



# 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*.

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# **Congressional Black Caucus Foundation**

## **Announces *China Study Abroad* Program**

The CBCF Emerging Leaders: US-China Study Delegation is a study abroad program designed to provide African-American students living or attending school in Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) member districts with the opportunity to experience Chinese culture and learn Mandarin during a two-week visit to China. Through this initiative, the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Incorporated (CBCF) aims to promote African Americans' interest in career and study options involving US-China relations, thereby expanding opportunities for African Americans in an era of increasing globalization. In 2017, one (1) group of 18 students will participate in the program. Students will take part in orientation activities in Washington, DC before leaving for China and in a debrief session in Washington, DC upon their return. Students will participate in a challenging and rewarding program during their two weeks in China that includes academic, cultural and reflection activities.

### **Program Dates**

Thursday, June 1, 2017 – Sunday, June 18, 2017

### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Live OR attend school in a CBC member district. Click here to identify your representative [house.gov](http://house.gov) and cross-check against the [CBC Member list](#) to see if they are in the CBC. Students who live or go to school in New Jersey and California are all represented by a CBC member.
- Enrolled in an HBCU, minority serving institution, or predominately white institution (PWI); for community college students, must be graduating in May 2017
- Majoring in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics-related (STEM) fields, business, trade, or international affairs/relations
- Completing their second, third, or fourth year of college in May 2017 based on credits earned
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Have a valid passport at the time they submit their application
- U.S. citizen

*Additional information available at <https://cbcfinc.academicworks.com/opportunities/388>*

*To apply for consideration please visit <http://www.cbcfinc.org/china-study-abroad-program/>*

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# DISASTER NEWS

*Economic Injury Loans for Small Businesses*

SBA Disaster Assistance – Field Operations Center- East – 101 Marietta Street, NW, Suite 700, Atlanta, GA 30303

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## **SBA Offers Working Capital Loans to Alabama Small Businesses Following Secretary of Agriculture Declaration for November Drought**

**ATLANTA** - The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) announced today that federal Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and private nonprofit organizations located in **Alabama** as a result of the drought that began on Nov.1, 2016.

This disaster declaration includes the following counties: Autauga, Bibb, Bullock, Chilton, Crenshaw, Dallas, Elmore, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Sumter and Tuscaloosa in **Alabama**.

“When the Secretary of Agriculture issues a disaster declaration to help farmers recover from damages and losses to crops, the Small Business Administration issues a declaration to eligible entities affected by the same disaster,” said Frank Skaggs, director of SBA’s Field Operations Center East in Atlanta.

Under this declaration, the SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is available to eligible farm-related and nonfarm-related entities that suffered financial losses as a direct result of this disaster. With the exception of aquaculture enterprises, SBA cannot provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers, or ranchers. Nurseries are eligible to apply for economic injury disaster loans for losses caused by drought conditions.

The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates of 2.5 percent for private nonprofit organizations and 3.125 percent for small businesses, with terms up to 30 years. The SBA determines eligibility based on the size of the applicant, type of activity and its financial resources. Loan amounts and terms are set by the SBA and are based on each applicant’s financial condition. These working capital loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable, and other bills that could have been paid had the disaster not occurred. The loans are not intended to replace lost sales or profits.

Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA’s secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

Disaster loan information and application forms may also be obtained by calling the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to [disastercustomerservice@sba.gov](mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov). Loan applications can be downloaded from the SBA’s website at [www.sba.gov/disaster](http://www.sba.gov/disaster). Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

Completed loan applications must be returned to SBA no later than **July10, 2017**.

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For more information about the SBA’s Disaster Loan Program, visit our website at [www.sba.gov/disaster](http://www.sba.gov/disaster).



**John McMillan**  
*Commissioner*

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Monday, October 24, 2016

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## P R E S S   R E L E A S E

# **2016 USDA Drought Assistance Programs Available to Eligible Alabama Farmers**

**Montgomery, AL-** As of October 20, 2016, 32 counties in Alabama have been designated as primary natural disaster areas and 15 additional counties are classified as contiguous counties by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) because of the recent drought.

Due to a significant number of counties impacted by drought conditions, several drought assistance programs are now offered by the USDA. Programs offered by USDA-FSA are described below:

**Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP)** – LFP is designed to provide compensation to eligible livestock producers who have suffered grazing losses due to drought. The grazing losses must be due to a qualifying drought condition during a county's normal grazing period. Eligibility requirements are for those livestock producers who own or lease land in a county assessed by the U.S. Drought Monitor as: D2 (severe drought) for 8-consecutive weeks, D3 (extreme drought), or D4 (exceptional drought). LFP payments are calculated based on the drought conditions supported by the U.S. Drought Monitor.

**Emergency Loan Program (ELP)** – An emergency loan is offered by FSA to producers within counties declared by the President or designated by the Secretary of Agriculture as a primary disaster area. Contiguous counties are eligible for emergency loans. A variety of terms must be met in order to become eligible for an emergency loan.

**Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)** – NAP provides financial assistance to producers of non-insurable crops to protect against natural disasters resulting in minimal yields or crop losses. Drought is considered an eligible cause of loss. Coverage eligibility for NAP applies to those producers who have completed an application of coverage and paid the appropriate services fees prior to NAP closing dates established by the Farm Service Agency during 2016.

Commissioner John McMillan of the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries is encourages producers impacted by the drought to contact their local USDA-Farm Service Agency (FSA) office regarding eligibility of available programs. “We want to make certain Alabama producers are aware of all program opportunities offered by USDA-FSA due to losses as a result of the drought,” says McMillan.

The link below provides contact information to various USDA-FSA county offices in Alabama where producers can inquire about additional program details.

<http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app>

For more information on how to reach your county USDA-FSA office, contact Hassey Brooks at [hassey.brooks@agi.alabama.gov](mailto:hassey.brooks@agi.alabama.gov) or by phone at 334-240-3877.

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## **Application Period Opens for Communities to Exercise Local Disaster Response**

FEMA's Emergency Management Institute conducts *Integrated Emergency Management Courses (IEMC)* throughout the year and across the country. The four-and-a-half day training course is designed specifically for communities, providing both lecture and exercise-based training focused on response operations for a disaster or emergency that could happen in their area.

IEMC courses simulate realistic crisis situations that emergency operations center personnel and community leadership/elected officials may encounter during disasters or other events. Also, the course enhances the skills of participating officials and provides a forum to evaluate the effectiveness of their specific emergency policies, plans, and procedures to protect life and property. The course's target audience includes state, local, tribal, and territorial government personnel; their elected and appointed officials; supervisory, operations, and emergency support personnel; nonprofit organizations; the private sector; law enforcement personnel; firefighters; attorneys; public information officers; planners; and more.

IEMC classes are principally delivered at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, Maryland; however, delivery may also occur in the community. If your jurisdiction is interested in applying for the program and obtaining information on the application process and its timeline, please visit <http://training.fema.gov/iemc/>.

The deadline for [applications](#) is **February 15, 2017**.

Questions should be directed to [FEMA-EMI-IEMB@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-EMI-IEMB@fema.dhs.gov).

## **CBCF Emerging Leaders Internship Program**

**FALL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM DATES: January 9, 2017 – May 5, 2017**

The semester-long Emerging Leaders Internship Program sponsored by Walmart creates a corps of trained, young leaders with the skills, outlook, and contacts necessary to generate and sustain positive change in Washington, D.C. and their local communities. Interns will receive housing, a bi-weekly stipend, and will be placed in Congressional offices, federal agencies, and non-profit organizations.. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; should be at least a college sophomore at the time of application; have a permit to work in the U.S.; and have a demonstrated interest in public service, governance, and the policy-making process. Recent college graduates are eligible as long as they have not yet started post-graduate studies and have graduated no more twelve (12) months before the internship program start date.

**You must use your full first and last name as your display name** when creating your application account. This will allow us to locate your application when uploading your transcripts.

Our **two-part** online application will require you to submit the following:

- (1) Two short essays answering the questions provided in the application.*
- (2) Three electronically submitted letters of recommendation.*
- (3) A one-page resume listing extracurricular activities, honors, employment, community service, and special skills*
- (4) In addition, official sealed transcripts from all institutions attended should be MAILED to CBCF to the internship program's attention.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** Our online application has “two” segments. The first is the general application which collects materials relevant for all of our programs. Once you have completed this portion, you will be brought to a section showing all opportunities for which you may be eligible. Here is where you can answer opportunity-specific questions for each scholarship/internship/etc., such as personal statements, additional references, art samples, etc.

You can find more information on the following pages:

<http://www.cbcfinc.org/lips.html>

<http://www.cbcfinc.org/frequently-asked-questions-faq.html>

## CBCF Communications Internship Program

### SPRING INTERNSHIP PROGRAM DATES: January 9, 2017 – May 5, 2017

The semester-long CBCF Communications Internship program sponsored by State Farm offers undergraduate students who are interested in working with press and media relations on Capitol Hill, in federal agencies, at private sector companies, and at non-profit organizations. Housing and a bi-weekly stipend are provided. This program is offered during the fall and spring semesters. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; should be at least a college sophomore at the time of application; have a permit to work in the U.S.; and have a demonstrated interest in public service, governance, and the policy-making process. Recent graduates are eligible as long as they have not yet started post-graduate studies and have graduated no more than a year from the internship program start date.

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## **TruFund, Regions Bank and Foundation Work Together to Provide Loans to Underserved Small Businesses**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – (September 14, 2016) – Regions Bank, together with Foundation Group LLC, a digitally-enabled small business lender, and TruFund, a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), today jointly announced a first-of-its-kind agreement to provide small dollar loans to underserved small businesses. Through this unique and collaborative agreement among a regional bank, a digitally-enabled lender and a CDFI, underserved small businesses that may not be eligible for traditional bank loans will have the opportunity to apply for small dollar loans for working capital and expansion activities. This agreement allows more small businesses to benefit from TruFund’s hands-on approach to helping small businesses. Using the online lending expertise of Foundation, small business clients will have increased availability and access to funding, in as fast as 48 hours from application. Regions has also pledged to provide capital, assisting both TruFund and small business customers.

“Regions has worked with both TruFund and Foundation in the past, and bringing these two organizations together is a natural fit. It expands both of their abilities to meet client needs and provides more access to credit for small businesses,” said Joe DiNicolantonio, Executive Vice President, Commercial Banking at Regions Bank. “Sam Graziano, CEO of Foundation Group LLC, said, “This program is exactly what Foundation is built for, combining our technology and small business lending expertise with the capabilities of our partners to expand access to capital for small businesses.”

In 2015, Regions and Foundation announced an agreement that expanded both companies’ abilities to provide credit to small business borrowers.

“This unique partnership will provide small business owners with an affordable source of microloan capital,” said James H. Bason, President of TruFund Financial services. “The way small businesses borrow money is being transformed, with faster and easier ways to access credit, and TruFund is proud to have worked with Regions Bank and Foundation to find an innovative solution that supports economic growth and increases access to credit in the small business community.”

### **About Regions Financial Corporation**

Regions Financial Corporation (NYSE:RF), with \$126 billion in assets, is a member of the S&P 500 Index and is one of the nation’s largest full-service providers of consumer and commercial banking, wealth management, mortgage, and insurance products and services. Regions serves customers across the South, Midwest and Texas, and through its subsidiary, Regions Bank, operates approximately 1,600 banking offices and 2,000 ATMs. Additional information about Regions and its full line of products and services can be found at [www.regions.com](http://www.regions.com).

### **About Foundation**

Foundation Group LLC is a digitally-enabled lender and credit solutions provider. The Company develops integrated small business lending solutions with banks and partners with a wide array of other organizations that serve the small business market in various capacities to deliver credit products to the business community nationwide. For more information, please visit [www.foundation.com](http://www.foundation.com).

### **About TruFund Financial Services**

TruFund Financial Services, Inc. is a wholly independent national non-profit Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). TruFund seeks to stimulate economic development in communities that are underserved by traditional banking institutions by providing fair and accessible capital, hands-on technical assistance and innovative solutions to small businesses and nonprofit organizations. For more information, please visit [www.trufund.org](http://www.trufund.org)

## **HUD Launches Small Contractors Initiative Curriculum**

The Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of the DAS for Economic Development in partnership with the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, and Office of Field Policy and Management, along with BusinessUSA and the Small Business Administration announce the launch of a new curriculum. The [\*Small Contractors Initiative curriculum\*](#) focuses on materials that will assist small contractors achieve bondable status such that they can more readily pursue federal contracting opportunities as independent firms.

The goal is to provide the information in a pre-packaged format to small business development centers and any other organization that provides technical assistance and training to small businesses. It provides the opportunity to engage with a cohort of small contractors using both face-to-face instruction as well as distance learning. The consolidation of materials to teach these topics provides local small business development organizations the opportunity to tap into a wealth of information, while using their ever-shrinking resources for this type of training in a more targeted way. In other words, organizations can focus on providing one-on-one consultations with small businesses rather than spending the time to develop the materials for use in these types of trainings.

This [curriculum](#) gives small contractors the tools they need to get a bond and set them on a path to grow their businesses.

[View the Small Contractors Initiative Curriculum.](#)

# **Congresswoman Sewell Recognizes the Life and Legacy of American Hero and Senator John Glenn**

**Washington, D.C.** – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) released the following statement recognizing the life and legacy of American Hero and Senator John Glenn:

“This country has truly lost one of its greatest heroes with the passing of Senator John Glenn,” states Representative Sewell. “For a generation of Americans, our ventures into space inspired us to dream big and helped to propel our nation into 21<sup>st</sup> century space exploration. With courage, intellect, and patriotism, pioneers like Senator Glenn led the charge. His missions have helped make possible humans successfully traveling to Mars and beyond.

“Senator Glenn would go on to continue a life of service to the country with a 24-year career representing his home state of Ohio in the U.S. Senate. Senator Glenn was known as an effective legislator and champion for the underdog, the poor, and the downtrodden. His love of country and belief in its people resonated in everything he touched.

“My thoughts and prayers go out to wife of 73 years, Annie; his two children, and all those who knew him well. He has finished his final mission on earth, and he now belongs to the ages.”

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# **Congresswoman Sewell Congratulates the 187<sup>th</sup> Air National Guard Fighter Wing for Making the First Cut**

**Washington, D.C.** – Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement after the U.S. Air Force selection of the 187<sup>th</sup> Air National Guard Fighter Wing as one of the top five candidates under consideration for receiving the new F-35A Lightning II fighter jets, known as the Joint Strike Fighters:

“I am excited that the 187<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, located at Dannelly Field, has made it through the first round of cuts by the Air Force to receive the coveted new Joint Strike Fighters. The 187<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing has an unparalleled legacy of excellence worthy of praise and our continued investment,” said Rep. Sewell. “I continue to be a strong advocate for the 187<sup>th</sup> National Guard unit in my district. As a Member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, I have a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities that confront our nation. As such, I understand the importance of the 187<sup>th</sup> being awarded these new fighter jets to our mission of maintaining air-superiority and providing effective air-cover for our men and women deployed in combat zones.

“It is also imperative that the 187<sup>th</sup> remains a viable installation as an economic driver for the River Region. State estimates show that the military footprint in Alabama provides 177,000 direct and indirect jobs and an economic impact totaling \$17 billion, 12% of the State’s GDP. Consequently, changes to the force or structure of the military in Alabama are felt across the State, and particularly in areas where installations are located, such as Montgomery, Alabama.”

## **BACKGROUND ON THE SELECTION PROCESS**

As one of the top five units/bases selected for the new Joint Strike Fighters, the 187<sup>th</sup> Air National Guard Fighter Wing will undergo a series of assessments over the coming months, including a site visit by Air Force Selection Committee personnel. After these assessments are completed, the top two candidates will be announced during either Spring or Summer of 2017 and awarded these new fighter jets.

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as well as on private funding. Prepared by the Congressional Research Service for Members of Congress, updated May 2014.

Website: <http://sewell.house.gov/grant-information/>

- A federal grant is an award of financial assistance from a federal agency to a recipient to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law of the United States. Federal grants are not federal assistance or loans to individuals. A federal grant may not be used to acquire property or services for the federal government's direct benefit. [The 26 federal agencies](#) offer over 1,000 grant programs annually in various [categories](#). Website: <http://www07.grants.gov/aboutgrants/grants.jsp>
  - To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit [www.grants.gov](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)
  - [Grants.gov Applicant Training Video](#) - Need a quick lesson on how to Register, Find and Apply? Watch this short video to get tips on registering with Grants.gov; finding grant opportunities; understanding your search results; and, applying for opportunities.
  - To learn about foundation grant opportunities, please visit <http://foundationcenter.org/>. The Foundation Center is a gateway to information about private funding sources and provides guidelines about how to write a grant proposal. It also provides links to state libraries with grants reference collections, and links to other useful Internet websites.
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## Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

### Corporation for National and Community Service

**Program:** [2017 AmeriCorps State and National Grants](#)

**Description:** AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. Members may receive a living allowance and other benefits while serving. Upon successful completion of their service, members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award from the National Service Trust that members can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans. Grant awards generally have two components: operating funds and AmeriCorps member positions. Grant award amounts vary – both in the level of operating funds and in the type and amount of AmeriCorps member positions. Unless otherwise specified, the grant generally covers a three-year project period. In approving a multi-year project period, CNCS generally makes an initial award for the first year of operation. In most cases, the application is submitted with a one-year budget. Continuation funding is not guaranteed. Deadline is **January 18, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-opportunities/2017/ameri-corps-state-and-national-grants-fy-2017>

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### National Endowment for the Arts

**Program:** [Promotion of the Arts Grants to Organizations and Individuals – \(CFDA 45.024\)](#)



**Description:** These grants support projects that include: opportunities for artists to create, refine, perform, and exhibit their work; the presentation of artistic works of all cultures and periods; opportunities for arts organizations and artists to expand and diversify their audiences; innovative uses of new models or technology to create work or engage audiences; the preservation of significant works of art and cultural traditions; innovative creative placemaking that contributes to community livability; opportunities for individuals to experience and participate in a wide range of art forms and activities; opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of arts organizations and artists; development, production and national distribution of innovative media projects about the arts and of media projects that can be considered art; standards-based arts education activities for K-12 students and lifelong learning in the arts for individuals of all ages. Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines. (12/01/16)

**Website:** <https://www.arts.gov>

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**Program:** **NEA Poetry Out Loud: 2018 National Finals Competition**

**Description:** The purpose of this Program Solicitation is to select an organization (Cooperator) to produce and coordinate the three-day 2018 POL National Finals competition of state and jurisdictional champions of the POL program, in conjunction with the National Endowment for the Arts and its partners. That National Finals will take place April 23-25, 2018 in Washington, DC. The National Finals competition venue and hotel have already been reserved to ensure the availability of space. Deadline is **January 5, 2017**.

