



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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April 30, 2012

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell about Hyundai's Announcement of Third Shift at Montgomery Plant

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement about Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama’s announcement of adding a third shift to its plant in Montgomery, AL:

“I am pleased that Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama is continuing to make critical investments in Alabama’s local economy by adding a third shift to its plant in Montgomery. This third shift will not only create 877 new jobs at Hyundai, but will also generate job growth in auto related industries that will greatly benefit the 7th Congressional District, the State of Alabama and this nation. For nearly 10 years, Hyundai has maintained a strong manufacturing presence in our state employing thousands of hardworking Alabamians. I applaud Hyundai for its efforts to create jobs and strengthen economic development in Alabama.”

These additional hires will bring the total number of jobs created at the plant to more than 3,000 and Hyundai’s 2012 production capacity will increase by approximately 20,000 units.

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April 27, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Observes the One-Year Anniversary of the April 27, 2011 Tornadoes

WASHINGTON DC, --Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement in observance of the one-year anniversary of the tornadoes on April 27, 2011 that ravished Alabama and claimed the lives of 253 people, including 76 deaths in the 7th Congressional District:

“One year ago, we witnessed some of the strongest and most devastating tornadoes in our nation’s history. As we reflect on April 27th, we are reminded of the strength, the generosity and the hope of the human spirit that was displayed in the face of such an unimaginable tragedy. Today, we stand together as a stronger, more united and better prepared community committed to recovering, rebuilding and advancing our state. Since last year, remarkable progress has been made and I am confident that even greater progress is to come.

The strength and resilience of the families across Alabama provide a shining example of what is truly possible when communities work together. I commend the coordinated efforts of the local, state and federal level and honor the first responders who courageously answered the call to duty. We pay tribute to and honor those who have lost so much by rebuilding our community stronger and better than before.”

Rep. Sewell assisted the state in securing more than \$245 million in federal disaster assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), \$33.9 million of which was awarded to the 7th Congressional District of Alabama; more than \$55.5 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); more than \$18.5 million in assistance from the Federal Highway Administration (FHA); and \$600,000 in assistance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to the City of Tuscaloosa.

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April 25, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$235,543 in Funding for the University of West Alabama for STEM Education

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that the University of West Alabama (UWA) was awarded \$235,543 from the U.S. Department of Education under the Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP). This funding will be used for UWA’s Project Engage which seeks to attract and retain students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines, as well as address the shortage of minorities in professional STEM fields.

“I am pleased that the Department of Education will provide this important funding to the University of West Alabama to increase participation and reduce the attrition rate of minority students in the STEM disciplines,” said Rep. Sewell. “As a member of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology, I understand how vital STEM education is to safeguarding America’s global competitive edge. This funding will help UWA provide much needed resources for students who can lead this nation in innovation and technology,” added Rep. Sewell.

“We are delighted to receive these funds that will improve passage, persistence, and retention rates of students enrolled in STEM majors,” said University of West Alabama Provost David Taylor. “As a model project to assist students entering STEM professions, it will impact the quality of science and math education throughout the Black Belt Region.”

“We would like to thank Congresswoman Sewell for helping us secure these funds and for keeping the promises she made on the campaign trail,” said Livingston Mayor Thomas Tartt. “We all understand the importance of STEM education and this grant will allow the University of West Alabama to launch new initiatives and programs designed to reinforce science and mathematics in the classroom and generate interest in these critically important subjects.”

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April 24, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$3.6 Million Funding from USDA for North Choctaw County

Washington, DC – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) announced that North Choctaw County was awarded \$3.6 million from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development. Approximately \$1.6 million of the funding was awarded in the form of a grant and \$2 million awarded in the form of a loan. This project funding will enable the North Choctaw Water and Sewer Authority to make vital repairs and improvements to existing water infrastructure, add interconnectivity to neighboring water systems and purchase new radio read meters and equipment.

“I am delighted that USDA will provide this vital funding to Choctaw County to help rehabilitate their existing water well system,” said Rep. Sewell. “This community was in dire need of immediate funding for a new well and water lines after the recent collapse of an outdated water infrastructure that left families without access to clean water earlier this year,” Rep. Sewell added. It is critically important that families have access to quality, clean and safe water. This funding will stimulate economic growth through job creation and infrastructure development, while helping improve the quality of life for families in the North Choctaw community.”

