



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

For more information, please visit the website at <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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CONSTITUENT SERVICES GUIDE

# Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell: Putting Alabama Families First



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Dear Friend,

I am honored to represent you in Congress. I am here to help in any way possible. One of my most important responsibilities as your representative is to provide you with assistance as you work with federal agencies.

Our office can help you break through the bureaucracy if you are having challenges with issues including Social Security, Medicare or veterans' benefits. We can also help you find federal grant opportunities for community projects and identify funding for first responders and other important services that our communities need. Our office in Washington, D.C. offers tours of the Capitol and can help provide gallery passes to see Congress in session. American flags that have been flown above the U.S. Capitol can also be ordered upon request.

We are here to serve you. Please let us be of assistance to you and your family.

Warmly,

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell

### Standing Up for Alabama Workers

Creating jobs and rebuilding our economy are Congresswoman Sewell's top priorities. She is committed to expanding workforce development funding and strengthening public-private partnerships to create jobs. Our office is available if you need help with:

- Small Business Assistance
- Federal Grants
- Internal Revenue Service
- Job Training and Unemployment Benefits



### Protecting Our Seniors

Congresswoman Sewell will always fight to protect Social Security and Medicare. She is also working to restore our country's fiscal discipline to ensure that these programs are available for future generations. Please contact us if you need assistance with:

- Social Security Benefits
- Medicare Benefits
- Survivor's Benefits
- Retirement Benefits



### Helping Our Students

A strong education can make all the difference in achieving the American Dream. That is why Congresswoman Sewell is working hard to strengthen and reform early childhood education, improve performance in elementary and secondary education and improve outcomes in higher education. She supports students by assisting with:

- Internships
- Financial Aid
- Military Academy Nominations



Congresswoman Sewell visits with students at Cedar Park Elementary School in Selma.

### Honoring America's Veterans

Congresswoman Sewell is a strong advocate for our veterans and will work tirelessly to ensure that they receive the care and benefits they have earned. She is working hard to help veterans and their families with:

- Benefits Assistance
- Veterans Administration Claims
- Assistance for Returning Service Members
- Disability Compensation
- Pension Assistance



Congresswoman Sewell visits with Alabama veterans.

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*Congresswoman Sewell holds town hall meetings at the request of her constituents. Photo: Matt Lacey for Congresswoman Sewell's Office.*



# Serving Alabama Families

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**CASEWORK SUCCESS STORY:**

Frederick C. contacted our Tuscaloosa office because he was denied disability benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs. He was diagnosed with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder from his service in the Gulf War. He continued to file claims and appeals without resolution.

Congresswoman Sewell's office worked on his claim, helping Frederick receive a favorable decision for total and permanent disability. We helped him secure a retroactive check for over \$86,000.

Contact us today so we can help you.

November 22, 2011

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction's Failure to Reach an Agreement**

Washington, DC—Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement after the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction announced that they have failed to reach a bipartisan agreement:

“I am very disappointed the Deficit Reduction Committee was unable to reach an agreement.

It is disheartening that some of my colleagues are putting politics before our economy and holding the financial stability and fiscal future of this nation hostage. Our constituents sent us here to help solve America's problems not to create more of them. My constituents in the 7th Congressional District of Alabama sent me here to help make their lives better not to create fear and instability.

Despite the failure of the Super Committee, a bipartisan effort is still needed. In order to bring stability and certainty to our economy and avoid catastrophic consequences, we must come together on a long-term agreement so we can reduce our deficit, protect hard-working middle class families, children and seniors and ensure we pay our nation's bills. Time is of the essence, and America deserves much better than this.”

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November 21, 2011

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on the Approval of Alabama’s Redistricting Plan by the U.S. Department of Justice**

Washington, DC— Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement regarding the Department of Justice’s approval of Alabama’s redistricting plan:

“Today, The Department of Justice approved Alabama's congressional redistricting plan. It is a privilege and an honor to serve the 7th Congressional District, and I look forward to having the opportunity to serve the newly drawn district. Regardless of how the congressional lines have been drawn, my job will remain the same. I will continue to listen to and be a voice for the people of my district, and promote policies in Washington that encourage job creation, strengthen economic development and protect the interests of my constituents. The families, seniors and children of the 7th Congressional District deserve nothing less. I am honored to represent them in Congress and I look forward to continuing to work hard for them each day.”

