national, regional, State, and local interest; (b) to disseminate information relating to priority concerns to interested members of the agriculture, renewable resources, and other relevant communities, the public, and any other interested entity; (c) to encourage members of the agriculture, renewable resources, and other relevant communities to participate in priority education, research, and outreach activities by providing matching funding to leverage grant funds; and (d) through: (1) the purchase or other acquisition of equipment and other infrastructure (not including alteration, repair, renovation, or construction of buildings); (2) the professional growth and development of the faculty of the NLGCA Institution; and (3) the development of graduate assistantships. Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	**http://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/capacity-building-grants-non-land-grant-colleges-agriculture-program-nlgca**

Program:	**National Training, Education, Extension, Outreach, and Technical Assistance Competitive Grants Program: Regional Center Grants to Enhance Food Safety**
Description:	This program is designed to develop and implement a comprehensive food safety training, education and technical assistance program for those affected by the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). The intention of this program is to begin

building an infrastructure that will support a national food safety training, education, extension, outreach, and technical assistance system and provide significant opportunities for funding through subcontracts and for partnerships with eligible stakeholder groups, including community-based and non-governmental organizations. Deadline is June 29, 2015.

Website: http://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/national-training-education-extension-outreach-and-technical-assistance

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Program: **Value Added Producer Grant**

Description: This Notice announces that the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (Agency) is accepting fiscal year (FY) 2015 applications for the Value-Added Producer Grant (VAPG) program. Approximately $30 million in funding is available to help agricultural producers enter into value-added activities for FY 2015. Deadline is July 2, 2015.

Website: https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/05/08/2015-10440/inviting-applications-for-value-added-producer-grants#h-4

Program: **Specialty Crop Research Initiative**

Description: The Specialty Crop Research Initiative (SCRI) Citrus Disease Research and Extension Program (CDRE) is authorized in the Agricultural Act of 2014 (H.R. 2642) to award grants to eligible entities to conduct research and extension activities, technical assistance and development activities to: (a) combat citrus diseases and pests, both domestic and invasive and including huanglongbing and the Asian citrus psyllid, which pose imminent harm to United States citrus production and threaten the future viability of the citrus industry; and (b) provide support for the dissemination and commercialization of relevant information, techniques, and technologies discovered pursuant to research and extension activities funded through SCRI/CDRE and other research and extension projects targeting problems caused by citrus production diseases and invasive pests. **Deadlines:** Complete, pre-applications must be received by 5:00 pm Eastern Time on June 1, 2015. Complete, invited full applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on August 14, 2015

Website: http://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/specialty-crop-research-initiativecitrus-disease-research-and-extension-scricdre

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Program: **Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Loan Guarantees Under Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program (GRRHP) for Fiscal Year 2014**

Description: Eligible lenders are invited to submit responses for new construction and acquisition with rehabilitation of affordable rural rental housing. Deadline: Eligible responses to this Notice will be accepted until December 31, 2015, 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Selected responses that develop into complete applications and meet all Federal eligibility requirements prior to September 30, 2014 will receive conditional commitments until all FY 2014 funds are expended.

Website: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-05-21/pdf/2014-11733.pdf

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U.S. Department of Defense

Program: **Community Partners in Suicide Prevention**

Description:	The intent of the Community Partners in Suicide Prevention Outreach and Education (CPSPOE) is to address Section 706 by supporting outreach and education to such members, their families and caregivers, and the public about suicide prevention, mental health and substance use disorders and traumatic brain injury that relate to research on the causes, development, and innovative treatment of mental health, substance use disorders, TBI, and suicide prevention in members of the National Guard and Reserves, their family members, and their caregivers. Deadline is July 17, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppId=276646**

U.S. Department of Education

Program:	**The Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE): National Center for Information and Technical Support for Postsecondary Students with Disabilities CFDA Number 84.116D**
Description:	The purpose of this program is to support a National Center for Information and Technical Support for Postsecondary Students with Disabilities (the Center) to provide technical assistance and information on best and promising practices for students with disabilities as they transition to or attend postsecondary education. Deadline is August 3, 2015
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-19/pdf/2015-15191.pdf**

Program:	**The Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Charter Schools Program (CSP): Grants for Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools CFDA Number 84.282M**
Description:	The purpose of the CSP is to increase national understanding of the charter school model by expanding the number of high-quality charter schools available to students across the Nation; providing financial assistance for the planning, program design, and initial implementation of charter schools; and evaluating the effects of charter schools, including their effects on students, student academic achievement, staff, and parents. Deadline is July 16, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-12/pdf/2015-14386.pdf**

Program:	**Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Investing in Innovation (I3) Fund: VALIDATION GRANTS CFDA Number 84.411B**
Description:	Purpose of Program: The Investing in Innovation Fund (i3), established under section 14007 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), provides funding to support (1) local educational agencies (LEAs), and (2) nonprofit organizations in partnership with (a) one or more LEAs or (b) a consortium of schools. Deadline is August 4, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-05/pdf/2015-13672.pdf**

Program:	**Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Skills for Success Program CFDA Number 84.215H**
Description:	The Skills for Success Program supports Local Educational Agencies \1\ (LEAs) and their partners in implementing, evaluating, and refining tools and approaches for developing the non-cognitive skills of middle-grades students in order to increase student success. Grants provide funding for the implementation, evaluation, and refinement of existing tools and approaches (e.g., digital games, growth mindset classroom activities, experiential learning opportunities) that integrate the development of students' non- cognitive skills into classroom-level

activities and existing strategies designed to improve schools. As grantees implement their projects, we expect them to collect, analyze, and use data to improve their tools and strategies throughout the project period. Ultimately, we expect grantees to identify and validate scalable tools and approaches that can be used by educators of high-need middle-grades students across the country. In addition, we expect that these grants will help build the capacity of LEAs and their partners to conduct research and apply that research to school- and district-level practices. This program also encourages sustainable partnerships that can continue the use of effective tools and approaches beyond the grant period. Deadline is July 29, 2015

Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-09/pdf/2015-14081.pdf**

Program:	**Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Investing in Innovation (I3) Fund: SCALE-UP GRANTS CFDA Number 84.411A**
Description:	Purpose of Program: The Investing in Innovation Fund (i3), established under section 14007 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), provides funding to support (1) local educational agencies (LEAs), and (2) nonprofit organizations in partnership with (a) one or more LEAs or (b) a consortium of schools. Deadline is August 4, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-05/pdf/2015-13673.pdf**

Program:	**Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive Grant Program CFDA Number 382A**
Description:	The purpose of the PBI Program is to strengthen Predominantly Black Institutions (PBIs) to carry out programs in the following areas: science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM); health education; internationalization or globalization; teacher preparation; or improving educational outcomes of African-American males. Deadline is July 2, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-18/pdf/2015-11986.pdf**

Program:	**Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE): First in The World (FITW) Program: DEVELOPMENT Grants CFDA Number 84.116F**
Description:	Purpose of Program: The FITW program is designed to support the development, replication, and dissemination of innovative solutions and evidence for what works in addressing persistent and widespread challenges in postsecondary education for students who are at risk for not persisting in and completing postsecondary programs, including, but not limited to, adult learners, working students, part-time students, students from low-income backgrounds, students of color, students with disabilities, and first-generation students. Deadline is June 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-11/pdf/2015-11336.pdf**

Program:	**Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE): First in The World (FITW) Program: VALIDATION Grants CFDA Number 84.116X**
Description:	Purpose of Program: The FITW program is designed to support the development, replication, and dissemination of innovative solutions and evidence for what works in addressing persistent and widespread challenges in postsecondary education for students who are at risk for not persisting in and completing postsecondary programs, including, but not limited to, adult learners, working students, part-time students, students from low-income backgrounds, students of color, students with disabilities, and first-generation students. Deadline is June 30, 2015.

Website:	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-11/pdf/2015-11337.pdf

Program:	HHS/ACL/NIDILRR: Employer Practices Leading to Successful Employment Outcomes for Individuals with Disabilities CFDA Number 84.133B-1
Description:	Purpose of Program: 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. Deadline is June 19, 2015.
Website:	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-04-20/pdf/2015-09032.pdf

Program:	Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OES): Impact Aid Discretionary Construction Grant Program CFDA Number 84.041C
Description:	Purpose of Program: The Impact Aid Discretionary Construction Grant program provides grants for emergency repairs and modernization of school facilities to certain local educational agencies (LEAs) that receive Impact Aid formula funds. Jun 30, 2015 Applications Available: April 13, 2015. Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: June 30, 2015.
Website:	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-04-13/pdf/2015-08376.pdf

U.S. Department of Energy

Program:	Notice of Intent to Issue Funding Opportunity Announcement DE-FOA-0001167 Buildings University Innovators and Leaders Development (BUILD) - 2015
Description:	The BUILD FOA will have the following objectives: (i) Improving the competitiveness of American universities to conduct building energy-efficiency R&D (ii) Enabling American universities to develop stronger partnerships with industry (iii) Improving manufacturing education in American universities EERE envisions awarding multiple competitive financial assistance awards in the form of cooperative agreements with an estimated period of performance of approximately 2 years to USA-based university teams to research and develop innovative building energy efficiency technologies. Deadline not required.
Website:	https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Program:	Expanding Course Offerings for State and Local Regulators in the Integrated Food Safety System (U18)
Description:	The goal of this Cooperative Agreement Grant is to provide access to more training for long term improvements in the knowledge, skills, and abilities of state, local, territorial, and tribal regulators as part of an integrated food safety system (IFSS). Funds will be awarded to a national association/organization to administer and deliver training to state, local, territorial, and tribal jurisdictions for advancement of our nation's food safety. Deadline is July 29, 2015.
Website:	http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-FD-15-039.html

Program: **PPHF 2015 - Immunization - Utilization of Immunization Information Systems (IIS) for Assessment, Feedback, Incentives, and eXchange (AFIX) Assessments - financed Solely by 2015 Prevention and Public Health Funds**

Description: The purpose of AFIX is to assist and support health care personnel by identifying low immunization rates, opportunities for improving immunization delivery practices, and ensuring that providers are: 1. Aware of and knowledgeable about their immunization rates and missed opportunities to vaccinate 2. Motivated to incorporate changes to their current practices 3. Ready to try new immunization service strategies 4. Capable of sustaining these new behaviors. This FOA addresses the operational activities to prepare immunization programs to begin producing high quality, standardized AFIX assessments from their IIS for the purposes of provider feedback and for required reporting to CDC's AFIX Online Tool. Deadline is August 18, 2015.

