



# Guide to Grants

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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

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

For more information, please visit the website at <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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August 3, 2012

## **Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$4.8 Million in USDA Funding for the City of Uniontown**

WASHINGTON DC, - Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) announced that the City of Uniontown was awarded \$4.8 million by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development. Approximately \$2,296,000 of the funding was awarded in the form of a grant and \$2,505,000 was awarded in the form of a loan. This funding will enable the City of Uniontown to repair their existing waste water treatment plant, install new water meters, rehabilitate and install new pumps for city pumping stations.

“I am pleased that USDA will provide this essential funding to the City of Uniontown to help repair their existing waste water treatment plant,” said Rep. Sewell. “Uniontown was in desperate need of funding due to an outdated waste water treatment facility and insufficient water meters. These improvements are critically important to ensuring that families have access to clean and safe water. USDA’s consistent support for infrastructure projects reflects their commitment to ensuring rural communities have the vital services and resources they need to create jobs, strengthen economic development and improve quality of life for families,” added Rep. Sewell.

“The citizens of Uniontown and Perry County are elated to receive this substantial grant for improving the sewer and water systems,” said Perry County Commissioner Albert Turner. “I want to thank Congresswoman Sewell for her diligent work in helping us solve this decade old problem. The success of this grant award shows that effective leadership is achieved through team work from city hall, to the court house, to the state house, to the halls of Congress.”

“We are humble and grateful for receiving this assistance from USDA with the support of Congresswoman Terri Sewell,” said Uniontown Mayor Jamaal Hunter. “The improvements to our waste water treatment plant will greatly improve the quality of life of our citizens in Uniontown. Further, these improvements will serve as an incentive to industries that are interested in locating in Uniontown and our surrounding areas. This issue has long plagued our community and our resources and infrastructure has suffered as a consequence. Again, we are sincerely grateful to God and all of those who have assisted us.”

“We spent a lot of time working on this issue so the City of Uniontown could financially support this solution,” said State Director of USDA Rural Development Ronnie Davis. “I was proud that we could develop a sustainable solution and help resolve the issues with their sewer and water system. USDA Rural Development is committed to helping communities across the state of Alabama and to ensuring our communities have quality water systems.”

Next week, Rep. Sewell will be joined by elected officials and community leaders for a ceremonial check presentation in Uniontown.

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July 11, 2012

## **Statement by Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Regarding Voting Against the Patients' Rights Repeal Act**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement after voting against H.R. 6079 Patients' Rights Repeal Act:

“Today marked the 31st time House Republicans have voted to take away healthcare benefits instead of focusing on job creation and economic growth. With only thirteen legislative days left before summer recess, it is deeply disappointing that we must put up with this political charade that puts the health and welfare of millions of Americans in jeopardy. Frankly, the American people deserve better and my constituents expect more.

The Affordable Care Act has been passed by both the House and Senate, signed by the President and now upheld as constitutional by the highest court in the land. The American people would be better served if Congress joined the President in working to build on the healthcare reform, rather than undoing it. The fact is, the Affordable Care Act is already providing millions of Americans access to quality healthcare benefits and protections.

In the 7th Congressional District of Alabama alone, 36,000 children with pre-existing health conditions can no longer be denied coverage by their health insurers. 4,700 seniors now pay less for prescription drugs. 90,000 adults and 19,000 children will have health insurance that covers preventative care services and 6,800 young adults will continue to have access to health insurance through their parent's coverage.

In this difficult economy, where Americans are working harder for less and struggling to provide for their families, the last thing they can afford to lose is their healthcare benefits. Rather than continuing these divisive politics, we must work together to put people to work and strengthen the middle class. I remained committed to ensuring all Americans continue to have access to quality affordable healthcare.

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June 28, 2012

## **Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Regarding Decision to Walk Out on Partisan Attempt to hold Attorney General Eric Holder in Contempt**

WASHINGTON DC, - Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement on her decision to walk out with the members of the Congressional Black Caucus and Democratic Caucus in response to the House Resolution contempt votes against U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder:

“Today’s contempt votes were yet another example of partisan politics and an attempt by House Republicans to discredit the Obama Administration. I could not, in good conscience, participate in such deception and disservice to the American people. To simply vote against the House Resolution does not adequately demonstrate the outrage and disdain that I feel about this unfair and woefully political vote.

