



Guide to Grants

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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*.

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June 19, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$10 Million in TIGER Grant Funding to the City of Birmingham for “Road to Recovery” Project

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that a \$10 million TIGER grant was awarded to the City of Birmingham to repair and complete a regional multimodal street network. This project known as the “Road to Recovery” is a cooperative proposal designed to promote the Birmingham area’s recovery from the devastating tornadoes of April 27, 2011. It will upgrade and strengthen the transportation system and enable residents to travel more efficiently throughout the region. The U.S. Department of Transportation funds will be awarded by the Federal Transit Administration.

“This is great news for the City of Birmingham and surrounding communities affected by last year’s devastating tornadoes. This exciting project will provide the necessary infrastructure that will connect residents with jobs, transit and commercial destinations. I applaud the collaborative efforts of all of our regional partners in working together to rebuild our community. This grant reflects the extraordinary outcomes possible when the public and private sector partners together to transform a community. The strength and resilience of Alabamians is a testament to what is truly achievable when communities work together,” said Rep. Sewell.

“This initiative is the result of an unprecedented cooperative effort led by a broad coalition of groups and local governments throughout the Birmingham area. It will have economic development, cultural and recreational benefits throughout our region. This represents visionary thinking, not just because of the ambitious scope of the project but because of the way it has brought so many parties together to work for the common good of all of our citizens,” said Congressman Spencer Bachus.

“I am grateful to Rep. Sewell and Secretary LaHood for their support of this critical need and our Road to Recovery project. This represents a giant step toward a healthier and safer community not to mention the amount of jobs it will create,” said Mayor William Bell.

“Congresswoman Sewell has continued to be a champion for Birmingham and the State of Alabama. This latest effort on behalf of Pratt City is phenomenal. She has certainly earned her keep as a working Congressperson and I’m delighted to be called her friend,” said Councilor President Roderick Royal.

“What a remarkable win for our community. We applaud Congresswoman Sewell’s leadership in this effort and the extraordinary coalition of partners who came together to make this possible.

We especially want to thank Mayor Bell and the City of Birmingham for submitting a successful grant application that will be truly transformational for our community. And our heartfelt thanks to the mayors of Homewood, Midfield and Fairfield whose visionary leadership were crucial in forging this partnership,” said Wendy Jackson, Executive Director of Freshwater and Trust. “We are proud to be part of the important public-private partnership in providing the local match for this important TIGER IV grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. When we look at the Results we all are working toward — from vibrant communities to healthy lives — we see potential for true transformation with this investment,” said Kate Nielsen, President of the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham.

According to the project description, this funding will provide access to multiple transportation sources and allow the City of Birmingham to replace damaged roadways and build new streets, sidewalks and bike lanes. A more formal announcement with additional details will be forthcoming on Friday, June 22nd.

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June 17, 2012

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell in Observance of Father's Day

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement in recognition of Father's Day:

“On this Father's Day we pause to celebrate the influential men in our lives who have helped to guide and shape us. I am thankful for my father, who has battled several debilitating strokes over the years, but continues to be a true inspiration to me and so many others throughout his more than 30 years as a high school basketball coach.

I applaud President Obama's Fatherhood and Mentoring Initiative, which for the past three years has worked to raise awareness about the importance of fatherhood and the special connection fathers have to the strength of our families and our communities. I also want to acknowledge my colleague, Rep. Danny K. Davis' tireless efforts with the Fatherhood Coalition and promoting the important role fathers play in the lives of our children.

As we come together with our families and loved ones today, let us take a moment to recognize our fathers and their influence on our lives. I know I would not be where I am today without the love, support and guidance of my daddy, Coach Andrew Sewell. So to my father and to all of the special men in our lives, Happy Father's Day.”

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May 30, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell to Attend Inaugural Faith Leaders Summit on Voting Rights

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) will attend the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) inaugural Faith Leaders Summit on Voting Rights in conjunction with the Conference of National Black Churches (CNBC) 2012 National Consultation. Attorney General Eric Holder will deliver the keynote address and voting rights experts will facilitate discussion surrounding new state voting laws.

“I am delighted to have the opportunity to attend the inaugural Faith Leaders Summit on Voting Rights with faith-based leaders from my district,” said Rep. Sewell. “The right to vote is fundamental to our democracy and now more than ever we must come together to ensure that all Americans can vote without intimidation, prejudice or discrimination.”