Website: **http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=CDC-RFA-IP15-1505PPHF15**

Program: **Multidisciplinary Studies of HIV/AIDS and Aging (R01)**
Department of Health and Human Services

Description: This FOA invites applications proposing to study HIV infection, HIV-associated conditions, HIV treatment, and/or biobehavioral or social factors associated with HIV/AIDS in the context of aging and/or in older adults. Research approaches of interest include clinical translational, observational, and intervention studies in domestic and international settings. Deadline is September 7, 2018.

Website: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-15-280.html

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Program: **Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) Increasing Educational Support for CJD Families and the Nation**

Description: The purpose of this program is to enhance support to family members of patients with a suspected or diagnosed case of human prion disease as well as enhance support for national surveillance for CJD and its emerging variants by (1) providing family members of such patients with easy access to consultations with persons experienced and knowledgeable about practical issues related to this disease, 2) facilitating educational and other mutually beneficial interaction of researchers with family members of CJD patients (3) increasing general awareness about CJD and (4) increasing the number of autopsies of suspected CJD cases. Deadline August 14, 2015.

Website: **http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=CDC-RFA-CK15-1504**

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

Description: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing the availability of funds under this grant program to assist Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in conducting health services and health disparities research for 2015. 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 August 10, 2015.
Website:	https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54232

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/PAR-15-278.html

Program:	FDA's Education and Outreach Program Targeting School-Aged Children (U48)
Description:	The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) is announcing its intent to accept and consider a single source application for the award of a cooperative agreement to Graduate School USA in fiscal year 2015 to support educational outreach programs targeting school-aged children which promotes FDA's mission. As part of its mission to promote and protect public health, the educational program's mission is to perform outreach to school-children using FDA approved food safety and nutrition messages. This proposed cooperative agreement requires the supporting organization to provide teachers for one school year to extend CFSAN's outreach into schools. Deadline is July 2, 2015.
Website:	https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection

Program:	HHS/ACL/NIDILRR: Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers (RRTC): Outcomes Measurement for Home and Community Based Services CFDA Number 84.133B-6
Description:	Purpose of Program: 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. The Program's activities are designed to 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 authorized under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Rehabilitation Act). Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-21/pdf/2015-12311.pdf

Program:	**Planning Grants for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (Short Title: CCBHCs Planning Grants)**
Description:	The purpose of this program is to support states to certify clinics as certified community behavioral health clinics (CCBHCs), establish prospective payment systems for Medicaid reimbursable services, and prepare an application to participate in a two year demonstration program. Deadline is August 5, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-16-001**

Program:	**National Center on Early Childhood Health and Wellness**
Description:	The NCECHW will disseminate high-quality, research-informed resources and will provide training and technical assistance (T/TA) to Head Start and Early Head Start agencies, state child care agencies, and other early care and education settings across regions, states, tribes and territories. The resources and T/TA will address services to pregnant women and the health, safety and school readiness of infants, toddlers, and preschool children (from birth to age five). The NCECHW will provide resources and T/TA that promote the health and developmental potential of children and families in the United States in order to get them school ready and live healthy, productive, and happy lives. Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OHS-HC-0998**

Program:	**National Center on Early Childhood Development, Teaching and Learning**
Description:	The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Head Start (OHS) in partnership with the Office of Child Care (OCC) announces the availability of an estimated $14,000,000 to be competitively awarded for a National Center on Early Childhood Development, Teaching and Learning (the Center). The Center will disseminate high quality research informed resources and provide training and technical assistance associated with healthy development and school readiness for infants, toddlers and preschool children (birth to five) across all settings and program options. Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OHS-HC-0996**

Program:	**National Center for Early Childhood Quality Assurance**
Description:	The National Center will disseminate high-quality, research-informed/evidence-based resources and provide training and technical assistance to states, territories and tribes to support the implementation of rigorous health, safety and licensing standards. The National Center's work will include, but not be limited to, providing training and technical assistance (T/TA) to promote best practices that support the infrastructure of an Early Care and Education (ECE) quality improvement framework, including Quality Rating Improvement Systems (QRIS), that are built on the foundation of strong licensing and health and safety standards; and supporting partnerships that align quality improvement efforts across all ECE settings (child care, Head Start, and Pre-K) to move programs to a level of quality that ensures safety, healthy development and school success for all children birth to school age (through age 12). Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OCC-TA-1001**

Program:	**National Center on Parent, Family and Community Engagement**

Description:	The Center will disseminate high-quality, research-informed resources and provide training and technical assistance associated with family well-being, effective family and community engagement, and children & school readiness. The Center will help programs support pregnant women and families with children ages birth to 5 years old. Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OHS-HC-0999

Program:	**National Center on Program Management and Fiscal Operations**
Description:	The goals of the PMFO are to provide a vehicle for the dissemination of a clear, consistent message from OHS about its priorities for the development and implementation of sound management systems and strong internal controls. PMFO's work will include, but not be limited to, topics such as risk management, internal controls, governance, data collection and analysis, budgeting, and management of multiple funding sources. Deadline is July 20, 2015.
Website:	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OHS-HC-0995

Program:	**Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) Program: Learning Communities Resource Center**
Description:	The LCRC will continue to build the long-term capacity of training and technical assistance (T/TA) for CSBG by promoting and convening learning communities to improve access to validated T/TA information and resources (i.e., innovative, evidence-based, evidence-informed, field tested, exemplary, and/or promising practices). The LCRC will help State CSBG Lead Agencies, CSBG-eligible entities, the Regional Performance Innovation Consortium (RPIC), and other national partners by supporting activities and services that improve program outcomes within the CSBG Network. Deadline is July 13, 2015.
Website:	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OCS-ET-1006

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: A**pr 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

Program:	**Responsible Fatherhood Opportunities for Reentry and Mobility**

Description:	Programs should be designed to address key outcomes related to healthy relationships and marriage, parenting, economic stability and recidivism. These include, but are not limited to, improved family functioning through healthy couple relationship skill building, improved co-parenting, improved child well-being, strengthening positive father-child engagement, increased economic self-sufficiency and stability through employment opportunities and improving economic mobility. Deadline is July 7, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OFA-FO-0992**

Program:	**New Pathways for Fathers and Families**
Description:	The Responsible Fatherhood initiative is designed to help fathers establish or strengthen positive parental interaction by providing activities that develop and improve relationship, communication and parenting skills, and contribute to the financial well-being of their children by providing job training and other employment services. Responsible Fatherhood activities also help fathers improve relationships with their spouses, significant others, and/or the mothers of their children. ACF is particularly interested in organizations that have the capacity and proven record of accomplishment in helping low-income fathers, and comprehensive fatherhood programs that integrate robust economic stability services, healthy marriage and relationship activities, and activities designed to foster responsible parenting. Deadline is July 7, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OFA-FK-0993**

Program:	**Healthy Marriage and Relationship Education Grants**
Description:	Grants awarded under this Funding Opportunity Announcement will support programs that have the capacity and proven record of accomplishment in providing a broad range of marriage and relationship skills training. To address the multiple barriers faced by individuals, couples, partners, and families, programs will provide healthy marriage and relationship skills designed to change behaviors of individuals and move families towards economic self-sufficiency. Deadline is July 7, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OFA-FM-0985**

Program:	**National Center for Healthy Marriage and Relationship Education**
Description:	The cooperative agreement awarded under this Funding Opportunity Announcement will support the development, implementation, and management of a national resource center for Healthy Marriage and Relationship Education (Resource Center). The Resource Center will gather, develop and disseminate information and research related to promoting healthy marriage through a range of activities. Deadline is July 7, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OFA-FH-0990**

Program:	**Alzheimers's Disease Supportive Services Program (ADSSP): Creating and Sustaining Dementia-Capable Service Systems for People with Dementia and their Family Caregivers**
Description:	The objective of the Alzheimer’s Disease Supportive Services Program (ADSSP) is to expand the availability of dementia capable support services for

persons with Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD), their families and their caregivers. The grantees receive targeted technical assistance provided by the National Alzheimer’s and Dementia Resource Center. This goal will be acheived by: 1) enhancing the ability of state systems and programs to embed dementia-capability in their service networks; and 2) by delivering supportive services using proven evidence-based or innovative, evidence-informed models developed in the Aging Network. Deadline is July 6, 2015.

Website:	**http://www.acl.gov/Funding_Opportunities/Announcements/Index.aspx**

Program:	**Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)/Rural Community Development Program (RCD) Water and Wastewater Treatment Systems Training and Technical Assistance Project**
Description:	The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Community Services will be accepting application to award a Rural Community Development Program (RCD), Water and Wastewater Treatment Systems Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) grants to multi-state, regional, private, non-profit organizations to provide training and technical assistance to small, rural communities. These grants will provide a Regional/Tribal resource for assistance in ensuring that small communities have access to safe water and wastewater systems by either helping them develop their own systems, connecting to systems in neighboring communities, or improving their existing systems. RCD funds will be used to provide training and technical assistance to: Increase access for low-income families to water supply and waste disposal services; Preserve affordable water and waste disposal services in low-income rural communities; Increase local capacity and expertise to establish and maintain needed community facilities; Increase economic opportunities for low-income rural communities by ensuring they have basic water and sanitation; Utilize technical assistance to leverage additional public and private resources; and Promote improved coordination of Federal, state, and local agencies and financing programs to benefit low-income communities. Deadline is June 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2015-ACF-OCS-EF-0981**

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**

Program:	**Exploratory/Developmental Grants Program for Basic Cancer Research in Cancer Health Disparities (R21)**
Description:	This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages grant applications from investigators interested in conducting basic research studies into the biological/genetic causes and mechanisms of cancer health disparities. These awards will support pilot and feasibility studies designed to investigate biological/genetic bases of cancer disparities, such as (1) mechanistic studies of biological factors associated with cancer disparities, (2) the development and testing of new methodologies and models, and (3) secondary data analyses. Deadline is November 17, 2015.