**Website:** <https://www.arts.gov/program-solicitation-poetry-out-loud-2018-national-finals-competition>

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## **National Endowment for the Humanities**

**Program:** **Creating Humanities Communities – (CFDA 45.130)**

**Description:** **About:** Creating Humanities Communities supports grassroots humanities programs by encouraging partnerships and collaborations among multiple institutions or organizations in a town, county, region, or area. NEH has designated incentive states for the program, including Alabama. NEH particularly welcomes applications from small and mid-sized institutions that have not previously received an NEH grant as well as rural and tribal organizations. [Here are the guidelines](#) and [here is the page for the program on Grants.gov](#).

**Potential Applicants:** Potential partner institution types include, but are not limited to: public libraries, cultural centers, museums, historical societies, two- and four-year colleges and universities, archival repositories, historic houses, school districts, civic centers, and other cultural entities. State humanities councils may be a partner, but may not serve as the lead applicant. Collaborations should be among at least two and at most five institutions.

**What the Grant Can Support:** new or ongoing costs to support humanities programs. This may include salaries for staff, public programs and events, professional development, travel expenses, acquisitions for collections, media or digitization costs,

etc.

**Ideas:** projects to create a humanities community might include, for example, collaborations linking:

- a public library and a nearby community college to research, write, and produce a series of video biographies of the town's important personalities (to be presented in public programs at the local historical movie palace);
- several railroad museums throughout a state that join forces to write a transportation-based curriculum module for use in fourth-grade social studies classes;
- three Native American tribes to establish a cultural heritage trail highlighting important sites and collections;
- a veterans' group and a high school in developing intergenerational family programs at local historic sites; and
- a public radio station and the philosophy department at a local college to host public programs discussing industry and ethics to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of the town's paper mill.

**Funding:** NEH will offer successful applicants a one-to-one matching grant, divided incrementally over three years. The funds that NEH provides will match the funds raised by grantees from nonfederal third parties. Applicants can choose to apply for \$30,000, \$60,000, \$90,000, or \$150,000.

Deadline: **February 15, 2017**

Optional Draft Application Deadline: **January 16, 2017**

Contact: Challenge Grants staff at 202-606-8309 or [challenge@neh.gov](mailto:challenge@neh.gov). Applicants are encouraged to reach out with questions and to submit draft applications in advance of the deadline for feedback.

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?dpp=1&oppId=289891>

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**Program:** [Public Scholar Programs](#)

**Description:** The Public Scholar Program supports well-researched books in the humanities intended to reach a broad readership. Although humanities scholarship can be specialized, the humanities also strive to engage broad audiences in exploring subjects of general interest. They seek to deepen our understanding of the human condition as well as current conditions and contemporary problems. The Public Scholar Program aims to encourage scholarship that will be of broad interest and have lasting impact. Such scholarship might present a narrative history, tell the stories of important individuals, analyze significant texts, provide a synthesis of ideas, revive interest in a neglected subject, or examine the latest thinking on a topic. Books supported by this program must be grounded in humanities research and scholarship. They must address significant humanities themes likely to be of broad interest and must be written in a readily accessible style. Making use of primary and/or secondary sources, they should open up important and appealing subjects for a wide audience. The challenge is to make sense of a significant topic in a way that will appeal to general readers. Deadline is **February 1, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects>

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## **National Science Foundation**

**Program:** **Training-based Workforce Development for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure**

**Description:** The overarching goal of this program is to prepare, nurture and grow the national scientific workforce for creating, utilizing, and supporting advanced cyberinfrastructure (CI) that enables cutting-edge science and engineering and contributes to the Nation's overall economic competitiveness and security. For the purpose of this solicitation, advanced CI is broadly defined as the resources, tools, and services for advanced computation, data handling, networking and security. This solicitation calls for developing innovative, scalable training programs to address the emerging needs and unresolved bottlenecks in scientific and engineering workforce development of targeted, multidisciplinary communities, at the postsecondary level and beyond, leading to transformative changes in the state of workforce preparedness for advanced CI in the short and long terms. A primary goal is to broaden CI access and adoption by (i) increasing or deepening accessibility of methods and resources of advanced CI and of computational and data science and engineering by a wide range of institutions and scientific communities with lower levels of CI adoption to date; and (ii) harnessing the capabilities of larger segments of diverse underrepresented groups. Proposals from and in partnership with the aforementioned communities are especially encouraged. For student training, a key concern is not to increase the time to degree; hence the emphasis shall be on out-of-class, informal training. Deadline is **January 18, 2017**.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf17507](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf17507)

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**Program:** **Cybermanufacturing Systems**

**Description:** There is an opportunity for researchers to pursue research and educational efforts to accelerate the creation of an interoperating, cross-process manufacturing service layer that enables the rapid, bottom-up transformation of access to manufacturing services. Such a service layer can allow creative entrepreneurs and companies to both furnish and access manufacturing apps that span the full spectrum from ideation to physical realization, giving rise to an era of cybermanufacturing. The cybermanufacturing service layer differs from existing Internet services in that it needs an architecture that can incrementally incorporate and organize the rich and deep semantic elements of manufacturing knowledge, requiring an almost unlimited capacity to expand the range and depth of content contributed in the form of partitioned, but interoperating, manufacturing applications. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=505291](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505291)

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**Program:** **Historically Black Colleges and Universities - Undergraduate Program**

**Description:** To meet the nation's accelerating demands for STEM talent, more rapid gains in achievement and successful degree completion in STEM for underrepresented minority populations are needed. The Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program (HBCU-UP) is committed to enhancing the quality of undergraduate STEM education and research at HBCUs as a means to broaden participation in the nation's STEM workforce. To this end, HBCU-UP provides awards to develop, implement, and study evidence-based innovative models and approaches for improving the preparation and success of HBCU undergraduate students so that they may pursue STEM graduate programs and/or careers.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16538](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16538)

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**Program:** **Expeditions in Computing**

**Description:** The far-reaching impact and rate of innovation in the computing and information disciplines has been remarkable, generating economic prosperity and enhancing the

quality of life for people throughout the world. The Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) has created the Expeditions in Computing (Expeditions) program to provide the CISE research and education community with the opportunity to pursue ambitious, fundamental research agendas that promise to define the future of computing and information. In planning Expeditions projects, investigators are encouraged to come together within or across departments or institutions to combine their creative talents in the identification of compelling, transformative research agendas that promise disruptive innovations in computing and information for many years to come. Funded at levels up to \$2,000,000 per year for five years, Expeditions represent some of the largest single investments currently made by the directorate. Together with the Science and Technology Centers CISE supports, Expeditions form the centerpiece of the directorate's center-scale award portfolio. With awards funded at levels that promote the formation of research teams, CISE recognizes that concurrent research advances in multiple fields or sub-fields are often necessary to stimulate deep and enduring outcomes. The awards made in this program will complement research areas supported by other CISE programs, which target particular computing or information disciplines or fields. Deadline is **January 18, 2017**.

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf16535](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf16535)

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

**Program:** **7(j) Technical Assistance – (CFDA 59.007)**

**Description:** The purpose of the program is to provide Business Development Assistance for Small Disadvantaged Businesses. SBA performs this mission by entering into grants, cooperative agreements and contracts with qualified service providers who have the capability to provide business development assistance to eligible businesses and individuals under Sections 7(i), 7(j) and 8(a) of the Small Business Act. (11/15/16)

Educational institutions, public or private organizations and businesses, individuals, State and local governments, Indian tribes and lending and financial institutions and sureties that have the capability to provide the required business development assistance.

Deadline: Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.sba.gov>

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

**Program:** **Biotechnology Risk Assessment Research Grants Program (BRAG) - (CFA 10.219)**

**Description:** The purpose of the BRAG program is to support the generation of new information that will assist Federal regulatory agencies in making science-based decisions about the effects of introducing into the environment genetically engineered organisms (GE), including plants, microorganisms — such as fungi, bacteria, and viruses — arthropods, fish, birds, mammals and other animals excluding humans. Investigations of effects on both managed and natural environments are relevant. The BRAG program accomplishes its purpose by providing federal regulatory agencies with scientific information relevant to regulatory issues. See [RFA](#) for details. Visit the NIFA website

to access a factsheet on the Center of Excellence (COE) designation process, including COE criteria, and a list of programs offering COE opportunities in fiscal year 2016.

Applicant Eligibility:

1862 Land-Grant Institutions, 1890 Land-Grant Institutions, 1994 Land-Grant Institutions, For-profit Organizations Other Than Small Businesses, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Native American Tribal Orgs, not Federally recognized Tribal Governments, Nonprofits with 501(c)(3) IRS status, other than Institutions of Higher Ed, Nonprofits without 501(c)(3) IRS status, other than Institutions of Higher Ed, Other or Additional Information (See below), Private Institutions of Higher Ed, Small Business, State Agricultural Experiment Stations, State Controlled Institutions of Higher Ed

For More Information Contact:

[Shing F Kwok](mailto:Shing F Kwok)

Contact for Electronic Access Problems:

[electronic@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:electronic@nifa.usda.gov)

Deadline: Thursday, March 30, 2017 (12/12/16)

Letter of Intent Due: Thursday, January 26, 2017

Website:

<https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/biotechnology-risk-assessment-research-grants-program-brag>

**Program:**

**Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) (Joint NSF) Competitive Grants Program - (CFA 10.310)**

**Description:**

In 2017, NSF is working closely with multiple agencies of the federal government, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) to identify basic research needs in CPS common across multiple application domains, along with opportunities for accelerated transition to practice.

Cyber-physical systems (CPS) are engineered systems that are built from, and depend upon, the seamless integration of computational algorithms and physical components. Advances in CPS will enable capability, adaptability, scalability, resiliency, safety, security, and usability that will far exceed the simple embedded systems of today. CPS technology will transform the way people interact with engineered systems -- just as the Internet has transformed the way people interact with information. New smart CPS will drive innovation and competition in sectors such as agriculture, energy, transportation, building design and automation, healthcare, and manufacturing.

The December 2010 report of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) titled [\*Designing a Digital Future: Federally Funded Research and Development in Networking and Information Technology\*](#) calls for continued investment in CPS research because of its scientific and technological importance as well as its potential impact on grand challenges in a number of sectors critical to U.S. security and competitiveness such as the ones noted above. These challenges and technology gaps are further described in a [\*CPS Vision Statement\*](#) published in 2012 by the federal Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) CPS Senior Steering Group.

Applicant Eligibility:

Eligible applicants for the grant program implemented under this subpart include: (1) State agricultural experiment stations; (2) colleges and universities (including junior

colleges offering associate degrees or higher); (3) university research foundations; (4) other research institutions and organizations; (5) Federal agencies, (6) national laboratories; (7) private organizations or corporations; (8) individuals who are U.S. citizens, nationals, or permanent residents; and (9) any group consisting of 2 or more entities identified in (1) through (8). Eligible institutions do not include foreign and international organizations

For More Information Contact:

[Daniel Schmoldt](#)

Contact for Electronic Access Problems:

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Deadline: Monday, March 6, 2017 (12/81/16)

**Website:**

<https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/cyber-physical-systems-cps-joint-nsf-competitive-grants-program>

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**Program:**

**Organic Transitions (ORG) - (CFA 10.303)**

**Description:**

The overall goal of the Organic Transitions Program (ORG) is to support the development and implementation of research, extension and higher education programs to improve the competitiveness of organic livestock and crop producers, as well as those who are adopting organic practices.

ORG will continue to prioritize environmental services provided by organic farming systems in the area of soil conservation, pollinator health, and climate change mitigation, including greenhouse gases (GHG), as well as the development of educational tools for Cooperative Extension personnel and other agricultural professionals who advise producers on organic practices, and development of cultural practices and other allowable alternatives to substances recommended for removal from the National Organic Program's National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances.

Applicant Eligibility:

1862 Land-Grant Institutions, 1890 Land-Grant Institutions, 1994 Land-Grant Institutions, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Other or Additional Information (See below), Private Institutions of Higher Ed, State Controlled Institutions of Higher Ed. Applications may only be submitted by colleges and universities as defined in section 1404 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (NARETPA, 7 U.S.C. 3103).

For More Information Contact:

[Mathieu Ngouajio](#)

Contact for Electronic Access Problems:

[electronic@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:electronic@nifa.usda.gov)

Deadline: Thursday, March 9, 2017 (12/08/16)

**Website:**

<https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/organic-transitions-org>

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**Program:**

**Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant (Section 306C) - (CFA 10.770)**

**Description:**

Used to provide water and waste disposal facilities and services to low income rural communities whose residents face significant health risks.

Funds may be used for 100 percent of costs to: Construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve a community water or waste system; extend service lines and connect individual residences to a system. Allow applicant to make grants directly to individuals to: Extend service lines, connect resident's plumbing to system, pay reasonable charges and fees for connecting to system, installation of plumbing and related fixtures, and construction in dwelling of a bathroom.

**Applicant Eligibility:**

This program assists qualified applicants that are not otherwise able to obtain commercial credit on reasonable terms. Eligible applicants include:

- Most State and local governmental entities
- Private non-profits
- Federally-recognized Tribes

The projects funded under this program must primarily provide water and/or waste disposal services to residents of rural areas and towns with fewer than 10,000 people, Tribal lands in rural areas and Colonias. Also the residents must face significant health risks due to not having access to an affordable community water and/or waste disposal system.

Deadline: Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines. (12/01/16)

**Website:**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program>

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**Program:**

**Community Facilities Loans and Grants - (CFA 10.766)**

**Description:**

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

Examples of essential community facilities include:

- Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities
- Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements
- Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing
- Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment
- Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools
- Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment
- Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses

**Applicant Eligibility:**

City, county, and State agencies; Community-based non-profit corporations and Federally-recognized Tribes. Rural areas including cities, villages, townships and towns including Federally Recognized Tribal Lands with no more than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census Data are eligible for this program. (12/01/16)

Deadline: Not Applicable.

**Website:** [www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program](http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program)

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**Program:** **Rural Child Poverty Nutrition Center - (CFA 10.549)**

**Description:** University of Kentucky lead by Dr. Ann Vail was selected through a competitive process as the grantee that would establish the USDA Rural Child Poverty Nutrition Center. The roles of this Center include:

- developing and administering a series of sub-grants pertinent to the purposes of this grant
- coordinating relevant grant-related activities among sub-grantees and researchers
- conducting an evaluation of subgrantees' programs, and
- widely disseminating information on communities' implementation strategies and evaluation findings.

The grant is to be used to establish grants and cooperative agreements to identify, develop and undertake projects to meet Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) program needs and the food, nutrition, and health needs of program eligible participants. (12/01/16)

Deadline: Not Applicable.

**Website:** [http://www.rcpnc.org/app\\_eligibility.shtml](http://www.rcpnc.org/app_eligibility.shtml)

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**Program:** **Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG)**

**Description:** To promote sustainable economic development and facilitate the development of small and emerging private business, industry, and related employment for improving the economy in rural communities. Rural business development grants (RBDG) can be divided into 3 types of grants: Business opportunity, Business enterprise and Television demonstration grants. Funds may be used to assist in the economic development of rural areas by providing technical assistance, training, and planning for businesses. Business enterprise type grants may be used to create, expand, or operate rural distance learning networks or programs that provide educational or job training instruction related to potential employment or job advancement for adult students; develop, construct or acquisition land, buildings, plants, equipment, access streets and roads, parking areas, utility extensions, necessary water supply and waste disposal facilities; refinancing; services and fees; and to establish a revolving loan fund. Television demonstration grant (TDG) funds may be used for television programming to demonstrate the effectiveness of providing information on agriculture. (11/15/16)

Deadline: Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-business-development-grants>

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**Program:** **Emergency Loans (Direct Loan) - (CFDA 10.404)**

**Description:** To assist established (owner or tenant) family farmers, ranchers and aquaculture operators with loans to cover losses resulting from major and/or natural disasters, which can be used for annual farm operating expenses, and for other essential needs necessary to return disaster victims' farming operations to a financially sound basis in order that they will be able to return to private sources of credit as soon as possible. (11/15/16)

Deadline: Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/farm-loan-programs/index>

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**Program:** **Farm Operating Loans (Direct & Guaranteed / Insured Loans) - (CFDA 10.406)**  
**Description:** To enable operators of not larger than family farms through the extension of credit and supervisory assistance, to make efficient use of their land, labor, and other resources, and to establish and maintain financially viable farming and ranching operations.  
  