Rep. Sewell will be joined by Pastor T.L. Lewis of the historic Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in Pratt City, AL.

“Pastor Lewis is truly a servant leader and a powerful force for good in the Birmingham area,” continued Rep. Sewell. “He continues to exemplify extraordinary leadership in face of the church’s devastation from last year’s April 27th tornadoes. America’s faith-based leaders have played a crucial role in growing and strengthening our spiritual health, family development and community empowerment.”

“This summit is essential because we have so many issues facing our nation currently,” said Pastor T.L. Lewis. “The collaboration of the CBC and faith-based leaders provides a good vehicle for collective strategy that we can take back to our communities and implement to its fullest.”

The Conference of National Black Churches is comprised of the national leadership of the nine largest historically black denominations with a combined membership of over 30 million and 50,000 congregations in the United States. The CNBC holds their “National Consultation” event annually.

May 17, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Co-Sponsors Voting Rights Legislation

WASHINGTON, DC -- Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07), joined her colleagues as an original co-sponsor on H.R. 5799 the “Voter Empowerment Act of 2012” which seeks to modernize voter registration, ensure equal access to the ballot box and prohibit deceptive practices and voter discrimination.

“As the Representative of Alabama’s historic 7th Congressional District, where many fought, bled and died for the right to vote, I am proud to be an original co-sponsor of this important legislation,” said Rep. Sewell. “No right is more fundamental to our democracy, than our right to vote. Although great progress has been made since the days of poll taxes and literacy tests, Congress still has important work to do when it comes to ensuring that all Americans are afforded the right to vote without intimidation, prejudice or discrimination. This legislation will help ensure free and fair elections, so that everyone, including students, seniors, minorities and veterans can exercise their constitutional right to vote,” Sewell added.

The Voter Empowerment Act of 2012 has been designed to modernize the American electoral system by providing improved access to the ballot, enhanced integrity in our voting systems and greater accountability for the administration of our elections.

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May 10, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$1.59 Million in Upward Bound Program Funding to Four Colleges in the 7th Congressional District

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that \$1.59 million was awarded to four colleges in the 7th Congressional District for the Upward Bound Program under the U.S. Department of Education. The Upward Bound Program is one of eight Federal TRIO programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first generation college students and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post baccalaureate programs.

The four institutions awarded funding are:

Lawson State Community College — \$337,500

Miles College — \$353,266

Stillman College — \$553,367

University of West Alabama — \$347,834

“I am pleased that the Department of Education will provide this important funding to four colleges in the 7th Congressional District,” said Rep. Sewell. “The Upward Bound Program is critical to ensuring the success of students from all socioeconomic and education backgrounds. This funding will provide the resources needed to level the playing field and give all students the opportunity to achieve and succeed at the college level.”

The Upward Bound Program participants must be first-generation college bound high school students, low-income individuals or individuals who have a high risk for academic failure and a critical need for academic support to successfully pursue a secondary school curriculum and complete a postsecondary education program within six years after high school graduation.

“We would like to thank Congresswoman Sewell for her support of the Upward Bound program,” said Mattie Crawford, Director of the TRIO Classic Upward Bound Program at Lawson State Community College (LSCC). “This grant will afford LSCC the opportunity to continue developing students academically, culturally and socially while attending high school as well as prepare them to attend and complete college.”

“Miles College is pleased to continue our tradition of over three decades of serving our community and youth through the Upward Bound Program,” said Miles College President Dr.

George T. French Jr. “We are always appreciative of Congresswoman Sewell’s advocacy and support for TRIO Programs like Upward Bound.”

“We are delighted to receive this funding because the Upward Bound Program is linked to college success and we are focused on improving college graduation rates for high school students in Sumter County,” said Vicki Spruiell, Director of TRIO at the University of West Alabama.

“This is great news and we are excited to receive this funding for our Upward Bound Program which has been in operation at Stillman College since 1966,” said Dr. Bettye Mullen, Director of Educational Support Services. “The program has served 130 students annually since its inception and is integral to helping build academic skills that assist these students in pursuing a successful post-secondary education.”