Website:	**http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-15-092.html**

Program:	**Grants to Support the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program**
Description:	The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing the availability of funds under this grant program to assist researchers in conducting health services research for 2015. The purpose of the Hispanic grant program is to implement Hispanic health services research activities to meet the needs of diverse CMS beneficiary populations. 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 August 11, 2015.
Website:	**https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54231**

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Program:	**FY15 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. Deadline is August 28, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program**

Program:	**FY15 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 minimize or negate the risk of flood damage to residential or non-residential properties insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Deadline is August 28, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.fema.gov/flood-mitigation-assistance-program**

Program:	**DHS-2014-OHA-BIOWATCH**
Description:	The BioWatch Program is a cornerstone of the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) comprehensive strategy for countering biological terrorism. The BioWatch Program is an early warning system that is designed to detect the intentional release of select aerosolized biological agents. Deadline is September 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=DHS-2014-OHA-BIOWATCH**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program: **Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration (LHRD) Grant Program**

Description: This program is administered under HUD & Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) which is aligned with HUD & 2012-2015 Environmental Justice Strategy. The Environmental Justice Strategy addresses environmental and human health issues that disproportionately affect high-risk communities, such as minorities, low-income populations, children, and persons with disabilities. Deadline is June 23, 2015

Website:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

U.S. Department of Interior

Program: **FY2015 Historic Preservation Fund-State Historic Preservation Offices**

Description: To provide matching grants to States for the identification, evaluation, and protection of historic properties by such means as survey, planning technical assistance, acquisition, development, and certain Federal tax incentives available for historic properties; to provide matching grants to States to expand the National Register of Historic Places, (the Nation's listing of districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering and culture at the National, State and local levels) to assist Federal, State, and Local Government agencies, nonprofit organizations and private individuals in carrying out historic preservation activities. Deadline is August 31, 2015.

Website: http://www.nps.gov/shpo/grants.html

U.S. Department of Justice

Program: **OVC FY 15 National Joint Training Conference for VOCA Victim Assistance and Victim Compensation Administrators Competitive Solicitation**

Description: One discretionary grant of $175,000 will be awarded to plan and administer the National Joint Training Conference for VOCA Victim Assistance and Victim Compensation Administrators, to be held in 2016. This 2.5-day conference will provide training and technical assistance for Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) administrators, staff, and board members; and facilitate a forum for the presentation of state issues and practices. The conference will employ lectures, panels, workshops, and forums to explore ways to improve the delivery of crime victim services; provide an opportunity for VOCA administrators to exchange information, views, and experiences; and provide training and technical assistance on effective program operations. Deadline is July 13, 2015.

Website: http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx

Program: **NIJ FY 15 Evaluation of the Office for Victims of Crime Supporting Male Survivors of Violence Demonstration**

Description: NIJ is seeking applications for an evaluation of the Office for Victims of Crime Supporting Male Survivors of Violence Demonstration Initiative. The demonstration, undertaken with Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency

Prevention, seeks to improve the responses to male survivors of violence, particularly boys and young men of color, and their families and to dedicate technical assistance to support these efforts. Deadline is July 2, 2015.

Website:	**https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001164.pdf**

Program:	**OVC FY 15 Services for Family Members of Victims of Kidnapping and Hostage Taking and Returned Hostages**
Description:	Eligible applicants are limited to nonprofit organizations with the financial, administrative, and programmatic experience and expertise to manage a federal award to serve family members of victims of overseas kidnapping and hostage taking and returned hostages who are U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents. Applicants must demonstrate a unique capability and strong desire to reach and serve these Federal Crime victims through a national scope project. A private nonprofit organization is not required to have 501(c)(3) status to apply for grant funding under this solicitation. Deadline is July 2, 2015.
Website:	**http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx**

Program:	**BJA FY 15 Technology Innovation for Public Safety (TIPS)**
Description:	The goals of the funding program include: 1. Promoting information sharing and collaboration within and among criminal justice agencies that have a role in preventing and investigating crime. 2. Developing and enhancing policies and practices that leverage technology to promote public safety and reduce crime. 3. Supporting implementation of information-sharing solutions at the local, regional, state, tribal, and national levels that have a measureable positive impact on the crime trends identified by the applying jurisdiction. 4. Improving the quantity and quality of evidence-based justice information-sharing programs. Deadline is July 2, 2015.
Website:	**https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15TIPSsol.pdf**

Program:	**OJJDP FY 2015 Second Chance Act Strengthening Families and Children of Incarcerated Parents**
Description:	This program will promote and expand services to children who have a parent who is incarcerated in a Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) correctional facility. Program activities include mentoring and comprehensive services that facilitate healthy and positive relationships between incarcerated individuals, their children, and caregivers. This program will implement positive developmental activities to address issues the child and the family may face, strategies to increase and enhance communication between child and parent, and transitional reentry services for parents who are released during the program. Deadline is June 29, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2015/SCACOIP.pdf**

Program:	**BJA FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Local Solicitation**
Description:	The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (42 U.S.C. § 3751(a)) is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. The JAG Program provides states and units of local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas including law enforcement, prosecution and court programs, prevention and education programs, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, crime victim and witness initiatives, and planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs. Deadline is June 26, 2015.
Website:	**https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15JAGLocalSol.pdf**

Program: **OJJDP FY 2015 Mentoring for Youth: Underserved Populations**

Description: OJJDP is committed to promoting quality mentoring services and expanding the reach to as many youth across the nation as possible, including the underserved populations identified above. OJJDP defines underserved youth as those who demonstrate need but have not participated in consistently high-quality mentoring services due to location; shortage of qualified mentors; special physical or mental challenges; being lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning; or other analogous situations that the community identifies. Deadline is June 23, 2015.

Website:

http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2015/FAQ/MentoringUnderserved.pdf.

Website:

http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2015/MentoringOpportunities.pdf

U.S. Department of Labor

Program: **Workforce Innovation Fund Limited Competition Opportunity**

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will use approximately $34 million in Workforce Innovation Fund (WIF) grants to promote system reforms and innovations that facilitate cooperation across programs to improve employment outcomes, cost effectiveness, and delivery of customer-centered services to job seekers, youth and employers. Awarded grants will focus on Job-Driven system alignment and implementation of a fully integrated workforce development system. Deadline is July 23, 2015.

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=FOA-ETA-15-10

U.S. Department of State

Program: **FY 2016 MediaMakers Studio**

Description: This program, like other ECA film program models, seeks to elevate influential voices that are building resilient civil societies by using film, television and new media to address critical local issues including, but not limited to, human rights, pluralism, women's empowerment, and tolerance. The MediaMakers Studio will connect approximately 12-18 talented film and video professionals from approximately four to six countries with mentors in the U.S. entertainment industry, who will help facilitate behind-the-scenes access, bolster participants' technical skills and creative content development, and build the foundations for lasting professional networks. This program will focus on film projects in development and match participant areas of interest with mentor expertise. This program will focus on film projects in development and match participant areas of interest with mentor expertise. Fellows will travel to Los Angeles, California to work on projects with a team of American mentors and receive state-of-the-art-training and industry access to support conceptual development of independent, authentic and compelling content for distribution in their home countries. Deadline is July 15, 2015.

Website:

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54177

U.S. Department of Transportation

Program:	**Small Community Air Service Development Program**
Description:	The program is designed to provide financial assistance to small communities in order to help them enhance their air service. The Department provides this assistance in the form of monetary grants that are disbursed on a reimbursable basis. Deadline is July 22, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.transportation.gov/policy/aviation-policy/small-community-rural-air-service/SCASDP**

Program:	**FY15 Transportation Emergency Response Training**
Description:	Training for emergency responders, emergency medical technicians, police/fire personnel, etc. of tank car nomenclature, railroad operations and other related matters useful to mitigate railroad emergencies. Deadline is June 26, 2015
Website:	**https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54249**

Program:	**FY 2016 High Priority Notice of Funding Availability**
Description:	Support commercial motor vehicle (CMV) safety programs that: -Carry out high priority activities and projects that improve CMV safety; -Increase compliance with CMV safety regulations; -Increase public awareness about CMV safety; -Provide education on CMV safety and related issues; -Demonstrate new safety related technologies; and -Reduce the number and rate of crashes involving CMVs. Deadline is August 31, 2015.
Website:	**https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54279**

Program:	**FY2016 Border Enforcement Grant Notice of Funding Availability**
Description:	The Border Enforcement Grant program is a Federal discretionary grant program focused on reducing crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles (CMV) by ensuring that motor carriers and drivers operating in international commerce are in compliance with U.S. CMV safety standards and regulations, financial responsibility regulations, registration requirements, and that the drivers of those vehicles are qualified and properly licensed to operate a CMV in the United States. Deadline is August 10, 2015.
Website:	**https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54277**

Program:	**FY 2016 New Entrant Notice Of Funding Availability**
Description:	The New Entrant grant program is a Federal discretionary grant program that provides financial assistance to reduce the number and severity of crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles by reviewing new interstate motor carriers to ensure that they have effective safety management programs. Deadline is August 24, 2015.
Website:	**https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54257**

Program:	**FY 2016 New Entrant Notice Of Funding Availability**
Description:	The New Entrant grant program is a Federal discretionary grant program that provides financial assistance to reduce the number and severity of crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles by reviewing new interstate

motor carriers to ensure that they have effective safety management programs. Deadline is August 24, 2015.