Loan funds may be used to: (1) Purchase livestock, poultry, and other farm animals; (2) purchase farm equipment, feed, seed, fuel, farm chemicals, insurance (3) provide operating expenses for farm enterprise; OL funds can be used to pay for: (4) minor improvements to buildings (5) costs associated with land and water development (6) family subsistence (7) refinance debts under certain conditions and (8) finance youth projects. (11/14/16)  
Deadline: Not Applicable.  
**Website:** <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/farm-loan-programs/index>

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

**Program:** **Minority Business Resource Development – (CFDA 11.802)**  
**Description:** The objectives of the overall program are to 1) provide financial assistance awards for projects that affect or contribute to the establishment, preservation and strengthening of minority business enterprises (MBEs) as directed by congressional mandate, and 2) promote the development of novel approaches to increasing the strategic growth and global competitiveness of MBEs through the administration of pilot or demonstration projects.  
Applicants eligible to provide services under pilot or demonstration projects are nonprofit organizations, for-profit firms, State and local governments, Native American Tribal entities, and educational institutions. Applicants for congressionally mandated projects are those specifically identified in applicable legislation. (11/14/16)  
Deadline: Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.  
**Website:** <http://www.mbda.gov>

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**Program:** **Economic Adjustment Assistance – (CFDA 11.307)**  
**Description:** The Economic Adjustment Assistance Program provides a wide range of technical, planning and public works and infrastructure assistance in regions experiencing adverse economic changes that may occur suddenly or over time. This program is designed to respond flexibly to pressing economic recovery issues and is well suited to help address challenges faced by U.S. communities and regions.  
  
Current investment priorities include proposals that focus on (a) Collaborative Regional Innovation, (b) Public/Private Partnerships, (c) National Strategic Priorities, (d) Global Competitiveness, (e) Environmentally-Sustainable Development, (f) Economically Distressed and Underserved Communities. (11/14/16)  
Deadline: Not Applicable.  
**Website:** <http://www.eda.gov>

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**Program:** **FY 2016 – FY 2019 EDA Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program – (CFDA 11.303)**  
**Description:** Under the Planning program EDA assists eligible recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency of an area or region. As part of this program, EDA supports

Partnership Planning investments to facilitate the development, implementation, revision, or replacement of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDs), which articulate and prioritize the strategic economic goals of recipients' respective regions. Deadline: Applications are accepted on a continuing basis and processed as received. This Planning and Local Technical Assistance opportunity will remain in effect until superseded by a future announcement.

**Website:** <https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

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**Program:** **Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program- (CFDA 11.300)**

**Description:** Public Works grants support the construction or rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and facilities necessary to generate or retain private sector jobs and investments, attract private sector capital, and promote regional competitiveness, innovation, and entrepreneurship, including investments that expand and upgrade infrastructure to attract new industry, support technology-led development, accelerate new business development, and enhance the ability of regions to capitalize on opportunities presented by free trade.

Characteristic projects include investments in facilities such as water and sewer systems, industrial access roads, business parks, port facilities, rail spurs, skill-training facilities, business incubator facilities, brownfield redevelopment, eco-industrial facilities, and telecommunications and broadband infrastructure improvements necessary for business creation, retention and expansion. Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

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**Program:** **Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP)**

**Description:** The purposes of the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) include accelerating broadband deployment in unserved and underserved areas and ensuring that strategic institutions which are likely to create jobs or provide significant public benefits have broadband connections. Deadlines are not applicable.

**Website:** <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandgrants>

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**Program:** **Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce and Economic Revitalization (POWER) Initiative**

**Description:** an Administration effort, involving multiple federal agencies, with the goal of effectively aligning, leveraging and targeting a range of federal economic and workforce development programs and resources to assist communities negatively impacted by changes in the coal industry and power sector.

The POWER Implementation Grants Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) was released in May 2016 with available funding from EDA, the Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA), the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). The FFO made funding available to partnerships in impacted communities to help them: (1) diversify their economies; (2) create jobs in new or existing industries; (3) attract new sources of job-creating investment; and (4) provide a range of workforce services and skills training for high-quality, in-demand jobs.

**Website:** <https://www.eda.gov/power/#POWEREligibility>

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

**Program:** **State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis Grants (Short Title: Opioid STR) – (CFDA 93.788 -- Opioid STR)**

**Description:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) and Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

(CSAP), are accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2017 State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis Grants (Short Title: Opioid STR). The program aims to address the opioid crisis by increasing access to treatment, reducing unmet treatment need, and reducing opioid overdose related deaths through the provision of prevention, treatment and recovery activities for opioid use disorder (OUD) (including prescription opioids as well as illicit drugs such as heroin). These grants will be awarded to states and territories via formula based on unmet need for opioid use disorder treatment and drug poisoning deaths.

Eligible applicants are the Single State Agencies (SSAs).

**For more information on the Opioid STR FOA, SAMHSA will host a pre-application Technical Assistance (TA) webinars.**

**January 18, 2017, 3:00–4:30 p.m. EST**

**Conference Call Only**

**Phone Number: 888-989-4489**

**Participant passcode: 5234947**

**WebEx™ Net Conference Access Information**

**<https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join/> (link is external)**

**Conference number: PWXW2344530**

**Audience passcode: 5234947**

**Participants can join the event directly at:**

**<https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?i=PWXW2344530&p=5234947&t=c>**

Deadline is **February 17, 2017**

**Website:** **<https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/ti-17-014>**

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**Program:** **[Transitional Living Program and Maternity Group Homes](#)**

**Description:** The Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) is forecasting a funding opportunity announcement for the Transitional Living Program (TLP) and for Maternity Group Homes (MGH) for a five year project period. The TLP and MGH projects will work to implement, enhance, and/or support promising intervention strategies for the effective transition of homeless youth (for the purposes of MGH projects, homeless youth and their dependent child(ren)) to self-sufficiency. Both projects must provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for up to 21 months and comprehensive services that supports the transition of homeless youth to stable living. Deadline is **June 13, 2017**

**Website:** Angie Webley, 202.401.5490, [Angie.Webley@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:Angie.Webley@acf.hhs.gov)

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**Program:** **[Exploratory / Developmental Investigations on Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases](#)**

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will support innovative exploratory/developmental investigations on primary immunodeficiency diseases focusing on ex vivo studies with human specimens and on studies with current or new animal models including novel clinical strategies for detecting, identifying the molecular basis of, or developing innovative therapies for primary immunodeficiency diseases. In addition, this FOA aims to encourage analyses of clinical data and samples maintained in primary immunodeficiency registries, consortium databases and repositories to address questions relevant to primary immunodeficiency research. The deadline depends on project. Refer to link. **Deadline is July 17, 2019**

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-373.html>

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**Program:** **Alzheimer's Clinical Trials Consortium (ACTC) (U24)**

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications to establish an Alzheimer's disease Clinical Trials Consortium (ACTC) that will run trials focused on interventions that may prevent, delay, or treat the symptoms of Alzheimer's disease (AD) and other age related dementias. The ACTC will include multiple clinical trials sites and trial coordination and management infrastructure. A separate FOA will solicit applications for clinical trials to be managed & supported by ACTC. **Deadline Feb 7, 2017**

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-17-005.html>

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**Program:** **Social Epigenomics Research Focused on Minority Health and Health Disparities**

**Description:** The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support and accelerate innovative exploratory and developmental human epigenomic investigations focused on identifying and characterizing the mechanisms by which social experiences at various stages in life, both positive and negative, affect gene function and thereby influence health trajectories or modify disease risk in minority and health disparity populations. **Deadline is November 15, 2018.**

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-356.html>

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**Program:** **Primary Care Training and Enhancement**

**Description:** The overarching purpose of the PCTE program is to strengthen the primary care workforce by supporting enhanced training for future primary care clinicians, teachers, and researchers. In FY 2016, applicants for the PCTE program focused on training for transforming healthcare systems, particularly enhancing the clinical training experience of trainees. In FY 2017, applicants must focus on integrating behavioral health and primary care. **Deadline is February 6, 2017.**

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

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**Program:** **Predoctoral Training General, Pediatric, and Public Health Dentistry and Dental Hygiene**

**Description:** The purpose of this program is to improve access to, and the delivery of, oral health care services for all individuals, particularly low income, underserved, uninsured, underrepresented minority, health disparity, and rural populations by increasing the supply of a qualified dental workforce and enhancing dental workforce education and training. The goal of this this FOA is to enhance the education and training of predoctoral dental students, dental hygiene students, and dental hygienists to meet the needs of vulnerable, underserved, or rural communities. The FOA focuses on enhancing training to care for pediatric populations in predoctoral training. **Deadline is January 30, 2017.**

**Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

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**Program:** **Small Business Alzheimer's Disease Research (R41/R42)**

**Description:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to encourage Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) applications from eligible small business concerns in the area of Alzheimer's disease. **Deadline is April 5, 2019.**

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-092.html>

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**Program:** **Centers for Agricultural Safety and Health (U54)**

**Description:** The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) invites applications for Centers for Agricultural Safety and Health (Ag Centers). Ag Centers are expected to conduct high quality

research and help translate scientific discoveries into practical applications to improve worker safety and health in the areas of agriculture, forestry, and fishing. Center functions should include developing integrated approaches that link basic science with translation and outreach activities. Center structure should take advantage of diverse scientific resources and focus on local, regional, and/or national worker safety and health issues. Centers should place emphasis on the creation and implementation of evidence-based solutions that address important agricultural safety and health problems. Collaborations with other academic institutions, nonprofit organizations, and other occupational safety and health focused groups are expected. Deadline is **November 30, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-353.html>

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**Program:** **Occupational Safety and Health Training Project Grants (T03)**

**Description:** The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), invites grant applications for Training Project Grants (TPGs) that are focused on occupational safety and health training. NIOSH is mandated to provide an adequate supply of qualified personnel to carry out the purposes of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and the TPGs are one of the principal means for meeting this mandate. The majority of TPGs are in academic institutions that provide high quality training in the core occupational safety and health disciplines of industrial hygiene (IH), occupational health nursing (OHN), occupational medicine residency (OMR), occupational safety (OS), as well as closely related allied disciplines. NIOSH also funds non-academic programs to meet specific training needs of targeted populations including firefighters, commercial fishermen and occupational health and safety interns. Deadline is **November 3, 2019**.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-352.html>

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**Program:** **Screening and Brief Alcohol Interventions in Underage and Young Adult Populations (R03)**

**Description:** The objective of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research on screening and brief interventions to prevent and/or reduce alcohol use and alcohol-related harms among underage and young adult populations. Deadline is **May 7, 2018**.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-296.html>

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**Program:** **The Pancreatic Cancer Detection Consortium (U01)**

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications from multi-disciplinary teams of researchers and clinicians to establish the Pancreatic Cancer Detection Consortium (PCDC) to conduct research to improve the detection of early stage pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma (PDAC) and characterization of its precursor lesions. This initiative addresses one of the four research priorities identified in the National Cancer Institute's 2014 Scientific Framework for Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma. The PCDC is intended to support research for the development and testing of new molecular and imaging biomarkers for identifying patients at high risk for PDAC (because of genetic factors or the presence of precursor lesions) who could be candidates for early intervention. The research will be conducted by individual multi-disciplinary research teams, hereafter called Units. The Units will undertake studies on the following areas: identification and testing of biomarkers measurable in bodily fluids for early detection of PDAC or its precursor lesions; determine which pancreatic cysts are likely to progress to cancer; develop molecular-and/or imaging-based approaches for screening populations at high risk of PDAC; conduct biomarker validation studies; and collect longitudinal biospecimens for the establishment of

a biorepository. All Units are expected to participate in collaborative activities with other Units and share ideas, specimens and data within the Consortium.  
Deadline is **April 6, 2018**.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-289.html>

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**Program:** **Limited Competition: Small Grant Program for NHLBI K01/K08/K23 Recipients**  
**Description:** The Purpose of this FOA is to solicit current or recently completed NHLBI K01, K08, and K23 awardees for grant support to expand their current research objectives or to branch out to a study that resulted from the research conducted under the K award. Recently completed NHLBI K01, K08, and K23 awardees are eligible to apply for this R03 FOA if the earliest possible R03 start date falls within 2 years of their prior NHLBI K award Project Period end date. Thus, this FOA is intended to enhance the capability of NHLBI K01, K08, and K23 award recipients to conduct research as they complete their transition to fully independent investigator status. Deadline: **June 15, 2018**.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-16-020.html>

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**Program:** **NINDS Exploratory Clinical Trials for Small Business (R42)**  
**Description:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to provide a vehicle for Small Business Concerns submitting Small Business Technology Transfer grant applications for investigator-initiated exploratory clinical trials to the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). The projects must focus on products related to the mission and goals of the NINDS and may evaluate drugs, biologics, devices, or diagnostics, as well as surgical, behavioral or rehabilitation therapies.

Deadline is **April 5, 2018**.

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-278.html>

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**Program:** **Integrated Food Defense**  
**Description:** The Integrated Food Defense & Emergency Response Cooperative Agreement Program (IFD&ER CAP) grant awards are designed to generate food defense tools and resources that are easily replicated and can complement, aid in the development of, and/or improve State, local, Tribal and territorial (SLTT) food defense programs through unique, innovative, and reproducible projects. The known overlap between food safety (unintentional contamination) and food defense (intentional contamination) is extensive. And the pools of resources available are vast and sometimes difficult to locate and implement.

**Deadline Dates:** Apr 2, 2019 Other key dates include: Open Date (Earliest Submission Date) - May 8, 2015; February 1, 2016; February 1, 2017; February 1, 2018; February 1, 2019 Letter of Intent Due Date(s) - June 15, 2015; March 1, 2016; March 1, 2017; March 1, 2018; March 1, 2019 Application Due Date(s) - July 9, 2015; April 2, 2016; April 2, 2017; April 2, 2018; April 2, 2019:

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-FD-15-022.html>

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**Program:** **High Priority Immunology Grants (R01)**  
**Description:** The goal of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to augment the maintenance and growth of the NIAID portfolio of investigator-initiated R01 grants in fundamental immunology. It seeks to address a decline in NIAID immunology R01 applications and awards that has occurred in the past several fiscal years.

Deadline is **January 7, 2018**

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAS-15-055.html>

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**Program:** **Sustained Release of Antivirals for Treatment or Prevention of HIV (SRATP) (R01)**

**Description:** The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage grant applications that address the long term goal and objective of developing sustained release strategies for HIV treatment or prevention. Applications may propose treatment or prevention products delivered using sustained release platforms (oral, injection, implant or direct delivery to HIV target mucosa) that will provide a minimum of 1 week for oral (treatment) or a minimum of once a month for all other drug delivery systems for prevention and treatment protection/efficacy.

The current deadline is **January 4, 2019**

**Website:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA16-262.html>

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## **U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

**Program:** **Preparing for Emerging Threats and Hazards – (CFDA 97.133)**

**Description:** The FY 2016 CCTA Program objective is to build and sustain capabilities of local, state, tribal, and territorial jurisdictions to enhance their preparedness for complex coordinated terrorist attacks by achieving the following activities:

- Identifying capability gaps related to preparing for, preventing, and responding to a complex coordinated terrorist attack.
- Developing and/or updating plans, annexes, and processes to address the identified gaps.
- Training personnel and the whole community to implement the plans and processes and build needed capabilities.
- Conducting exercise(s) to validate capabilities and identify opportunities for additional corrective action.

**Program Priorities** The FY 2016 CCTA Program will prioritize projects that incorporate the following factors:

- Develop comprehensive and sustainable approaches to enhance preparedness for complex coordinated terrorist attacks.
- Develop and advance regional partnerships and whole community collaboration.
- Promote creative, innovative, and replicable approaches to preparing for complex coordinated terrorist attacks.
- Develop and share lessons learned and best practices associated with preparing for complex coordinated terrorist attacks between jurisdictions.

### Eligibility Information

- Local governments (as defined by 2 C.F.R. § 200.64)
- State governments (includes all 56 states and territories, which includes any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands)
- Federally-recognized Tribal governments

The Program Office provides support in addressing specific programmatic questions or concerns regarding the FY 2016 CCTA Program. The Program Office can be reached by e-mail at [FEMA-CCTA@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-CCTA@fema.dhs.gov)

**Website:** <http://www.fema.gov/grants>

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**Program:** **Financial Assistance for Countering Violent Extremism**

**Description:** The purpose of this grant is to provide federal assistance which will support new and existing community-based efforts to counter violent extremism recruitment and radicalization to violence. Deadlines are not applicable.

**Website:** <https://www.cfda.gov/?s=program&mode=form&tab=step1&id=ae22a57d89eb330f91f9ef442c3d2e4d>

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**Program:** **Homeland Security-related Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (HS STEM) Career Development Program**

**Description:** Support is provided to colleges and universities who, in turn, provide financial support and career guidance to students interested in HS-STEM careers. Preapplication coordination is required. Environmental impact information is not required for this program. Objective is to provide funding to assist with the development of future HS-STEM professionals and practitioners. Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <https://www.cfda.gov/?s=program&mode=form&tab=step1&id=61b892367196d90a28539cc0cce55e7d>

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

**Program:** **Emergency Solutions Grant Program - (CFDA 14.231)**

**Description:** The ESG program provides funding to: (1) engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; (2) improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; (3) help operate these shelters; (4) provide essential services to shelter residents, (5) rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, and (6) prevent families and individuals from becoming homeless.