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November 18, 2011

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on the Passing of Dr. Ethel Hall**

Washington DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) issued the following statement on the passing of distinguished educator and advocate for children, Dr. Ethel Hall:

“We mourn the loss of Dr. Ethel Hall, one of Alabama’s premiere educators and one of our Nation’s strongest advocates for children. As the first African American elected to Alabama State Board of Education, Dr. Hall was a true pioneer, who sowed seeds for the opportunities that now flourish for so many. She was a personal mentor and an inspiration to my life and I am deeply saddened by her passing.

Throughout her life, Dr. Hall was the epitome of a servant leader. She led by example and was motivated by a driving passion that all children deserve a quality education. During her twenty-four year tenure on the Alabama State Board of Education, Dr. Hall faced tough decisions regarding a myriad of education issues, but in those decisions she always remained a person of principle—putting Alabama’s children first.

I know that my generation stands on the shoulders of trail blazers like Dr. Hall. It was her light that guided the path that led me to become Alabama’s first African American Congresswoman and for that, I am eternally grateful. Dr. Hall’s life stands as a testament to the courage and strength of one’s ability to shape the live of many. We should be renewed by her love of learning and recommit ourselves to providing our Nation’s greatest asset—its children—with the resources and opportunities they need to compete in this global economy.

My thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends during this difficult time.”

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November 16, 2011

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell on the Passage of the VOW to Hire Heroes Act**

Washington DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) issued the following statement after voting in favor of the VOW to Hire Heroes Act—legislation that will put veterans to work, create jobs for America’s men and women in uniform, and strengthen our nation’s economy:

“Today I voted in favor of the VOW to Hire Heroes Act. Our service men and women put their lives on the line every day to defend our free society. They deserve the opportunity for good jobs and decent wages once returning home. The VOW to Hire Heroes Act will help America in fulfilling its commitment to provide the benefits our men and women in uniform have earned.

We as Americans can now welcome our service men and women back into our communities as workers, small business owners and entrepreneurs. We must serve our service members as well as they have served us.”

The VOW to Hire Heroes Act is part of President Obama’s American Jobs Act. The bill would expand employment opportunities for our veterans by creating Hiring Heroes and Wounded Warriors tax credits to encourage businesses to hire returning service members and those with service-related disabilities. It also incorporates proposals to boost hiring for veterans and provide them with the training they need to find a job in civilian life.

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## Recent Grant Awards

- **November 9, 2011** – USDA Announces Seedco Financial Services, Inc. receives: \$250,000 USDA loan; \$62,500 USDA grant to capitalize a rural microloan revolving fund to make loans to rural microentrepreneurs and microenterprises in the targeted, high-poverty counties of Choctaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Limestone, Perry, Pickens, Sumter and Wilcox.
- **October 28, 2011** - USDA Announces Economic Development Funding for the Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund: \$191,504 grant to provide technical assistance, training and other business development services to minority farmers, ranchers, fisherman and rural communities throughout Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana to help develop new cooperatives and credit unions.
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$13,785 for Hidden History of the Moundville Plaza, Hale County to the University of Alabama
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,340 for Red Mountain Greenway & Recreational Area Commission for Red Mountain Park Archaeology Program, Jefferson County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,785 for the Fort Tombecbe Archaeological Project, Sumter County to the University of West Alabama
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 to the National Voting Rights Museum and Institute for Operations Support, Dallas County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 for the Concord Cemetery Association for Concord Cemetery Preservation Project, Hale County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 for Liberty Cemetery - April 27 Tornado Recovery, Hale County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 for Oak Hill Memorial Association for Oak Hill Cemetery Restoration Project, Jefferson County



- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 to the Alabama Department of Mental Health for Bryce Hospital Cemetery Ground Penetrating Radar, Tuscaloosa County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 to Auburn University Foundation for Rural Studio for Chantilly House Restoration, Hale County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$5,170 to Sloss Furnaces National Historic Landmark for Sloss Boiler Roofs Preservation Project, Jefferson County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 to Birmingham Landmarks, Inc. \$15,880 for the roof for the Alabama Theatre, Jefferson County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 to the Vulcan Park Foundation \$15,880 for Vulcan Interior Tower Preservation and Restoration, Jefferson County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$15,880 to the Sumter County Historical Society for the Cedarwood Historic Restoration, Sumter County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$11,935 to Dale Lodge #251847 Lodge Restoration, Wilcox County
- **October , 2011** – Alabama Historical Commission awards grant of \$9,530 to the University of Alabama for Historic Buildings Survey of Bayview, Jefferson County
- **October 5, 2011** – Clarke County - Coffeeville Utilities Board – USDA loan of \$559,000 and award of \$399,000 for water system improvements
- **October 5, 2011** – Clarke County - City of Thomasville – USDA loan of \$3,500,000 and award of \$1,500,000 for water system improvements
- **October 4, 2011** - Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$200,000 in Rural Development Funding for Sumter and Greene Counties – USDA award for rural development projects.

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## Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

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

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## Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

### Corporation for National and Community Service

**Program:** **NEW- AmeriCorps State and National Grants 2012**

**Description:** AmeriCorps awards grants to organizations to implement programs that utilize AmeriCorps members to engage in evidenced based measures to help strengthen communities.

**Website:**

[http://www.nationalservice.gov/for\\_organizations/funding/nofa\\_detail.asp?tbl\\_nofa\\_id=9](http://www.nationalservice.gov/for_organizations/funding/nofa_detail.asp?tbl_nofa_id=9)

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### Institute for Museum and Library Services

**Program:** **Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums**

**Description:** The Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums are a special funding opportunity within the IMLS National Leadership Grants program. These small grants encourage libraries, museums, and archives to test and evaluate specific innovations in the ways they operate and the services they provide.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=2S11TWWPpz2mhBVW9zHXLqKGgW74yTbPKwqcPcHtvp1cGFQtdNtL!-62778654?oppId=132233&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **National Leadership Grants**

**Description:** National Leadership Grants support projects that address challenges faced by the museum, library, and/or archive fields and that have the potential to advance practice in those fields. Successful proposals will seek innovative responses to the challenge(s) identified in the proposals, and will have national impact.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=14H6TWYfwmQTZf3FSCnyLpKJD0p1hy19ny1Jyyp7Gh04yppYmNGn!65310457?oppId=132254&mode=VIEW>

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**National Archives and Records Administration**

**Program:** **NEW - Publishing Historical Records**

**Description:** The National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), a part of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), supports projects that promote the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history, and culture. The deadline is June 7, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=fQrQTfWhJ1bpWfsrMQ1ksGpcvGWkppJySJnzv8ILRfpRGx8lp95F!65310457?oppId=132753&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Endowment for the Arts**

**Program:** **NEA Our Town Guidelines, FY2012**

**Description:** The Arts Endowment's support of a project may start on September 1, 2012, or any time thereafter. A grant period of up to two years is allowed. Grant Program Description Art works to improve the lives of America's citizens in many ways. Communities across our nation are engaging design and leveraging the arts to create livable, sustainable neighborhoods with enhanced quality of life, increased creative activity, distinct identities, a sense of place, and vibrant local economies that capitalize on existing local assets.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=MJ1dTXhFcY8f2JqzRGNz27c2hq714V5lsw2fGGVfklNCKLypyyTS!65310457?oppId=132434&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEA Your Town Program Solicitation, FY2012**

**Description:** The purpose of this Program Solicitation is to select an organization (Cooperator) to coordinate all Your Town activities nationally. Your Town aims to enhance the quality of life and economic viability of rural areas primarily through workshops where community participants address specific planning and design issues with experts in the planning, design, and related fields. The deadline is January 5, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=SQhKTMbMkD3pFLh7mqSMBIP1By674LVkwVpGQby7QTMsmT6Vf4y!64218969?oppId=131674&mode=VIEW>

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## **National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Program:** **Landmarks of American History and Culture**

**Description:** The Landmarks of American History and Culture program supports series of one-week residence-based workshops for a

national audience of K-12 educators. NEH Landmarks of American History and Culture Workshops use historic sites to address central themes and issues in American history, government, literature, art, music, and other related subjects in the humanities. The deadline is March 1, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=2y1BTGPXm2vyCjHtFQM0gZyzM6DGSTH7LGq4x1vqXlsDpwqnD3F1!-1890905838?oppId=130495&mode=VIEW>

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## **President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities**

**Program:** **NEW - 2012 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards**

**Description:** The National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award is the Nation's highest honor for out-of-school arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people, particularly those from underserved communities. The deadline is January 30, 2012.

