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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

I am honored to represent the 7th Congressional District of Alabama. One of the most important responsibilities as your representative is to provide you with information about funding opportunities. Now more than ever, grant opportunities are vital to the success of our local governments, organizations and other entities. This 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. 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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[Rep. Sewell Urges Ryan, McConnell to Delay Tax Bill Consideration until Jones is Sworn In](#)

GOP leadership rushes tax bill through Congress, Jones not yet seated

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Thursday, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) urged House Speaker Paul Ryan (R-WI) and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) to delay consideration of the tax bill until Senator-elect Doug Jones (D-AL) is sworn into office.

[Read the full text of Rep. Sewell’s letter to House Speaker Ryan and Senate Majority Leader McConnell.](#)

“As Congress considers far-reaching tax legislation this December, I urge Senate leadership to delay consideration of the tax bill until Senator-elect Doug Jones is sworn into office. The GOP tax bill will have severe consequences for all American families, and the people of Alabama deserve to have both of their duly elected Senators at the table for consideration of this bill.”

After Attorney General Jeff Sessions vacated one of Alabama’s Senate seats in February of 2017, Sen. Luther Strange (R-AL) was appointed to the seat until a special election could be conducted.

In 2010, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell urged the Senate to halt the legislative process related to the Affordable Care Act until a newly elected Senator could be seated after a special election in Massachusetts. McConnell also delayed Senate action filling the Supreme Court vacancy left by Justice Antonin Scalia until after the 2016 election, saying that, “the American people are perfectly capable of having their say on this issue, so let’s give them a voice.”

While final text of the GOP tax bill has not yet been released to the public, congressional leadership expect a vote on the final bill in the Senate next week. Read Rep. Sewell’s [statement on the House version of the GOP tax bill](#).

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Rep. Sewell Welcomes Senator-Elect Doug Jones to Congress

Sewell calls on Senate leadership to delay tax bill vote until Jones' swearing in

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Tuesday, Doug Jones won Alabama's U.S. Senate election in a historic victory, becoming the first Democrat elected to represent Alabama in the Senate in more than two decades.

“Doug Jones' historic victory happened because Alabama voters turned out in record numbers and decided to put character and integrity over party affiliation. Voters last night opened a new chapter for Alabama, placing our state on the right side of history. I am honored to welcome Doug to the United States Senate, and I know that, on issues ranging from tax reform to healthcare to job creation, he will put the people of Alabama first. I hope that the voices of those he represents will be heard on the important issues that are now before the U.S. Senate.”

“As Congress considers far-reaching tax legislation this December, I urge Senate leadership to delay a vote on the tax bill until Senator-elect Doug Jones is sworn into office. For one of the most consequential votes this Senate is likely to take, our state deserves to have its duly elected Senator at the table.”

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Rep. Sewell Statement on Flynn Guilty Plea

Former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn pleads guilty to lying to the FBI

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Friday, Former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI about his contacts with Russian officials. Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL), a Member of the House Intelligence Committee which is investigating Russia’s influence campaign, releases the following statement:

“The plea deal made by former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn is an important step forward in the investigation of Russia’s efforts to influence our democracy. Today’s agreement exposes new details about Flynn’s lies to the FBI as well as the involvement of senior members of the Trump transition team with outreach to Russian officials. It is clear that Robert Mueller and his team of investigators have approached this investigation with professionalism and a determination to identify and prosecute potential criminal acts. I hope that General Flynn’s cooperation with the Special Counsel extends to the Intelligence Committee’s investigation of Russia’s influence campaign.

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House Passes Sewell Manufactured Housing Reform

Rep. Sewell is lead Dem cosponsor on bill expanding access to credit for homebuyers

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Friday, the House passed the Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act (H.R. 1699) in a bipartisan vote. Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) is the lead Democratic co-sponsor and Congressman Andy Barr (R-KY) is the lead Republican sponsor on the Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act.

“Passage of today’s bill means working families will be one step closer to affordable housing,” said Rep. Sewell. “In Alabama, over 300,000 families rely on manufactured homes for quality, independent, affordable housing, but current rules make access to credit for purchasing manufactured homes more difficult. The Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act ensures that manufactured housing remains an affordable option by bringing needed reform to federal mortgage regulations while preserving consumer protections that prevent predatory lending.”

The Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act would ensure that manufactured home loans are not unfairly categorized as high-cost loans. This inappropriate categorization restricts the availability of credit for the purchase of manufactured homes, eliminating an option for affordable housing for working families.

The Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act does not alter protections against predatory lending. It leaves in place considerable consumer protections including the Truth in Lending Act’s “Ability to Repay” requirement, the prohibition against steering a consumer to a loan that has “predatory characteristics,” loan term disclosures, the prohibition on mandatory arbitration, as well as the authority of the CFPB to prosecute unfair, deceptive abusive acts and practices.

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- 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. It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- To apply for Federal Grants: http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp
- [Grants.gov](http://www.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.

Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

Corporation for National and Community Service

[AmeriCorps State and National Grants FY2018 – \(CFDA – 94.006\)](#)

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.

Deadline: January 17, 2018

Environmental Protection Agency

Institute of Museum and Library Services

[Digital Humanities Advancement Grants – \(CFDA 45.169\)](#)

Digital Humanities Advancement Grants (DHAG) support digital projects throughout their lifecycles, from early start-up phases through implementation and long-term sustainability. Experimentation, reuse, and extensibility are hallmarks of this grant category, leading to innovative work that can scale to enhance research, teaching, and public programming in the humanities. You can find a discussion of the forms that experimentation can take in the Frequently Asked Questions document, which is available on the program resource page. This program is offered twice per year. Proposals are welcome for digital initiatives in any area of the humanities. Through a special partnership, the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) anticipates providing additional funding to this program to encourage innovative collaborations between museum or library professionals and humanities professionals to advance preservation of, access to, use of, and engagement with digital collections and services. Through this partnership, IMLS and NEH may jointly fund some DHAG projects that involve collaborations with museums and/or libraries. Digital Humanities Advancement Grants may involve • creating or enhancing experimental, computationally-based methods, techniques, or infrastructure that contribute to the humanities; • pursuing scholarship that examines the history, criticism, and philosophy of digital culture and its impact on society, or explores the philosophical or practical implications and impact of digital humanities in specific fields or disciplines; or • revitalizing and/or recovering existing digital projects that promise to contribute substantively to scholarship, teaching, or public knowledge of the humanities.

Deadline: January 16, 2018

Museums Empowered: Professional Development Opportunities for Museum Staff - A Museums for America Special Initiative – (CFDA 45.301)

The goal of the Museums for America (MFA) program is to support projects that strengthen the ability of an individual museum to serve its public. Museums Empowered: Professional Development Opportunities for Museum Staff is a special MFA initiative with the goal of strengthening the ability of an individual museum to serve its public through professional development activities that cross-cut various departments to generate systemic change within the museum.