Eligible recipients generally consist of metropolitan cities, urban counties, territories, and states, as defined in 24 CFR 576.2. Metropolitan cities, urban counties and territories may subgrant ESG funds to private nonprofit organizations. States must subgrant all of their ESG funds (except for funds for administrative costs and, under certain conditions, HMIS costs) to units of general purpose local government and/or private nonprofit organizations. (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.hudexchange.info>

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**Program:** **Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program - (CFDA 14.247)**

**Description:** To facilitate and encourage innovative homeownership opportunities through the provision of self-help homeownership in which the homebuyer contributes a significant amount of sweat equity toward the development of the SHOP units.

Funds are awarded competitively to national or regional nonprofit organizations or consortia that have capacity and experience in providing or facilitating self-help housing homeownership opportunities. Grantees must use a significant amount of SHOP grant funds in at least two states. Grantees may award grant funds to local nonprofit affiliate organizations. (11/14/16)



Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/shop/index.cfm>

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**Program:** **Affordable Housing Development in Main Street Rejuvenation Projects - (CFDA 14.878)**

**Description:** To assist small communities with populations of 50,000 or less and 100 Public Housing units or less in the rejuvenation of historic or traditional central business districts or "Main Street Areas" by replacing unused commercial space in buildings with Affordable housing units. The objectives of the program are to: (1) Redevelop Main Street Areas; (2) Preserve historic or traditional architecture or design features in Main Street Areas; (3) Enhance economic development efforts in Main Street Areas; and (4) Provide affordable housing in Main Street Areas.

Eligible applicants include, and are limited to, Units of Local Government ("Local Government") that are subdivisions of State governments, and other governments listed in Section 102 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The jurisdiction of the Local Government must contain a population of no more than 50,000. The Local Government must either have no Public Housing Agency (PHA) or a PHA that administers no more than 100 public housing units. (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/mainstreet>

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**Program:** **Veterans Home Rehabilitation Program**

**Description:** The purpose of the Veterans Home Rehabilitation Pilot Program is to award grants to nonprofit veterans service organizations to rehabilitate and modify the primary residence of disabled and low-income veterans. Funds may be used to support eligible activities that serve the following objectives: 1) Modify and rehabilitate the primary residence of disabled and low-income veterans; 2) Rehabilitate such residence that is in a state of interior or exterior disrepair; and 3) Install energy efficient features or equipment. Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/ruralgateway>

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

**Program:** **Youth Engagement, Education, and Employment – (CFDA 15.676)**

**Description:** To provide experiential, education, and employment program opportunities for youth of all ages (pre-K through early adult life, including students, associates, fellows, interns, members, and volunteers) to participate in conservation activities conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or in collaboration with other Department of the Interior bureaus. The intent of these education, career and leadership development programs is to engage, educate, and employ youth participants in the various fields of natural resources conservation – fisheries management, habitat restoration, invasive species, pollinators, marine biology, migratory birds, strategic planning and lands management.

Applicants may be state agencies, local governments, Tribal organizations, interstate, Intrastate, public nonprofit institution/organization, other public institution/organization, private nonprofit/organization, or any other organization subject to the jurisdiction of the US with interests that support the mission of the Service. (11/14/16)  
Deadlines - Not Applicable.

**Website:** <http://www.youthgo.gov>

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**Program:** **Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentive**

**Description:** The 20% investment tax credit applies only to income-producing buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places or contributing to registered historic districts; and only for rehabilitations determined by NPS to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. The income tax deduction for the donation of conservation easements applies to income-producing and non-income producing buildings. Deadlines are not applicable.

**Website:** <https://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives/taxdocs/about-tax-incentives-2012.pdf>

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

**Program:** **Grants to Reduce Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking on Campus – (CFDA 16.525)**

**Description:** To develop and strengthen effective security and investigation strategies to combat sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking on campuses, and to develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving such crimes against women on campuses, which may include partnerships with local criminal justice authorities and community-based victim services agencies, and to develop and strengthen prevention education and awareness programs.

Institutions of higher education as defined under the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 that are in compliance with the campus crime reporting requirements (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov>

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**Program:** **OVW Technical Assistance Initiative – (CFDA 16.526)**

**Description:** To provide communities with critical resources that help them forge partnerships across agencies and disciplines to respond effectively to violent crimes against women. OVW's Technical Assistance Program was created to provide grantees with the expertise and support they need to develop and implement successful local projects, increase victim safety, and bolster offender accountability.

Eligible applicants are nonprofit national, tribal and statewide organizations and institutions of higher education. In rare circumstances, state/local government agencies or local nonprofits may be eligible. (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov>

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**Program:** **Enhanced Training and Services to End Violence and Abuse of Women Later in Life - (CFDA 16.528)**

**Description:** To provide training, services, and collaboration to address the needs of victims of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, who are 50 years of age or older.

Eligible applicants include States, tribal governments and tribal organizations, units of local government, population specific organizations, victim service providers, and state, tribal, or territorial domestic violence or sexual assault coalitions. (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov>

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**Program:** **Education, Training, and Enhanced Services to End Violence Against and Abuse of Women with Disabilities - (CFDA 16.529)**

**Description:** To provide training, consultation, and information on domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault against individuals with disabilities and to enhance direct services to such individuals.

States, units of local government, Indian tribal governments or tribal organizations, and victim service providers, such as state or tribal domestic violence or sexual assault coalitions or nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations serving disabled individuals.

For profit organizations and individuals are not eligible. (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov>

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## **U.S. Department of Labor**

**Program:** **Senior Community Service Employment Program – (CFDA 17.235)**

**Description:** Organizations that receive grants use the funds to create and pay for part-time community service training positions for unemployed persons age 55 and above whose income is at or below 125 percent of the poverty level. The individuals who are enrolled may be trained in work assignments at local 501(c)(3) non-profit or government agencies. A portion of the funds may be used to provide participants with classroom training and supportive services.

The following types of organizations are eligible to receive grants: (1) states and U.S. territories; (2) national public and private non-profit institutions/organizations, other than political parties but including faith-based and community organizations; and (3) tribal organizations.

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.doleta.gov/seniors/>

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**Program:** **YouthBuild – (CFDA 17.274)**

**Description:** Grant funds will be used to provide disadvantaged youth with: the education and employment skills necessary to achieve economic self-sufficiency in occupations in high demand and post-secondary education and training opportunities; opportunities for meaningful work and service to their communities; and opportunities to develop employment and leadership skills and a commitment to community development among youth in low-income communities.

Eligible applicants for these grants are public or private nonprofit agency or organization including: a community-based organization; a faith-based organization; an entity carrying out activities under this title, such as a local board; a community action agency; a State or local housing development agency; an Indian tribe or other agency primarily serving Indians; a community development corporation; a State or local youth service or conservation corps; and any other entity eligible to provide education or employment training under a Federal program other than YouthBuild. (11/14/16)

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.doleta.gov>

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**Program:** **Reintegration of Ex-Offenders**

**Description:** This program includes both reentry grants focused on serving returning adults and youth focused grants aimed at youth involved or at risk of involvement in crime and violence. The objectives of the adult reentry grants include increasing the employment, employment

retention, and earnings rate of released individuals while also decreasing their rate of recidivism. The objectives of the youthful reentry grants include preventing in-school youth from dropping out of school, increasing the employment rate of out-of-school youth, increasing the reading and math skills of youth, reducing the involvement of youth in crime and violence, and reducing the recidivism rate of youth. Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** <http://www.doleta.gov>

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## **U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Program:** **Recreational Trails Program – (CFDA 20.2019)**

**Description:** Funds from this program may be used for: (1) Maintenance and restoration of existing trails; (2) development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages; (3) purchase and lease of trail construction and maintenance equipment; (4) construction of new trails (with restrictions for new trails on Federal lands); (5) acquisition of easements or property for trails or trail corridors; (6) assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance; (7) development and dissemination of publications and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection and well as many others. For full details visit the website below.

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

**Website:** [http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational\\_trails/](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/)

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## **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

**Program:** **Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program – (CFDA 64.033)**

**Description:** The SSVF program's purpose is to provide supportive services grants to private non-profit organizations and consumer cooperatives, who will coordinate or provide supportive services to very low income Veteran families who: (i) Are residing in permanent housing; (ii) are homeless and scheduled to become residents of permanent housing within a specified time period; or (iii) after exiting permanent housing within a specified time period, are seeking other housing that is responsive to such very low-income Veteran family's needs and preferences.

*Eligible Applicants:* For Priority 1 and 2, only eligible entities that are existing grantees can apply in response to this NOFA. For Priority 3, any eligible entity may apply for new funding in one of the listed target communities. In order to be eligible, an applicant must qualify as a private nonprofit organization (section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) tax exempt status is required) or a consumer cooperative as defined in 38 U.S.C. 2044(f). In addition, tribally designated housing entities (as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C.4103)) are eligible.

Deadline - **February 3, 2017**

**Website:** [https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/ssvf/docs/FY18\\_SSVF\\_NOFA\\_Federal\\_Register.pdf](https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/ssvf/docs/FY18_SSVF_NOFA_Federal_Register.pdf)

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**Program:** **VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program – (CFDA 64.024)**

**Description:** The Program allows VA to assist public or non-profit private entities with partial funding for "bricks and mortar" to create supportive housing or services centers or to purchase vans for outreach and transportation. In addition VA is also authorized fund

operating expenses minus other sources of income for these facilities through per diem payments.

Applicants eligible for grants include public and nonprofit private entities with the capacity to effectively administer a grant; which demonstrate that adequate financial support will be available to carry out the project; and which agree to and demonstrate capacity to meet the applicable criteria and requirements of the grant program. Applicants eligible for per diem payments include public or nonprofit private entities who are either grant recipients, or who are eligible to receive a grant.

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines

**Website:** <http://www.va.gov/homeless/GPD.asp>

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**Program:** **Veterans Cemetery Grants**

**Description:** The program assists states, territories and federally recognized tribal governments in providing gravesites for Veterans in those areas where VA's national cemeteries cannot fully satisfy their burial needs. Grants may be used only for the purpose of establishing, expanding or improving Veterans cemeteries that are owned and operated by a state, federally recognized tribal government, or U.S. territory. Aid can be granted only to states, federally recognized tribal government, or U.S. territories. VA cannot provide grants to private organizations, counties, cities or other government agencies. Deadline is **July 1, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.cem.va.gov/grants/>

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

**Program:** **International Literacy Association Invites Applications for Teacher Recognition Grant**

**Description:** ILA is accepting applications for the 2017 Regie Routman Teacher Recognition Grant.

A grant of \$2,500 will be awarded to an outstanding mainstream elementary school teacher dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of reading and writing across the K-6 (ages 5-12) curriculum and in real-world contexts.

To be eligible, teachers must be a member of ILA and teach in a school where at least 60 percent of students are eligible for free or reduced-cost lunch.

**Deadline: January 15.**

**Website:** <http://www.literacyworldwide.org/about-us/awards-grants/ila-regie-routman-teacher-recognition-grant>

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**Program:** **National League of Nursing Invites Applications for Education Projects**

**Description:** The National League for Nursing is inviting applications for its NLN Nursing Education Research grants program.

The annual program is designed to support high-quality studies that contribute to the development of the science of nursing education, promote the diversity of research

topics, and encourage investigators who demonstrate rigor and innovative approaches to advance the field of nursing education research.

Grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded to projects focused on building links between practice and education, developing more rigorous and robust research designs and evaluation protocols, and creating leadership opportunities for faculty and nursing education research scholars.

To be eligible, principal investigators must be a current NLN member, either through their school or through the payment of individual dues. Submissions for the 2017 grants cycle are currently being accepted.

**Submission Deadline: Thursday, February 9, 2017 by 11:59 ET**

**Website:**

<http://www.nln.org/professional-development-programs/grants-and-scholarships/nursing-education-research-grants/nln-nursing-education-research-grants-proposal-guidelines>

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**Program:**

**Ezra Jack Keats Foundation Accepting Mini-Grant Applications**

**Description:**

Established by children's book author and illustrator Ezra Jack Keats, the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation is accepting applications from public schools and public libraries anywhere in the United States and its territories for its mini-grants program.

The program is intended to support projects that foster creative expression, collaboration, and interaction with a diverse community. To that end, the program will award grants of up to \$500 to educators in support of special activities and events for their students outside the standard curriculum. Projects funded in the past include murals, pen pal groups, quilts, theater productions, newspapers and other publications, intergenerational activities, and programs that bring disparate communities together.

Public schools and public libraries are eligible to apply. Preschool head start programs also are eligible. Private and parochial schools and charter schools are ineligible. Applicants must be located in the U.S. or one of its commonwealths or territories, including Puerto Rico and Guam. Only one application from each library or school will be considered. Deadline is **March 31, 2017**.

**Website:**

<http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/section/ezra-jack-keats-mini-grant-program-for-public-libraries-public-schools/>

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**Program:**

**Runnerclick Accepting Submissions for Scholarship Program**

**Description:**

Runnerclick is an online resource for runners that provides reviews on the latest in running shoes and gear. It also offers an increasingly popular running blog that provides pointers on how to successfully achieve a healthy and active lifestyle.

Through its Runnerclick Sports & Academic Scholarship, the website is accepting essay submissions on the topic of "Staying active through sports can be a very beneficial part of your life in many ways, for many different reasons." Through the annual program, three \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to the authors of the best essays.

To be eligible, applicants must be enrolled in a graduate program, an undergraduate program, or be a high school senior who has a valid acceptance letter to an accredited university or college. In addition, the institution in which the applicant is enrolled or attending must be one that is accredited and recognized by the highest educational authorities in the applicant's country. Deadline is **April 30, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://runnerclick.com/runnerclick-scholarship/>

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**Program:** [Paralyzed Veterans of America Education Foundation Invites Proposals for Innovative Educational Projects](#)

**Description:** Paralyzed Veterans of America advocates for better health care and benefits for paralyzed veterans, aids in their search for a truly satisfying career, and provides them with a path to adventure through adaptive sports. Through its charitable arm, the Paralyzed Veterans of America Education and Training Foundation, the organization supports educational projects that benefit, serve, and enhance the quality of life of individuals with spinal cord injury/disease, their families, and caregivers.

The foundation awards grants in five categories: consumer, caregiver, and community education; professional development and education; research utilization and dissemination; assistive technology; and conferences and symposia. Projects seeking funding should be designed to improve the quality of life for individuals with SCI/D, educate consumers about the consequences of and complications associated with SCI/D, improve the knowledge and skills of SCI/D healthcare professionals, and/or prevent the occurrence and complications of new SCI/D.

The foundation supports one-year projects with a maximum of \$50,000; conferences and symposia are supported up to a maximum of \$15,000.

Eligible applicants should be a member of an academic institution, a healthcare provider or organization, or a consumer advocate or organizations. While grantee institutions must be located in the United States or Canada, project directors and fellows are not required to be a citizen of the U.S. or Canada. All applications must be submitted in the name of the project director by the fiscally responsible organizational entity. Deadline is **February 1, 2017**.

**Website:** [http://www.pva.org/site/c.aJIRK9NJLcJ2E/b.6305829/k.6E40/PVA\\_Education\\_Foundation.htm](http://www.pva.org/site/c.aJIRK9NJLcJ2E/b.6305829/k.6E40/PVA_Education_Foundation.htm)

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**Program:** [CenturyLink Clarke M. Williams Foundation Invites Applications for Teacher Technology Grants](#)

**Description:** Headquartered in Monroe, Louisiana, media-provider CenturyLink works to improve lives, strengthen businesses, and connect communities by delivering advanced technologies and solutions with honest and personal service. The company advances this vision through its CenturyLink Clarke M. Williams Foundation, which supports endeavors that improve the well-being and overall quality of life for people in CenturyLink communities.

Named for CenturyLink founder Clarke M. Williams, the foundation supports community initiatives that encourage CenturyLink employees to use their time, talents, and resources to strengthen the communities in which they live and work. To that end,

the foundation's Teachers and Technology grants are designed to help fund classroom projects that advance student success through the innovative use of technology.

Teachers in public or private preK-12 schools located in CenturyLink's residential service areas are encouraged to apply. Applicants do not have to be a CenturyLink customer to be eligible for a grant. Deadline is **January 12, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.centurylink.com/aboutus/community/foundation/teachers.html>

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**Program:** [Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Invites Entries From Creative Teens](#)

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**Description:** The [Alliance for Young Artists & Writers](#), a nonprofit organization dedicated to recognizing the most talented teen artists and writers in the United States and Canada, has issued a call for entries for the 2017 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards.

Creative teens in grades 7-12 are invited to submit work in any one of twenty-eight categories of art and writing, including film and animation, video game design, sculpture, photography, fashion design, poetry, journalism, humor, dramatic script, and science fiction.

Student submissions are judged on the regional level by the alliance's affiliates, with the top works then presented to national panels of creative leaders to determine which will receive the highest honors. Fifteen graduating high school seniors will be awarded with Portfolio Gold Medals, which include a \$10,000 scholarship. Additional scholarships are made available to Portfolio Silver Medalists and through sponsored awards and stipends to summer arts programs.

To be eligible, students must be in grades 7-12 in a public, private, parochial, home - school, or out-of-school program in the United States or Canada, or in an American school abroad.

Deadlines for submission vary by region over the winter months, with National Medalists to be announced in **March 2017**.