**Website:** <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Federal/202>

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

**Program:** **NEW - More Kids in the Woods & Children's Forests**

**Description:** The More Kids in the Woods (MKIW) challenge cost-share opportunity is an important component of the Forest Service's long-standing Kids in the Woods efforts that reach more than four million Americans each year, and engage more than a thousand partners that contribute time, energy and resources to help connect people with the natural world. The deadline is December 16, 2011.

**Website:**

<http://fsweb.wo.fs.fed.us/mkiw/> or email [ckamerica@fs.fed.us](mailto:ckamerica@fs.fed.us).

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

**Program:** **NEW - High School Equivalency Program Grant**

**Description:** The purposes of HEP are to help migrant and seasonal farmworkers and members of their immediate family: (1) Obtain a General Education Diploma (GED) and (2) Gain employment or be placed in an Institution of Higher Education (IHE) or other postsecondary education or training. The deadline is January 18, 2012.

**Website:** <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Federal/201>

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

**Program:** **Small Grants Program for Cancer Epidemiology (R03)**

**Description:** The overarching goal of this FOA is to provide support for pilot projects, testing of new techniques, secondary analyses of existing data, development and validation of measurement methods, linkage of genetic polymorphisms with other variables related to cancer risk, and development of innovative projects for more comprehensive research in cancer etiology and epidemiology.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=2S11TWWPfz2mhBVW9zHXLqKGgW74yTbPKwqcPcHtvp1cGFQtdNtL!-62778654?oppId=131993&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **Area Health Education Centers**

**Description:** The Area Health Education Center (AHEC) programs consist of interdisciplinary, community-based, primary care training programs wherein academic and community-based leaders work to improve the distribution, diversity, supply, and quality of health



personnel, particularly primary care personnel in the health care services delivery system and more specifically in delivery sites in rural and other underserved areas. The deadline is February 12, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=1s94TGdNY3DVjpb3jDB26JKKLByzM1Q0Tv1nt96r6tv6xnPFRyfy!1135953825?oppId=130613&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **NEW- Section 202 Demonstration Pre-Development Grant Program**

**Description:** The purpose of this Demonstration Pre-Development Grant program is to assist Sponsors of projects that receive Fund Reservation Awards pursuant to the FY 2010 NOFA for the Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly program, as amended to include FY 2011 appropriations, by providing pre-development grant funding for architectural and engineering work, site control, and other planning related expenses that are eligible for funding under the Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly program.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=fQrQTfWhJ1bpWfsrMQ1ksGpcvGWkppJySJnzv8ILRfpRGx8lp95F!65310457?oppId=132793&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - Housing Counseling Program**

**Description:** This program supports the delivery of a wide variety of housing counseling services to homebuyers, homeowners, low- to moderate-income renters, and the homeless. The primary objectives of the program are to improve financial literacy, expand homeownership opportunities, improve access to affordable housing and preserve homeownership.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=plJWTXhpp3rX9JJGhXhfLxkykHqvC39tQ2G3ZnD5hGZNzV9l3bLs!65310457?oppId=132413&mode=VIEW>

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## **U.S. Department of Justice: Bureau of Justice Assistance**

**Program:** **NEW - BJA FY 12 Second Chance Act Technology Careers Training Demonstration Projects for Incarcerated Adults and Juveniles**

**Description:** There are approximately 94,000 youth in residential confinement within the juvenile justice system on any given day. Ninety-five percent of all offenders incarcerated today will eventually be released and will return to communities. The Second Chance Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-199) provides a comprehensive response to the increasing number of incarcerated adults and juveniles who are released from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities and returning to communities. The deadline is March 2, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=132896>

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**Program:** **NEW - Second Chance Act Demonstration Field Experiment: Fostering Desistance through Effective Supervision**