Federal TRIO Programs were established by the Higher Education Act of 1965, and amended by the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, public or private agencies or organizations, including community-based organizations with experience in serving disadvantaged youth, secondary schools, and combinations of institutions, agencies, organizations and secondary schools.

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Recent Grant Awards

- **June 19, 2012** – Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$10 Million in TIGER Grant Funding to the City of Birmingham for “Road to Recovery” Project
- **June 2012** - Rural Health Medical Program in Selma awarded \$650,000 from DHHS. This money will be used to convert the existing administrative location into a primary care practice that will offer primary care, OB-GYN care, and dental services.
- **May 30, 2012** – Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP); ATRIP is an ALDOT administered federal aid highway program that funds up to 80% of the construction of important roadway projects. For the 7th District, \$12,137,994.78 is awarded that includes:
 - Choctaw County awarded \$240,958.37;
 - Clarke County awarded \$3,920,000.00;
 - Dallas County awarded \$245,366.40 & Dallas County also awarded \$479,636.00 for a 2nd project;
 - Greene County awarded \$1,054,952.00;
 - Jefferson County awarded: Bessemer awarded \$1,154,388.00; Bham awarded \$2,555,917.60;
 - Perry County awarded \$360,404.67;
 - Pickens County awarded \$744,447.78;
 - Sumter County awarded \$121,000.00 & \$269,515.20;
 - Tuscaloosa awarded \$540,000.00 & Tuscaloosa awarded \$811,813.43 for 2nd project.
- **May 23, 2012** – The DOL awards The Dannon Project in Birmingham \$1,212,000 for Reintegration of Ex-Offender program.
- **May 18, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$362,588 for research in heart, blood and lung problems from DHHS
- **May 16, 2012** – Dallas County – Rural Health Medical Program in Selma receives \$1,778,784 for rural health center from DHHS
- **May 16, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$86,149 for cognition and cognitive disorders by DHHS.
- **May 11, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$366,250 for research regarding B cells in the lung by DHHS

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Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

- To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit www.grants.gov. It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- To apply for Federal Grants: http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp
- 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

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program: **NEW- Rural Cooperative Development Grants**

Description: USDA is offering Rural Cooperative Development Grants (RCDG) to non-profit corporations and institutions of higher education to conduct feasibility studies, create and implement business plans, and help businesses develop new markets for their products and services. One-year grants up to \$175,000 are available. In most cases, grants may be used to pay for up to 75 percent of the cost of establishing and operating rural cooperative development centers.

Website:

http://fundbook.org/rural-cooperative-development-grants-rcdg/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=rural-cooperative-development-grants-rcdg

Program: **Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG)**

Description: The primary objective of the RBOG program is to promote sustainable economic development in rural communities with exceptional needs. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis. The deadline is August 6, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JhjmPQLBpTqC91cPKIJhvT2bwLH2QzQshT6fhy1pHrJQvt2T0QMQ!-1255049606?oppId=174953&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Commerce

Program: **NEW - 2012 i6 CHALLENGE**

Description: EDA solicits competitive applications to encourage and reward innovative, ground-breaking ideas that greatly expand innovation, commercialization and new enterprise formation across the United States. The 2012 i6 Challenge will award applicants submitting the best strategies

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Mn56PYvX15FjmKyvjLVLPFwhbnhQT6qm0VsSQ7mLvvvCDQYQrY2q!-1255049606?oppId=175993&mode=VIEW>

Program: **FY 2012 Disaster Relief Opportunity**

Description: Through this Disaster Relief Opportunity, EDA intends to award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress as a result of natural disasters that were declared as major Federal disasters between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011. The EAA program provides recipients with flexible tools to develop and implement regionally based long term economic development strategies in response to major federally declared disasters. The deadline is March 27, 2015.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=td13PzLK6gJdBqwnMjvpjLHLpthW6491WK2FHGwKtGRMphNbRQYh!-213555334?oppId=159393&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Education

Program: **NEW- Arts in Education**

Description: The Arts in Education National Program (AENP) supports national-level high-quality arts education activities and services for children and youth, with special emphasis on serving children from low-income families (as

defined in this notice) and children with disabilities (as defined in this notice).