**Website:** <http://blog.artandwriting.org/2016/08/23/be-seen-be-heard-be-original/>

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**Program:** [Herb Society of America Accepting Applications for Research Projects](#)

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**Description:** The mission of the [Herb Society of America](#) is to promote the knowledge and use of herbs through educational programs, research, and sharing of the experience of its members with the broader community.

As part of this mission, HSA will award grants of up to \$5,000 for research on the horticultural, scientific, and/or social use of herbs throughout history. The research must define "herb" as something historically useful for flavoring, medicine, ornament, economic, industrial, and/or cosmetic purposes. The grant is intended to support small, self-contained research projects over a short-period of time. Allowable costs include compensation for investigators, professional and technical assistance, research supplies and materials, and costs for computer time. Deadline is **January 31, 2017**.



Applicants may be a student, professional, or amateur hobbyist.

**Website:** <http://www.herbsociety.org/support/grants-scholarships/grant-details.html#grantforresearch>

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**Program:** **Simons Foundation Inviting Applications for Collaboration Grants for Mathematicians**

**Description:** The Simons Foundation is inviting applications for its Collaboration Grants for Mathematicians, which are designed to stimulate collaboration in the field of mathematics by substantially increasing collaborative contacts among mathematicians.

To that end, the foundation will make a large number of collaboration grants to accomplished, active researchers in the United States who do not otherwise have access to funding that supports travel and visitors.

Each grant provides \$8,400 per year over five years: \$6,000 per year for collaboration, travel, and research expenses for the awardee; \$1,000 per year in discretionary funds for the grant recipient's department; and \$1,400 per year in indirect costs to the grant recipient's institution.

To be eligible for a grant, applicants must have a Ph.D. and tenure-track/tenured position or be a professor emeritus at a U.S. institution of higher education; have a current record of active research and publication in high-quality journals; and not hold any other external grants of over \$3,000 per year that allow for support for travel or visitors during the collaboration grant award period. There are no citizenship requirements. Individuals at for-profit organizations may not apply. Deadline is **January 31, 2017**.

**Website:** <https://www.simonsfoundation.org/funding/funding-opportunities/mathematics-physical-sciences/collaboration-grants-for-mathematicians/>

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**Program:** **AAUW Accepting Applications for Community Action Grants**

**Description:** The American Association of University Women strives to promote equity and education for women and girls. Since the organization's founding in 1881, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day — educational, social, economic, and political. AAUW is accepting applications for its Community Action Grants Program, an annual program that provides funds to individuals, AAUW branches, and AAUW state organizations as well as local community-based nonprofit organizations for innovative programs and non-degree research projects that promote education and equity for women and girls.

The program offers one-year grants of up to \$7,000 to support community-based projects and two-year grants of up to \$10,000 to provide start-up funds for new projects that address the particular needs of the community and develop girls' sense of efficacy through leadership or advocacy opportunities. Project topic areas are unrestricted but should include a clearly defined activity that promotes education and equity for women

and girls. Special consideration will be given to projects focused on the achievements of K-12 girls and community college women in science, technology, engineering, or math. Deadline is **January 15, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/community-action-grants/>

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**Program:** **BoatUS Foundation Accepting Grant Applications for Safe and Clean Boating Projects**

**Description:** The BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water is accepting applications for its Grassroots Grants Program, which awards funds on an annual basis to nonprofit organizations, boating clubs, and student groups in the United States for projects that utilize innovative approaches to education about safe and clean boating.

The foundation is looking for creative projects that promote safe and clean boating on local waterways. Past topics have ranged from PSAs on the effects of boating under the influence to hands-on education about the effects of marine debris.

Projects the foundation is most interested in funding will be unique (topic, methods, or delivery mechanism); include extensive outreach to boaters; use technology to educate boaters, including social media and the Web; have a widespread reach (not just a handful of boaters); include hands-on work with the boating community; and have a way to measure the success of the program.

Applicants can include boating groups, clubs and associations, student groups, and local nonprofit organizations, including local chapters of national organizations. Grants will not be awarded to government agencies, international organizations, for-profit businesses, or individuals.

Applicants may request up to \$10,000. Funded projects must be completed within a year. **Deadline is OPEN.**

**Website:** <http://www.boatus.com/foundation/grants/>

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**Program:** **Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts Invites Applications**

**Description:** For individuals, our priorities are to:

- Provide opportunities to create, develop, and communicate a project about architecture and the designed environment that will contribute to their creative, intellectual, and professional growth at crucial or potentially transformative stages in their careers.
- Support their efforts to take positions, develop new forms of expression, and engage debate.
- Help them communicate their work in the public realm and reach new and wider audiences.
- Support new voices by giving priority to first-time applicants.

Overall we are most interested in opportunities which enable us to provide critical support at key points in the development of a project or career.

The deadline is **Feb. 25, 2017**

**Website:** [http://www.grahamfoundation.org/grant\\_programs/?mode=individual](http://www.grahamfoundation.org/grant_programs/?mode=individual)

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**Program:** **Baseball Tomorrow Fund**

**Description:** The Baseball Tomorrow Fund (BTF) awards grants to non-profit and tax-exempt organizations involved in the operation of youth baseball and/or softball programs and facilities. Organizations operating in the U.S. and international locations are eligible to apply. To date, an average of 400 requests are received annually; approximately 10 percent are awarded grants. Grants are awarded on a quarterly basis.

Review cycle deadlines:

- January-March: January 1
- April-June: April 1
- July-September: July 1
- October-December: October 1

**Website:** [http://web.mlbcommunity.org/programs/baseball\\_tomorrow\\_fund.jsp?content=overview](http://web.mlbcommunity.org/programs/baseball_tomorrow_fund.jsp?content=overview)

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**Program:** **Autism Science Foundation Research Accelerator Grant**

**Description:** The Autism Science Foundation invites applications for its Research Accelerator Grants. These grants are designed to expand the scope, speed the progress or increase the efficiency and improve final product dissemination of active autism research grants. Deadline is October 3, 2016 or **April 3, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://autismsciencefoundation.org/what-we-fund/apply-for-a-research-accelerator-grant/>

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**Program:** **APA Violet and Cyril Franks Scholarship**

**Description:** The APF Violet and Cyril Franks Scholarship supports graduate-level scholarly projects that use a psychological perspective to help understand and reduce stigma associated with mental illness. The scholarship helps address research which shows that stigma is a significant barrier to treatment and recovery for many of the 50 million Americans living with mental illness. Deadline is **May 15, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.apa.org/apf/funding/franks.aspx?tab=4>

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**Program:** **Mood Disorders Award Nominations**

**Description:** Nominations should include:

- One or more letters of nomination, two pages maximum
- The nominee's Curriculum Vitae
- A statement from the nominee, describing his or her accomplishments in the field of mood disorders research, five pages maximum.

Deadline is **January 5, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.acpsych.org/awards/mood-disorders-award-nominations->

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**Program:** **Surdna Foundation Sustainable Environment Grants**

**Description:** The Sustainable Environments Program is working to overhaul our country's outdated and crumbling infrastructure with a new approach that will foster healthier, sustainable,

and just communities. We believe in the potential of what we call “next generation infrastructure” to improve transit systems, make buildings more energy efficient, better manage our water systems and rebuild regional food systems. Focusing on urban areas and their surrounding suburbs, we seek solutions that connect and improve these infrastructure systems in ways that maximize positive impacts and minimize negative environmental, economic and social consequences.

**Website:** [http://www.surdna.org/images/stories/content\\_img/docs/Environment.pdf](http://www.surdna.org/images/stories/content_img/docs/Environment.pdf)

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**Program:** **JFNY Grant for Arts and Culture**

**Description:** The Japan Foundation New York office (JFNY) accepts applications for projects that take place within the 37 states east of Rocky Mountains listed below for the JFNY Grant throughout the year. This grant aims to support projects that will further understanding of Japanese arts and culture. Successful projects may be granted up to \$5,000. Priority will be given to those projects that have secured additional funding from sources other than the Japan Foundation. Applications must be received at least 3 months prior to beginning date of project.

**Website:** [http://www.jfny.org/arts\\_and\\_culture/smallgrant.html](http://www.jfny.org/arts_and_culture/smallgrant.html)

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**Program:** **Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Invites Entries for 2017 Human Rights Award**

**Description:** The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at American University's Washington College of Law is accepting entries for the 2017 Human Rights Essay Award. The annual award program seeks to stimulate the production of scholarly work in international human rights law. Participants have the flexibility to choose any subject related to the assigned topic, which for the purposes of the 2017 competition is the emerging challenges in the relationship between international humanitarian law and international human rights law. Deadline is **February 1, 2017**

**Website:** <https://www.wcl.american.edu/hracademy/hreward.cfm#eligibility>

**Program:** **CSX Beyond Our Rails Grant**

**Description:** CSX provides non-profit assistance and support through a variety of programs, including grants that typically range from \$2,500 to \$5,000 for projects focusing on safety, community, wellness, and/or the environment. Deadline is ongoing. Examples given for environmental projects include:

- Teaching environmental stewardship
- Planting eco-friendly trees and plants
- Leading and supporting environmental cleanups
- Recycling and waste minimization
- Promoting energy efficiency and carbon reduction

**Website:** <http://www.beyondourrails.org/>

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**Program:** **Laboratory Equipment Donation Program for Colleges, Universities and Museums**

**Description:** The Laboratory Equipment Donation Program (LEDP), formerly the Energy-Related Laboratory Equipment (ERLE) Grant Program, was established by the United States Department of Energy (DOE) to grant surplus and available used energy-related laboratory equipment to universities and colleges in the United States for use in energy oriented educational programs. Deadline is ongoing.

**Website:** <http://www.osti.gov/ledp/>

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**Program:** **Zayed Future Energy Global High Schools Prize**

**Description:** The primary aim of the Global High Schools category is to inspire future generations across the globe by instilling an ethos of sustainability from an early age, including an appreciation of issues in energy, and broader sustainability. Each school will submit a detailed proposal for a project, and the Prize will become a grant that enables the project's completion. While the main objective is to promote sustainability in schools, special emphasis of the proposed project should be on specific measurable initiatives to promote renewable energy and sustainability, which may include improvements in energy or water efficiency, or a reduction in waste.

**Website:** [http://www.zayedfutureenergyprize.com/en/prize-categories/global\\_high\\_school\\_prize/](http://www.zayedfutureenergyprize.com/en/prize-categories/global_high_school_prize/)

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**Program:** **Ben & Jerry's Foundation Seeks Proposals for Social and Environmental**

**Description:** The Ben & Jerry's Foundation supports organizations working to bring about progressive social change by addressing the underlying conditions of societal and environmental problems. To that end, one-year grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded to nonprofit, grassroots community-organizing groups in the United States working to further social and environmental justice and support sustainable and just-food systems. Grants can be used to support programming and/or operations costs.

**Website:** <http://www.benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-social-change-program/>

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**Program:** **Waste Management Charitable Giving**

**Description:** Healthy thriving communities depend on involved citizens, organizations and corporate partners for momentum. We lend our support and services to causes that promote civic pride, economic development and revitalization. Every community has its own challenges, and we strive always to be part of problem-solving initiatives. Programs that Waste Management is most motivated to support include: environment, environmental education, and causes important to the areas where we operate. Applications are accepted year round and are reviewed on a continuous basis. Given the large amount of requests received, please anticipate an estimated two-month review period for each request.

**Website:** <http://www.wm.com/about/community/charitable-giving.jsp>

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**Program:** **Clif Bar Foundation Small Grants**

**Description:** These grants are awarded for general organizational support as well as funding for specific projects. Small grants average approximately \$7,000 each. Priority is given to applicants that: Address our funding priorities from a holistic perspective; Protect Earth's beauty and bounty; Create a robust, healthy food system; Increase opportunities for outdoor activity; Reduce environmental health hazards; Build stronger communities; Operate with clearly defined objectives and viable plans to achieve them; Demonstrate strong community ties and operate at the community level; Promote

positive change through both the projects and their implementation process. Applications are reviewed three times a year; the **deadlines are the 1st of February, June, and October**. Grants awarded during a particular cycle will be announced at the beginning of the following cycle.

**Website:** <http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/Grants-Programs/Small-Grants>

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**Program:** [Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation](#)

**Description:** At a time when schools are struggling to support the basic needs of their students, the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation recognizes the importance of financial support.

This year LCEF is seeking ways to provide the tools to help educators and parent groups through educational challenges by providing the greatest impact, with basic necessities being the priority.

Please keep this focus in mind as you apply for a Lowe's Toolbox for Education<sup>®</sup> grant in the 2016-2017 academic year.

**The Sprint 2017 grant cycle will open on December 18, 2016 and close on February 9, 2017.**

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

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**Program:** [The Shell Science Teaching Award](#)

**Description:** A partnership between Shell Oil Company and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), this award recognizes one outstanding classroom teacher (grades K–12) who has had a positive impact on his or her students, school, and the community through exemplary science teaching. Special projects may be mentioned but should not be the main focus of the candidate's application. Deadline is **January 6, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.nsta.org/docs/awards/Shell.pdf>

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**Program:** [Foundation for Contemporary Art Accepting Applications for Emergency Grants](#)

**Description:** Since its inception in 1963, the mission of the Foundation for Contemporary Arts has been to encourage, sponsor, and promote innovative work in the arts created and presented by individuals, groups, and organizations. Created in 1993, the foundation's Emergency Grants program provides grants of up to \$2,000 to innovative visual and performing artists who have unanticipated, sudden opportunities to present their work to the public when there is insufficient time to seek other sources of funding; or who incur unexpected or unbudgeted expenses for projects close to completion with committed exhibition or performance dates.

To be eligible, applicants must be living, working, and paying taxes in the United States; have committed to a performance or exhibition opportunity and be able to provide specific dates at the time of application; and be an individual artist or an individual representing an artist collective, ensemble, or group. Curators, producers, workshop organizers, organizations, or arts presenters are not eligible to apply. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://www.foundationforcontemporaryarts.org/grants/emergency-grants>

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**Program:** **Calvin Institute of Christian Worship Invites Applications for Vital Worship Grants**

**Description:** The Calvin Institute of Christian Worship is accepting applications for projects designed to foster vital worship in congregations, parishes, and other worship communities in North America.

Through its Vital Worship Grants Program, the institute supports projects that connect public worship to intergenerational faith formation and Christian discipleship. This theme can unfold in many facets of worship, from Bible reading, to preaching, to baptism, intercessory prayer, congregational song, visual arts, and more.

Projects must have the potential to generate renewed interest, thoughtfulness, and energy for public worship at the local, grassroots level; be linked with the worship life of a particular community or congregation(s); include a component of theological reflection on the meaning and purpose of public worship; and be both realistic and visionary. Grant amounts between \$5,000 and \$15,000. Deadline: **January 10, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://worship.calvin.edu/grants/>

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**Program:** **IDA Seeks Applications to Support Independent Documentary Films**

**Description:** The International Documentary Association is accepting applications for the creation of original, independent documentary films that illuminate pressing issues in the US.

Through the Pare Lorentz Documentary Fund, IDA will award production grants of up to \$25,000 to up to a dozen projects that tell a compelling story and focus on one of Pare Lorentz's central concerns -- the appropriate use of the natural environment, justice for all, and/or the illumination of pressing social problems. The fund supports full-length documentary films that reflect the spirit and nature of Pare Lorentz's work and exhibit objective research, artful storytelling, a strong visual style, high production values, excellent writing, and outstanding music composition, as well as skillful direction, camerawork, and editing. A program of the International Documentary Association, the Pare Lorentz Documentary Fund is made possible by the New York Community Trust.

Projects must be in production at the time of application, with the bulk of research and development completed but still having substantial production or post-production related work and expenses remaining. Grant funds may be used for production and post-production related expenses incurred during the period of support.

To be eligible, the applicant must be 18 years of age or older and be a producer and/or director of the submitted work. In addition, the applicant must be an independent filmmaker working on an original project. The applicant also should be an experienced filmmaker with at least one key above-the-line (producer, director, co-director, co-producer) or other principal creative (director of photography, editor) credit on a previously completed documentary.

IDA will be accepting applications on a rolling basis until **July 31, 2017**. Applications will be reviewed throughout the period, with grants being awarded quarterly.

**Website:** <http://www.documentary.org/pare-lorentz-guidelines>

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**Program:** **Weyerhaeuser Giving Fund**

**Description:** We support U.S. and Canadian communities where we have a significant presence or business interest. These communities range from rural to metropolitan, each with unique priorities and needs. Our employees serve on local advisory committees for our Giving Fund and develop funding priorities within four focus areas to support their particular communities. This provides a strong companywide framework for giving while allowing flexibility to meet unique needs in our different communities.

Through the Weyerhaeuser Giving Fund we concentrate the majority of our funding in four focus areas:

- Affordable Housing and Shelter
- Education and Youth Development
- Environmental Stewardship
- Human Services, Civic and Cultural Growth

To be eligible for funding, a program must:

- Serve a Weyerhaeuser community
- Be a tax-exempt, nonprofit public charity classified under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code OR a registered charity in Canada with a Canada Revenue Agency Number, or registered as a provincial nonprofit society OR a public education institution or government entity qualified under Section 170(c)(1) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code or qualified as a Canadian municipality.

**Website:** <http://www.weyerhaeuser.com/sustainability/communities/community-investment/giving-fund/>

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**Program:** **Wells Fargo Corporate Giving Programs**

**Description:** Wells Fargo supports nonprofit organizations that work on a community level in the areas of human services, arts and culture, community development, civic responsibility, education, environmental consciousness, and volunteerism. Deadline: Applications accepted on an **ongoing basis**.