I am deeply troubled by this partisan attempt to distract the American people from the critical issues facing our nation. With only 17 legislative days left before summer recess, Congress should be focused on legislation that promotes job creation, protects low interest student loans and invests in our country’s infrastructure.

The House Resolutions to hold the Attorney General in criminal and civil contempt reflect an abuse of power by House Republicans on the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. This unprecedented action by House Republicans disregards the fact that there is no evidence that AG Holder authorized, condoned, or knew about gunwalking. Nor has AG Holder lied to Congress or engaged in any cover-up. On the contrary, the Attorney General has willingly complied with the Committee’s request and submitted over 8,000 documents, including all the documents related to the investigation. While I support a full and thorough investigation, this process has been tainted by partisan politics.

Given the economic challenges facing the country, it is my hope that Congress will get back to the work of the American people and stop with the political gamesmanship.”

***“Non-cooperation with evil is as much a duty as is cooperation with good.” -Gandhi***

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June 28, 2012

## **Statement by Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Regarding the Supreme Court Ruling to Uphold the Affordable Care Act**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement in response to the Supreme Court’s ruling to uphold the Affordable Care Act:

“I am delighted that the Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the landmark Affordable Care Act. This is a monumental victory for the American people and our country. Today’s ruling confirms what I have always believed that healthcare in America should be a *right* and not a privilege. I applaud President Obama’s leadership and steadfast commitment to improving the lives of our families, children and seniors.

As a result of today’s decision, millions of Americans will continue to have access to healthcare benefits and protections, which are so critical to the welfare and economic stability of our nation. Because of the Affordable Care Act, Americans will no longer have to live in fear of being denied healthcare coverage because of pre-existing conditions. Millions of young people across our nation will be able to stay on their parent’s insurance plans, seniors will continue paying less for their prescription drugs, and women and children will have access to vital preventative care. 33 million uninsured Americans can expect to receive quality affordable healthcare insurance without having to make the difficult choice between providing for their families or getting necessary medical treatment.

By affirming the Affordable Care Act, the 7th Congressional District of Alabama will continue to benefit from healthcare reform. In our district, 36,000 children with pre-existing health conditions can no longer be denied coverage by their health insurers, 90,000 adults and 19,000 children will have health insurance that covers preventative care services and 6,800 young adults will continue to have access to health insurance through their parent’s coverage.

I remain committed to working with President Obama and my colleagues to ensure that all Americans continue to have access to quality affordable healthcare.”

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## Recent Grant Awards

- **August 3, 2012** – The City of Uniontown is awarded \$4.8 million from USDA for water and sewer system - This funding will enable the City of Uniontown to repair their existing waste water treatment plant, install new water meters, rehabilitate and install new pumps for city pumping stations.
- **July 30, 2012** – Kids One Transport of Birmingham is awarded \$150,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission for continuation of a service which transports mothers and children to medical treatment.
- **July 23, 2012** – Pickens County Water Authority (Carrollton, Alabama) is awarded \$200,000 by the Appalachian Regional Commission for a new well and water treatment system for highway 59.
- **July 18, 2012** – University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa is awarded \$480,113.00 for osteoarthritis research.
- **July 11, 2012** – City of Bessemer awarded \$46,917 for the JAG program to purchase mobile data systems with computer aided dispatch and records management systems.
- **July 11, 2012** – City of Tuscaloosa awarded \$64,886 for the JAG program to support law enforcement initiatives.
- **July 11, 2012** – City of Bham awarded \$290,616 for the JAG program to support law enforcement initiatives.
- **July 11, 2012** – Birmingham Health Care awarded \$435,000.00 for the Healthy Start Initiative- Eliminating Racial/Ethnic Disparities program.
- **July 10, 2012** – Capital Trailways Bus is awarded \$2,011,553 through DOT/FTA for the 5311 (f) grant that assists private companies to get back into rural bus service. The grant impacts Dallas County, Tuscaloosa, Clarke and Wilcox Counties in the 7<sup>th</sup> District.
- **June 22, 2012** – Rural Health Medical Program in Dallas County is awarded \$650,000 by DHHS for a new rural health medical clinic to be located in Selma and it will also serve surrounding areas.
- **June 19, 2012** – Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$10 Million in TIGER Grant Funding to the City of Birmingham for “Road to Recovery” Project