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpDFLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=177233&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Applications for New Awards: Upward Bound Math and Science Program**

Description: The Upward Bound (UB) Program is one of the seven programs known as the Federal TRIO Programs, which provide postsecondary educational support for qualified individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. The UB Program is a discretionary grant program that supports projects designed to provide the skills and motivation necessary to complete a program of secondary education and to enter and succeed in a program of postsecondary education. There are three types of grants under the UB Program: regular UB grants, Veterans UB grants, and UB Math and Science (UBMS) grants.

Website: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-06-20/pdf/2012-15012.pdf>

Program: **Comprehensive Centers Program**

Description: The Comprehensive Centers program supports the establishment of no fewer than 20 comprehensive technical assistance centers to provide technical assistance to State educational agencies (SEAs) that builds their capacity to support local educational agencies (LEAs or districts) and schools, especially low-performing districts and schools; improve educational outcomes for all students; close achievement gaps; and improve the quality of instruction. The deadline is August 6, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVM MpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZJlW!-1255049606?oppId=174594&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Promise Neighborhood Grants**

Description: Funding supports a range of youth services, from K-12 education and early-learning programs to health and safety initiatives in neighborhoods, and access to learning technology. The deadline is July 27, 2012.

Website: <http://fundbook.org/promise-neighborhoods-grants/>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Program: **NEW - Street Outreach Program**

Description: Today, in communities across the country, young people are living on the streets after running from or being asked to leave homes characterized by abuse, neglect, or parental drug and alcohol abuse. Once on the streets, such youth are at risk of being sexually exploited or abused by adults for pleasure or profit. In addition, such youth may engage in shoplifting, survival sex, or drug dealing in order to provide for their basic needs.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpD FLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=178893&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- Integrative Medicine Program (IMP)**

Description: The purposes of the IMP grants are to: (1) incorporate integrative medicine content into an existing PMR program; (2) provide faculty development to improve clinical teaching in both preventive and integrative medicine; and (3) facilitate delivery of information that will be assessed through competency development of the residents/trainees.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpD FLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=177373&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- Community Health Projects Related to Contamination at Land Reuse and Brownfield Sites**

Description: The purpose of the program is to identify, address, and improve public health with the redevelopment of Brownfield and/or land reuse sites. This program addresses the “Healthy People 2020” focus area(s) of Quality Health Care Services, Educational and Community-Based Programs, Environmental Health, Health Communication, Mental Health and Mental Disorders, Nutrition and Overweight, Occupational Safety and Health, Physical Activity and Fitness, and Public Health Infrastructure. These projects will have a particular emphasis on identifying health issues prior to redevelopment and/or assessing changes in community health associated with reuse plans and redevelopment.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpDFLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=177833&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - NIH Support for Conferences and Scientific Meetings (Parent R13/U13)**

Description: The purpose of the NIH Research Conference (R13) Grant and NIH Research Conference Cooperative Agreement (U13) Programs is to support high quality conferences that are relevant to the public health and to the scientific mission of the participating Institutes and Centers.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpDFLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=178213&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- PPHF 2012: REACH: Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health financed solely by 2012 Prevention and Public Health Funds**

Description: This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is designed to fund national or multi-state organizations to: •Fund, manage, support, and monitor sub-recipients to address health disparities and implement evidence- and practice-based strategies that reduce health disparities for

intervention population(s) experiencing high burden of disease or risk factors.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpDFLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=178673&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW- PPHF 2012: REACH: Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health: Obesity and Hypertension Demonstration Projects financed solely by 2012 Prevention and Public Health Funds**

Description: Funding provided through this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) will support the implementation arm of demonstration projects focused on reducing health disparities. It builds upon previous Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) programs (www.cdc.gov/reach) and other health equity-related community health programs and serves as a focused complement to programs working to make population-wide, place-based improvements.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpDFLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=178674&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Women's Mental Health During Pregnancy and the Postpartum Period (R21)**

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to outline priority areas for research related to womens mental health during pregnancy and the postpartum period. Priority areas include basic and clinical neuroscience, studies of clinical course, epidemiological factors and risk factors, as well as interventions and services research.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FZMGPjJp0NqhKymt6ZxX3xz1qqcPs1JpDFLp92JzswTbJyGGv8kS!-1248368548?oppId=178873&mode=VIEW>

Program: PPHF 2012: Community Transformation Grants - Small Communities Programs financed solely by 2012 Prevention and Public Health Funds

Description: The overarching purpose of this program is to prevent heart attack, stroke, cancer, diabetes and other leading chronic disease causes of death or disability through implementation of a variety of evidence based programs, policies, and infrastructure improvements to promote healthy lifestyles in small communities that improve health and health behaviors among an intervention population. The deadline is July 31, 2012.