Deadline: March 1, 2018

Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program – (CFDA 45.313)

The Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (LB21) supports developing a diverse workforce of librarians to better meet the changing learning and information needs of the American public by: enhancing the training and professional development of librarians, developing faculty and library leaders, and recruiting and educating the next generation of librarians. We have two FY18 LB21 funding opportunities, each with two separate deadlines. In addition to the opportunity described in this Notice of Funding Opportunity, a separate LB21 funding opportunity was announced in July 2017 with a preliminary proposal application submission due date in September 2017. Both opportunities are subject to the availability of funds and IMLS discretion and procedures.

Deadline: June 8, 2018

National Leadership Grants for Libraries – (CFDA 45.312)

National Leadership Grants for Libraries (NLG-L) support projects that address significant challenges and opportunities facing the library and archives fields and that have the potential to advance theory and practice. Successful proposals will generate results such as new tools, research findings, models, services, practices, or alliances that will be widely used, adapted, scaled, or replicated to extend the benefits of federal investment. We have two FY18 NLG-L funding opportunities, each with two separate deadlines. In addition to the opportunity described in this Notice of Funding Opportunity, a separate NLG-L funding opportunity was announced in July 2017 with a preliminary proposal application submission due date in September 2017. Both opportunities are subject to the availability of funds and IMLS discretion and procedures.

Deadline: June 8, 2018

National Archives and Records Administration

Access to Historical Records: Major Initiatives (Preliminary) – (CFDA 89.003)

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that will significantly improve public discovery and use of major historical records collections. All types of historical records are eligible, including documents, photographs, born-digital records, and analog audio and moving images. Projects may:

- Digitize historical records collections, or related collections, held by a single institution and make them freely available online
- Provide access to born-digital records
- Create new freely-available virtual collections drawn from historical records held by multiple institutions

- Create new tools and methods for users to access records

The NHPRC welcomes collaborative projects, particularly for bringing together related records from multiple institutions. Projects that address significant needs in the field and result in replicable and scalable approaches will be more competitive. We also encourage organizations to actively engage the public in the work of the project.

Deadline: January 18, 2018

National Endowment for the Arts

[NEA Art Works I, FY2019 – \(CFDA 45.024\)](#)

An organization may submit only one application through one of the following FY 2019 categories: Art Works or Challenge America. If an organization applies to the Challenge America category, it may not submit another application to the Art Works category. The Arts Endowment's support of a project may start on or after January 1, 2019. Generally, a period of performance of up to two years is allowed. Art Works Program Description To support artistically excellent projects that celebrate our creativity and cultural heritage, invite mutual respect for differing beliefs and values, and enrich humanity. Matching grants generally range from \$10,000 to \$100,000. A minimum cost share/match equal to the grant amount is required.

Deadline: February 15, 2018

[NEA Literature Fellowships: Creative Writing, FY2019 – \(CFDA 45.024\)](#)

You may submit only one application for FY 2019 funding. You may not apply for both a Literature Fellowship under this deadline and a Translation Project under the December 5, 2017 deadline. Grant Program Description The National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowships program offers \$25,000 grants in prose (fiction and creative nonfiction) and poetry to published creative writers that enable recipients to set aside time for writing, research, travel, and general career advancement. Applications are reviewed through an anonymous process in which the only criteria for review are artistic excellence and artistic merit. To review the applications, the National Endowment for the Arts assembles a different advisory panel every year, each diverse with regard to geography, race and ethnicity, and artistic points of view. The National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowships program operates on a two-year cycle with fellowships in prose and poetry available in alternating years. For FY 2019, which is covered by these guidelines, fellowships in poetry are available. Fellowships in prose (fiction and creative nonfiction) will be offered in FY 2020 and guidelines will be available in January 2019. You may apply only once each year. Competition for fellowships is extremely rigorous. We typically receive more than 1,000 applications each year in this category and award fellowships to fewer than 5% of applicants. You should consider carefully whether your work will be competitive at the national level.

Deadline: March 7, 2018

[NEA Challenge America, FY2019 – \(CFDA 45.024\)](#)

The Arts Endowment's support of a project may start on or after January 1, 2019. Grants awarded under these guidelines generally may cover a period of performance of up to two years. An organization that applies to the Challenge America category, may not submit another application to the Art Works category. You may apply to other National Endowment for the Arts funding opportunities, including Our Town, in addition to Challenge

America. In each case, the request must be for a distinctly different project or a distinctly different phase of the same project, with a different period of performance and costs. An organization that has received Challenge America grants in FY 2016, 2017, and 2018 may not apply for a Challenge America grant under these FY 2019 guidelines. That organization may apply for FY 2019 support under other National Endowment for the Arts funding opportunities including Art Works. Challenge America Program Description The Challenge America category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations -- those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted above also must be present. Please provide details about the underserved audience you select in your application. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development. This category encourages and supports the following objective: Engagement: Public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation.

Deadline: April 12, 2018

National Endowment for the Humanities

Public Humanities Projects – (CFDA 45.164)

Public Humanities Projects grants support projects that bring the ideas and insights of the humanities to life for general audiences. Projects must engage humanities scholarship to analyze significant themes in disciplines such as history, literature, ethics, and art history. NEH encourages projects that involve members of the public in collaboration with humanities scholars or that invite contributions from the community in the development and delivery of humanities programming. This grant program supports a variety of forms of audience engagement. Applications should follow the parameters set out below for one of the following three formats:

- **Community Conversations:** This format supports one- to two-year-long series of community-wide in-person public programs that are centered on one or more significant humanities resources, such as historic artifacts, artworks, literature, musical compositions, or films. These resources should be chosen to engage a diverse public audience. The programs must be anchored through perspectives drawn from humanities disciplines. Applicants must demonstrate prior experience conducting public dialogues.
- **Exhibitions:** This format supports the creation of permanent exhibitions (on view for at least three years) and single-site temporary exhibitions (open to the public for a minimum of four to six months), as well as travelling exhibitions that will be available to public audiences in at least two venues in the United States (including the originating location).
- **Historic Places:** This format supports long-term interpretive programs for historic sites, houses, neighborhoods, and regions that are intended to be presented to the public for at least three years. Such programs might include living history presentations, guided tours, exhibitions, and public programs. NEH encourages projects that explore humanities ideas through multiple formats. Proposed projects may include complementary components: for example, a museum exhibition might be accompanied by a website, mobile app, or discussion programs. Your application must identify one primary format for your project and follow the application instructions for that format.