Website:	**https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=54257**

Program:	**FY 2016 MCSAP Basic/Incentive Notice of Funding Availability**
Description:	The MCSAP Basic and Incentive grant program is a Federal formula grant program that provides financial assistance to reduce the number and severity of crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles. Deadline is August 3, 2015.
Website:	http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/mission/field-offices

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, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/grants/**

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

Program:	**National Art Education Foundation Seeks Applications for Art Educator Grants**
Description:	Through its 2015 grants cycle, the National Art Education Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the National Art Education Association, is accepting applications from NAEF members from programs that support classroom-based art education. Deadline is October 1, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.arteducators.org/grants/national-art-education-foundation**

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. 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. Preference will be given to organizations that provide direct service to individuals, participation opportunities for children and youth age 18 and under, and demonstrate tangible results. Deadline is September 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.finishline.com/store/youthfoundation/guidelines.jsp**

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/**

Program:	**NCTM Accepting Applications for Emerging Teacher-Leaders Grants**
Description:	The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics supports the development of teachers to ensure equitable mathematics learning of the highest quality for all students.
	To that end, NCTM is accepting applications for its Emerging Teacher-Leaders in Elementary School Mathematics Grants program, which aims to increase the breadth and depth of the mathematics content knowledge of –pre-K-5 school teachers who have a demonstrated commitment to mathematics teaching and learning. Deadline is November 6, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.nctm.org/Grants-and-Awards/grants/Emerging-Teacher-Leaders-in-Elementary-School-Mathematics-Grants/**

Program:	**NCTM Accepting Applications for Projects Connecting Mathematics to Other 9-12 Grade Subject Areas**
Description:	The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics supports teachers with the goal of ensuring equitable mathematics learning of the highest quality for all students.
	To that end, NCTM is accepting applications for its Connecting Mathematics to Other Subject Areas Grants for Grades 9-12 Teachers program, which supports senior high classroom materials or lessons that connect mathematics to other fields.
	For 2015-16, grants of up to $4,000 will be awarded to individuals currently teaching mathematics in grades 9-12. Materials may be in the form of books, visual displays, computer programs or displays, slide shows, videotapes, or another appropriate medium. Deadline is November 6, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.nctm.org/resources/content.aspx?id=1328**

Program:	**Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation Seeks Applications for Environmental Studies Grants**

Description: To that end, the foundation's grant program is designed to empower and encourage students to become involved in solving environmental and social problems; promote thoughtful and appropriate analysis and understanding of the natural world; and to train students as informed decision makers through the emphasis and application of basic ecological principles.

Grants of up to $1,500 will be awarded to support environmental curricula that show a holistic approach; strive to synthesize multiple levels of learning (facts, concepts, principles); include experiential integrated learning and problem solving; and are founded on basic scientific principles, including hypothesis testing and experimental design. Deadline is September 13, 2015.

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

Program: **Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health Seeks Applications for Group Therapy Research Projects**

Description: The Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health is dedicated to changing lives through therapeutic group work by advancing the most effective and innovative approaches to group therapy education, training, research, and community outreach. To that end, the foundation is seeking research-focused applications for group psychotherapy research focused on one of five clinical populations: children, the elderly, the chronic mentally ill, substance abusers, and/or significantly ill patients with marked functional impairment.

Grants of up to $15,000 will be awarded based on the importance of the research to the field, the seniority of the investigators, and the number of research applications received. Deadline is November 1, 2015.

Website: http://www.agpa.org/Foundation/research-grants

Program: **Women's Sports Foundation Issues RFP for Women in the Winner's Circle Project Podium Grants**

Description: The overarching goal of the program is to provide direct financial assistance in the form of matching grants to women in racing to help further their professional careers in all forms of racing, including go kart, quarter midget, drag racing, sports car racing, and oval track racing. To that end, grants are awarded to young women in racing who have achieved success in competition, have the potential to achieve even higher levels of performance, and have the ability to generate sponsorship dollars. The 2016 application window is from August 1, 2015, through September 30, 2015. Applicants will be notified by November 30, 2015, and grants will be awarded in the first quarter of 2016.

Website:

   http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/sitecore/content/home/programs/grants/project-podium-grant.aspx

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

Description: The Food and Farm Communications Fund was established in 2012 to help educate the public about the sustainable food and agriculture field. In 2013, the fund

awarded grants totaling $349,000 in support of efforts to help the media better understand and report on the sustainable food movement; media and advertising training for farmers; and the creation of related television, online news, and documentary programming.

The current funding cycle — a collaboration between the Grace Communications Foundation, the 11th Hour Project, and the McKnight Foundation — will support projects to expand the communications capacity of sustainable food and agriculture education and public policy organizations.

Grants of up to $100,000 will be awarded for specifically targeted media/communications efforts, projects that aim to remove the "roadblocks" to better communications aimed at affecting consumers and public opinion, and/or media and communications campaigns that address specific public policy issues. Deadline is July 1, 2015.

Website:	**http://www.foodandfarmcommunications.org/index.html**
Program:	**Lung Cancer Research Foundation Invites Applications for Research Projects**
Description:	The Lung Cancer Research Foundation's mission is to improve and save lives by funding groundbreaking research on the prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and cure of lung cancer.To that end, the foundation encourages applications for projects that investigate a wide variety of lung cancer research topics from institutions of all sizes — both nationally and internationally. One-year grants of up to $75,000 will be awarded to projects focused on basic science, translational research, clinical research, supportive care, and/or quality of care/outcomes. Deadline is July 1, 2015 for letter of intent.
Website:	http://www.foodandfarmcommunications.org/index.html
Program:	**Social Science Research Council Accepting Applications for Abe Fellowship for Journalists**
Description:	The Social Science Research Council and the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership have announced that applications are now open for the Abe Fellowship for Journalists, which is designed to encourage in-depth coverage of topics of pressing concern to the United States and Japan through individual short-term policy-related projects. Deadline is September 15, 2015.
Website:	http://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/abe-fellowship-for-journalists/
Program:	**2016 Young Artists Prize**
Description:	The National YoungArts Foundation provides emerging artists (ages 15-18 or grades 10-12) with opportunities to work with renowned mentors, access to significant scholarships, national recognition, and other opportunities to help ensure that the nation's most outstanding young artists are encouraged to pursue a career in the arts. Deadline is October 16, 2015.
Website:	http://www.youngarts.org/apply
Program:	**OSI Seeks Applications for Southeast Resilient Landscapes Projects**

Descriptions: The Open Space Institute, with support from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations for its Southeast Resilient Landscapes Fund, which provides capital grants and loans for land protection projects within three selected regions of the Southeast. These regions include the Southern Cumberlands in Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee; the Southern Blue Ridge in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee; and the Greater Pee Dee River in South Carolina and North Carolina.Grants may be used to acquire permanent conservation easements and fee interest in land. In exceptional cases, grants may be applied to cover transactional costs, including cost of appraisals, surveys, title, and environmental assessments. The fund may also provide short-term, low-interest loans for projects that require bridge financing and that meet the grant criteria. Grant funds cannot be used for endowments, stewardship costs, baseline documentation reports, staff time, buildings, or other non-capital project expenses. Deadline is July 21, 2015.

Website:

http://www.osiny.org/site/PageServer?pagename=Issues_Habitat_SE_Resilient_Grants

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Program: U.S. Soccer Foundation Invites Letters of Interest for Safe Places to Play Grants

Description: Since 1995, the U.S. Soccer Foundation has awarded grants to more than six hundred organizations in the United States for projects designed to keep children in underserved communities active, healthy, and safe. Urban areas often lack available space for children to play outside. In order to provide an opportunity for all children to play soccer, the foundation has taken on the task of providing children across the nation with places to play.

The foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry for its Safe Places to Play program, which provides grants to organizations to help them build or enhance a field space in their communities. Grants of up to $50,000 will be awarded for the installation of field surfaces, lighting, and irrigation for field space in urban settings. All work must be done by one of the foundation's four corporate partners — Hellas Construction, Musco Lighting, Hunter Industries, or Sport Court. Applicants must request a quote from the appropriate corporate partner no later than September 4, 2015. To be eligible, an applicant must apply on behalf of a program or project operating in the U.S., and must be a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, school, municipality, college or university, or sovereign tribal nation. LOIs must be received no later than September 25, 2015. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit full applications by October 2, 2015.

Website: http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/our-grants/

Program: P. Buckley Moss Foundation Accepting Applications for Arts-Integrated Education Programs

Description: The mission of the P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education is to promote the integration of the arts into all educational programs, with a special

focus on children who learn in different ways. The Moss Foundation was created and initially funded in 1995 by the P. Buckley Moss Society, an organization of more than fifteen thousand members worldwide. The society's local chapters use creative fundraisers to support charitable projects within their communities.

The foundation is accepting grant applications from educators who need financial assistance to maintain or implement arts education programs in their schools. Grants of up to $1,000 will be awarded in support of new or evolving programs that integrate the arts into educational programming. The purpose of the grant program is to assist teachers who wish to establish an effective learning tool using the arts in teaching children who learn differently. Deadline is September 30, 2015.

Website:	**http://mossfoundation.org/teacher-art-grants**
Program:	**IEEE Foundation Invites Applications for Technology Education Projects**
Description:	The IEEE Foundation cultivates resources and relationships to foster technological innovation and excellence that benefits humanity. The foundation relies on donations to bring the excitement of scientific discovery to students, foster technological innovation, preserve history, and promote awareness of the long-reaching effects of engineering and its impact on humanity. For 2015, the foundation will invest approximately $400,000 to increase the understanding of technology and its critical role in meeting global challenges and improving the human condition. Deadline is August 1, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.ieeefoundation.org/Grants**
Program:	**YoungArts Foundation Invites Applications for 2016 Young Artists Prize**
Description:	The National YoungArts Foundation provides emerging artists (ages 15-18 or grades 10-12) with opportunities to work with renowned mentors, access to significant scholarships, national recognition, and other opportunities to help ensure that the nation's most outstanding young artists are encouraged to pursue a career in the arts. To that end, YoungArts is accepting applications for its 2016 cycle. Support is offered in ten artistic disciplines: cinematic arts, dance, design, jazz, music, photography, theater, visual arts, voice, and writing. Deadline is October 16, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.youngarts.org/apply**
Program:	**Grammy Foundation Accepting LOIs for Music Research and Preservation Projects**
Description:	Funded by the Recording Academy, the Grammy Foundation's grant program provides support for music archiving and preservation efforts and for scientific research projects related to the impact of music on the human condition.