Websites:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JdJgPHJTqGL2pyxvqMb6MVn9Ss9pnrNgwjyQqdKITvd0PkjpwWnf!2145627009?oppId=173114&mode=VIEW>

<http://fundbook.org/community-transformation-grants-small-communities/>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Program: NEW - FY 2012 Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP)-Continuing Training Grants (CTG)

Description: The Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Homeland Security National Training Program (HSNTP) provides funds to support nationwide training initiatives and further the mission of FEMA. Based upon their current activities and identified needs, the National Preparedness Directorate (NPD) will invite select organizations to be eligible to apply under this solicitation.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=Mn56PYvX15FjmKyvjLVLPFwhbnhQT6qm0VsSQ7mLvvyCDQYQrY2q!-1255049606?oppId=176113&mode=VIEW>

Program: FY 12 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program

Description: Eligible to apply are Fire departments (career, volunteer, and combination) and nonaffiliated emergency medical service (EMS) providers - What items are eligible for grant funding? Operations and Safety Projects:

Training, equipment, personal protective equipment, modifications to facilities, wellness and safety projects; Vehicle Acquisition Projects: Firefighting and EMS vehicles; Regional Projects (benefiting multiple departments): Training, equipment, personal protective equipment.

Website: Call the AFG Help Desk toll-free at 1-866-274-0960 or contact AFG staff members by e-mail at firegrants@fema.dhs.gov

US Small Business Administration

Program: **Federal and State Technology Partnership Program (FAST)**

Description: The U.S. Small Business Administration (SB) plans to make twenty awards of up to \$100,000 to organizations to conduct outreach and provide technical assistance services to technology-based small business owners.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xJ2hPRWpsnkpkbvpsMTKXhBpYZNqhVM MpBcBgL5hTkBC2GhZJlW!-1255049606?oppId=174316&mode=VIEW>

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: **NEW – KaBOOM Playground Grants**

Description: KaBoom is excited to announce a new grant opportunity to increase access to cities' playgrounds at the fraction of the cost of a new build. Joint use agreements allow local governments to partner with local school districts to open school recreation facilities to the public during non-school hours. The \$15,000 Joint Use Grants can be used to support the opening of at least four playgrounds and the \$30,000 Joint Use Grants the opening of at least eight playgrounds.

Website: <http://fundbook.org/new-kaboom-playground-grants-available/>

Program: **Home Depot Grants**

Description: The Home Depot Foundation, we understand the impact of hard work and sweat equity. We believe in neighbors giving up their time, rolling up their shirt sleeves and getting dirty to improve their community. More importantly, we understand that volunteering to improve the physical health of your neighborhood and community creates a healthier, more stable environment where families can thrive.

Covered Projects:

- Repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income and/or transitional veteran's housing, or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.)
- Weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income and/or transitional veterans' housing, or community facilities
- Planting trees or community gardens and/or landscaping community facilities that serve veterans
- Grants must support work completed by community volunteers in the U.S.
- Projects must be completed within six months following notification that the grant has been awarded, with reporting requirements due 30 days following the completion of the project.
- Grants are solely given in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services.
- Organizations who have received funding through The Home Depot Foundation's Community Impact Grant Program must wait 12 months after notification of award before applying for additional grants through this program. Each approved applicant must complete a Final Report before additional funding requests will be considered.

Website: <http://homedepotfoundation.org>

Program: **USDA Rural Public Safety Agency Grant and Loan Program**

Description: The Rural Housing Community Facilities Program offers direct and guaranteed loans and grants designed to finance and facilitate the development of over 80 different types of essential community facilities serving rural areas. These facilities include, but are not limited to,

hospitals, elderly care facilities, child care centers, fire and rescue stations, vocational and medical rehabilitation centers, schools, and public transportation infrastructure.

Website:

<http://www.policegrantshelp.com/grants/1854312-USDA-Rural-Public-Safety-Agency-Grant-and-Loan-Program/>

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / LOANS/ INTERNSHIPS

Alabama Student Grant Program (ASGP)

This is a state program that offers grants of approximately \$360 per year to full-time undergraduate students who are legal residents of Alabama who are attending approved independent colleges or universities within the state of Alabama.