Deadline: January 10, 2018

[Media Projects Grants – \(CFDA 45.164\)](#)

The Media Projects program supports film, television, and radio projects that engage public audiences with humanities ideas in creative and appealing ways. All projects must be grounded in humanities scholarship in disciplines such as history, art history, film studies, literature, drama, religious studies, philosophy, or anthropology. Projects must also demonstrate an approach that is thoughtful, balanced, and analytical (rather than celebratory). The approach to the subject matter must go beyond the mere presentation of factual information to explore its larger significance and stimulate critical thinking. NEH is a national funding agency, so the projects that we support must demonstrate the potential to attract a broad general audience. Film and television projects may be single programs or a series addressing significant figures, events, or ideas. Programs must be intended for national distribution, via traditional carriage or online distribution. The Division of Public Programs welcomes projects that range in length from short-form to broadcast-length video. The Division of Public Programs also encourages film and television projects that examine international themes and subjects in the humanities, in order to spark Americans' engagement with the broader world beyond the United States. These projects should demonstrate international collaboration by enlisting scholars based both in the United States and abroad, and/or by working with an international media team. The collaborations should bring broad cross-cultural perspectives to the proposed topics and should be intended primarily for U.S. public audiences. Radio projects, including podcasts, may involve single programs, limited series, or segments within an ongoing program. They may also develop new humanities content to augment existing radio programming or add greater historical background or humanities analysis to the subjects of existing programs. They may be intended for regional or national distribution. NEH encourages projects that engage public audiences through multiple formats in the exploration of humanities ideas. Proposed projects might include complementary components to a film, television, or radio project. These components should deepen the audience's understanding of the subject in a supplementary manner: for example, book/film discussion programs, supplementary educational websites, or museum exhibitions. Development grants enable media producers to collaborate with scholars to develop humanities content and to prepare programs for production. Grants should result in a script (for a film or television project) or a detailed treatment (for a radio or podcast project) and may also yield a plan for outreach and public engagement. Production grants support the production and distribution of films, television programs, and radio programs or podcasts that promise to engage a broad public audience.

Deadline: January 10, 2018

[National Digital Newspaper Program – \(CFDA 45.149\)](#)

The National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP) is a partnership between NEH and the Library of Congress to create a national digital resource of historically significant newspapers published between 1690 and 1963, from all the states and U.S. territories. This searchable database will be permanently maintained at the Library of Congress (LC) and will be freely accessible via the Internet. (See the *Chronicling America: Historic American Newspapers* website.) An accompanying national newspaper directory of bibliographic and holdings information on the website directs users to newspaper titles available in all types of formats. During the course of its partnership with NEH, LC will also digitize and contribute to the NDNP database a significant number of newspaper pages drawn from its own collections. Forty-five states and one territory have joined the NDNP so far. Previous award recipients include Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. NEH

intends to support projects in all states and U.S. territories. Awards are made to an organization within each U.S. state or territory, which typically collaborates with relevant state partners in this effort. After their initial NDNF awards, state partners are encouraged to seek second and third awards, to produce a total of approximately 300,000 pages of digitized newspapers per state. Awardees may receive support for continued work beyond the third award, but the program gives priority to applications from those states and territories that have not received NDNF funding—as well as applications from states and territories that have received fewer than three awards.

Deadline: January 11, 2018

Digital Humanities Advancement Grants – (CFDA 45.169)

Digital Humanities Advancement Grants (DHAG) support digital projects throughout their lifecycles, from early start-up phases through implementation and long-term sustainability. Experimentation, reuse, and extensibility are hallmarks of this grant category, leading to innovative work that can scale to enhance research, teaching, and public programming in the humanities. You can find a discussion of the forms that experimentation can take in the Frequently Asked Questions document, which is available on the program resource page. This program is offered twice per year. Proposals are welcome for digital initiatives in any area of the humanities. Through a special partnership, the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) anticipates providing additional funding to this program to encourage innovative collaborations between museum or library professionals and humanities professionals to advance preservation of, access to, use of, and engagement with digital collections and services. Through this partnership, IMLS and NEH may jointly fund some DHAG projects that involve collaborations with museums and/or libraries. Digital Humanities Advancement Grants may involve • creating or enhancing experimental, computationally-based methods, techniques, or infrastructure that contribute to the humanities; • pursuing scholarship that examines the history, criticism, and philosophy of digital culture and its impact on society, or explores the philosophical or practical implications and impact of digital humanities in specific fields or disciplines; or • revitalizing and/or recovering existing digital projects that promise to contribute substantively to scholarship, teaching, or public knowledge of the humanities.

Deadline: January 16, 2018

Public Scholar Program – (CFDA 45.160)

The Public Scholar Program supports well-researched books in the humanities intended to reach a broad readership. Some humanities scholarship is necessarily specialized, but the humanities can also engage broad audiences in exploring subjects of general interest. 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, making appropriate use of primary and/or secondary sources. They must also be written in a readily accessible style, addressing significant humanities themes in a way that will appeal to a large audience of general readers. Applications to write books directed primarily to scholars are not appropriate for this program. By establishing the Public Scholar Program, NEH has entered a long-term commitment to encourage scholarship in the humanities for general audiences. The program is open to both individuals affiliated with scholarly institutions and to independent scholars, researchers, and writers. Projects may be at any stage of development.

Deadline: February 7, 2018

National Science Foundation

Campus Cyberinfrastructure – (CFDA 47.070)

The Campus Cyberinfrastructure (CC*) program invests in coordinated campus-level networking improvements, innovation, integration, and engineering for science applications and distributed research projects. Learning and workforce development (LWD) in cyberinfrastructure is explicitly addressed in the program. Science-driven requirements are the primary motivation for any proposed activity. CC* awards will be supported in four program areas: (1) Data Driven Networking Infrastructure for the Campus and Researcher awards will be supported at up to \$500,000 total for up to 2 years; (2) Network Design and Implementation for Small Institutions awards will be supported at up to \$750,000 total for up to 2 years; (3) Network Integration and Applied Innovation awards will be supported at up to \$1,000,000 total for up to 2 years; and (4) Network Performance Engineering and Outreach awards will be supported at up to \$3,500,000 total for up to 4 years.

Deadline: January 30, 2018

Partnerships for Innovation – (CFDA 47.041, 47.049, 47.050, 47.070, 47.074, 47.075, 47.076, 47.079, 47.083)

The NSF Partnerships for Innovation (PFI) Program within the Division of Industrial Innovation and Partnerships (IIP) offers researchers the opportunity to transform new knowledge into societal benefits through translational research and technology development efforts which catalyze partnerships to accelerate innovations that address significant societal needs. PFI has six broad goals: (1) identifying and supporting Foundation-sponsored research and technologies that have the potential for accelerated commercialization; (2) supporting prior or current Foundation-sponsored researchers, institutions of higher education, and non-profit organizations that partner with an institution of higher education to undertake proof-of-concept work, including the development of technology prototypes that are derived from NSF-funded research and have potential market value; (3) promoting sustainable partnerships between Foundation-funded institutions, industry, and other organizations within academia and the private sector with the purpose of accelerating the transfer of technology; (4) developing multi-disciplinary innovation ecosystems which involve and are responsive to the specific needs of academia and industry; (5) catalyzing professional development activities, mentoring, and best practices in entrepreneurship and technology translation for faculty, students and researchers; and (6) expanding the participation of women and individuals from underrepresented groups in innovation, technology translation, and entrepreneurship. This solicitation offers two broad tracks for proposals in pursuit of the six aforementioned goals. The Technology Translation (PFI-TT) track offers an NSF-funded researcher the opportunity to advance his or her prior NSF-funded research results towards developing technological innovations with promising commercial potential and societal impact. Projects are supported to demonstrate proof-of-concept, prototype, or technology development and scale-up while exposing faculty and students (and engaging them in) in innovation and entrepreneurially-focused activities that could possibly lead to partnership opportunities, the creation of new intellectual property and technologically-driven commercialization outcomes that address societal needs. Potential pathways forward within the PFI-TT track could be broader collaborative activities and partnerships, technology licensing, technology spin-outs, and expanded entrepreneurial activity. The Research Partnerships (PFI-RP) track provides an opportunity to support technology development activities through a multi-organization collaboration. NSF recognizes that interdisciplinary collaboration is often needed to achieve successful technology development. This proposal track supports a research consortium ecosystem focused on a clear project thrust. It allows for partnerships between academic researchers and a variety of third-party organizations (such as industry, non-academic research organizations, federal laboratories, public or non-profit