The scientific research projects grant program provides awards of up to $20,000 to organizations and individuals working to research the impact of music on the human condition. Examples include the study of the effects of music on mood, cognition, and healing; the medical and occupational well-being of music professionals; and the creative process underlying music. Priority will be given to projects with strong methodological design as well those designed to address an important research question.

Deadline is October 1, 2015.

Website:	**http://www.grammy.org/grammy-foundation/grants**

Program:	**William H. Johnson Foundation Invites Applications From African-American Artists for 2015 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 2015 William H. Johnson Prize. **Deadline is September 18, 2015.**

Website:	**http://www.whjohnsongrant.org/grants.html**

Program:	**El-Hibri Foundation Invites LOIs for Inter-Religious Cooperation Projects**
Description:	The El-Hibri Foundation envisions a world in which respect for human dignity, equality and appreciation of diversity are cultural norms, and the nonviolent resolution of conflict is widely practiced. Founded by an American Muslim family, the foundation supports peace education and interreligious cooperation through grants to promising groups, awards that recognize leadership, and programs that promote learning and bridge-building. Deadline is June 25, 2015
Website:	**http://www.elhibrifoundation.org/grants/seekers/grant-focal-areas**

Program:	**American Electric Power Invites Applications for Classroom STEM Projects**

Description: American Electric Power is accepting applications from pre-K-12 teachers for mini-grants in support of classroom projects during the 2016-17 school year.

Through the Teacher Vision grant program, AEP will award grants of up to $500 for projects designed to improve student achievement. Priority will be given to projects that promote science, mathematics, technology, electrical safety, the balanced study of energy and the environment, and energy efficiency. Deadline is February 26, 2016.

Website:

http://www.aep.com/community/TeachersAndStudents/TeacherVision Grants.aspx

Program:	**Kelly Brush Foundation Invites Applications From People With Spinal Cord Injuries for Adaptive Sports**
Description:	The Kelly Brush Foundation strives to empower those with paralysis to lead engaged and fulfilling lives through sport and recreation and to prevent ski racing injuries through a shared commitment to proper safety practices.
	The foundation's Individual Grant Program awards funds to individuals with paralysis due to a spinal cord injury to increase their participation in adaptive sports and recreational activities and improve their quality of life. The program is designed to allow economically disadvantaged individuals with SCI to purchase adaptive sporting equipment such as a mono ski or a hand cycle.
	To be eligible, applicants must live in the United States and supply the foundation with information about their spinal cord injury, details on their sources of income, and a description of the type of equipment they are seeking.
	Deadline is September 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://kellybrushfoundation.org/grants-programs-2/individual-grant-program/**
Program:	**Dammann Fund Accepting Applications From Mental Health, Teen Pregnancy Organizations**
Description:	Established in 1946, the Dammann Fund is committed to using its resources for the support of 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: Supports programs that foster living or independent living for the mentally ill.
	2) Teen Parenthood: 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 or for capital or annual campaigns, endowments, loans, conferences, or travel.
	Deadline is June 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.thedammannfund.com/**
Program:	**BJ's Charitable Foundation Accepting Applications for Hunger Prevention, Education Projects**

Description: BJ's Charitable Foundation, the philanthropic arm of retail giant BJ's Club, is accepting applications from organizations for projects that support hunger prevention and education.

1) Hunger prevention: Through this focus area, the foundation supports programs that work to alleviate hunger through the purchase of food, supplies, and additional resources necessary to feed those in need. Funding will be awarded to tax-exempt agencies, including food banks, soup kitchens, and food pantries.

2) Education: The foundation's education program supports academic and vocational opportunities for the disadvantaged. These programs include the purchase of supplies for literacy skills, mentoring, tutoring, and career development.

First-time applicants may apply for up to $2,500 in funding.

Funding is available to nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations that are recognized as a public charity by the Internal Revenue Service.

Deadline is July 10, 2015.

Website: **http://www.bjs.com/bjs-charitable-foundation.content.about_charitable.A.about_community2**

Program: **Open Meadows Foundation Invites Applications for Women-Led Projects**

Description: The Open Meadows Foundation is a grant-making organization seeking to fund projects that promote gender, racial, and/or economic justice.

Grants of up to $2,000 will be awarded for projects that are designed and implemented by women and girls; reflect the diversity of the community served by the project in both its leadership and organization; promote building community power; and have limited financial access or have encountered obstacles in their search for funding. Small and start-up organizations are strongly encouraged to apply. The projects must be led by and benefit women and girls, particularly those from vulnerable communities.

The foundation funds projects that do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, gender identity and expression, sexual identity and expression, age, or ability. In addition, annual organizational budgets should not exceed $150,000.

Deadline is August 15, 2015.

Website: **https://sites.google.com/site/openmeadowsfoundation/**

Program: **William T. Grant Foundation Accepting Letters of Inquiry for Inequality Research Studies**

Description:	The William T. Grant Foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry for projects designed to enhance understanding of the programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequalities in youth development.
	Studies may examine approaches that improve outcomes for all youth but can reduce gaps if applied to those who need them most, as well as programs, policies, and practices aimed at elevating the most disadvantaged young people. The foundation also is interested in studies that improve the measurement of inequality in ways that will enhance the work of researchers, practitioners, and policy makers. Grants will range up to $600,000.
	To be eligible, applicants must be employed at a nonprofit institution, either in the United States or abroad; address issues that have compelling relevance for U.S. youth between the ages of 5 and 25; and reflect high standards of evidence and rigorous methods, commensurate with the project's goals.
	LOIs must be submitted no later than August 4, 2015. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit full proposals.
Website:	**http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants#apply-research-grants**
Program:	**Classics for Kids Accepting Applications for Stringed Instrument Matching Grant Program**
Description:	The Classics for Kids Foundation aims to bridge the funding gap and enhance school music programs by providing matching grants for beautiful new stringed instruments.
	Through the Classics for Kids matching grant program, CFKF provides grants for the purchase of high-quality instruments because they're easier to tune and play; contribute to a better and more effective classroom; are tonally superior; have better durability and longevity; and inspire kids to practice and stay involved with their program.
	The program is open to K-12 schools or nonprofit organizations that believe in the role of fine instruments in their programs and can show evidence of need and commitment to raising matching funds.
	Deadline is June 30, 2015.
Website:	**http://www.classicsforkids.org/grants.html**
Program:	**Terra Foundation Offers Funding for American Art Exhibitions**
Description:	In recognition of the importance of experiencing original works of art, the Terra Foundation for American Art supports exhibitions that enlarge the understanding and appreciation of historical American art made between 1500 and 1980.
	To be eligible, exhibitions that take place internationally or in Chicago must be aimed at the general public, scholars, or both; exhibitions that take place only in the

United States but outside of Chicago must present historical American art in an international context and be intended for a scholarly audience

Deadline is August 1, 2015.

Website: http://www.terraamericanart.org/what-we-offer/grant-fellowship-opportunities/exhibition-grants/

Program: Target Accepting Applications for K-12 Field Trips

Description: Target is accepting applications from schools for grants in support of learning opportunities outside the classroom.

Through its Field Trip Grants program, Target awards grants of up to $700 to K-12 schools nationwide to defray the cost of field trips. Grants are restricted to K-12 educational institutions with tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

Deadline is September 30, 2015.

Website: https://corporate.target.com/corporate-responsibility/grants/field-trip-grants

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Program: Baseball Tomorrow Fund Invites Applications From Youth Baseball and Softball Programs

Description: The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is a joint initiative of Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association.

BTF awards grants to nonprofit organizations involved in the operation of youth baseball and softball programs and facilities. The funds may be used to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. Grants are intended to provide funding for additional programming and facilities for youth baseball and softball programs, not for normal operating expenses or as a substitute for existing funding or fundraising activities.

BTF does not specify a maximum grant award; however, the average grant amount is approximately $40,000. Deadline is July 1, 2015.

Website:

 http://web.mlbcommunity.org/programs/baseball_tomorrow_fund.jsp?content=overview

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Program: American Legion Child Welfare Foundation Seeks Proposals for Information Campaigns

Description: The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation supports organizations that contribute to the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual welfare of children.

The foundation awards grants for the dissemination of information about new and innovative programs designed to benefit youth or information already possessed by well-established organizations. Projects must have the potential to help American children in a large geographic area (more than one state).

Grant amounts will be determined on a project-by-project basis. Grants will not be awarded for any of the normal, day-to-day operating expenses of the grantee or special operating expenses connected with the grant.   Deadline is July 15, 2015.

Website:	**http://www.cwf-inc.org/grantseekers/overview**

Program: **National Alliance for Grieving Children Announces Capacity Building Grants Program**

Description: The National Alliance for Grieving Children promotes awareness of the needs of children and teens grieving a death and provides education and resources for anyone who wants to support them.

Proposals should fit into one of five major categories: planning activities, staff/board development, strategic relationships/collaboration, internal operations, and technology improvements. The latter category may include upgrades to hardware and software, networking, website updates, and staff training in the use of technology. All products should be designed for impact on the organization itself first and its clients second. Deadline is June 29, 2015.

Website: **http://www.childrengrieve.org/capacity-building-grants**

Program: **Mazda Foundation Grants**
Description: The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting education and literacy, environmental conservation, cross-cultural understanding, social welfare and scientific research.

Organizations that have submitted an application that is of interest to the Foundation will be required to submit a formal proposal. Based on the information received, a meeting between Foundation officers and the organization may be scheduled. Only those organizations contacted for a more in-depth discussion should submit a formal proposal. Deadline is July 2, 2015.
Website: **http://www.mazdafoundation.org/Grant_Guidelines.html**

Program: **Captain Planet Foundation Grant**
Description: The Captain Planet Foundation provides grants between $500 and $2,500 to school and community groups to support hands-on environmental projects. The objective of the Foundation is to encourage innovative programs that empower children and youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. All applications must be submitted online.