**Description:** The Second Chance Act (SCA) of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-199) provides a comprehensive response to the increasing number of incarcerated adults and juveniles who are released from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities and returning to communities. The Second Chance Act helps to ensure that the transition individuals make from prison, jail, or juvenile residential facilities to the community is successful and promotes public safety.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=2S11TWWPfz2mhBVW9zHXLqKGgW74yTbPKwqcPcHtvp1cGFQtdNtL!-62778654?oppId=131994&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **NEW - Chefs Move to Schools Grant**

**Description:** This grant provides funds for culinary professionals to help children eat right by teaching them about food, nutrition and cooking. Funds may be used to plant a garden, teach a class, or create a wellness program or curriculum focused on healthy eating. The grants are aimed at encouraging culinary professionals to volunteer at Title I schools. The deadline is December 30, 2011.

**Website:**

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

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**Program:** **NEW - Disney's Planet Challenge**

**Description:** Disney's Planet Challenge is a project-based environmental competition for 3rd-8th grade classrooms or clubs with state and national prizes. The program includes a ready-to-use curriculum developed by leading educators and science and environmental experts. Please register by December 23, 2011.

**Website:**

<http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=85636.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **NEW - Mary Kay Foundation Invites Research Applications for Cancers Affecting Women**

**Description:** The Mary Kay Foundation, a funding source for cancer research, is accepting applications for innovative grants for translational research on ovarian, uterine, breast, or cervical cancer. Only one grant application will be accepted from each accredited medical school and schools of public health. Applications must be submitted by one principal investigator selected by the institution. Grants are limited to U.S. institutions. The program will offer between ten to fifteen grants of up to \$100,000 each (combined direct and indirect costs) for a research period of two years. The deadline is February 3, 2012.

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**Program:** **NEW - 2012 Wildlife Conservation Youth Engagement Grants Grant**

**Description:** This opportunity is from the Planet Connect and National Environmental Education Foundation – The applicant must be 14-19 years old; be enrolled in a U.S. high school program (public, private, charter or home school); propose a project that is focused on wildlife conservation.

**Website:**

<http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/203>

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**Program:** **NEW - 2012 Soccer for Success SIF Sub-Grant**

**Description:** The U.S. Soccer Foundation is offering the opportunity for organizations around the country to apply for the 2012 Soccer for Success Social Innovation Fund (SIF) Sub-Grant. The 2012 Soccer for Success SIF Sub-Grant will support the replication of Soccer for Success, the Foundation's free after-school youth development soccer program designed as a tool to combat childhood obesity and promote healthy lifestyles for children in low income urban communities. The deadline is December 22, 2011.

**Website:**

[http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/site/c.ipIQKXOvFoG/b.5482625/k.282F/2012\\_Annual\\_Grants\\_Program.htm](http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/site/c.ipIQKXOvFoG/b.5482625/k.282F/2012_Annual_Grants_Program.htm)

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**Program:** **NEW - Nominations Invited for Tech Awards Honoring Innovations Benefitting Humanity**

**Description:** An annual program of the Tech Museum of Innovation, the Tech Awards are designed to inspire global engagement in applying technology to humanity's most pressing problems. The awards recognize individuals, organizations, and companies from around the world that are utilizing innovative technology solutions to address urgent issues in the areas of education, equality, environment, health, and economic development. The deadline is April 1, 2012.

**Website:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=362200041](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=362200041)

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## Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS

**Program:** **Pre-College Psychology Grant Program**

**Description:** This program provides financial support for efforts aimed at improving the quality of education in psychological science and its application in the secondary schools.

**Website:** <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundations/204>

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**Program:** **Microsoft Scholarship Program**

**Description:** Microsoft is offering four different types of technical scholarships for the 2012-2013 academic years to current undergraduate students: General Scholarships, Women's Scholarships, Minority Scholarships, and Scholarships for Students with Disabilities. The deadline is February 1, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://careers.microsoft.com/careers/en/us/internships-scholarships.aspx>

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**Program:** **2012 FFA Scholarships Now Available**

**Description:** Each year the National FFA Organization awards approximately \$2 million in scholarships designed to fit the diversity of our applicants. The 2012 Scholarship application is available online from November 15, 2011 to 5:00 p.m. EST February 15, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.ffa.org/programs/grantsandscholarships/Scholarships/Pages/default.aspx>

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**Program:** **Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation**

**Description:** Each year the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation grants scholarship awards to deserving young men and women. Forty (40) awards of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) will be available in 2012. The \$1,500.00 awards are for one year only. Applicants must be students of accredited high schools who have graduated or will graduate in the school year 2011-2012. Additionally, applying students must have a GPA of at least three points (3.0) on a four-point scale.