technology transfer organizations, and/or other universities) to conduct applied research in highly collaborative, multidisciplinary teams, on problems typically beyond the reach of a single researcher. NSF currently supports numerous research consortia (e.g., Engineering Research Centers, Industry-University Cooperative Research Centers, Science and Technology Centers, Nanoscale Science and Engineering Centers, Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers, Centers for Chemical Innovation, and others). Such consortia could participate in PFI-RP proposals. The goal of the RP track is to catalyze robust and synergistic partnerships and collaborations between government, academia, and other public and private entities to drive and accelerate the translation of federally-funded fundamental research results into innovations that, through technology development and commercialization, will have a significant economic and societal impact. **WEBINARS:** Webinars will be held to answer questions about the solicitation. Registration will be available on the NSF Division of Industrial Innovation and Partnerships website (<https://www.nsf.gov/div/index.jsp?div=IIP>). Potential proposers and their partners are encouraged to attend.

Deadline: February 1, 2018

[Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology \(CREST\) and HBCU Research Infrastructure for Science and Engineering \(HBCU-RISE\) – \(CFDA 47.041, 47.076\)](#)

The Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology (CREST) program provides support to enhance the research capabilities of minority-serving institutions (MSI) through the establishment of centers that effectively integrate education and research. MSIs of higher education denote institutions that have undergraduate enrollments of 50% or more (based on total student enrollment) of members of minority groups underrepresented among those holding advanced degrees in science and engineering fields: African Americans, Alaska Natives, American Indians, Hispanic Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Native Pacific Islanders. CREST promotes the development of new knowledge, enhancements of the research productivity of individual faculty, and an expanded presence of students historically underrepresented in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. CREST Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (PRF) awards provide research experience and training for early career scientists at active CREST Centers. HBCU-RISE awards specifically target HBCUs to support the expansion of institutional research capacity as well as the production of doctoral students, especially those from groups underrepresented in STEM, at those institutions. The CREST program supports the following types of projects: CREST Center awards provide multi-year support (typically 5-years) for eligible minority-serving institutions that demonstrate a strong research and education base, a compelling vision for research infrastructure improvement, and a comprehensive plan with the necessary elements to achieve and sustain national competitiveness in a clearly defined area of national significance in science or engineering research. Successful Center proposals will demonstrate a clear vision and synergy with the broad goals of the CREST Program and the Human Resource Development Division with respect to development of a diverse STEM workforce. CREST Centers are expected to provide leadership in the involvement of groups traditionally underrepresented in STEM at all levels (faculty, students, and postdoctoral researchers) within the Center. Centers are required to use either proven or innovative mechanisms to address issues such as recruitment, retention and mentorship of participants from underrepresented groups. CREST Partnership Supplements support the establishment or strengthening of partnerships and collaborations between active CREST Centers and nationally or internationally recognized research centers including NSF-supported research centers, and private sector research laboratories, K-12 entities including museums and science centers or schools, as appropriate to enable the CREST Centers to advance knowledge and education on a research theme of national significance. CREST Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (PRF) awards recognize beginning CREST Center investigators with significant potential and provide them with research experiences

that broaden perspectives, facilitate interdisciplinary interactions and establish them in positions of leadership within the scientific community. Fellows conduct research on topics aligned with the research focus of the host CREST Center. The fellowships are also designed to provide active mentoring to the Fellows by the sponsoring CREST Center scientists who, in turn, will benefit from the incorporation of these talented scientists into their research groups. HBCU Research Infrastructure for Science and Engineering (RISE) awards support the development of research capability at Historically Black Colleges and Universities that offer doctoral degrees in science and engineering disciplines. Supported projects must have a unifying research focus in one of the research areas supported by NSF, a direct connection to the long-term plans of the host department(s), institutional strategic plan and mission, and plans for expanding institutional research capacity as well as increasing the production of doctoral students, especially those underrepresented in STEM. SBIR/STTR Phase IIa Diversity Collaboration Supplements provide an opportunity for existing SBIR/STTR Phase II projects to initiate collaborations with minority-serving institutions that have active CREST Center or HBCU-RISE awards. These supplemental proposals are administered by and co-funded with the NSF Directorate for Engineering Division of Industrial Innovation and Partnerships (ENG/IIP).

Deadline: February 8, 2018

[Training-based Workforce Development for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure – \(CFDA 47.041, 47.049, 47.050, 47.070, 47.076\)](#)

The overarching goals of this program are to (i) prepare, nurture, and grow the national scientific research workforce for creating, utilizing, and supporting advanced cyberinfrastructure (CI) that enables potentially transformative fundamental science and engineering research and contributes to the Nation's overall economic competitiveness and security; (ii) ensure broad adoption of CI tools, methods, and resources by the fundamental science and engineering research community to enable new modes of discovery; and (iii) integrate core literacy and discipline-appropriate advanced skills in advanced CI as well as computational and data science and engineering into the Nation's educational curriculum/instructional material fabrics spanning undergraduate and graduate courses. For the purpose of this solicitation, advanced CI is broadly defined as the set of resources, tools, and services for advanced computation, data handling, networking, and security that collectively enable potentially transformative fundamental research. This solicitation calls for developing innovative, scalable training and education programs to address the emerging needs and unresolved bottlenecks in scientific and engineering research workforce development, from the postsecondary level to active researchers. The resultant training and education programs, spanning targeted, multidisciplinary communities, will lead to transformative changes in the state of workforce preparedness for advanced CI-enabled research in the short and long terms