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

Alabama Scholarships

Website: <http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/alabama-scholarships/>

Alabama Student Loan Program

Learn the facts about Alabama's designated guarantor of Federal Family Education Loan Programs

Website:

<http://www.alabama.gov/portal/secondary.jsp?id=educationResources>

Get Help Paying for College with Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Website: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs

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

Fast Web

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

Merit Aid

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

Section V RESOURCES

A Helping Hand from Congress: Congressional support for local funding requests

Website: <http://fundbook.org/a-helping-hand-from-congress/>

About PoliceGrantsHelp.com

PoliceGrantsHelp.com provides members of the first responder community with a comprehensive resource for Police Grants information and assistance. PoliceGrantsHelp.com features the most extensive law enforcement grant database ever created, with a library of information not only for federal grant programs, but also state, local and corporate grant opportunities.

Website: <http://www.policegrantshelp.com/grants101/>

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

The Fund Book – These are open grants programs which are of interest to local governments

Website: <http://fundbook.org/>

Community Action Agencies of Alabama

Website:

<http://www.adeca.alabama.gov/CSBG/Document%20Library/Copy%20of%20Community%20Action%20Agency%20List0409.pdf>

Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund

Website: <http://www.hardesthitlabama.com/>

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments

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Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662

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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

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Executive Director: Robert B. Lake

Visit the Web site of Region 2 - <http://www.warc.info/index.php>

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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Executive Director: Charles Ball
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East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
P.O. Box 2186
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5900 Carmichael Place
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Fax: 334.270.0038
Executive Director: Tyson Howard
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Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission
107 Broad Street
Camden, Alabama 36726
Phone: 334.682.4234
Fax: 334.682.4205
Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs
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Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
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Fax: 334.794.3288
Executive Director: Thomas B. Solomon
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South Alabama Regional Planning Commission
P.O. Box 1665
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Executive Director: Russ Wimberly

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

Central Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission
125 Washington Avenue
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Visit the Web site of Region 9 - <http://www.carpdc.com/>

Lee-Russell Council of Governments
2207 Gateway Drive
Opelika, Alabama 36801
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Executive Director: Suzanne G. Burnette

Visit the Web site of Region 10 - <http://www.lrcog.com/>

North-Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments
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Visit the Web site of Region 12 - <http://www.tarcog.org/>

COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

Autauga Area Community Foundation
c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.
434 N. McDonough Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: 334-264-6223
Contact: Carol W. Butler, President
Website: www.aacinfo.org

The Community Foundation of Baldwin County
c/o The Community Foundation of South Alabama
P.O. Box 990
Mobile, AL 36601
Phone: 251-438-5591
Contact: Linnette Clausman
Website: www.communityendowment.com

Black Belt Community Foundation
609 Lauderdale Street
Selma, AL 36701-4555
Phone: 334-874-1126 Fax: 334-874-1131
Contact: Felecia L. Jones, Executive Director
Website: <http://blackbeltfound.org/>

The Greater Brewton Foundation
P.O. Box 87
Brewton, AL 36427
Phone: (251) 867-4881
Contact: John David Finlay, Jr., Pres.

Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama
P. O. Box 36202
Anniston, Alabama 36202
Telephone: 256-231-5160 Fax: 256-231-5161
Contact: Eula M. Tatman, Interim President and CEO
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For general information: info@yourcommunityfirst.org
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Elmore County Community Foundation
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Phone: 334-264-6223

Contact: Carol W. Butler, President
Website: www.eccfinfo.org

The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham
2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700
Birmingham, AL 35203
Telephone: (205) 328-8641 Fax: (205) 328-6576
Contact: Kate Nielsen, President
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For general information: info@foundationbirmingham.org
Website: <http://www.foundationbirmingham.org>

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

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

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

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

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

The Community Foundation of South Alabama

P.O. Box 990
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Contact: Linnette Clausman, Finance Officer
Website: <http://www.communityendowment.com>

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

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

Walker Area Community Foundation
P.O. Box 171
Jasper, AL 35502-0171
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Contact: Paul Kennedy, Executive Director
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