In immediate response to the water infrastructure collapse, Congresswoman Sewell met with top officials at USDA and submitted a letter of support for the North Choctaw Water and Sewer Authority application to the USDA Rural Development requesting emergency assistance. Congresswoman Sewell remained in constant contact with USDA officials throughout the application process advocating the importance of providing funding for immediate relief to North Choctaw County.

“We are thankful to Congresswoman Sewell for her hard work in helping us secure these resources. The health and well-being of Alabamians and the people of Choctaw County will be ensured through the upgrades and investments we can now make in our water systems,” said Lisman Mayor Thomas Jackson. “These much needed funds will help improve our water and sanitation system and enhance the quality of life for the residents of Choctaw County.”

“We can’t thank Congresswoman Sewell enough for promptly addressing the needs and concerns of the people of Choctaw County. Interruptions in service and an unreliable water supply have

been an issue of concern for our citizens for over two years, but with these funds we will now be able to deliver quality and affordable services to the people of Choctaw County,” said Choctaw County Commissioner Willie Horn. “These funds mean that Choctaw County can now afford to purchase its own water well, which will make us less dependent on surrounding counties and better prepare us for emergencies. I have been praying, hoping and working for this breakthrough moment we desperately needed.”

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April 24, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces Winners of 2012 Congressional Art Competition

Washington, DC – On Saturday April 21, 2012, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) hosted the annual Congressional Art Competition for the 7th district at the Alabama School of Fine Arts in Birmingham. The competition was open to all high school students (grades 9-12) in Alabama’s 7th Congressional District and offered the winning participant the opportunity to have their artwork show cased in the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, DC for one year.

The 2012 Congressional Art Competition winner is **Jessica Johnson**, a senior from Paul Bryant High School in Tuscaloosa, AL.

The other students that placed were:

1st Runner Up - **Ke’Shuntae Tapping**, a sophomore from Minor High School in Birmingham, AL.

2nd Runner Up - **Christina Burroughs**, a senior from Thomasville High School in Thomasville, AL.

Rep. Sewell offered the following statement: “I was so impressed with artwork that was submitted this year. The 7th Congressional District is full of so many talented and outstanding students who represent the leaders of tomorrow. I believe it is critically important to cultivate the imagination and creativity of our young people through the arts. I am proud to sponsor this competition and I am looking forward to displaying the amazing talent in this district.”

This year’s competition had a total of 23 pieces of art submitted by students from across the 7th Congressional District. The competition was divided into three regions. Region One was comprised of schools in Jefferson County. Region Two consisted of schools from Tuscaloosa, Pickens, Greene, Hale, Perry and Sumter Counties. Region Three was made of schools from Dallas, Wilcox, Clarke, Marengo and Choctaw Counties.

Jessica Johnson, a senior at Paul Bryant High School in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, entitled her winning piece “Time.”

Miss Johnson’s artwork will be on display in the U.S. Capitol building for one year and she will receive two round trip tickets to Washington, DC to attend the National Congressional Art Competition Reception on June 20, 2012.

Second place was awarded to **Ke'Shuntae Tapping**, a sophomore at Minor High School in Birmingham, Alabama for her piece "UnModern Steel." Third place was awarded to **Christina Burroughs**, a senior at Thomasville High School in Thomasville, Alabama for her piece "The Lively Museum."

"I would like to extend a heartfelt congratulations to the overall winner and all the regional participants of the competition," said Rep. Sewell.

In addition to the top three winners, several students received regional awards for their artwork, including:

Cinnamon Callins, George Washington Carver High School, Birmingham, AL

Alexis Breeding, Centerpoint High School, Centerpoint, AL

Vincent Marino, Capitol School, Tuscaloosa, AL

Alyson Smith, Tuscaloosa Christian School, Tuscaloosa, AL

Tangie Powell, Thomasville High School, Thomasville, AL

Dalvin McGraw, Wilcox County High School, Camden, AL

Each year since 1982, Congressional offices across the Nation have participated in the Congressional Art Competition which is sponsored by the Congressional Institute. The competition provides an opportunity for Members of Congress to encourage and recognize the artistic talents of their young constituents.