**Website:** <http://www.taisf.org/scholar.htm>

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**Program:** **Summer Research Diversity Fellowships in Law and Social Science for Undergraduate Students**

**Description:** The American Bar Foundation sponsors a program of summer research fellowships to interest undergraduate students from diverse backgrounds in pursuing graduate study in the social sciences. The summer program is designed to introduce students to the rewards and demands of a research-oriented career in the field of law and social science. The deadline is February 15, 2012.

**Website:**  
<http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/research/Fellowshipopportunities/SummerResearchDiversityFellowshipsinLawandSocialScience.html>

### **Scholarship Websites:**

#### **Alabama Scholarships**

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

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

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

#### **Fast Web**

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

#### **Merit Aid**

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

## Student Aid Programs

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

## Scholarship Experts

Website: <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htx>

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## Alabama Student Assistance Program

Website: <http://www.moneymatters101.com/states/alabama.asp>

## 200 Free Scholarships For Minorities

Website: <http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html>

## G. I. Dependents' Scholarship Program

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

## College Scholarships.org

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

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## Section V RESOURCES

### SBA - Search for Business Loans, Grants and Financing

Website: <http://www.sba.gov/content/search-business-loans-grants-and-financing>

### U.S. Department of Transportation Selects Seedco Financial to Provide Small Business Loans

Only CDFI in Alabama to Disburse Capital Under this Program

U.S. Department of Transportation Selects Seedco Financial to Provide Small Business Loans

- *Seedco Financial in Alabama Selected as Partner to Provide Short-Term Loans*
- *Only CDFI in Alabama to Disburse Capital Under this Program*
- *Loans Up to \$750,000 to Qualified Small Businesses*

Website: <http://www.seedcofinancial.org/press-releases/?id=642>

### National Call Center for Veterans

The VA has founded a National Call Center for Veterans who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, that provides free, 24/7 access to trained counselors. Call 1-877-4AID VET (1-877-424-3838) or Chat Live 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Police Grants Help 101** -- Whether your police department needs body armor, less lethal devices, training or funding to hire additional staff, grants can help bridge the gap between a budget shortfall and successfully funding your project.

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

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

### **Alabama Incentives: Alabama Biodiesel Incentive Program**

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) Energy Division developed the Alabama Biodiesel Incentive Program to increase the availability and use of biodiesel blends in school buses and state fleet vehicles.

**Website:** <http://www.adeca.alabama.gov/C17/ATF/default.aspx>

### **Alabama Incentives: Biofuel Production Facility Tax Credit**

Companies that invest in the development of a biofuel production facility may be eligible for a tax credit of up to 5% of the capital costs of the project. Companies may claim this credit against the state income tax or the financial institution excise tax liability that the project generates each year for up to 20 years.

**Website:** <http://www.afdc.energy.gov/afdc/laws/laws/AL>

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### **Alabama SAVES Loan Program**

Energy Upgrade Loans Now Available for Smaller Alabama Businesses - More Alabama businesses will have the chance to make upgrades that will save energy, reduce expenses and boost employment opportunities. There is reduction in the program's minimum loan amount to \$50,000 from \$250,000. The \$60 million loan fund was established in December 2010 with funds made available to the state by the U.S. Department of Energy's State Energy Program. Loans of up to \$4 million are available to help existing commercial and industrial businesses finance energy-saving improvements.

**Website:**

<http://www.alabamasaves.com/AlabamaSAVES-Brochure.pdf>

[www.alabamasaves.com](http://www.alabamasaves.com)

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### **Alabama Capital Access Program; Alabama Loan Guarantee Program; and the Alabama Loan Participation Program**

The State Small Business Credit Initiative application process should turn \$31.3-million in available grant dollars into \$313 million in new private lending in that state. The State Small Business Credit Initiative is a part of the Small Business Jobs Act President Obama signed into



law last fall. Alabama officials are expected to use the grant money to help create new private sector jobs and spur additional small-businesses lending in that state. The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) will manage the grants.