Deadlines

January 31 (typically for fall and winter projects)

September 30 (typically for spring and summer projects

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

Program:	**Herb Garden Grants**
Description:	The Herb Society of America (HSA) is accepting applications for its Donald Samull Classroom Herb Garden Grant. Public or private school teachers in grades 3-6 with a minimum class size of 15 students are eligible to apply.

HSA will award indoor windowsill herb gardens to four schools each year. The classrooms selected will receive three windowsill herb garden kits including pots, soil, seeds and educational materials to use in the classroom.

Five schools/classrooms will receive $200 in "seed money" to establish an outdoor herb garden. The funds may be used for supplies such as soil, plant trays, containers, child or youth sized tools, etc. HSA will provide the educational materials and herb seeds. Deadline is October 1, 2015. |
| **Website:** | **http://herbsociety.org/resources/samull-grant.html** |

Program:	**Ball Brothers Foundation Accepting Application for Cycle II Grants**
Description:	The Ball Brothers Foundation in Muncie, Indiana, is accepting Letters of Intent for general grant funding through its Cycle II grants program.

Grants of up to $100,000 will be awarded to projects that fall into the foundation's six broad subject areas: education (higher education, public and private education); arts, culture, and the humanities (cultural activities & institutions); human services (including youth services); community improvement/development; health (including school and community wellness, youth development, and recreation); and the environment (including conservation and land management).

LOI Deadline is July 15, 2015. |
| **Website:** | **http://www.ballfdn.org/grant-info/types-of-grants-available/** |

Program:	**Mazda Foundation Grants**
Description:	The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting education and literacy, environmental conservation, cross-cultural understanding, social welfare and scientific research.

Organizations that have submitted an application that is of interest to the Foundation will be required to submit a formal proposal. Based on the information received, a meeting between Foundation officers and the organization may be scheduled. Only those organizations contacted for a more in-depth discussion should submit a formal proposal.

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Apply by October 1, 2015. |
| **Website:** | **http://herbsociety.org/resources/samull-grant.html** |

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/** |

Program:	**Center for Craft, Creativity & Design Seeks Proposals for Craft Research Fund**
Description:	The Center for Craft, Creativity & Design administers the Craft Research Fund program, which works to advance, expand, and support research about craft in the United States.

The program supports innovative research on critical issues in craft theory and history, explores the inter-relationship among craft, art, design and contemporary culture, fosters new cross-disciplinary approaches to scholarship in the U.S. craft field, and advances investigation of neglected questions on craft history and criticism. |

1) Graduate Research Grants of up to $10,000 will be awarded to support research for a master's thesis or dissertation relating to craft in the United States.

2) Exhibition Research and Project Grants of up to $15,000 will be awarded to support research projects related to the goals of the Craft Research Fund.

Proposals are welcome from academic researchers, independent scholars, and graduate students. The grant program is not about the creation of artwork

Deadline is October 9, 2015.

Website:	**http://www.craftcreativitydesign.org/grants/craft-research-fund/**

Program:	**Best Buy Foundation Accepting Applications for National Youth Technology Program**
Description:	The Best Buy Foundation provides underserved teens with access to technology to build twenty-first century skills and bridge the digital divide.

To accomplish this goal, the foundation is seeking applications from nonprofit organizations for programs that provide youth with access to new technologies and help them become interested and fluent in digital learning while developing skills to help prepare them for future education and career success. Grants of up to $200,000 will be awarded to programs that help teens build skills by utilizing cutting-edge technology such as computers, digital cameras, video cameras, and professional software in a wide range of areas, including audio production, mixing and recording; coding/3D printing; computer maintenance and repair; digital photography/graphic design filmmaking and videography; maker fairs and hack-a-thons; mobile and game app development; programming; robotics; and/or website design.

Deadline is November 1, 2015.

Website:	**https://corporate.bestbuy.com/best-buy-foundation-national-partnership-request-for-proposals/**

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/**
Program:	**Lalor Foundation Accepting Applications for Reproductive Health Programs**
Description:	Grants of up to $50,000 will be awarded in support of programs for young women, particularly those who are disadvantaged by poverty, discrimination, geographic isolation, lack of specific sex education, hostile public policy, or other factors leading to inadequate reproductive health. Areas of interest include programs that include a comprehensive approach to sexual and reproductive health education; novel ideas, including innovative methods of delivering information; and programs that incorporate advocacy or policy change, consistent with IRS 501(c)(3) status. Deadline is November 1, 2015.
Website:	**http://lalorfound.org/?page_id=221**
Program:	**Home Depot Foundation Offers Grants to Support the Housing Needs of Military Veterans**
Description:	The Home Depot Foundation is inviting applications from community groups to its Community Impact Grants Program, which supports a range of activities, including repairs, refurbishment, and modification of low-income and/or transitional veterans housing or community facilities; weatherizing and other projects designed to increase the energy efficiency of such facilities; and tree planting or community gardening activities involving veterans. Grants must support work completed by community volunteers in the U.S. and must specifically benefit veterans. Only registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, tax-exempt public schools, and tax- exempt public agencies in the U.S. are eligible to apply. Grants of up to $5,000 will be provided in the form of Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services.

Deadline is September 1, 2015.

Website:	**http://homedepotfoundation.org/page/applying-for-a-grant**

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/**

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**

Program:	**Retirement Research Foundation Accepting Applications for Projects to Improve Lives of Aging Americans**

Description:	The <u>Retirement Research Foundation</u> is accepting proposals from nonprofit organizations for local and national projects designed to improve the lives of older Americans. Grants will be awarded to projects that provide direct services, advocacy, education, and/or training programs for professionals working with elders, as well as for research that investigates causes and solutions to significant problems of older adults. **Deadline: Rolling** The foundation considers proposals on **February 1, May 1, and <mark>August 1</mark>**. Should an applicant like to discuss a project before submitting a full proposal, a brief Letter of Inquiry should be sent to the foundation at least three weeks prior to a deadline.
Website:	**http://www.rrf.org/grants/responsive-grants**

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**

Program:	**Alabama Power Foundation: A. Foundation Grant**
Description:	Activities: Project must address a need in at least one of the following areas: education, community life, health and human services, arts and culture, or the environment. Applicants: units of local government and other organizations. Requests under $50,000 are accepted on a rolling basis. Requests over $50,000 are accepted quarterly; February 13, June 5, August 21 and November 13, 2015.
Contact:	**Alabama Power Foundation,** Peggy Burnett (205) 257-2375, peburnet@southernco.com

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Program:	**Bank of America Charitable Foundation funding opportunities**
Description:	<u>**HUNGER: BASIC HUMAN SERVICES**</u>: We're applying our philanthropic resources, employees and expertise to address the issues of hunger and lack of access to benefit resources, supportive housing and shelter. This comprehensive response helps bring significant resources to nonprofit partners serving the

community – as they continue to help struggling individuals and families at their point of need – delivering integrated services and offering access to financial education and coaching.

Funding Priorities:
Hunger Relief/Food Access
Providing access to vital food supplies and services to feed individuals, children and families, with a particular focus on nonprofits that address the immediate challenges of food access and also connect the families they serve to supportive services and economic livelihood programs that help towards financial stability.
Supportive Housing/Shelter
Addressing immediate shelter needs and long-term supportive housing for vulnerable individuals and families with a focus on housing-first or place-based approaches that make supportive wraparound services available to those seeking financial security and independence.
Benefits Access/Referrals
Transitioning financially-distressed, low-to-moderate income individuals and families towards financial stability through bundled services in three core areas: employment and education, access to benefits and support resources, financial coaching and better money habits education.
Deadline is August 7, 2015

Website:	http://about.bankofamerica.com/en-us/global-impact/charitable-foundation-funding.html#fbid=yKb1ryemPwF

Program:	**Tufts Health Plan Foundation Seeks Letters of Inquiry for Healthy Aging Advocacy Projects**
Description:	The Tufts Health Plan Foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry from nonprofit organizations for projects that champion communities as they improve the quality of life for all citizens across the lifespan.
	The foundation will consider policy/advocacy projects in the areas of built environment, transportation, housing, social and civic participation and inclusion, employment, communication and information, and community support and health services. Projects should be collaborative and involve participants from all community arenas. Specifically, the foundation will fund policy and advocacy activities that help communities achieve age-friendly status. Key aspects of the work should include community/civic engagement of diverse stakeholders to mobilize and create change; participation among key stakeholders, including the voice of older adults, to support planning, policy, and advocacy initiatives; and expanded access to programs and services as well as system change/improvement. Letters of Inquiry must be received no later than July 20, 2015. Upon review, select applicants will be invited to submit full proposals by September 20, 2015.
Website:	http://www.tuftshealthplanfoundation.org/focus-areas.php?page=focus-areas/policy-change

Program: **National Alliance for Grieving Children Invites Applications for Child Bereavement Programs**

Description: The National Alliance for Grieving Children is accepting applications from local child bereavement organizations for programs that bring grief support services to youth from ethnically diverse or low-income communities not served by existing bereavement programs.

Through the Grief Reach program, NAGC will award grants of up to $100,000 to organizations with programs designed to have a direct impact on children. Fifty percent of the children served must be from low-income families or from minority communities.

Deadline is July 31, 2015.

Website: **http://www.childrengrieve.org/grief-reach-community-expansion-grants**

Program: **William T. Grant Foundation Accepting Nominations for 2015 Scholars Program**

Description: The William T. Grant Foundation's Scholars Program supports promising early-career researchers from diverse disciplines who have demonstrated success in conducting high-quality research and are seeking to further develop and broaden their expertise.

Proposed research projects must be focused on youth between the ages of 5 of 25 in the United States and aim to improve our understanding of programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes, as well as the use of research evidence in policy and practice.