As part of this investment, this solicitation seeks 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 scientific disciplines and institutions 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. Prospective principal investigators (PIs) are strongly encouraged to engage all relevant stakeholders, to the extent possible within the budget, by forging alliances and forming backbones for collective impact; this is particularly necessary in order to inform forward-looking curriculum/instructional material development for the Nation's science and engineering workforce. At a minimum, each project shall have a board of expert advisors or a network of funded/unfunded collaborators representative of stakeholder communities to periodically scrutinize and help

refine the curriculum/instructional material and project methods, and to inform professional associations and non-governmental organizations responsible for curriculum, accreditation, and professional examination. The CyberTraining program is led by the Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (OAC) in the Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) and has participation from several directorates and divisions as described in Section II – Program Description, Programmatic Areas of Interest. Not all directorates/divisions are participating at the same level and some have specific research and education priorities. The appropriate contact for the CyberTraining program in any directorate/division is the Cognizant Program Officer (PO) for the respective directorate/division/office/program listed. All projects must advance CI training and education goals for CI-enabled fundamental research as described in the full text of this solicitation, in addition to addressing specific domain needs. Prospective PIs are strongly encouraged to contact the Cognizant Program Officers in CISE/OAC and in the participating directorate/division(s) relevant to the proposal to ascertain whether the focus and budget of the proposed activities are appropriate for this solicitation. Such consultations should be completed at least one month in advance of the submission deadline. PIs should include the names of the Cognizant Program Officers consulted in their Project Summaries as described in Section V.A -- Proposal Preparation Instructions. The intent of the CyberTraining program is to stimulate co-funding between OAC and one or more domain directorates/divisions. (For this purpose, divisions of CISE other than OAC are considered “domain divisions.”) To ensure relevance to community needs and to facilitate adoption, those proposals of interest to one or more domain divisions must include at least one PI/co-PI with expertise relevant to the targeted research discipline. All proposals shall include at least one PI/co-PI with expertise relevant to OAC. Prospective PIs contemplating submissions that primarily target communities relevant to those directorates/divisions that are not participating in this solicitation are directed to instead explore the education and workforce development programs of the respective directorates/divisions.

Deadline: February 14, 2018

[Leading Engineering for America's Prosperity, Health, and Infrastructure – \(CFDA 47.041\)](#)

The LEAP HI program challenges the engineering research community to take a leadership role in addressing demanding, urgent, and consequential challenges for advancing America’s prosperity, health and infrastructure. LEAP HI proposals confront engineering problems that are too complex to yield to the efforts of a single investigator --- problems that require sustained and coordinated effort from interdisciplinary research teams, with goals that are not achievable through a series of smaller, short-term projects. LEAP HI projects perform fundamental research that may lead to disruptive technologies and methods, lay the foundation for new and strengthened industries, enable notable improvements in quality of life, or reimagine and revitalize the built environment.

- LEAP HI supports fundamental research projects involving collaborating investigators, of duration up to five years, with total budget between \$1 million and \$2 million.
- LEAP HI proposals must articulate a fundamental research problem with compelling intellectual challenge and significant societal impact, particularly on economic competitiveness, quality of life, public health, or essential infrastructure. One or more CMMI core topics must lie at the heart of the proposal, and integration of disciplinary expertise not typically engaged in CMMI-funded projects is encouraged.
- LEAP HI proposals must highlight engineering research in a leadership role.

- LEAP HI proposals must demonstrate the need for a sustained research effort by an integrated, interdisciplinary team, and should include a research integration plan and timeline for research activities, with convincing mechanisms for frequent and effective communication.

Deadline: February 20, 2018

[National Robotics Initiative 2.0: Ubiquitous Collaborative Robots – CFDA 10.310, 12.800, 47.041, 47.070, 47.075, 47.076, 81.049, 81.104](#)

The NRI-2.0 program builds upon the original National Robotics Initiative (NRI) program to support fundamental research in the United States that will accelerate the development and use of collaborative robots (co-robots) that work beside or cooperatively with people. The focus of the NRI-2.0 program is on ubiquity, which in this context means seamless integration of co-robots to assist humans in every aspect of life. The program supports four main research thrusts that are envisioned to advance the goal of ubiquitous co-robots: scalability, customizability, lowering barriers to entry, and societal impact. Topics addressing scalability include how robots can collaborate effectively with multiple humans or other robots; how robots can perceive, plan, act, and learn in uncertain, real-world environments, especially in a distributed fashion; and how to facilitate large-scale, safe, robust and reliable operation of robots in complex environments. Customizability includes how to enable co-robots to adapt to specific tasks, environments, or people, with minimal modification to hardware and software; how robots can personalize their interactions with people; and how robots can communicate naturally with humans, both verbally and non-verbally. Topics in lowering barriers to entry include development of open-source co-robot hardware and software, as well as widely-accessible testbeds. Topics in societal impact include fundamental research to establish and infuse robotics into educational curricula, advance the robotics workforce through education pathways, and explore the social, economic, ethical, and legal implications of our future with ubiquitous collaborative robots. Collaboration between academic, industry, non-profit, and other organizations is encouraged to establish better linkages between fundamental science and engineering and technology development, deployment, and use. The NRI-2.0 program is supported by multiple agencies of the federal government including the National Science Foundation (NSF), the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD). Questions concerning a particular project's focus, direction and relevance to a participating funding organization should be addressed to that agency's point of contact, listed in section VIII of this solicitation.

Deadline: February 20, 2018

[Smart and Connected Communities – \(CFDA 47.041, 47.050, 47.070, 47.075, 47.076\)](#)

Communities in the United States (US) and around the world are entering a new era of transformation in which residents and their surrounding environments are increasingly connected through rapidly-changing intelligent technologies. This transformation offers great promise for improved wellbeing and prosperity, but poses significant challenges at the complex intersection of technology and society. The goal of the NSF Smart and Connected Communities (S&CC) program solicitation is to accelerate the creation of the scientific and engineering foundations that will enable smart and connected communities to bring about new levels of economic opportunity and growth, safety and security, health and wellness, and overall quality of life. This goal will be achieved through integrative research projects that pair advances in technological and social dimensions with meaningful community engagement. For the purposes of this solicitation, communities are defined as having geographically-delineated boundaries - such as towns, cities, counties, neighborhoods, community districts, rural areas, and tribal regions-consisting of various populations, with the structure and ability to

engage in meaningful ways with proposed research activities. A “smart and connected community” is, in turn, a community that synergistically integrates intelligent technologies with the natural and built environments, including infrastructure, to improve the social, economic, and environmental well-being of those who live, work, or travel within it. A proposal for an S& CC Integrative Research Grants must include the following:

- Integrative research that addresses the technological and social dimensions of smart and connected communities;
- Meaningful community engagement that integrates community stakeholders within the project;
- A management plan that summarizes how the project will be managed across disciplines, institutions, and community entities; and
- An evaluation plan for assessing short-, medium-, and long-term impacts of the proposed activities.

S&CC is a cross-directorate program supported by NSF’s Directorates for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE), Education and Human Resources (EHR), Engineering (ENG), Geosciences (GEO), and Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBE). Awards may be requested for total budgets ranging from \$750,000 to \$3,000,000 for periods of up to four years.