**Website:** <https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/>

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**Program:** **Good Sports Accepting Applications for Sports Equipment Grant**

**Description:** Good Sports helps lay the foundation for healthy, active lifestyles by providing athletic equipment, footwear, and apparel to disadvantaged young people nationwide. By working closely with teams, coaches, and community leaders across the United States, the organization is able to focus on the respective needs of each individual program and help offset the main factors causing the greatest challenges.

Good Sports is accepting applications from organizations and schools for equipment, apparel, and footwear for a wide range of sports. Organizations that are approved will have access to equipment, apparel, and footwear inventory for a two-year period.



During that time, organizations can make up to six separate donation requests — as long as need is well documented, donations will be granted. There is no need to resubmit a full application again during the two-year period.

To be eligible, applicants must directly serve youth between the ages of 3 and 18; serve youth in an economically disadvantaged area; be located in North America (the U.S. and Canada); and operate an organized sport, recreational activity, or fitness program that offers consistent and structured opportunity for play to large groups of children. Schools must apply as a whole; applications for individual programs within a school will not be considered. Donation requests for short-term events such as sports camps and tournaments or to individual athletes will not be considered.

While the equipment, apparel, and footwear received through the program are free, recipients are expected to pay shipping and handling costs, which amount to roughly 10 percent of the donation value, with a maximum fee of \$1,500.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. It is recommended, however, that organizations apply at least eight weeks prior to the start of their particular season or program to ensure the desired equipment can be accessed and shipped on time.

**Website:** <https://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

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**Program:** [Karma for Cara Foundation Invites Applications for Youth Microgrants](#)

**Description:** The [Karma for Cara Foundation](#) is a nonprofit founded by 21-year-old Cara Becker and her family while she was undergoing treatment for leukemia at the [Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center](#). Cara and her two brothers began volunteering at a young age as part of their family's commitment to community service. She and her family saw a tremendous need to help support other patients and their families who were also challenged by cancer. Tragically, Cara passed four months after her diagnosis, yet her wish to help others through K4C lives on with the support of an ever-growing circle of family and friends.

As part of an effort to promote and support youth voluntarism, k4C started a microgrant program in fall 2014 to encourage kids 18 and under to apply for a grant of between \$250 and \$1,000 to complete service projects in their communities. Examples of fundable projects include but are not limited to turning a vacant lot into a community garden, rebuilding a school playground, and helping senior citizens get their homes ready for winter. Grants will be distributed as gift cards to home goods stores, office supply stores, grocery food chains, and toy stores. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://karmaforcara.org/get-involved/apply-for-a-microgrant/>

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**Program:** [VFW Accepting Applications From Veterans for Emergency Financial Assistance](#)

**Description:** [Veterans of Foreign Wars](#) is accepting applications from active and discharged military service members who have been deployed in the last six years and have run into unexpected financial difficulties as a result of deployment or other military-related activity. Since the program's inception, Unmet Needs has distributed more than \$5 million in assistance to qualified military families, with nearly half of those funds going directly toward basic housing needs.

The Unmet Needs Program provides financial assistance of up to \$5,000 to assist with basic life needs in the form of a grant — not a loan — so no repayment is required. Eligible expenses include housing and vehicle payments; utility and phone bills; food and incidentals; children's clothing, food, diapers, school, and childcare; and medical bills, prescriptions, and eyeglasses. Each expense will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and payments will be made directly to the recipient's creditors.

The hardship must be the result of deployment, a military pay issue, or military-related illness or injury. It cannot be due to civil legal or domestic issues, misconduct, or any issues that are a result of spousal separation or divorce, financial mismanagement, or bankruptcy. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:**

[http://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/?gclid=CjwKEAIAhPCvBRctwMDS5tzT03gSJADZ8VjRw5RxJw1br5NTowrY1NFzylowGtdvOagXa3LHvYK\\_PRoCB4Hw\\_wcB](http://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/?gclid=CjwKEAIAhPCvBRctwMDS5tzT03gSJADZ8VjRw5RxJw1br5NTowrY1NFzylowGtdvOagXa3LHvYK_PRoCB4Hw_wcB)

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**Program:**

**Start a Snowball Invites Applications for Youth Philanthropy Projects**

**Description:**

Start a Snowball, Inc. encourages kids of all ages to engage in philanthropic and community service activities. The organization believes that even one child with the right intentions and support can start a project that seems small in the beginning and eventually grows (“snowballs”) into something that inspires and benefits an entire community.

In order to help kids kick off their philanthropy efforts, Start a Snowball awards \$100 in seed funding for projects taken on by individuals or organizations.

To be eligible, projects must be led by youth between the ages of 5 and 18 and have the intention of doing good.

Start a Snowball does not give directly to collection funds. The organization also does not provide support for fundraisers for sports teams, unless they serve an underserved or disadvantaged group, or support projects that are discriminatory or political in nature. Deadline is Rolling.

**Website:**

<http://startasnowball.com/philanthropic-grant-for-kids/>

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**Program:**

**Craft Emergency Relief Fund Accepting Applications From Craftspeople in Need**

**Description:**

The Craft Emergency Relief Fund is a national nonprofit organization that awards small grants and loans to professional craftspeople experiencing career-threatening illness, accident, fire, theft, or natural disaster.

Financial assistance ranges from \$500 to \$8,000. Other services include referrals to craft suppliers who have agreed to offer discounts on materials and equipment to craftspeople eligible for CERF funds and booth fee waivers from specific craft show producers.

CERF loan recipients are expected to repay the loan in full within five years, enabling CERF to have funds readily available for future craftspeople in need.

Applicants must be a professional artist working in a craft discipline (e.g., a potter, metalsmith, glass artist, woodworker, fiber artist, or furniture maker) who has had a recent career-threatening emergency and a legal resident of the U.S. OPEN Deadline.

**Website:** [http://craftemergency.org/artists\\_services/emergency\\_relief/](http://craftemergency.org/artists_services/emergency_relief/)

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**Program:** **Pollock-Krasner Foundation Accepting Applications From Artists With Financial Need**

**Description:** The mission of the Pollock-Krasner Foundation is to aid those individuals who have worked as artists over a significant period of time. The foundation's dual criteria for grants are recognizable artistic merit and financial need, whether professional, personal, or both.

The foundation welcomes, throughout the year, applications from visual artists (painters, sculptors, and artists who work on paper, including printmakers) with genuine financial needs. Grants are intended for a one-year period of time, with the size of the grant to be determined by the artist's individual circumstances and professional exhibition history. Artists applying for a grant must be actively exhibiting their current work in a professional artistic venue such as a gallery or museum space.

The foundation does not accept applications from commercial artists, video artists, performance artists, filmmakers, crafts-makers, computer artists, or any artist whose work primarily falls into these categories. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://www.pkf.org/grant.html>

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**Program:** **Pollination Project Invites Applications From Social Entrepreneurs for Seed Grants**

**Description:** The Pollination Project is accepting applications from social entrepreneurs looking to make their communities and world a better place.

Seed grants of up to \$1,000 will be awarded to projects in the early stages of development, including those that promote compassion toward all life (people, planet, animals), environmental sustainability, justice in all its forms, community health and wellness, and social change-oriented arts and culture. Only applications for seed funding, as opposed to ongoing operational or program costs of a nonprofit organization, will be accepted.

To be eligible, applicants must be a passionate, committed individual with a social change vision that fits within one or more of the categories above. Established nonprofit organizations with paid staff will not be considered. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://thepollinationproject.org/applicantinformatio/funding-guidelines/>

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**Program:** **Hope For The Warriors Accepting Applications for Critical Care Support for Wounded Veterans**

**Description:** Hope For The Warriors believes those touched by military service can succeed at home by restoring their sense of self, family, and hope. Nationally, the organization provides

service members, veterans, and military families with comprehensive support programs focused on transition, health and wellness, peer engagement, and community resources.

Originally designed to meet short-term needs in the days following an injury, the Hope for The Warriors' Critical Care Coordination program has expanded to assist post-9/11 combat-wounded veterans and their families as they navigate through long-term recovery.

Program case coordinators work daily with post-9/11 combat-wounded service members and veterans, their families, and families of the fallen to meet immediate financial needs related to daily living including utilities, groceries, rent, mortgage, and rental deposits. The program provides casework assistance and resource referrals that will help clients immediately and in the future. Payment is always made to a third party.

To be eligible, applicants must be seeking support for needs that are a direct result of a service member's post-9/11 combat-related injury. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://www.hopeforthewarriors.org/story/18721712/critical-care-coordination>

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**Program:** **Big Read Accepting Grant Applications for Community-Wide Reading Programs**

**Description:** The Big Read, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, aims to restore reading to the center of American culture. Managed by Arts Midwest, the program provides organizations with grants and comprehensive resources that support their efforts to inspire their community to read and discuss a single book or the work of a poet.

Community organizations participating in the Big Read develop and produce reading programs that encourage reading and participation by diverse local audiences. These programs include activities such as author readings, book discussions, art exhibits, lectures, film series, music or dance events, theatrical performances, panel discussions, and other events and activities related to the community's chosen book or poet. Activities must focus on a book or poet from the Big Read Library. Previous grantees must select a different reading choice from their previous programming.

The program is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations to develop reading programs between September 2016 and June 2017. Organizations selected to participate receive a grant, educational and promotional materials, and access to online training resources and opportunities. Approximately seventy-five organizations will be selected from communities of varying size in the United States.

Eligible organizations may apply for grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$20,000. Grants must be matched on a one-to-one basis with non-federal funds. Grant funds may be

used for a variety of expenses, including book purchases, speaker fees and travel, salaries, advertising, and venue rental. Deadline is **January 26, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://www.neabigread.org/guidelines.php>

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**Program:** **Singing for Change Accepting LOIs for Projects to Address Social and Environmental Problems**

**Description:** Created by Jimmy Buffett in 1995, Singing for Change initially was funded with contributions from the singer's summer concert tour. Since then, SFC has offered competitive grants to progressive nonprofit organizations working to address the root causes of social or environmental problems.

Priority will be given to organizations that keep their overhead low, include community members in planning, and collaborate with other groups to find innovative ways of solving common problems. SFC aims to advance the common good by empowering people to thrive and strengthen and sustain vibrant, diverse communities.

Grants will range in size from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations with tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to organizations that have a sponsoring agency with exempt status. Deadline is **Ongoing**.

**Website:** <http://www.singingforchange.org/>

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**Program:** **A Little Hope Announces Youth Bereavement Support Services Grants**

**Description:** A Little HOPE supports organizations that provide bereavement support services and grief counseling to children and teens who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, or loved one.

To be considered, applicants must e-mail (no telephone calls) the name of their program, website address, names of the executive director and program director, and the location of the program. No other information is needed or will be processed. Strong preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a commitment to the use of community trained volunteers.

Grant award amounts are based on the scope and budget of the project. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://www.alittlehope.org/granting>

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**Program:** **Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood Invites Letters of Intent**

**Description:** The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports innovative, creative projects, and programs designed to significantly enhance the development, health, safety, education, and/or quality of life of children from infancy through five years of age.

The foundation provides funding in the areas of early childhood welfare, early childhood education and play, and parenting education.

1) Early Childhood Welfare: Children can only reach their full potential when all aspects of their development, intellectual, emotional and physical are optimally supported. Providing a safe and nurturing environment for infants and preschoolers is essential, as is imparting to them the skills of social living in a culturally diverse world. To that end, the foundation supports programs that research best child rearing practices and identify models that can provide creative, caring environments to ensure all children thrive.

2) Early Childhood Education and Play: Research shows that children need to be stimulated as well as nurtured, early in life, if they are to succeed in school, work, and life. That preparation relates to every aspect of a child's development, from birth to age 5, and everywhere a child learns -- at home, in childcare settings, and in preschool. The foundation seeks to improve the quality of both early childhood teaching and learning through the development of innovative curricula and research-based pedagogical standards, as well as the design of imaginative play materials and learning environments.

3) Parenting Education: To help parents create nurturing environments for their children, the foundation supports programs that teach parents about developmental psychology, cultural child-rearing differences, pedagogy, issues of health, prenatal care and diet, as well programs that provide both cognitive and emotional support to parents.

Letters of Intent are accepted on a rolling basis. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit full applications. The next deadline for submitting a LOI is **January 31, 2017**.

**Website:** <http://earlychildhoodfoundation.org/>

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**Program:** [Captain Planet Foundation Offers Grants for Hands-On Environmental Education Activities](#)

**Description:** The mission of the [Captain Planet Foundation](#) is to promote and support high-quality educational programs that help children and youth understand and appreciate our world through hands-on learning experiences aimed at improving the environment in their schools and communities.

Grants are intended to serve as a means of bringing environment-based education to schools and inspiring youth and communities to participate in community service through environmental stewardship activities. The foundation will fund unique and innovative projects that do not precisely match the grant guidelines but otherwise promote the foundation's mission to advance hands-on environmental activities.

The foundation makes grants to schools and nonprofit environmental and educational organizations in the United States with annual operating budgets of less than \$3 million

**Deadline is:**

January 31 (typically for fall and winter projects)

September 30 (typically for spring and summer projects)

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

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**Program:** **Chambers of Commerce Invited to Start Young Entrepreneur Academies**

**Description:** The Young Entrepreneurs Academy today serves thousands of students across America. In 2011, the United States Chamber of Commerce Foundation became a national sponsor and partner of the academy to help celebrate the spirit of enterprise among today's youth and the future leaders of tomorrow.

To that end, YEA, in partnership with Sam's Club and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, is accepting applications from chambers of commerce across the country to start Young Entrepreneurs academies of their own. The thirty-week program teaches students in grades 6-12 how to generate business ideas, conduct market research, write business plans, pitch to a panel of investors, and launch their own companies. In 2015, Sam's Club will award startup funds of up to \$2,500 each to thirty chambers of commerce across the country.

**Website:** <http://www.uschamberfoundation.org/young-entrepreneurs-academy>

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**Program:** **Cornell Douglas Foundation Grant**

**Description:** The Cornell Douglas Foundation provides grants to organizations that advocate for environmental health and justice, encourage stewardship of the environment, and further respect for sustainability of resources. The average grant amount is \$10,000. Deadline is **accepted all year**.

**Website:** <http://www.cornelldouglas.org/apply/>

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**Program:** **Public Welfare Foundation Funds Three Program Areas:  
*Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice and Workers' Rights.***

**Description:** The Public Welfare Foundation supports efforts to advance justice and opportunity for people in need. The Foundation looks for strategic points where its funds can make a significant difference and improve lives through policy and system reform that results in transformative change.

### ***Criminal Justice***

#### **Guidelines**

**The Foundation's Criminal Justice Program** supports groups that are working to end the overincarceration of adults in the United States while also aiming to reduce racial disparities. In particular, the Program makes grants primarily to state-based groups that are working to:

- Reduce state incarceration levels and racial disparities through reforms in sentencing, charging, and supervision policies and procedures.
- Advance the redirection and prioritization of state and local resources toward targeted investments that support system-involved individuals in their communities, through research and strategic thought leadership.

## *Juvenile Justice*

### **Guidelines**

The Foundation's Juvenile Justice Program supports groups working to end the criminalization and reliance on incarceration of youth in the United States. In particular, the Program makes grants to groups that are working to:

- Advance state policies that dramatically restrict juvenile justice systems' use of incarceration and out-of-home placements and prioritize the use of community-based programs for youth;
- End the practice of trying, sentencing, and incarcerating youth in the adult criminal justice system; and
- Promote the fair and equitable treatment of youth of color who come into contact with the juvenile justice system.

## *Workers' Rights*

### **Guidelines**

The Foundation's Workers' Rights Program supports policy and system reforms to improve the lives of low-wage working people in the United States, with a focus on securing their basic legal rights to safe, healthy, and fair conditions at work. Specifically, the Program makes grants to groups working to:

- Advance reforms to hold employers accountable for wage theft;
- Advance reforms to prevent severe illness, injury, and death on the job; and
- Advance workers' rights in complex, fissured employment arrangements through research and strategic thought leadership.

**Website:** <http://www.publicwelfare.org/grants-process/program-guidelines/>

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**Program:** [Ben & Jerry's Foundation Seeks Proposals for Social and Environmental Justice Projects](#)

**Description:** One-year grants of up to \$20,000 will be awarded to nonprofit grassroots community-organizing groups in the United States working to further social and environmental justice and support sustainable and just-food systems. Grants can be used to support both program and operational costs.

**Website:** <http://benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-social-change-program/>

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**Program:** [KaBOOM! Invites Applications for Community Playground Grants](#)

**Description:** KaBOOM!, a program that provides eligible communities with most of the funds, tools, and resources they need to build a custom-made playground in one day. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** [http://kaboom.org/build\\_playground/build\\_it\\_kaboom\\_playground\\_grant](http://kaboom.org/build_playground/build_it_kaboom_playground_grant)

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**Program:** [Binoculars for Young Citizen Scientists](#)



**Description:** Cornell's BirdSleuth K-12 initiative is awarding binoculars to schools where educators have made outstanding efforts to engage their students in citizen science. Deadline is **OPEN**.

**Website:** <http://www.birdsleuth.org/binoculars-for-the-citizen-scientists/>

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**Program:** [International Paper Environmental Education Grants](#)

**Description:** The International Paper (IP) Foundation supports non-profit organizations in communities where its employees live and work. Environmental education is one of the primary areas the Foundation supports. The Foundation seeks programs that help generations understand a sustainable approach to business that balances environmental, social and economic needs.