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April 20, 2012

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$1.8 Million in Funding for Demopolis Municipal Airport

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-7) announced that \$1.8 million was awarded to the Demopolis Municipal Airport in Alabama to update and rehabilitate the existing runways at Demopolis Municipal Airport. The U.S. Department of Transportation funds were awarded by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

“This funding will improve the existing runways and enhance safety at Demopolis Municipal Airport, which will allow them to manage more traffic and attract new businesses,” said Rep. Sewell. “When new businesses are attracted, jobs are created and more goods are transported across the country. These are the types of funding opportunities that will make the State of Alabama and the 7th Congressional District stronger.”

“We are excited that this grant will allow us to resurface our primary runway and help to ensure that the Demopolis Municipal Airport is in good shape through the next decade,” said Airport Manager Julian Sawyer. “These upgrades and improvements will help the Demopolis Intermodal Complex and the Airport Industrial Park have access to the support facilities they need. Moving forward, we are confident that the Demopolis Airport will be able to increase business and serve more customers.”

“We would like to express our gratitude to Congresswoman Sewell for her continued support,” said Demopolis Mayor J. Michael Grayson. “This funding is important to the citizens of Demopolis and surrounding communities. We look forward to the opportunities that this grant will create for this city, county and state.”

According to the project description, this grant will help rehabilitate existing distressed runway pavement and remove obstructions in runway approach and transitional surfaces.

The Demopolis Municipal Airport is a general aviation airport located six miles southwest of the central business district of Demopolis, a city in Marengo County, Alabama.

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Recent Grant Awards

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- **April 24, 2012** – Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell announces \$3.6 Million in Funding for North Choctaw County Water Authority from the USDA
- **April 20, 2012** - Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$1.8 Million in Funding for Demopolis Municipal Airport awarded from the FAA
- **April 18, 2012** - UAB is awarded \$250,581.00 for English Language Acquisition: Nat'l Professional Dev Program by the Department of Education
- **April 18, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$244,304.00.00 for English Language Acquisition: Nat'l Professional Dev Program by the Department of Education
- **April 18, 2012** - UAB awarded \$262,011.00 for English Language Acquisition: Nat'l Professional Dev Program by the Department of Education
- **April 12, 2012** - UAB awarded \$67 million dollars to set up a national network to research the best practices for dental care from the National Institute of Health
- **April 11, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$296,378.00 for Cancer Research from NIH
- **April 10, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$128, 116 for Arthritis & Musculoskeletal & Skin Disease research.
- **April 9, 2012** – UAB is awarded \$362,588 from the National Heart, Blood and Lung Institute for research through NIH.
- **April 3, 2012** – UAB awarded \$11,625 for the UAB Deep South Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Certs from DHHS.
- **March 29, 2012** - Whatley Health Services is awarded \$404, 249 for continuation grant through HHS for the Ryan White Part C Outpatient EIS Program.
- **March 15, 2012** - UAB is awarded \$389,939.00 for Rural Breast Cancer Survivors Intervention by NIH.

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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

Internal Revenue Service

Program: **NEW - Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC)**

Description: The Internal Revenue Service announces the opening of the 2013 Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC) grant application process. The LITC grant program is a federal program administered by the Office of the Taxpayer Advocate at the IRS, led by National Taxpayer Advocate Nina E. Olson. The LITC program awards matching grants of up to \$100,000 per year to qualifying organizations to develop, expand, or maintain a low income taxpayer clinic. The LITC program funds organizations that serve low income individuals who have a tax controversy with the IRS and organizations that provide outreach and education to taxpayers who speak English as a second language (ESL). The deadline is June 15, 2012.

Websites:

<http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=257120,00.html>

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTB8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=168753&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Tax Counseling for the Elderly**

Description: The Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program offers FREE tax help to individuals who are age 60 or older. Section 163 of the Revenue Act of 1978, Public Law No. 95-600, 92 Stat. 2810, November 6, 1978, authorizes this cooperative agreement. This Act authorizes the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to enter into agreements with private or nongovernmental public non-profit agencies and organizations, exempt under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code, which will provide training and technical assistance to volunteers who provide FREE tax counseling and assistance to elderly individuals in the preparation of their Federal income tax returns.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTb8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=165013&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - VITA Grant 2013**

Description: This is a matching grant opportunity to support the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program operated by IRS. This funding provides grants to partner organizations to achieve the following objectives:(1) enable the VITA program to extend services (free federal return preparation) to underserved populations in hardest-to-reach areas, both urban and non-urban;(2) increase the capacity to file returns electronically;(3) heighten quality control;(4) enhance training of volunteers; and(5) improve significantly the accuracy rate of returns prepared at VITA sites. This grant requires 100% matching funds.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTb8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=167855&mode=VIEW>