Deadline: February 28, 2018

[Historically Black Colleges and Universities - Undergraduate Program – \(CFDA 47.04, 47.049, 47.050, 47.070, 47.074, 47.075, 47.076, 47.083\)](#)

HBCU-UP provides awards to strengthen STEM undergraduate education and research at HBCUs. Support is available through the following tracks:

- The new HBCU Excellence in Research (EiR) component supports projects that enable STEM and STEM education faculty to further develop research capacity at HBCUs and to conduct research. Proposals submitted to this new track will be routed for review to one of the Research and Related Activities (R&RA) directorates. Funding recommendations will be made by the relevant R&RA directorate(s). Awards will be funded by the relevant R&RA directorate(s) with co-funding from the Office of Integrative Activities (OIA). Prospective PIs are encouraged to contact the cognizant program officer from OIA for further information
- Targeted Infusion Projects (TIP), which provide support to achieve a short-term, well-defined goal for improving the quality of undergraduate STEM education at HBCUs
- Broadening Participation Research (BPR) in STEM Education projects, which provide support for research that seeks to create and study new theory-driven models and innovations related to the participation and success of underrepresented groups in STEM undergraduate education
- Research Initiation Awards (RIA), which provide support for STEM faculty with no prior or recent research funding to pursue research at the home institution, a NSF-funded research center, a research intensive institution, or a national laboratory
- Implementation Projects (IMP), which provide support to design, implement, study, and assess comprehensive institutional efforts for increasing the number of students receiving undergraduate degrees in STEM and enhancing the quality of their preparation by strengthening STEM education and research. Within this track, Achieving Competitive Excellence (ACE) Implementation Projects are intended for HBCUs with exemplary achievements and established institutionalized foundations from previous Implementation Project grants

- Broadening Participation Research Centers (BPRC), which provide support to conduct broadening participation research at institutions that have held three rounds of Implementation or ACE Implementation Projects and with demonstrated capability to conduct broadening participation research. Broadening Participation Research Centers are expected to represent the collective intelligence of HBCU STEM higher education, and serve as national hubs for the rigorous study and broad dissemination of the critical pedagogies and culturally sensitive interventions that contribute to the success of HBCUs in educating African American STEM undergraduates. Centers are expected to conduct research on STEM education and broadening participation in STEM; perform outreach to HBCUs in order to build capacity for conducting this type of research; and work to disseminate promising broadening participation research in order to enhance STEM education and research outcomes for African American undergraduates across the country.
- Other Funding Opportunities include EARly-Concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER), Rapid Response Research (RAPID), conference, and planning grants

Deadline: March 1, 2018

[EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Track 4: EPSCoR Research Fellows – \(CFDA 47.04147.041, 47.049, 47.050, 47.070, 47.074, 47.075, 47.076, 47.079, 47.083\)](#)

The Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) is designed to fulfill the mandate of the National Science Foundation (NSF) to promote scientific progress nationwide. A jurisdiction is eligible to participate in EPSCoR programs if its level of NSF research support is equal to or less than 0.75 percent of the total NSF research and related activities budget for the most recent three-year period ([FY 2017 Eligibility Table](#)). Through this program, NSF establishes partnerships with government, higher education, and industry that are designed to effect sustainable improvements in a jurisdiction’s research infrastructure, Research and Development (R&D) capacity, and hence, its R&D competitiveness. RII Track-4 provides opportunities for non-tenured investigators to further develop their individual research potential through extended collaborative visits to the nation’s premier private, governmental, or academic research centers. During these visits, the EPSCoR Research Fellows will be able to learn new techniques, develop new collaborations or advance existing partnerships, benefit from access to unique equipment and facilities, and/or shift their research toward potentially transformative new directions. The experiences gained through the fellowships are intended to have lasting impacts that will enhance the Fellows’ research trajectories well beyond the award period. These benefits to the Fellows are also expected to in turn improve the research capacity of their institutions and jurisdictions more broadly. Those submitting proposals must either hold a non-tenured faculty appointment at an institution of higher education or an early-career career-track appointment at an eligible non-degree-granting institution.

Deadline: March 13, 2018

U.S. Small Business Administration

[SCORE – \(CFDA 59.026\)](#)

The SCORE Program is designed to provide high quality business and economic development assistance to existing small businesses and nascent (pre-venture) entrepreneurs. The SCORE program delivers professional, high quality, individualized business advising and technical assistance to existing small businesses and pre-

venture entrepreneurs. SCORE will provide problem solving assistance to help small businesses access capital, develop and exchange new technologies, and improve business planning, strategy, operations, financial management, personnel administration, marketing, export assistance, sales and other areas required for small business growth and expansion, management improvement, increased productivity and innovation.

Deadline: December 22, 2017

[Veterans Business Outreach Center Program \(VBOC\) – \(CFDA 59.044\)](#)

Eligible organizations (as defined in Section 3.2) may apply for an Initial Phase VBOC Award of financial assistance under this Funding Opportunity to fund implementation of a Veterans Business Outreach Center in the geographic coverage areas defined in Appendix A. Applicants are limited to the defined coverage areas and can apply for all, or part, of a defined coverage area. As a major component of the VBOC program Applicants are expected to provide entrepreneurship training through the Boots to Business (B2B) and Reboot Training programs to transitioning military personnel and veteran small business owners and entrepreneurs. VBOCs will be expected to cover 100% of the Boots to Business classes within their coverage area. Additionally, funds will be used to offer traditional business counseling and technical assistance to veterans, service-members, military spouses, and others interested in starting or growing a small business.

Deadline: January 8, 2018

U.S. Department of Agriculture

[Solid Waste Management Grant Program – \(CFDA 10.762\)](#)

Funds may be used to: Evaluate current landfill conditions to determine threats to water resources in rural areas; provide technical assistance and/or training to enhance operator skills in the maintenance and operation of active landfills in rural areas; provide technical assistance and/or training to help associations reduce the solid waste stream; and provide technical assistance and/or training for operators of landfills in rural areas which are closed or will be closed in the near future with the development/implementation of closure plans, future land use plans, safety and maintenance planning, and closure scheduling within permit requirements. Grant funds may not be used to: Recruit pre-applications/applications for any loan and/or grant program including RUS Water and Waste Disposal Loan and/or Grant Program; duplication of current services, replacement or substitution of support previously provided such as those performed by an association's consultant in developing a project; fund political activities; pay for capital assets, the purchase of real estate or vehicles, improve and renovate office space, or repair and maintain privately-owned property; pay for construction or operation and maintenance costs of water and waste facilities; and pay costs incurred prior to the effective date of grants made under 7 CFR 1775

Deadline: January 2, 2018

[TAT Grant Program FY18 – \(CFDA 10.761\)](#)

Funds may be used to pay expenses associated with providing technical assistance and/or training (TAT) to identify and evaluate solutions to water problems relating to source, storage, treatment, and distribution, and to waste disposal problems relating to collection, treatment, and disposal; assist applicants that have filed an preapplication with RUS in the preparation of water and/or waste disposal loan and/or grant applications; and to provide training that will improve the management, operation and maintenance of water and waste disposal

facilities. Grant funds may not be used to recruit applications, duplicate current services such as those performed by a consultant in developing a project, fund political activities, pay for capital assets, purchase real estate or vehicles, improve and renovate office space or repair and maintain privately owned property, pay construction or O&M costs, and pay costs incurred prior to the effective date of grants made.