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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 & Community Service

**Program:** **NEW - September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance**

**Description:** In 2009, Congress designated September 11th as a National Day of Service and Remembrance and charged the Corporation for National and Community Service with supporting this effort across the country. The Corporation provides tools and resources for organizations and individuals to become engaged in service activities, including grants to organizations to support volunteer projects across a state or throughout a multi-state region.

**Website:** <http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/initiatives/sept11.asp>

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**Program:** **Senior Corps Funding Available to Engage Older Americans in High-Impact Service**

**Description:** The grant program helps nonprofits, higher education institutions, Indian tribes, and public agencies expand their impact by engaging experienced and committed volunteers.

**Website:** [http://www.seniorcorps.gov/for\\_organizations/funding/index.asp](http://www.seniorcorps.gov/for_organizations/funding/index.asp)

## **National Science Foundation**

**Program:** **NEW - Mathematical Sciences Postdoctoral Research Fellowships**

**Description:** Support future leaders in mathematics and statistics by facilitating their participation in postdoctoral research environments that will have maximal impact on their future scientific development.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf12496](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf12496)

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**Program:** **NEW - CyberCorps: Scholarship for Service**

**Description:** CyberCorps seeks proposals that address cyber security education and workforce development. The Scholarship Track provides funding to award scholarships to students in cyber security.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf12585](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf12585)

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

**Program:** **NEW - America's Great Outdoors: Connecting Youth to the Outdoors Grant Program**

**Description:** Grant program seeks to increase the number of pre-K-12 youth, particularly urban and/or underserved youth, who build a connection with public lands as places for recreating, learning and volunteering. Proposed projects should maximize hands-on outdoor engagement opportunities on public lands, focused on education , recreation and environmental stewardship. The deadline is September 19, 2012.

**Website:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml;jsessionid=Z3OFYGIVKNH3JLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=388300024](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=Z3OFYGIVKNH3JLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=388300024)

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

**Program:** **NEW - Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program**

**Description:** EDA announces general policies and application procedures for grant-based investments under the Planning and Local Technical Assistance programs. Under the Planning program EDA assists eligible recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to stimulate and guide the economic development efforts of a community or region.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7hB9QkcbXPP1Yt9XBvfwLj78s2w4GTFyN Jh7pgLX4hhzvdy8m692!1237222259?oppId=189193&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **NEW - Grants to Manufacturers of Certain Worsted Wool Fabrics**

**Description:** The worsted wool fabrics grant program is open to persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who were, during calendar years 1999, 2000 and 2001, manufacturers of worsted wool fabrics in the United States of the kind described in HTS 9902.51.11 or 9902.51.15. Only manufacturers who weave worsted wool fabric in the United States as of the date of application shall be eligible for grant funds.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7hB9QkcbXPP1Yt9XBvfwLj78s2w4GTFyN Jh7pgLX4hhzvdy8m692!1237222259?oppId=189733&mode=VIEW>

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**Program:** **Public Works & Economic Adjustment Assistance (EDA)**

**Description:** EDA seeks to fund construction, non-construction, and revolving loan fund investments under the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs. Grants made under these programs will leverage regional assets to support the implementation of regional economic development strategies designed to create jobs, leverage private capital, encourage economic development, and strengthen America's ability to compete in the global marketplace. The deadline is September 14, 2012.