**Website:** <http://www.internationalpaper.com/US/EN/Company/IPGiving/ApplicationGuidelines.html>

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**Program:** [CSX Beyond Our Rails Grant](#)

**Description:** CSX provides non-profit assistance and support through a variety of programs, including grants that typically range from \$2,500 to \$5,000 for projects focusing on safety, community, wellness, and/or the environment. CSX considers grant, sponsorship, volunteer, transportation and in-kind requests from organizations that have been approved by the IRS as 501c3 charities. Government institutions, such as fire departments and schools allowed under Internal Revenue Code 170(c), are also eligible.

Examples given for environmental projects include:

- Teaching environmental stewardship
- Planting eco-friendly trees and plants
- Leading and supporting environmental cleanups
- Recycling and waste minimization
- Promoting energy efficiency and carbon reduction

An on-line application is provided for all requests and is available from January 1 through **December 15** of each year. There are no deadlines for applications, but organizations are encouraged to submit all their annual requests at one time each year.

**Website:** <http://www.beyondourrails.org/index.cfm/partners/partner-grants/>

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**Program:** [Lego Children's Fund](#)

**Description:** The LEGO Children's Fund provides grants primarily in two focus areas: (1) early childhood education and development that is directly related to creativity and (2) technology and communication projects that advance learning opportunities. Typical awards are between \$500 and \$5,000. Interested parties must complete an eligibility quiz, be approved and invited to submit a grant proposal. Each grant will be subject to a specified time frame for completion. Applications accepted four times a year.

**Website:** <http://www.legocommunityfund.org/grants-opportunities>

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## SECTION IV STATE OF ALABAMA GRANTS

**Agency:** [West Alabama Commission](#)  
**Description:** 2016 Grant and Loan Guide for Local Governments in West Alabama  
**Website:** <http://warc.info/component/rsfiles/download-file?path=Regional%20Information%20Documents/2016%20Grant%20and%20Loan%20Guide-Web.pdf&Itemid=483>

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**Program:** [COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT \(CDBG\)](#)  
**Description:** **A. Competitive Fund, Single purpose or multi-purpose activities**

### GRANT CYCLE

Application workshop held in April; application due date between June/July. Award announcements are typically in the fall with a mandatory compliance workshop to follow.

### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants: Non-entitlement cities (excludes members of the Jefferson or Mobile consortium), counties (excludes Jefferson and Mobile). Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Water, Sewer, Streets, Drainage, Housing Rehabilitation, Neighborhood and Downtown Revitalization, Professional Services e.g., engineering, administration within fee scale limits.

### Requirements:

Benefit at least 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries, or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. See current program year thresholds. No open Competitive or Enhancement grant. Annual close-out deadline is March 31.

### FUNDING LEVELS

Maximum Request: County \$350,000; Large City (2010 Census population 3,000 +) \$450,000; Small City \$350,000.

Match Requirement: 10% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

### **B. Community Enhancement Fund**

#### GRANT CYCLE

Application workshop held in April; application due date between June/July. Award announcements are typically in the fall with mandatory compliance workshop to follow.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants: Non-entitlement Local Governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Water, Sewer, Streets, Drainage, Housing Rehab, Senior or Community Center, Demolition, Recreation, Boys & Girls Clubs, Fire Protection, Misc. Requirements: Benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries, or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. See current program year thresholds. No open Competitive or Enhancement grant. Annual closeout deadline is March 31.

#### FUNDING LEVELS

Maximum Request: \$250,000. Minimum Request: \$50,000

Match Requirement: 10% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

### **C. Economic Development Fund**

#### GRANT CYCLE

Applications accepted on a continuous basis. Award upon approval and as funding is available. Application workshop held in April and compliance workshop held in the fall.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants: Non-entitlement local governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Land, facilities and infrastructure to benefit industry that will create jobs.

Requirements: Create minimum of 15 permanent jobs to benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries. See current program year thresholds. May have open Competitive, Enhancement or Planning grant.

#### FUNDING LEVELS

Maximum Request: \$200,000. Minimum Request: \$50,000

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for Applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

State may also waive the grant ceiling for projects that demonstrate significant long-term economic benefit to the State.

### **D. Economic Development Incubator projects**

#### GRANT CYCLE

Continuous - applications are taken throughout the year. Award upon approval and as funding is available. Application workshop held in April and compliance workshop held in the fall.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants: Units of local government. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Facility, infrastructure or program support.

Requirements: Program must benefit at least 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries. Project must commit to create jobs. See current program year thresholds.

**FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: \$250,000

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Equipment, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for Applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less. State may also waive the grant ceiling for projects that demonstrate significant long-term economic benefit to the State.

**E. Planning Fund**

**GRANT CYCLE**

Application workshop held in April; application due date between June/July. Award announcements are typically in the fall with mandatory compliance workshop to follow.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants: Non-entitlement local governments. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM and STAARS.

Activities: Comprehensive plans, Downtown Revitalization plans etc.

Requirements: Benefit 51% low and moderate-income beneficiaries, or eliminate slum and blight, or address an urgent need resulting from an immediate health threat. See current program year thresholds. May have open Competitive or Enhancement grant.

**FUNDING LEVELS**

Maximum Request: \$40,000.

Match Requirement: 20% Source: Cash/In-kind

Eligible In-Kind Contribution: Labor, Materials

Disbursement Method: Grant

Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less.

**Contact:** Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager (334) 242-5468,  
[shabbir.olia@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:shabbir.olia@adeca.alabama.gov)

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**Program:** **Alabama Power Foundation Grant**

**Description:** The Alabama Power Foundation Grant offers funds to nonprofit organizations in Alabama working in one of the following areas:

- Health
- Human services
- Arts
- Community life

- Education
- Environment

Priority is given to projects that address underserved segments of the population and can be duplicated in other communities.

**Website:** <http://powerofgood.com/foundation-grant/>

**Program:** **Alabama Board of Medical Scholarship Awards**

**Description:** The Alabama Board of Medical Scholarship Awards offers forgivable loans to students enrolled in an Alabama medical school who agree to practice primary care in a pre-approved medically, underserved community in Alabama upon graduation.

Loans are repaid at the rate of one year of service per year of loan.

Applications accepted on ongoing basis.

**Website:** <http://www.bmsa.alabama.gov/#>

**Program:** **Economic Development Fund**

**Description:** Land, facilities and infrastructure to benefit industry that will create jobs. Create minimum of 15 permanent jobs to benefit 51% low to moderate income beneficiaries. Continuous. Applications are taken throughout the year. Maximum request: \$250,000. Minimum Request: \$50,000. Note: Waiver of match available for applicants with 2010 Census population of 1,000 or less. May also waive the grant ceiling for projects that demonstrate significant long-term economic benefit to the State.

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

**Program:** **Economic Development Incubator projects**

**Description:** Units of local government. Applicants must maintain active registration with SAM. Program must benefit 51% low to moderate income beneficiaries. Project must commit to create jobs. Maximum request: \$250,000. Match request: 20%. Applications are taken throughout the year. Award upon approval and as funding is available. Application workshop held in April and compliance workshop held in the fall.

**Website:** **Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, [shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov)**

**Program:** **States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP)**

**Description:** Applicants: State and local units of governments, public bodies, and non-profit entities. Eligible counties in West Alabama: Bibb, Fayette, Hale, Lamar, Pickens, and Tuscaloosa.

Activities: Water and wastewater facilities, telecommunications, health care, planning activities, leadership development, education and training programs, business development, and entrepreneurship.

Requirements: Project must meet one of ARC's goals: increase job opportunities and per capita income, strengthen the capacity of people to compete in the global economy or develop and improve infrastructure to make the Region economically competitive. Construction projects funded by ARC must have an "Administering Agency" such as

ADECA, USDA Rural Development or TVA. The project will be administered by and take on the requirements of that agency

Pre-application due date in August. Applicant notified in late fall/winter if a full application is requested. Award announcements typically made in May.

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

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**Program:** **Alabama Humanities Foundation Grants**

**Description:** Applicants are encouraged to develop projects for a wide variety of audiences including: library and museum patrons, teachers and scholars, youth, senior citizens, nursing home residents, hospital patients, the economically disadvantaged, the incarcerated, and the hearing and sight impaired.

**Application submission deadlines:**

Major Grants (\$1,500 and up) – February 15, June 16, September 15

Minor Grants (\$1,500 or less) – February 15, June 16, September 15

**Website:** <http://www.alabamahumanities.org/grants/>

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

**Program:** **Bank of America Grant**

**Description:** The Bank of America (BoA) offers grants that support high-impact initiatives, organizations and the development of visionary leaders. Schools with farm-to-school type programs may be eligible under the funding areas:

- Developing Career Leadership and Skills: Opportunities that increase civic and community engagement, career exploration and youth employment, financial knowledge and life-skill and soft-skill development
  - Assisting with Food Access: Food deserts, green/fresh food access, etc
- BoA's Charitable Foundation provides philanthropic support to address needs vital to the health of communities through a focus on preserving neighborhoods, educating the workforce for 21st century jobs and addressing critical needs, such as hunger.

Requests for proposals are issued three times per year.

**Website:** <http://about.bankofamerica.com/en-us/global-impact/find-grants-sponsorships.html#fbid=pYn5RLQL62N>

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**Program:** **Costco Wholesale Grants**

**Description:** Costco Wholesale grants support programs focusing on children, education and health and human services. They look to achieve the greatest impact where Costco's employees and members live and work. Only 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, which meet their giving guidelines and focus areas, are considered.

Applications are accepted throughout the year on a rolling basis.

**Website:** <http://www.costco.com/charitable-giving-faq.html>

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**Program:** [Walmart Foundation National Giving Program Grants](#)

**Description:** Through its National Giving Program, the Walmart Foundation awards grants of \$250,000 and above to non-profit organizations that operate on a national scope through chapters/affiliates in many states around the country or through programs that operate regionally/locally but seek funding to replicate program activities nationally. Deadline is OPEN.

**Areas of focus for the Foundation include:**

Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating  
Sustainability  
Women's Economic Empowerment  
Career Opportunity

**Website:** <http://foundation.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/national-giving>

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**Program:** [William G. McGowan Charitable Fund Issues Request for Proposals for Projects That Address Homelessness](#)

**Description:** The fund will award grants in support of initiatives that seek to correct circumstances contributing to homelessness, as well as initiatives designed to help eradicate the condition of homelessness in the long term. Deadline is OPEN.

**Website:** <http://www.williammcmgowanfund.org/pdf/Homelessness%20RFP.pdf>

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**[\\$1,000 Cappex Easy College Money Scholarship](#)**

**Sponsor:** Cappex

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** Last day of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are enrolled (or planning to enroll in the next 12 months) as a high school student or college undergraduate. Applicant must create a Cappex account.

**[CollegeWeekLive Scholarship](#)**

**Sponsor:** CollegeWeekLive, LLC

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** 11:59 Eastern Time on the last day of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students who will enroll no later than the fall of 2019 in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning (college, university or trade school). Open to both U.S. and non-U.S. students. Applicant must register online at <http://www.CollegeWeekLive.com>, login, and visit five colleges (go to their page) to be entered for the scholarship.

**[\\$1,000 Plan for College Sweepstakes](#)**

**Sponsor:** Sallie Mae Bank

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** Last day of the month

**Description:** Sweepstakes is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who are of the age of majority in the jurisdiction in which they reside and who are students, parents, guidance counselors, or financial aid officers at the time of entry. Applicant must register for one of the company's free plan for college tools.

### **\$2,000 “No Essay” College Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Niche

**Amount:** \$2,000

**Closing Date:** 11:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the last day of the month.

**Description:** Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States, as well as international students with valid visas. Applicant must currently attend, or within the next 12 months plan to enroll in, a college or university. Applicant must login or register for an account with Niche.

### **\$5,000 Social Network Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** GotChosen

**Amount:** \$5,000

**Closing Date:** 11:59 Pacific Time on the last day of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students 18 years of age or older who have been accepted to a post secondary program or college. Open to U.S. and international students. Applicant must choose any channel on the GotChosen Social Media platform and create a post. The post with the most votes wins the scholarship.

### **\$500 “Go Ennounce Yourself” Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** GoEnnounce

**Amount:** \$500

**Closing Date:** 30th of every month.

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students enrolled or planning to attend a four-year college. Applicant must create a GoEnnounce profile and share scholastic and extracurricular progress and achievements.

### **Chegg \$1,000 Monthly Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Chegg

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** 1st day of every month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who are at least 15 years of age and currently enrolled in high school or an accredited college or university in the United States. Applicant must create a Chegg account and answer a short scholarship question in 600 characters or less.

### **CollegeXpress Refer a Friend \$500 Monthly Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Carnegie Communications

**Amount:** \$500

**Closing Date:** Last day of the month

**Description:** Applicant must share their referral link with friends. For every friend who registers with CollegeXpress, applicant will receive an entry into the scholarship contest.



### **Courage To Grow Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Courage To Grow Scholarship

**Amount:** \$500

**Closing Date:** Last day of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens who are high school juniors and seniors or current college students with at least a 2.5 GPA. Applicant must answer the scholarship question in 250 words or less.

### **EDvestinU®National Monthly Scholarship Giveaway**

**Sponsor:** EDvestinU®

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the last day of the month

**Description:** Scholarship giveaway is open to legal residents of the United States or to foreign students with a valid student visa who, at the time of entry, are enrolled at an eligible degree-granting college or university. Applicant must fill out short online form.

### **Golden Eagle Coins Scholarship Program**

**Sponsor:** Golden Eagle Coins

**Amount:** \$500

**Closing Date:** The 20th of each month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled in high school or college within the United States with at least a 3.0 GPA. Applicant must be a citizen of, permanent resident, or hold a valid student visa in the United States or Canada. Applicant must have designed an innovative project that makes a difference in the lives of others and submit an essay describing the goal of the particular project and provide supporting documentation.

### **Innovation in Education Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** LATutors

**Amount:** \$500

**Closing Date:** 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time on the 20th of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to high school and college students in the United States or Canada who have at least a 3.0 GPA and are a citizen, permanent resident of, or hold a valid student visa in the United States or Canada. Applicant must submit an essay and letter of recommendation.

### **Invite a Friend Sweepstakes**

**Sponsor:** Fastweb

**Amount:** \$500

**Closing Date:** 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the last day of the month

**Description:** Sweepstakes is open to registered Fastweb members who are legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia and at least 13 years of age. For each friend who signs up with Fastweb through the applicant's referral link, they will receive an entry for the sweepstakes.

### **The \$1,000 SuperCollege Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** SuperCollege.com

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** The last day of each month.

**Description:** Scholarship is open to current high school seniors, college students, graduate school students and returning adult students who will enroll in a college or university. Applicant must fill out a short form.

### Unigo Monthly Scholarship

**Sponsor:** Unigo

**Amount:** Up to \$5,000

**Closing Date:** 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the last day of the month.

**Description:** Scholarship is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who are 13 years of age or older at the time of application and who are currently enrolled (or enroll no later than the fall of 2021) in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning. Applicant must submit an online short written response (250 words or less) to the scholarship question.

### Varsity Tutors Monthly Scholarship

**Sponsor:** Varsity Tutors

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** 11:59 p.m. Central Time on the last day of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States who are at least 16 years of age on or before their entry into the Promotion. Scholarship is intended to be used during this academic year. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic. Once submitted, the five essays that receive the most votes by the end of the month will move on to Round 2.

### YCL Scholarship

**Sponsor:** Young Christian Leaders Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Closing Date:** The 15th of the month

**Description:** Scholarship is open to high school seniors and currently enrolled full-time college undergraduates who have been endorsed by their peers, family and spiritual leaders as a person possessing a profound measure of character, commitment to service, and financial need. Applicant must submit a scholarship application form, most recent transcript, and two letters of recommendation.

## January Scholarship Deadlines

### **Courage to Grow Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Courage To Grow

**Amount:** \$500

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to juniors and seniors in high school or college students with a minimum GPA of 2.5. Applicant must explain in 250 words or less why they believe they should be awarded the scholarship.

### **Grandparents Gone Wired Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Do Something

**Amount:** \$10,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** According to sources, “using smartphones improves the health of older adults, but 77% of seniors need help getting started.” Applicant must show an older person how to use a smartphone. For each person (up to 5), applicant will receive an entry for the scholarship.

### **I Have a Dream Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Unigo

**Amount:** \$1,500

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be 13 years of age or older, be a resident of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia, and be currently enrolled (or enroll no later than the fall of 2022) in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher education. Applicant must submit a short essay (250 words or less) about a dream.

### **Lint Center for National Security Studies Scholarships**

**Sponsor:** Lint Center for National Security Studies

**Amount:** Up to \$1,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be pursuing a career related to national security.

### **Military Spouse Scholarships**

**Sponsor:** National Military Family Association

**Amount:** Up to \$2,500

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be a military spouse with a valid military ID to apply.

### **National Debt Relief Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** National Debt Relief

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors, college, and graduate students. Applicant must be pursuing or intending to pursuing their bachelor’s degree in the field of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math).

### **Pre-Health Professions Scholarship Contest**

**Sponsor:** NextStep Test Prep

**Amount:** Up to \$1,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is only open to undergraduate students in the United States or Canada. Applicant must submit an essay on the profession they want to pursue.

### **Princeton Prize in Race Relations**

**Sponsor:** Alumni Association of Princeton

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Award is for students currently enrolled in ninth through twelfth grades in a participating

region (see website for eligible areas) who have been actively involved in a volunteer activity that has had a significant, positive impact on race relations in their school or community.