Deadline: January 2, 2017

[Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program – \(CFDA 10.311\)](#)

Beginning farmer education for adult and young audiences in the United States can generally be traced back to the advent of the 1862 and 1890 Morrill Land Grant Acts. But for the first time, the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub .L. No. 110-234, Section 7410) appropriated \$75 million for FY 2009 to FY 2012 to develop and offer education, training, outreach and mentoring programs to enhance the sustainability of the next generation of farmers. The Agriculture Act of 2014 provided an additional \$20 million per year for 2014 through 2018. The reasons for the renewed interest in beginning farmer and rancher programs are as follows: the rising average age of U.S. farmers; the 8% projected decrease in the number of farmers and ranchers between 2008 and 2018; and the growing recognition that new programs are needed to address the needs of the next generation of beginning farmers and ranchers.

Deadline: February 8, 2018

[Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans Competitive Grants Program – \(CFDA 10.334\)](#)

NIFA requests applications for the AgVets for fiscal year 2017 (FY17) to provide grants to nonprofit organizations for training programs and services to establish and enhance farming and ranching opportunities for military veterans.

Deadline: February 8, 2018

U.S. Department of Commerce

[Environmental Literacy Grants: Supporting the education of K-12 students and the public for community resilience – \(CFDA 11.008\)](#)

The goal of this Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) is to support the education of K-12 students and the public so they are knowledgeable of the ways in which their community can become more resilient to extreme weather events and/or other environmental hazards, and become involved in achieving that resilience. Many U.S. communities are increasingly contending with issues related to preventing, withstanding, and recovering from disruptions caused by extreme weather and other environmental hazards (U.S. Department of Commerce FY2014-FY2018 Strategic Plan). These hazards include but are not limited to severe storms, tornadoes, hurricanes, flooding, heavy precipitation events, persistent drought, heat waves, increased global temperatures, acidification of the ocean, and sea level rise (Weather-ready Nation: NOAA's National Weather Service Strategic Plan 2011; Melillo et al., 2014). These extreme weather and climate events put stress on infrastructure, ecological systems, and the humans that live in the impacted places. U.S. communities can become more resilient to such events by exploring the hazards they face, assessing their specific vulnerabilities and risks, considering options, prioritizing and planning, and finally taking action (U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit). This process is typically performed by scientists and municipal planners, but in order for resilience to occur, other

members of a community must have some understanding of the hazards they face and how to mitigate them, both at the individual and the community level. Education projects focused on resilience enable and empower community members, including children and youth, to protect themselves and their communities from these hazards. Projects should build the environmental literacy necessary for communities to become more resilient to extreme weather and other environmental hazards they face. In order for communities to become more resilient, their members must have the ability to reason about the ways that human and natural systems function and interact; to understand the scientific process and uncertainty; to reason about the ways that people and places are connected to each other across time and space; and to weigh the potential impacts of their decisions systematically. Projects should leverage and incorporate relevant state and local hazard mitigation and/or adaptation plans and collaborate with institutions that are involved in efforts to develop or implement those plans. Projects may focus on a single type of environmental hazard or a range of hazards that may impact a community or communities. Projects will be based on the established scientific evidence about current and future natural hazards and stresses facing communities and should consider relevant socio-economic and ecological factors in the targeted geographic area(s). Projects should engage participants in active learning activities. In addition, projects must utilize NOAA's scientific data, data access tools, data visualizations, and/or other physical and intellectual assets available on these topics. In order to facilitate the use of NOAA's assets, projects are strongly encouraged to partner with relevant NOAA entities (offices, programs, etc.) and/or NOAA employees and affiliates. Applicants are also strongly encouraged to review the resilience education projects funded by this program since 2015 and proposed projects should be informed by the lessons learned by these current grantees. Projects must be implemented within the United States and its territories. Projects will likely be implemented at the local level, but may occur in more than one locality. Project topics must relate to NOAA's mission in the areas of ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, weather, and climate sciences and stewardship and should focus on one or more of the goals of NOAA's Next Generation Strategic Plan: healthy oceans; weather-ready nation; climate adaptation and mitigation; and resilient coastal communities and economies. Eligible applicants for this funding opportunity are limited to institutions of higher education; other nonprofits, including informal education institutions such as museums, zoos, and aquariums; K-12 public and independent schools and school systems; and state, local and Indian tribal governments in the United States. Federal agencies, for-profit organizations, foreign institutions, and individuals are not eligible to apply. Proposed projects must be between 2 and 5 years in duration and have total federal requests of \$250,000 to \$500,000 for all years of the project. It is anticipated that awards funded under this announcement during this fiscal year will be made by September 30, 2018 and that the projects funded under this announcement will have a start date no earlier than October 1, 2018. Note: Links to helpful information for applying to this opportunity are available at <http://www.noaa.gov/office-education/elp/grants/apply>.

Deadline: April 6, 2018

[FY2016 – FY2019 EDA Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program – \(CFDA 11.302, 11.303\)](#)

EDA oversees three technical assistance programs (National, Local and University Center) that promote economic development and alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and out-migration in distressed regions. These programs provide grants or cooperative agreements to: (1) invest in institutions of higher education to establish and operate University Centers to support initiatives that are focused on advancing: regional commercialization efforts; entrepreneurship; and a high-skilled regional workforce. provide technical assistance to public and private sector organizations with the goal of enhancing local economic development; (2) support innovative approaches to stimulate economic development in distressed regions; (3) disseminate information

and studies of economic development issues of national significance; and (4) finance feasibility studies and other projects leading to local economic development. These programs aid the long-range economic development of regions with severe unemployment and low per capita income.

Deadline: Not Applicable.

Investments for Public Works and Economic Development Facilities – (CFDA 11.300)

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.

Eligible applicants for and recipients of EDA investment assistance include a State, city, county, or other political subdivision of a State, including a(n): (a) District Organization as defined in 13 CFR § 304.2; (b) Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes; (c) State, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of such political subdivisions; (d) institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or (e) public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State. (2/7/17)

Deadline: Not Applicable.

Economic Development Assistance Programs – (CFDA 11.307)

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.

U.S. Department of Defense

Troops to Teachers Program – (CFDA 12.620)

Congress enacted the Troops to Teachers (TTT) Program in 1993 to assist eligible current and former members of the armed forces to transition into second careers as teachers. Within the Department of Defense (DoD), the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness, Force Education, is responsible for program

policy, funding and oversight. The TTT National Office, located within the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES), is responsible for day-to-day operations and management of the program. Authorizing statute in 10 USC 1154(h) (2) (A), permits the Secretary of Defense to make grants to states or consortia of such states in order to support efforts of recruiting eligible current and former members of the armed forces for participation in the TTT Program and facilitating the employment of participants as elementary school teachers, secondary school teachers, and career or technical teachers.