**Website:**

**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>

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

**Program:** **NEW - Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS): Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP): State Personnel Development Grants.**

**Description:** Grant program to assist State educational agencies (SEAs) in reforming and improving their systems for personnel preparation and professional development in early intervention, educational, and transition services in order to improve results for children with disabilities.

**Website:** <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-08-02/pdf/2012-18918.pdf>

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**Program:** **NEW - Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities: Center to Support the Development of Effective Educators to Serve Students with Disabilities.**

**Description:** Help address State-identified needs for highly qualified personnel in special education, related services, early intervention, and regular education to work with infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities; and (2) ensure that those personnel have the necessary skills and knowledge,

derived from practices that have been determined through scientifically based research and experience, to be successful in serving those children

**Website:** <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-08-02/pdf/2012-18906.pdf>

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**Program:** **NEW - Time-Sensitive Obesity Policy and Program Evaluation**

**Description:** Grant program support time-sensitive research to evaluate a new policy or program expected to influence obesity related behaviors (e.g., dietary intake, physical activity, or sedentary behavior) and/or weight outcomes in an effort to prevent or reduce obesity.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-12-257.html>

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

**Program:** **Strengthening Emergency Care Delivery in the United States Healthcare System through Health Information and Promotion**

**Description:** The recipient of this cooperative agreement will plan the publication of a Health Affairs thematic issue that will identify, explore and propose policy options for developing, strengthening and preparing a regionalized, accountable and coordinated system of emergency care that is broadly integrated into the United States healthcare system and capable of responding to a public health emergency or disaster. The deadline is August 30, 2012.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=M1htQhLWnHHbgrjntMwMjqxF2QFJ97GD6N4y6LnLvVfYn5JdHpSd!1086421522?oppId=186674&mode=VIEW>

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

**Program:** **NEW - Land Trust Rally 2012**

**Description:** The Land Trust Alliance's Rally is the largest gathering of conservationists in the country and truly unique in its approach to land conservation. It is

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strategically focused on training, supporting and preparing the local conservation champions who are the future of conservation in America. Rally is the only national conference dedicated to training and advancing the private land conservation network.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=M1htQhLWnHHbgrjntMwMjqxF2QFJ97GD6N4y6LnLvVfYn5JdHpSd!1086421522?oppId=188394&mode=VIEW>

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**U.S. Department of State**

**Program:** **Community College Initiative Program**

**Description:** The Community College Initiative Program will support study by international undergraduate students at accredited U.S. community colleges. The Program provides quality educational programs, leadership and professional skills development, practical professional experience, community engagement, and programming that builds mutual understanding and knowledge about American society and culture to underserved, non-elite international students, particularly women, who already have some work experience.

**Website:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=kY4JQhDBFryyqBy16jShgpDSvZDtMQS2rvSYTrT3Wm0RR59vzk7!1086421522?oppId=188213&mode=VIEW>

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**U.S. Department of the Treasury**

**Program:** **Treasury Tax Credits Available**

**Description:** The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI Fund) has officially opened the 2012 round of competition under the New Markets Tax Credit Program (NMTC Program). The CDFI Fund is making up to \$5 billion in tax credits available under the 2012 round, pending Congressional authorization.

**Website:**

<http://fundbook.org/5-billion-in-new-markets-tax-credits-available/>

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## **U.S. Small Business Administration**

**Program:** **Economic Injury Disaster Loans Available in Alabama**

**Description:** Alabama agribusiness owners severely impacted by the drought may be eligible for economic injury disaster loans, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Loans up to \$2 million are available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private, non-profit organizations that suffered financial losses as a direct result of the drought.

**Website:** <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>

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

**Program:** **IBM Opens Smarter Cities Challenge**

**Description:** IBM consultants work closely with city hall's technology department to help them improve processes and innovate new programs. Over three years, \$50 million worth of technology and services will be provided to 100 cities around the globe. The deadline is September 7, 2012.

**Website:** <http://fundbook.org/ibm-opens-smarter-cities-challenge/>

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**Program:** **Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation Grant**

**Description:** Support educators in developing environmental curricula that integrate field activities and classroom teaching and that incorporate basic ecological principles and problem solving.