National Endowment for the Humanities

Program: **NEW - Summer Stipends**

Description: Summer Stipends support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources. Summer Stipends support continuous full-time work on a humanities project for a period of two months. Summer Stipends support projects at any stage of development. Summer Stipends are awarded to individual scholars. Organizations are not eligible to apply.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=T4mXPv4W9QvwGfTv4WhvC5LMNv8bRB4ybhnN26LypnCvVn5TXmph!1020059110?oppId=168835&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program: **NEW - Small Socially Disadvantaged Producer Grant**

Description: Grant funding is available for Cooperative Development Centers, individual Cooperatives or Groups of Cooperatives that serve socially-disadvantaged groups and where a majority of their governing board is comprised of members of socially-disadvantaged groups or at least 75 percent of their membership is comprised of socially-disadvantaged producers. The SSDPG Program is authorized by § 310B (e) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932). The primary objective of the SSDPG program is to provide Technical Assistance to Small, Socially-Disadvantaged Agricultural Producers.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTb8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=168694&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Farmer's Market Promotion Program**

Description: The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) announces the availability of approximately \$10 million in competitive grant funds for fiscal year (FY) 2012 to increase domestic consumption of agricultural commodities by expanding direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities. Examples of direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities include new farmers markets, roadside stands, community supported agriculture (CSA) programs, agri-tourism activities, and other direct producer-to-consumer infrastructures. The deadline is May 21, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/getfile?dDocName=STELPRDC5097799&acct=fmp>
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Program: **Farm to School Grant Program**

Description: The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA) amended Section 18 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA) to establish a Farm to School program in order to assist eligible entities, through grants and technical assistance, in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=b0ncPQ0C2v3QQsnrpnXPs231C11nyhHT8WTjG6WR1MQNX7srQp5D!582005965?oppId=164913&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Commerce

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. Under this announcement, EDA solicits applications for Economic

Adjustment Assistance (EAA) investments under PWEDA. 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 EAA program provides a wide range of technical, disaster recovery, economic recovery planning, and public works assistance. It responds adaptively to pressing economic recovery issues and is well-suited to help address challenges faced by regions affected by natural disasters. The deadline is March 27, 2015.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=td13PzLK6gJdBqwnMjvpjLHLpHw6491WK2FHGwKtGRMphNbRQYh!-213555334?oppId=159393&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Department of Education

Program: **NEW - Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE): Enhanced Assessment Instruments Grants Program: Enhanced Assessment Instruments (English Language Proficiency (ELP Competition) CFDA Number 84.368A-1**

Description: The purpose of the Enhanced Assessment Instruments Grant program, also called the Enhanced Assessment Grants (EAG) program, is to enhance the quality of assessment instruments and systems used by States for measuring the academic achievement of elementary and secondary school students. In 2012, the Department is holding two separate competitions for FY 2011 EAG funds.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTb8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=168395&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Model Demonstration Projects on Reentry of Students with Disabilities from Juvenile Justice Facilities into Education, Employment, and Community Programs CFDA Number 84.326M**

Description: The purpose of the Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities program is to promote academic achievement and to improve results for children with disabilities by providing technical assistance (TA), supporting model demonstration projects, disseminating useful information, and implementing activities that are supported by scientifically based research.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTB8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=168954&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE):
Small, Rural School Achievement Program CFDA Number
84358A**

Description: Under the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) program, CFDA: Number: 84.358A, the U.S. Department of Education (Department) awards grants on a formula basis to eligible local educational agencies (LEAs) to address the unique needs of rural school districts. The deadline is May 31, 2012.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7jF9PZ2bv4hZ8PhhhtZ12MypLG5QOLKxIMXGcDgiQRZLqqDshwn1!-992301837?oppId=166533&mode=VIEW>

Program: **Promise Neighborhoods Program--Planning Grant
Competition**

Description: Supports nationally significant programs to improve the quality of elementary and secondary education at the State and local levels and to help all children meet challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards. The deadline is 7/27/2012.