Candidates are nominated by a supporting institution and must submit five-year research plans that demonstrate creativity, intellectual rigor, and a commitment to continued professional development.

Deadline is July 8, 2015.

Website: **http://wtgrantfoundation.org/Grants#apply-wtgrant-scholars**

Program: **Alabama Power Foundation: B. Foundation Grant**

Description: New Signage or renovation of an existing sign. No landscaping or lighting permitted. Applications accepted April-June. Awards made in August.

Applicants: units of local government.

Website:	**Alabama Power Foundation,** Peggy Burnett (205) 257-2375, peburnet@southernco.com

Program:	**Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation Invite Applications for Quality of Life Grants**
Description:	The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations that provide services to individuals with paralysis.
	Through its Quality of Life program, the foundation will award grants to organizations that help disabled individuals as well as their families and caregivers in ways that more immediately give them increased independence. Special consideration will be given to organizations that serve returning wounded military and their families, and to those that provide targeted services to diverse cultural communities. Grant size will be based on project scope and impact.
	Deadline is August 3, 2015.
Website:	http://www.christopherreeve.org/site/c.ddJFKRNoFiG/b.4435149/k.A6 F7/Program_Overview.htm

Program:	**Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations Accepting Proposals for Fund for a Just Society Grants**
Description:	The Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations is accepting proposals from non-Unitarian Universalist groups in the U.S. and Canada for community organizing campaigns aimed at creating systemic change in the economic, social, and political structures that affect the lives of those who have been excluded from resources, power, and the right to self-determination. Deadline is September 15, 2015.
Website:	http://www.uua.org/giving/funding/102186.shtml

Program:	**Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Accepting Fellowship Applications From Artists and Scholars**
Description:	The John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation provides fellowships to advanced professionals in all fields -- including the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and creative arts (except the performing arts). Last year, the program awarded fellowships to a hundred and eighty-one scholars, artists, and scientists in the United States and Canada.
	Often characterized as "midcareer" awards, the fellowships are intended to assist individuals who have already demonstrated exceptional capacity for productive scholarship or exceptional creative ability in the arts. The program seeks to further the development of scholars and artists by helping them engage in research in any

field of knowledge or creation in any of the arts under the freest possible conditions. Deadline is September 19, 2015.

Website: **http://www.gf.org/about-the-foundation/the-fellowship/**

Program: **Harpo Foundation Invites Applications for 2015 Emerging Artists Fellowship**

Description: 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 25 years of age or older who needs time and space to explore an idea and/or start a new project. Artist fellows will receive a one-month residency at the Santa Fe Art Institute that includes a well-appointed room with private bath; a beautiful, well-lit studio space; and a $500 travel stipend. Deadline is July 5, 2015.

Website: **http://www.harpofoundation.org/emerging-artist-fellowship/**

Program: **Individuals Addressing Open Society Challenges Invited to Apply for Open Society Foundations Fellowship**

Description: A program of the Open Society Foundations, the Open Society Fellowship was founded in 2008 to support individuals pursuing innovative and unconventional approaches to fundamental open society challenges. The fellowship program seeks to fund work that will enrich public understanding of those challenges and stimulate far-reaching conversations within the Open Society Foundations and the world.

A fellowship project might identify a problem that has not been recognized, develop new policy ideas to address familiar problems, or offer a new advocacy strategy. Project themes should cut across at least two areas of interest to the Open Society Foundations, including human rights, government transparency, access to information and to justice, and the promotion of civil society and social inclusion.

Deadline is August 3, 2015.

Website: **http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/open-society-fellowship**

Program: **Wild Ones Invites Applications for Native Plant Education Projects**

Description: Wild Ones, a nonprofit environmental education and advocacy organization, is accepting applications from projects designed to enhance and develop an appreciation for nature using native plants.

Through the Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education Fund, grants of up to $500 will be awarded for projects that emphasize the involvement of students and volunteers in all phases. In addition, local nurseries identified by Wild Ones will supply seeds, plants, and advice to grant recipients. Deadline is October 15, 2015.

Website: http://www.wildones.org/seeds-for-education/sfe/

Program: **Music Therapy Association Invites Applications for Anne Emery Kyllo Professional Scholarship**

Description: The American Music Therapy Association is accepting applications for the 2015 Anne Emery Kyllo Professional Scholarship, an annual program designed to support professional music therapists in their efforts to expand their training and professional interactions through participation in continuing education opportunities.

Three scholarships of $500 will be awarded annually for use toward continuing music therapy education credits. The award may be used for national and/or regional conferences, continuing music therapy education courses, and/or other continuing education courses that meet the educational activity guidelines established by the Certification Board for Music Therapists. In addition, the award may be used for postgraduate coursework as it relates to the clinical practice of music therapy. The award is for one calendar year. Deadline is June 26, 2015.

Website:

   http://www.musictherapy.org/careers/scholars/#Anne_Emery_Kyllo_Professional_Scholarship

Program: **National Resource Center for First-Year Experience and Students in Transition Invites Applications for Research Projects**

Description: The University of South Carolina's National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition program is accepting applications for 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 $5,000 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; student advising, transfer and articulation; career development; and other issues related to college student transitions.

To be eligible, applicants must be faculty, staff, or a graduate student at an institution of higher education in the U.S. who plans to conduct research on issues of college student transitions. Deadline is July 1, 2015.

Website: http://www.sc.edu/fye/fidler/

Program: **Louisville Institute Invites Academic and Pastoral Researchers to Apply for Sabbatical Grants Program**

Description: The Louisville Institute offers the Sabbatical Grants for Researchers program to identify and support ecclesiastically engaged academics and intellectually astute pastoral and religious leaders whose scholarly research work can contribute to the vitality of Christianity in North America. The program is designed to bring pastors and academics together and help them share their insights into the life of churches.

The program supports year-long sabbatical research and writing projects that will advance religious and theological scholarship in ways that also address practical issues concerning Christian faith and life, pastoral leadership, and/or religious institutions. Ordinarily applicants will be fully employed at accredited academic institutions and will be eligible for up to a full academic year leave from teaching. Pastoral applicants are also encouraged to apply. Deadline is November 1, 2015.

Website: **http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/sgfrdetail.aspx**

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**

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.legacyenved.org

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/**

Program: **The RGK Foundation awards grants**

Description: The RGK Foundation awards grants in the broad areas of education, community and health/medicine. The average grant is $25,000.

Grants Committee Meeting Dates for 2015 (only relevant to requests over $100,000)

March 6, 2015
June 12, 2015
September 16, 2015

Website: http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines

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

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/

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

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/

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

Program: Joseph S. Bruno Charitable Foundation

Description: Our strategy is also to seek partners both public and private who share common interests for collaborations and positive change. Focus Areas: Education, Health and Human Services, Basic services for at risk families and children, Family literacy and adult education, Community Improvement and Nonprofit Capacity Building, Culture and increasing accessibility to the arts and Philanthropy and Volunteerism. Deadline is March 15 for April Board Meeting and September 15 for October Board Meeting.

Website: http://www.jsbcf.org/funding.asp

SECTION IV   STATE OF ALABAMA GRANTS

Program: People for Bikes Community Grant Program
Description: Activities: Bike paths, lanes, trails, and bridges, Mountain bike facilities, Bike parks and pump tracks BMX facilities, End-of-trip facilities such as bike racks, bike parking, and bike storage. We also fund some advocacy projects, such as: Programs that transform city streets, initiatives designed to increase ridership or the investment in bicycle infrastructure, engineering and design work, construction costs including materials, labor, and equipment rental, and reasonable volunteer support costs. For advocacy projects, we will fund staffing that is directly related to accomplishing the goals of the initiative.

Maximum Request: $10,000
Match Requirement: Must exceed 50% Source: Cash
Disbursement Method: Grant

Spring 2015 Grant Cycle
Online application opens: December 15, 2014
Online Letter of Interest due: January 30, 2015
Notification of LOI status: February 27, 2015
Full Application due: April 3, 2015
Grant award notifications: by May 31, 2015

Online application opens: June 15, 2015
Online Letter of Interest due: July 31, 2015
Notification of LOI status: September 4, 2015
Full Applications due: October 9, 2015
Grant award notifications: by December 4, 2015

Contact:	Zoe Kircos, Grant Manager (303)449-4893 x106; zoe@peopleforbikes.org

Program:	**Tombigbee Resource and Conservation- General Fund Grant**
Description:	Applicants: Units of local government, school boards, Private educational institutions and Nonprofits with 501 (c)(3) status. Activities: Wide range of community and economic development enhancements. Projects may include construction, programs, and services. Ineligible activities include: capital assets, operational phases of established programs, endowment campaigns, religious organizations for religious purposes, individuals working independently, post-event or after the fact situations, and land purchases.
	Requirements: Project must benefit the public and improve the general quality of life in the district. Awards are intended to be seed grants and/or have multiple funding partners.
	Minimum request $500 Maximum request: $10,000
	Match Requirement: N/A
	Disbursement Method: Reimbursement
	Deadline: FY 2016 Applications are due September 1, 2015.
Contact:	Susan Wesson, Executive Director (205) 469-6463, swesson@tuscco.com

Program:	**Tombigbee Resource and Conservation- Education Grant**
Description:	Applicants: Units of local government, school boards, Private educational institutions and Nonprofits with 501 (c)(3) status. Activities: Educational programs and improvements. Projects may include programs, services and construction related to an educational component. Ineligible activities include: capital assets, operational phases of established programs, endowment campaigns, religious organizations for religious purposes, individuals working independently, post-event or after the fact situations, and land purchases.
	Requirements: Project must benefit the public and improve the general quality of life in the district. Awards are intended to be seed grants and/or have multiple funding partners.
	Minimum request $500 Maximum request: $10,000
	Match Requirement: N/A
	Disbursement Method: Reimbursement
	Deadline: FY 2016 Applications are due September 1, 2015.
Contact:	Susan Wesson, Executive Director (205) 469-6463, swesson@tuscco.com

Program:	**Competitive Fund, Single purpose or multi-purpose activities**
Description:	Non-entitlement cities (excludes member of Jefferson and Mobile consortium), counties (excludes Jefferson and Mobile). Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM. Water, Sewer, Streets, Drainage, Housing Rehabilitation, Neighborhood and Downtown Revitalization, Professional Services e.g., engineering, administrations within fee scale

limits. Maximum request: County $350,000; Large City (2010 Census population 3,000+) $450,000; Small City $350,000. **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. Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

Contact:	**Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov**

Program:	Community Enhancement Fund
Description:	Applicants: Non-entitlement local governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM. Activities: water, sewer, streets, drainage, housing rehab, senior or community center, demolition, recreation, Boys and Girls Clubs, Fire Protection, Misc. Benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. **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. Maximum request: $250,000. Minimum Request: $50,000. Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.
Contact:	**Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov**

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**

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**

Program:	Planning Fund
Description:	Non-entitlement local governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM. Benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries

or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. **Application workshop held in April; Application due date between June/July.** Award announcements are typically in the fall with mandatory compliance workshop to follow. Maximum request: $250,000. Match request: 20%.