**Website:**

<http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=28041.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **RGK Foundation : Education, Community, Health/Medicine Grant**

**Description:** Programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education should apply. Also seeks to fund programs that promote the health and well-being of children, programs that promote access to health services.

**Website:** <http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines/>

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**Program:** **Ocean Projects Small Grants Program**

**Description:** Program grant advances ocean conservation in partnership with zoos, aquariums and museums around the world by providing market research and other resources to enhance conservation communication and outreach efforts between visitors and the public.

**Website:** <http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=94793.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **Target Field Trip Grant**

**Description:** Teachers can use grants to fund school field trips to connect their curricula to out-of-school experiences, including trips to art museums, cultural events, civic experiences and environmental sites.

**Website:** <http://eeinalabama.org/resource/about.aspx?s=43926.0.0.37934>

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**Program:** **Donald Samull Classroom Herb Garden Grant**

**Description:** Grant is for teachers in grades 3 through 6 to assist in establishing a classroom garden.

**Website:** <http://herbsociety.org/resources/samull-grant.html>

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**Program:** **Westinghouse Foundation: N-Vision a Brighter Future Grant**

**Description:** This grant is awarded to schools that exhibit creativity in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education of middle and high school students.

**Website:**

<http://www.westinghousenuclear.com/Community/EducationalGrants.shtm>

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**Program:** **Alabama Power Foundation Grants**

**Description:** To support programs, organizations and projects doing good work in the areas of education, community, health and human services, arts and culture and the environment.

**Website:** <http://alpowercharitablegiving.org/index.php/foundation/grants>

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## Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS /FINANCIAL AID

### **Fast Web**

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

### **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>

### **Alabama Scholarships**

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

### **Scholarships.com**

**Website:** <http://www.scholarships.co>

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### **Financial Aid Tips**

Website: <http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/financial-aid-tips/>

### **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>

### **Merit Aid**

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

### **Scholarship Experts**

Website: <http://scholarshipexperts.com>

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## **Section V RESOURCES**

### **Online Career Resources from the US Dept of Labor:**

Website: [http://www.doleta.gov/jobseekers/online\\_career\\_resources.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/jobseekers/online_career_resources.cfm)

**Alabama Job Link-** your no fee source for posting and finding jobs in Alabama. Whether you're looking for the right job or the right employee, Alabama JobLink is for you!

Website: <https://joblink.alabama.gov/ada/>

Website: <http://jobs.monster.com/l-alabama.aspx>

Website: <http://www.job.com/my.job/btsup/us=6049/?param2=Alabama>

**Guide to Rural Development Funding** - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) this month announced the publication of a guide outlining programs the federal government has available to support rural communities as they promote economic development and enhance the quality of life for rural residents.

Website: <http://fundbook.org/new-guide-to-rural-development-funding/>

### **Start or Expand Business: Loans and Grants Search Tool**

To help you identify what government financing programs may be available to help you start or expand your business, use the “Loans and Grants Search Tool”

Website: <http://www.sba.gov/loans-and-grants>

### **Alabama Producers Still Have Time to Sign-up for Drought Assistance**

Website: [http://www.al.nrcs.usda.gov/news/nr/8-8-12drought\\_signup.html](http://www.al.nrcs.usda.gov/news/nr/8-8-12drought_signup.html)

### **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>

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Northwest Alabama Council of Local Governments

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Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662

Phone: 256.389.0500

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West Alabama Regional Commission

4200 Highway 69 North

Northport, Alabama 35473-3505

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Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200

Birmingham, Alabama 35203

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East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission  
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Anniston, Alabama 36202  
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Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission  
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Camden, Alabama 36726  
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Fax: 256.351.1380  
Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews  
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Fax: 256.830.0843  
Executive Director: Robert B. Culver  
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## **COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA**

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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  
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Elmore County Community Foundation  
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The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham  
2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700  
Birmingham, AL 35203  
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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

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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  
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Contact: Glenn Taylor, Exec. Director  
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