Website: <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Federal/246>

Program: **Promise Neighborhoods Program--Implementation Grant Competition**

Description: Supports nationally significant programs to improve the quality of elementary and secondary education at the State and local levels and to help all children meet challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards. The deadline is 7/27/2012.

Website: <http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Federal/245>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Program: **NEW - Rapid Assessment Post-Impact of Disaster (R03)**

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to provide an expedited funding mechanism for research in the aftermath of disasters and mass casualty events. Potential applicants are strongly encouraged to contact NIMH Program Staff before submitting a RAPID application to determine whether or not the proposed work meets the guidelines of this program, whether requested RAPID funding is likely to be available, and whether the idea should be considered for initial submission as a fully developed, non-expedited application via a regular/parent FOA. This is a Mental Health Research Grant.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTB8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=168935&mode=VIEW>

Program: **NEW - Promoting Organ and Tissue Donation Among Diverse Populations (R01)**

Description: This FOA intends to stimulate investigators to develop effective culturally sensitive educational and behavioral interventions to improve the attitudes, beliefs and behaviors towards organ and

tissue transplantation, as well as the need for organ transplantation, among minority and other health disparity populations. The grant will provide support for the development and testing of educational and behavioral programs in minority and other health disparity populations to enhance their understanding of the need, risks and benefits of organ and tissue donation, and ultimately to increase the number of minority and other health disparity populations participating in living and deceased organ donation.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTb8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkBIJ3Q!1020059110?oppId=168797&mode=VIEW>

US Department of Labor

Program: **NEW - Veterans' Workforce Investment Program**

Description: US Department of Labor announces over \$12 million in grants to provide job training services for over 6,000 Veterans. The U.S. Department of Labor announces the availability of approximately \$12 million in grants through the Veterans' Workforce Investment Program (VWIP) to provide job training and skills development services to help Veterans succeed in civilian careers. The department will award at least 10 grants in 10 states to support approximately 6,000 Veterans overcome employment barriers and ease their transition into unsubsidized jobs. Through VWIP, Veterans receive skills assessments, individual job counseling, labor market information, classroom or on-the-job training, skills upgrading, placement assistance and crucial follow-up services. Veterans may also be eligible for services through other Workforce Investment Act programs for economically disadvantaged or dislocated workers. Funds are being awarded on a competitive basis to state and local workforce investment boards, local public agencies and nonprofit organizations, including faith-based and community organizations. Grantees must be familiar with the areas and populations to be served and have demonstrated that they can administer effective programs.

Website: More information on the Department of Labor's unemployment and re-employment programs for Veterans can be found at www.dol.gov/vets. The solicitation for grant applications is

available at <http://www.grants.gov>. It also may be viewed at <http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/vwip/main.htm>.

Program: **NEW - 2012 Census of Law Enforcement Training Academies**

Description: The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) is seeking proposals for assistance in administering the 2012 Census of Law Enforcement Training Academies (CLETA). The goal of this survey is to generate accurate, reliable, timely, and relevant national statistics about state, regional, and local law enforcement training academies in the United States. The data collection is scheduled to begin in the first quarter of 2013. It will collect information referencing 2012 on the recruits, staff, curricula, facilities, and policies in all of the approximately 750 academies operating in the United States. A data collection instrument and respondent list will be provided by BJS.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=t9QmPjDMqwLDpBGK5pTJTb8cppJTDjwtn6PPwxQSTv33FGkB1J3Q!1020059110?oppId=168773&mode=VIEW>

U.S. Small Business Administration

Program: **NEW - Portable Assistance Program**

Description: The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) plans to issue Program Announcement No. OSBDC-2012-05 to invite application from existing SBDC recipient organization currently funded under the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) program as authorized by Section 21(n) of the Small Business Act, (15 USC Section 648); Public Law 110-186, Section 107. Applicants will develop portable assistance programs to support the start up and sustainability of small business concerns in communities that are economically challenged as a result of a business or government facility downsizing or closing, resulting in the loss of jobs or small business instability.