**Website:**

<http://www.examiner.com/political-buzz-in-birmingham/feds-offer-alabama-help-using-grants>

<http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sb-programs/Pages/ssbci.aspx>

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**Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund**

Alabama homeowners who have been declared eligible to receive unemployment compensation benefits may apply. To qualify, applicants must have a total annual household income of less than \$75,740, and the unpaid principal balance on their home's mortgages must be less than \$258,690. Due to the overwhelming response Hardest Hit has received, please allow up to 6 weeks for Processing of your application. Storm victims who have been unable to return to work following the April tornadoes may be eligible for increased assistance of up to 18 consecutive monthly payments, or \$25,000, through Hardest Hit Alabama.

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

<http://www.hardesthitAlabama.com/faqsHHA.html>

Hardest Hit Alabama hotline number is 877.497.8182 for free assistance

**REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA**

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

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

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

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

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

South Central Alabama Development Commission  
5900 Carmichael Place  
Montgomery, Alabama 36117  
Phone: 334.244.6903  
Fax: 334.270.0038  
Executive Director: Tyson Howard  
Visit the Web site of Region 5 - <http://scadc.state.al.us/>

Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission  
107 Broad Street  
Camden, Alabama 36726  
Phone: 334.682.4234  
Fax: 334.682.4205  
Executive Director: John Clyde Riggs  
Visit the Web site of Region 6 - <http://www.alarc.org/atrc/index.htm>

Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission  
P.O. Box 1406  
Dothan, Alabama 36302  
Phone: 334.794.4093  
Fax: 334.794.3288  
Executive Director: Thomas B. Solomon  
Visit the Web site of Region 7 - <http://www.sanman.net/searpdc/searpdc.htm>

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission  
P.O. Box 1665  
Mobile, Alabama 36633  
Phone: 251.433.6541  
Fax: 251.433.6009  
Executive Director: Russ Wimberly

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

Central Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission  
125 Washington Avenue  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104  
Phone: 334.262.4300  
Fax: 334.262.6976

Visit the Web site of Region 9 - <http://www.carpdc.com/>

Lee-Russell Council of Governments  
2207 Gateway Drive  
Opelika, Alabama 36801  
Phone: 334.749.5264  
Fax: 334.749.6582

Executive Director: Suzanne G. Burnette

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

North-Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments  
P.O. Box C  
Decatur, Alabama 35601  
Phone: 256.355.4515  
Fax: 256.351.1380

Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews

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

Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments  
5075 Research Drive, NW  
Huntsville, Alabama 35805-5912  
Phone: 256.830.0818  
Fax: 256.830.0843

Executive Director: Robert B. Culver

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

## **COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA**

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

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

Montgomery, AL 36104  
Phone: 334-264-6223  
Contact: Carol W. Butler, President  
Website: [www.aacinfo.org](http://www.aacinfo.org)

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

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

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

Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama  
P. O. Box 36202  
Anniston, Alabama 36202  
Telephone: 256-231-5160 Fax: 256-231-5161  
Contact: Eula M. Tatman, Interim President and CEO  
Email: [etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
For general information: [info@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:info@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
Website: <http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org/>

Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.  
434 N. McDonough Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
Telephone: 334-264-6223 Fax: 334-263-6225  
Contact: Carol W. Butler, President  
Website: <http://www.cacinfo.org>

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

Contact: Carol W. Butler, President  
Website: [www.eccfinfo.org](http://www.eccfinfo.org)

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Community Foundation of South Alabama

P.O. Box 990  
Mobile, Alabama 36601-0990  
251-438.5591, 251-438.5592 Fax  
Contact: Linnette Clausman, Finance Officer  
Website: <http://www.communityendowment.com>

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

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

Walker Area Community Foundation  
P.O. Box 171  
Jasper, AL 35502-0171  
Telephone: 205-302-0001, Fax: (205) 302-0424  
Contact: Paul Kennedy, Executive Director  
Website: <http://www.wacf.org>