Contact:	**Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov**

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

Program:	**States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP)**
Description:	**Application due date in June. Award announcements typically made in August**. Applicants: State and local units of governments, public bodies, and non-profit entities. Eligible counties in West Alabama: Greene, Hale and Pickens.

Activities: Water and wastewater facilities, electric and gas utilities, broadband delivery, solid waste landfills, roadways, bridges, rail, port facilities, airports, business development, and workforce development.

Requirements: Project must meet one of the Federal Priority Eligibility Criteria: job creation and/or retention, benefit to constituents in multiple counties or municipalities, include multiple funding partners, or an emergency funding need.

Maximum Request: $500,000
Match Requirement: 10% Source: Cash/In-kind
Note: Match can be waived in distressed counties (Greene, Hale, and Pickens)

Website:	Alabama Department of Economic and Community, Affairs (ADECA), Jimmy Lester, ARC Program Manager (334) 353-4490, jimmy.lester@adeca.alabama.gov

Program:	**Tombigbee Resource and Conservation District: General Fund Grant**
Description:	Activities: Wide range of community and economic development enhancements. Projects may include construction, programs, and services. Ineligible activities include: capital assets, operational phases of established programs, endowment campaigns, religious organizations for religious purposes, individuals working independently, post-event or after the fact situations, and land purchases.
	Applicants: Units of local government, school boards, Private educational institutions and Nonprofits with 501 (c)(3) status.
	Requirements: Project must benefit the public and improve the general quality of life in the district. Awards are intended to be seed grants and/or have multiple funding partners. Minimum request $500 Maximum request: $10,000
	FY 2016 applications are due September 1, 2015.
Contact:	Susan Wesson, Executive Director (205) 469-6463, swesson@tuscco.com

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/**

SECTION V   FELLOWSHIPS / INTERNSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS / FINANCIAL AID/ AWARDS

Program:	**Vera List Center Accepting Art and Politics Fellowships**
Description:	The Vera List Center Fellowships support individuals whose work advances the discourse on art and politics. The appointments provide the opportunity to further develop such work drawing from the academic resources of the New School, to expand on the work in collaboration with students and classes, and to bring it to the public through the Vera List Center's interdisciplinary programs. Fellowship projects are selected following an open call for applications and relate to the current curatorial focus theme, "post democracy." Projects can result in performances, concerts, exhibitions, lectures, online artworks, archives, or publications.
	Two fellowships will be awarded, each spanning ten months. The fellowship is part-time, non-residential, and carries a $10,000 stipend.

Deadline is August 3, 2015.

Website: http://www.veralistcenter.org/lead/2/fellowships/

Program: Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging Invites Nominations for Innovation in Caregiving Award

Description: The institute is inviting nominations for its 2015 Innovation in Caring Award for innovative ideas that have resulted in improvements in care and increased comfort for those receiving care.

The annual award recognizes adults (age 18 and over) who, in the course of caring for an adult age 60 or over in a private home or a residential setting, has invented a device or technique that solves a caregiving challenge or found a new application for an existing device or technique that supports caregiving and eases the burden on caregivers.

Up to three award winners will receive a commemorative plaque and a check for $1000. Deadline is June 30, 2015.

Website: http://www.benrose.org/award/

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

Description: The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM) is a Presidential award established by the White House in 1995. The PAESMEM program is administered by the National Science Foundation (NSF) on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP). Nominations, including self-nominations, are invited for "Individual" and "Organizational" PAESMEM awards. Individuals and organizations in all public and private sectors are eligible including industry, academia, K-12, military and government, non-profit organizations, and foundations. Deadline is June 19, 2015.

Website: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf15551

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

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

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.williamgmcgowanfund.org/pdf/Homelessness%20RFP.pdf

Program: **John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Accepting Fellowship Applications From Artists and Scholars in the United States and Canada**

Description: The John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation provides fellowships for advanced professionals in all fields -- including the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and creative arts -- except the performing arts

Website: http://www.gf.org/applicants/the-united-states-canadian-competition/

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

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

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

FELLOWSHIP SEARCH

National Endowment for the Humanities
Fellowships support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources in the humanities. Projects may be at any stage of development.
Website: http://www.neh.gov/grants

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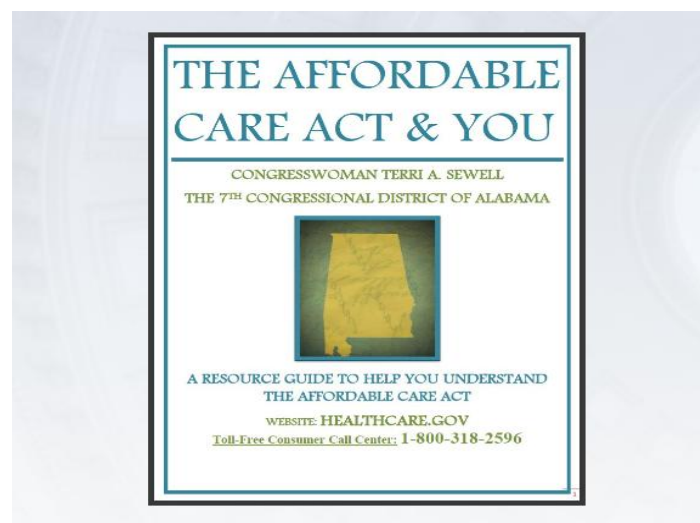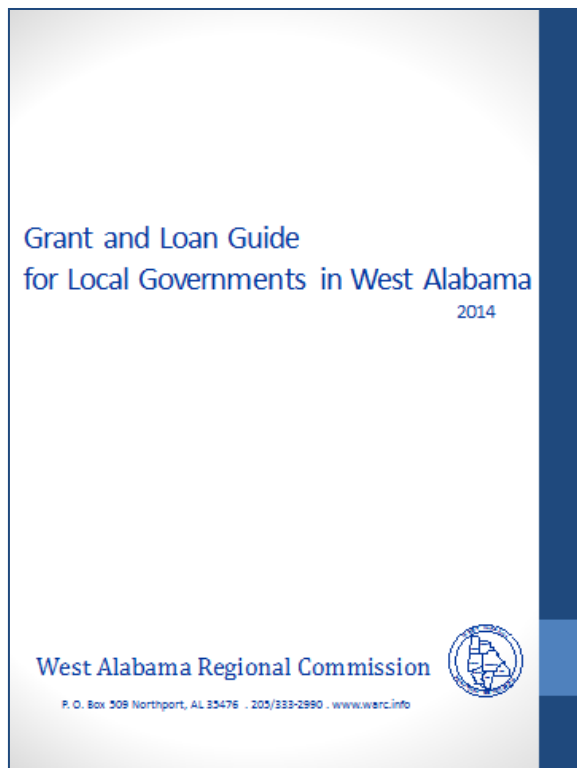

Section VI   RESOURCES

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

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

Find the Guide at 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.

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

ATTENTION VETERANS:

FACT SHEET: Veterans Employment Center
The online Veterans Employment Center is the single federal source for Veterans looking for new career opportunities in the private and public sectors, as well as Service Members transitioning to the civilian workforce, military and Veteran spouses and dependents looking for employment opportunities, GI Bill beneficiaries transitioning from training to the job market and employers looking to connect with high quality applicants. It is the first interagency tool that brings together public and private job opportunities with resume building and other career tools currently offered on a variety of websites together in one place. Through the online Veterans Employment Center, Veterans, transitioning Service Members and spouses are connected to high quality career choices by matching their identified skills with available public and private job opportunities. The site is built using an open application programming interface (API) to attract private sector innovation.

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

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

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

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

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

For a tutorial video on how to use the Veterans Employment Center, please visit:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWfhI-eSoWk

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments
P.O. Box 2603
Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662

Phone: 256.389.0500
Fax: 256.389.0599
Visit the Web site of Region 1 - http://nacolg.com/

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

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
Phone: 205.251.8139
Fax: 205.328.3304
Visit the Web site of Region 3 - 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/

COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

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

The Community Foundation of South Alabama
c/o The Community Foundation of South Alabama
P.O. Box 990
Mobile, AL 36601
Phone: 251-438-5591
Website: 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.cacfinfo.org

Elmore County Community Foundation
c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.
434 N. McDonough Street
Montgomery, AL 36104
Phone: 334-264-6223
Website: www.eccfinfo.org

The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham
2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700

Birmingham, AL 35203
Telephone: (205) 328-8641   Fax: (205) 328-6576
Website: http://www.foundationbirmingham.org

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

Community Foundation of West Alabama
P.O. Box 3033
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403
Telephone: 205-366-0698, Fax 205-366-0813
Website: http://thecfwa.org/

Walker Area Community Foundation
P.O. Box 171
Jasper, AL 35502-0171

Telephone: 205-302-0001, Fax: (205) 302-0424
Website: http://www.wacf.org