Website:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=T4mXPv4W9QvwGfTv4WhvC5LMNv8bRB4ybhnN26LypnCvVn5TXmph!1020059110?oppId=168974&mode=VIEW>

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: **NEW - Acres for America Program Accepting Grant
Applications for Conservation Project Land Acquisition**

Description: A partnership between Walmart Stores, Inc. and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, the Acres for America program was established to provide urgent funding for projects that, through acquisition of interest in real property, conserve large, landscape-level areas that are important habitat for fish, wildlife, and plants.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=LKZR1I554P2EXLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=377700042

Program: **NEW - Nature's Path Organic Foods Invites Communities to
Apply for Gardens for Good Grant Program**

Description: Nature's Path Organic Foods, an organic cereal manufacturer, has announced the launch of the third annual Gardens for Good grant contest, a program designed to help urban communities increase the amount of acreage dedicated to organic food production as well as access to healthy, organic food. Three nonprofit organizations from the United States and Canada will be selected to receive a grant and technical assistance for their community-based organic garden project.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=LKZR1I554P2EXLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=377800044

Program: **NEW - Roadmaps to Health Prize**

Description: The Roadmaps to Health Prize recognizes and honors the efforts and accomplishments of U.S. communities working at the forefront of population health improvement.

Website:

<http://www.grantsalert.com/grants/Foundation/250>

Program: **NEW - Youth Service America Offers Get Ur Good On Grants for Youth-Led Community Service Projects Worldwide**

Description: Youth Service America and Get Ur Good On, an online network for youth working to improve their communities, are inviting children and young adults (5 to 25 years of age) worldwide to apply for a \$500 Get Ur Good On Grant in support of a youth-led community service project. The grants are made possible with support from the Starkey Hearing Foundation.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=LKZR1I554P2EXLAQBQ4CGXD5AAAACI2F?id=377600022

Program: **NEW - CVS Caremark Community Grants Program Offers Funding for Organizations Serving Children With Disabilities and the Uninsured**

Description: An annual philanthropic initiative of CVS Caremark, the CVS Caremark Community Grants program awards funds to nonprofit organizations and schools for programs that help children (under the age of 21) with disabilities lead full and independent lives, as well as programs that improve access to quality healthcare for the uninsured and underserved.

Website:

Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS / LOANS/ INTERNSHIPS

Alabama College Money For Military Members and Dependents

If you are a child or spouse of an eligible Alabama veteran, there might be money for tuition, fees and books waiting for you. The GI Dependents' Educational Benefit Program is for students attending Alabama public institutions of higher education. For more information or an application, call (334) 242-5077 or request a form from the Alabama State Department of Veterans Affairs, P.O. Box 1509, Montgomery, AL 36102-1509.

Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs

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

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>

Student Aid Programs

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

Scholarship Experts

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

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>

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>

Section V RESOURCES

Alabama Black Belt 2012 Health Services Outreach

The Delta Regional Authority (DRA) - Department of Defense (DoD) Partnership, Alabama Black Belt 2012 Health Services Outreach will take place in Selma, Demopolis, and Hayneville, Alabama, May 1 – 10, 2012. Residents may access free health services the joint military team will provide during Alabama Black Belt 2012 Health Services Outreach. Basic medical care (health assessments and screenings), dentistry, and optometry will be provided free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis from 8 AM to 7 PM daily, including Saturday and Sunday.

Locate Your Location Contact Person for Additional Information:

Demopolis – Old Cap Factory Building; 918 South Cedar Avenue -Mike Baker; 334-289-3879;

Hayneville – Town Hall 133 West Lafayette Street- Robert Daniels, Manager; 334-548-2028

Selma – Water Street, Historic Downtown Selma -Henry Thompson, Compliance Officer; 334-289-0677;

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. Need help writing grants to purchase equipment for your department or agency? Let PoliceGrantsHelp's grant experts assist you.

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

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

Community Action Agencies of Alabama

Website:

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

Website: http://www.caaalabama.org/agency_finder.php

Alabama's Hardest Hit Fund

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

AlabamaSAVES Energy Revolving Loan Fund

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. 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

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

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

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Executive Director: Bill Curtis
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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
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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
Montgomery, Alabama 36104
Phone: 334.262.4300
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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
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Decatur, Alabama 35601
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Fax: 256.351.1380
Executive Director: C. Ronald Matthews
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5075 Research Drive, NW
Huntsville, Alabama 35805-5912
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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

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
Email: etatman@yourcommunityfirst.org
For general information: info@yourcommunityfirst.org
Website: <http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org/>

Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.
434 N. McDonough Street
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Website: <http://www.cacfinfo.org>

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

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

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

Walker Area Community Foundation
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Contact: Paul Kennedy, Executive Director
Website: <http://www.wacf.org>