### **Quitters Always Win Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Do Something

**Amount:** \$5,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** According to sources, “nearly 70% of smokers want to quit. But, only 4% to 6% who attempt to quit are successful.” Applicant must give a homemade card to a smoker. Each card given will worth one entry into the scholarship contest.

### **RespShop.com Scholarship Prize**

**Sponsor:** RespShop.com

**Amount:** Up to \$1,500

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to current college undergraduate and graduate students who have a GPA of 2.0 or better. Applicant must submit an essay on a topic related to sleep disorders, sleep apnea, or CPAP therapy.

### **Scholarships4mom.net Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Scholarships4Moms.net

**Amount:** \$10,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be 18 years of age or older and a permanent resident of the United States. Applicant must also be currently enrolled, or will be enrolled within the next three months, in a college or university in the United States.

### **School-To-Skills Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Thumbtack, Inc.

**Amount:** \$5,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to full-time undergraduate or graduate students who will be enrolled during the entirety of the 2016-2017 academic year. Applicant must submit an application and answer a few questions related to small business.

### **Schwartz Scholarship Fun**

**Sponsor:** Schwartz Scholarship Fund

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to high school juniors and seniors residing in California. Applicant must submit application, essay, transcript and test scores.

### **Spring 2016 Communications Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Branded Bridge Line

**Amount:** \$500

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students enrolled in either an undergraduate or graduate program at an accredited college or university in the USA or Canada during the 2016 Spring semester. Applicant must submit an essay on one of many given topics related to communication.

**The Less Stress Text Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Do Something

**Amount:** \$2,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** According to sources, “54% of college students have felt an overwhelming amount of anxiety in the past 12 months.” Applicant must submit their cell phone number and three friends’ numbers to receive five days’ worth of tactics on dealing with anxiety.

**The Shorr Packaging Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Shorr Packaging Corp.

**Amount:** \$1,500

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled in a 2-year or 4-year college or university in the United States. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to point-of-purchase display.

**Travel is Education Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Travel Is Education

**Amount:** Up to \$1,000

**Deadline:** Jan. 31, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students in grades 6 through 12 traveling on an ACIS tour from Oct. 15, 2015 through Oct. 14, 2016.

**ASRT Foundation Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Foundation

**Amount:** Varies

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Foundation has approximately 70 scholarships available for the 2016-2017 academic year. Awards are available for all types of radiologic science students regardless of specific area of interest.

**AXA Achievement Community Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** AXA Foundation

**Amount:** \$2,500

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be a current high school senior who plans to enroll full-time at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the United States for the entire 2016-2017 academic year. Applicant must demonstrate ambition and self-drive as evidenced by outstanding achievement in school, community or work-related activities. **APPLY EARLY** – only the first 10,000 applications will be considered.

**Bulkofficesupply.com Scholarship****Sponsor:** Bulkofficesupply.com**Amount:** \$1,000**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016**Description:** Scholarship is open to high school seniors and college Freshmen and Sophomores in the United States. Applicant must have an interest in teaching, Art or owning their own business.**CPF College Scholarships****Sponsor:** Cleft Palate Foundation**Amount:** \$500**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016**Description:** Applicant must be a current college or graduate school student with craniofacial anomalies, such as a cleft palate and cleft lip.**eQuality Scholarship for High School Seniors****Sponsor:** eQuality Scholarship Collaborative**Amount:** Up to \$12,000**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016**Description:** Applicant must be a resident of northern or central California who is a current high school senior or college student. Applicant must have demonstrated service to the LGBTQ community. Multiple scholarships are available.**ExploraVision Science Competition****Sponsor:** Toshiba/NSTA**Amount:** Up to \$10,000**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016**Description:** Competition is open to students in grades K through 12. Students must work in groups of 2-4 and select a technology that is present in the home, school, and/or community and explore what the technology does, how it works, and how or why it was invented.**George M. Burditt/Betsy B. Woodward/Denise C. Rooney Scholarship****Sponsor:** Association of Food and Drug Officials**Amount:** \$1,500**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016**Description:** Scholarship is open to current college juniors who have demonstrated a desire to serve in a career in research, regulatory work, quality control, or teaching in an area related to some aspect of food, drugs, or consumer project safety.**Jachimowicz, Pointer & Emanuel 2016 Scholarship for Law Students****Sponsor:** Jachimowicz Pointer & Emanuel**Amount:** \$1,000**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016**Description:** Scholarship is open to law students planning on attending, accepted to attend, or currently attending an accredited law school in the United States.

**Jack Kent Cooke Young Artist Award**

**Sponsor:** From the Top

**Amount:** Up to \$10,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Award is open to classical instrumentalists, vocalists, and composers between the ages of 8 and 18 who have not yet entered college during the 2015-2016 academic year.

**John F. and Anna Lee Stacey Scholarship Fund for Art Education**

**Sponsor:** National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum

**Amount:** \$5,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be a U.S. citizen between the ages of 18 and 35 years old. Applicant must be pursuing a profession in the arts.

**National FFA Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** National FFA Organization Program

**Amount:** Varies

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship program is open to high school seniors and current college students who are under 23 years of age. Applicant must be a current FFA member.

**National Garden Clubs College Scholarships**

**Sponsor:** National Garden Clubs

**Amount:** \$3,500

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarships are open to current undergraduate and graduate students majoring in Agronomy, Agriculture Education, Floriculture, Horticulture, Landscape Design, Botany, Forestry, Wildlife Science, Plant Pathology/Science, City Planning, Habitat or Forest/Systems Ecology, Environmental Concerns, Land Management or other related or allied subjects.

**NOADN Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Hurst Review Services

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to prelicensure students enrolled at a member ADN school.

**NRA Youth Education Summit (Y.E.S.) Grand Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** National Rifle Association (NRA)

**Amount:** Up to \$30,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to current sophomores and juniors in high school with at least a 3.0 GPA. If selected, student will travel to Washington D.C. to attend the Youth Education Summit (expenses paid) to compete for the scholarships opportunities.

**PanHellenic Scholarship Awards**

**Sponsor:** PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation

**Amount:** Up to \$10,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be of Hellenic descent and enrolled in full-time undergraduate study at an accredited college or university in the United States.

### **PG&E Scholarships**

**Sponsor:** Pacific Gas and Electric Company

**Amount:** Varies

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** To be eligible, student or parent/guardian must reside in PG&E territory. There are multiple scholarship with different requirements. See website for details.

### **Samahan (Filipino) Employee Resource Group Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Filipino Employees Association

**Amount:** \$2,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is opening to graduating high school seniors who reside in the PG&E service area and are planning to enter a community college or four-year college or university. Applicant must also have at least a 3.5 GPA and demonstrate participation and leadership in school and community.

### **Shirley Rabb Winston Scholarship in Voice**

**Sponsor:** National Society of Arts and Letters

**Amount:** \$5,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be a U.S. citizen between the ages of 16 and 22 years of age. Applicant must submit a ten-minute vocal performance.

### **Significant Challenge College Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Richie's Spirit Foundation

**Amount:** \$3,500

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to legal U.S. citizens currently enrolled in a U.S. accredited high school who will graduate in the Spring of 2016. Applicant must have taken challenging courses throughout their high school career and demonstrated strong leadership roles within the community.

### **SME Education Foundation Scholarships**

**Sponsor:** Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) Education Foundation

**Amount:** Varies

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors, current undergraduates, master's or doctoral degree students who are pursuing degrees in manufacturing or a related field at a two-year or four-year college or university. Multiple scholarships are available.

### **SportQuest Playing With Purpose Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** SportQuest Ministries Inc.

**Amount:** Up to \$2,000



**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Applicant must be a current high school sophomore, junior or senior who maintains a minimum "C" grade average or higher. Applicant must also be a current varsity level athlete in one or more sport and a committed follower of Christ who embodies the Playing with Purpose message.

### **Stephen K. Hall ACWA Water Law & Policy Scholarship**

**Sponsor:** Association of California Water Agencies

**Amount:** \$7,000

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** Scholarship is open to graduate students attending an accredited U.S. college at the start of the 2016-2017 academic year. Applicant must be pursuing a graduate degree in water law and policy or publication administration with a demonstrated concentration in the field of water resources.

### **Zeta Phi Beta Sorority National Education Foundation Scholarships**

**Sponsor:** Zeta Phi Beta Sorority National Education Foundation

**Amount:** Varies

**Deadline:** Feb. 1, 2016

**Description:** There are scholarships available to high school seniors and undergraduate and graduate students. The scholarships are also open to Zetas and Non-Zetas. Multiple scholarships are available with different requirements. See website for details.

### **HBCU Scholarship Directory**

**Website:** <http://hbcuconnect.com/scholarships/>

### **Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs**

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

### **Alabama Scholarships**

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

**Website:** <http://www.nerdwallet.com/nerdscholar/scholarships/>

### **Scholarships due in January 2017**

**Website:** <https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/scholarships/january-scholarships/>

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## **Fast Web**

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

## **Scholarship Experts**

Website: <http://scholarshipexperts.com>

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

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

## **FELLOWSHIP SEARCH**

### **National Endowment for the Humanities**

Fellowships support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources in the humanities. Projects may be at any stage of development.

Website: <http://www.neh.gov/grants>

### **Minority Fellowship Program**

Website: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

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## **Section VI SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES (SBIR/STTR)**

<https://www.sbir.gov/sbirsearch/topic/current?page=1>

### **The SBIR Program**

The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program is a highly competitive program that encourages domestic small businesses to engage in Federal Research/Research and Development (R/R&D) that has the potential for commercialization. Through a competitive awards-based program, SBIR enables small businesses to explore their technological potential and provides the incentive to profit from its commercialization. By including qualified small businesses in the nation's R&D arena, high-tech innovation is stimulated and the United States gains entrepreneurial spirit as it meets its specific research and development needs.

**Topic:** **Technologies for Improving Minority Health and Eliminating Health Disparities (R41/R42) – (CFDA 93.307)**

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites eligible United States small business concerns (SBCs) to submit Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) grant applications that propose to develop a product, process or service for commercialization with the aim of reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes in one or

more NIH-defined health disparity population group(s). Appropriate technologies should be effective, affordable, culturally acceptable, and deliverable to racial/ethnic minorities, low-income and rural populations.

Deadline is **February 22, 2017, by 5:00 PM** local time of applicant organization.

Applicants are encouraged to apply early to allow adequate time to make any corrections to errors found in the application during the submission process by the due date.

Links:

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-17-002.html>  
Instructions located at [SF424 \(R&R\) SBIR/STTR Application Guide](#)

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## Section VII            RESOURCES

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

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

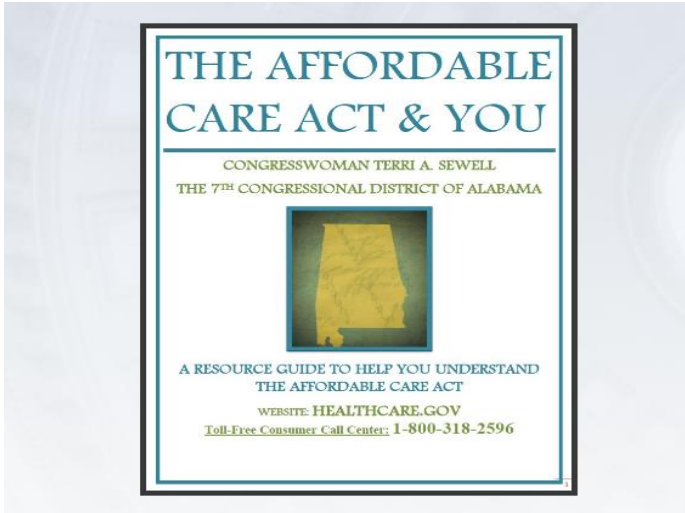
Find the Guide at <http://warc.info/planning-a-development/documents>. Scroll down to REGIONAL INFORMATION DOCUMENTS.

The guide is a free web-based resource designed to provide counties and municipalities in the West Alabama region with information about available grant and loan programs for community and economic development activities.

The guide provides program details on major Federal and State programs including agency contacts; award cycles; grant ceilings; matching requirements; and eligibility factors.

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Website: <https://sewell.house.gov/aca-you>

Enroll now in a plan that covers essential benefits, pre-existing conditions, and more. Plus, see if you qualify for lower costs.

<https://www.healthcare.gov/>

## Alabama

Health Insurance Marketplace - [HealthCare.Gov](http://HealthCare.Gov) is the Health Insurance Marketplace for Alabama. Consumers can apply as early as October 1, 2013. Visit [HealthCare.Gov](http://HealthCare.Gov) to learn more.

Find out where the uninsured live in Alabama: [Enroll America's Outreach Maps](#)

The new Alabama Health Insurance Marketplace is operated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Visit [marketplace.cms.gov](http://marketplace.cms.gov) to see how you can partner with HHS to help people enroll in the new coverage options in Alabama.

See more at: <http://www.enrollamerica.org/states/alabama#sthash.uT0mDsbB.dpuf>

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## ALABAMA ADDITIONAL FUNDING SOURCES

**Community Foundations in Alabama** There are 13 community foundations in Alabama, covering 78 percent of the counties in the state and holding assets that total more than \$190 million.

**Daniel Foundation** The Daniel Foundation offers grants in four program areas: Civic and Community Improvement, Education, Health, and Arts and Culture. Applications are limited to 501 (c)(3) organization that are located in Alabama. <http://danielfoundationofalabama.com>

**Alabama Power Foundation** The Alabama Power Foundation allocates funding in four categories: Improving Education, Strengthening Communities, Promoting Arts and Culture, and Restoring and Enhancing the Environment. <http://www.alabamapower.com/foundation/grantsandinitiatives.asp>

**Alabama Humanities Foundation** The AHF awards grants solely to support public humanities projects. Active public participation, involvement of humanities scholars, and strong humanities content are the three essential components of AHF-funded projects. <http://www.ahf.net/programs/grantsProgram.html>

**Gwyn Turner Endowed Fund** The fund is administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, in partnership with Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation. Nonprofits and governmental agencies can obtain funding for preservation planning, heritage education, workshops, conferences and special interventions. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and require a 1:1 cash match.

Applicants are encouraged to discuss their project with the National Trust Southern Office before submitting an application. Contact the Southern Office at 843.722.8552, or e-mail [soro@nthp.org](mailto:soro@nthp.org). [www.PreservationNation.org/resources/find-funding](http://www.PreservationNation.org/resources/find-funding)

**Sybil H. Smith Trust** Established in 1983, this trust funds organizations in the First Congressional District only. Awards limited to arts, community development, education, and human services. No awards are given for individuals. For more information, call: 251.432.0208. <http://dynamodata.fdncenter.org/990s/990search/ffindershow.cgi?id=SMIT235>

**Alabama State Council on the Arts** Grants awarded to nonprofit organizations and local governments in the following categories: Presenting Grants, Project Assistance, Operating Support, Technical Assistance, Collaborative Ventures, and Program Development. <http://arts.state.al.us/grants/index-grants.html>

**Historic Chattahoochee Commission** The Historic Chattahoochee Commission (HCC) promotes tourism and historic preservation in the Chattahoochee Trace, an 18-county region in Alabama and Georgia. The HCC supports preservation through two grant programs: Seed Grant and the Threatened Landmarks Program. <http://www.hcc-al-ga.org/resources.cfm?GetPage=6>

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## **ATTENTION VETERANS:**

### **FACT SHEET: Veterans Employment Center**

The online Veterans Employment Center is the single federal source for Veterans looking for new career opportunities in the private and public sectors, as well as Service Members transitioning to the civilian workforce, military and Veteran spouses and dependents looking for employment opportunities, GI Bill beneficiaries transitioning from training to the job market and employers looking to connect with high quality applicants. It is the first interagency tool that brings together public and private job opportunities with resume building and other career tools currently offered on a variety of websites together in one place.

Through the online Veterans Employment Center, Veterans, transitioning Service Members and spouses are connected to high quality career choices by matching their identified skills with available public and private job opportunities. The site is built using an open application programming interface (API) to attract private sector innovation.

### **Veteran Applicant Resources:**

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

### **Employer Resources:**

- Access targeted feed of qualified resumes from Veteran applicants
- View reverse skills translation (military to civilian skills) for applicants

- Set Veterans hiring goals and track progress
- Connect to resources designed to help recruit and retain talented, Veteran employees

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

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

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

For a tutorial video on how to use the Veterans Employment Center, please visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWfhI-eSoWk>

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## REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN ALABAMA

### West Alabama Regional Commission

4200 Highway 69 North  
Northport, Alabama 35473-3505  
Phone: 205.333.2990  
Fax: 205.333.2713  
Region 2 website -

<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  
Region 3 website - <http://www.rpcgb.org/>

### South Central Alabama Development Commission

5900 Carmichael Place  
Montgomery, Alabama 36117  
Phone: 334.244.6903  
Fax: 334.270.0038  
Region 5 website - <http://scadc.state.al.us/>

### Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission

107 Broad Street  
Camden, Alabama 36726  
Phone: 334.682.4234  
Fax: 334.682.4205  
Region 6 website -

<http://www.alarc.org/atrc/index.htm>

### Central Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission

125 Washington Avenue  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104  
Phone: 334.262.4300  
Fax: 334.262.6976  
Region 9 website - <http://www.carpdc.com/>

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## COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS IN ALABAMA

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

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

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

The Community Foundation of Greater  
Birmingham  
2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700  
Birmingham, AL 35203  
Telephone: (205) 328-8641  
Fax: (205) 328-6576  
Website:  
<http://www.foundationbirmingham.org>

Community Foundation of West Alabama  
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