Deadline: January 26, 2018

U.S. Department of Education

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

[Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C HIV Early Intervention Services Program: New Geographic Service Areas – \(CFDA 93.918\)](#)

This notice solicits applications for fiscal year (FY) 2018 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part C Early Intervention Services (EIS) Program: New Geographic Service Areas. The purpose of this program is to provide comprehensive primary health care and support services in an outpatient setting for low income, uninsured, and underserved people living with HIV (PLWH). Under this notice, successful applicants must provide: (1) counseling for individuals with respect to HIV; (2) targeted HIV testing; (3) medical evaluation, clinical, and diagnostic services; (4) therapeutic measures for preventing and treating the deterioration of the immune system, and for preventing and treating conditions arising from HIV/AIDS; and (5) referrals to appropriate providers of health care and support services.

Deadline: January 2, 2018

[Transitional Living Program and Maternity Group Homes – \(CFDA 93.550\)](#)

THE ADMINISTRATION for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Transitional Living Program (TLP) and Maternity Group Home (MGH). THE PURPOSE of FYSB's TLP and MGH grant programs are to implement, enhance, and/or support effective strategies for successful transition to sustainable living for runaway and homeless youth ages 16 to under 22 and/or pregnant and parenting youth ages 16 to under 22 and their dependent child(ren). Both projects must provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for 18 months and, under extenuating circumstances, can be extended to 21 months and provide comprehensive services that supports the transition of homeless youth to self-sufficiency and stable, independent living. Through the provision of shelter and an array of comprehensive services, TLP youth will realize improvements in four core outcome areas (i.e., safe and stable housing, education/employment, permanent connections, and social and emotional well-being.) GRANTS AWARDED under this announcement will have a start date of May 1, 2018 and the project period will be 41 months. The initial award will be for 17 months and run from May 1, 2018 through September 29, 2019. Applicants should not request more than \$241,660 for the initial award. In addition to the initial 17 month award, the 41 month project period will include two 12-month non-competing

continuation awards of not more than \$200,000 each. The total 41 month project period should not exceed \$641,660.

Deadline: January 10, 2018

Basic Center Program – (CFDA 93.623)

THE ADMINISTRATION for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Basic Center Program (BCP). THE BCP works to establish or strengthen community-based programs that meet the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth up to age 18 years of age and their families. BCPs provide youth with emergency shelter, food, clothing, counseling and referrals for health care. Basic centers can provide temporary shelter for up to 21 days for youth and seeks to reunite young people with their families, whenever possible, or to locate appropriate alternative placements. Additional services may include: street-based services; home-based services for families with youth at risk of separation from the family; drug abuse education and prevention services. THE PRIMARY purpose of the BCP is to provide counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might end up in contact with law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. THE AWARD process for FY2018 BCP allows for annual awards over a three-year project period as funds are available.

Deadline: January 10, 2018

Street Outreach Program – (CFDA 93.557)

THE ADMINISTRATION for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Street Outreach Program (SOP). SOP WORKS to increase young people's personal safety, social and emotional well-being, self-sufficiency, and to help them build permanent connections with families, communities, schools, and other positive social networks. These services, which are provided in areas where street youth congregate, are designed to assist such youth in making healthy choices and to provide them access to shelter and services which include: outreach, gateway services, screening and assessment, harm reduction, access to emergency shelter, crisis stabilization, drop-in centers, which can be optional, and linkages/referrals to services. THE AWARD process for FY2018 SOP allows for annual awards over a three-year project period, as funds are available.

Deadline: January 10, 2018

Child Welfare Training: The National Child Welfare Workforce Institute – (CFDA 93.648)

The purpose of this FOA would be to establish, by awarding one cooperative agreement, a National Child Welfare Workforce Institute (NCWWI) to advance federal priorities to improve safety, permanency, and well-being by building the capacity of child welfare professionals and improving the organizations that recruit, train, supervise, manage, and retain them. The Workforce Institute will play a national leadership role in the field of child welfare in the following broad areas: (1) Demonstrating how university partnerships support workforce development; (2) Implementing organizational interventions to improve workforce recruitment and retention; (3) Providing leadership training across the child welfare career spectrum; (4) Developing cross system approaches to improve worker and child outcomes; and (5) Building evidence of best practices in workforce development. A broad range of activities will be undertaken by the Workforce Institute to promote effective

child welfare practice, enhance agency efforts to create supportive work environments, and improve worker recruitment and retention outcomes by: Implementing an innovative, comprehensive and integrated organizational, educational, and professional development approach to effective child welfare workforce development building on the last two iterations of NCWWI work; Implementing effective workforce organizational interventions that result in improved agency climate, worker preparation, recruitment, and retention outcomes for agencies; such as reduction in emotional stress and worker burnout, increased length of stay for workers, changes in worker attitude and satisfaction, increased recruitment, etc.; Demonstrating expertise in collecting and disseminating information about effective and promising workforce practices in innovative ways; Implementing an intensive, structured research design that rigorously evaluates and measures the impact of each major component of the project and a cross-site evaluation that will build a body of knowledge regarding the appropriate elements to consider and address when implementing a comprehensive model of effective workforce development; and Demonstrating improved safety, well-being, permanency and placement stability outcomes for children and youth in agency care. This will be a 60-month project period with five 12-month budget periods.

Deadline: January 15, 2018

[Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute Learning Health Systems Mentored Career Development Program \(K12\) – \(CFDA 93.226\)](#)

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), in partnership with the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), invites applications for funding to support institutional career development awards designed to train clinician and research scientists to conduct PCOR research within learning health systems (LHS) focused on generation, adoption, and application of evidence in order to improve the quality and safety of care.

Deadline: January 29, 2018

[Minority Fellowship Program – \(CFDA 93.243\)](#)

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Centers for Mental Health Services (CMHS), Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), and Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) are accepting applications for the fiscal year (FY) 2018 Minority Fellowship Program (Short Title: MFP). The purpose of this program is to: (1) increase the knowledge of mental and/or substance use disorder behavioral health professionals on issues related to prevention, treatment, and recovery support for individuals who are from racial and ethnic minority populations and have a mental or substance use disorder; (2) improve the quality of mental and substance use disorder prevention and treatment services delivered to racial and ethnic minority populations; and (3) increase the number of culturally competent mental and substance use disorders professionals who teach, administer services, conduct research, and provide direct mental and/or substance use disorder services to racial and ethnic minority populations. It is expected that MFP will reduce behavioral health disparities and improve health care outcomes for racial and ethnic minority populations.

Deadline: February 12, 2018

[Direct Services for Survivors of Torture – \(CFDA 93.604\)](#)

The Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) announces the availability of funds for the fiscal year 2018 Direct Services for Survivors of Torture (DS SOT) grant program. The purpose of the DS SOT program is to increase access to strengths-based, trauma-informed services that assist survivors of torture and their families in the healing and recovery process. Under this grant program, direct services are provided to persons who have been tortured on foreign soil under the color of law. The program offers holistic and integrated services including medical, psychological, legal, and social work. All of these services are provided either directly by the grantee or indirectly through partner organizations or affiliates.

Deadline: March 19, 2018

[Youth Violence Prevention Interventions that Incorporate Racism/Discrimination Prevention \(R01-Clinical Trial Required\) – \(CFDA 93.307\)](#)

The purpose of this initiative is to support research to develop and test youth violence prevention interventions that incorporate racism/discrimination prevention strategies for one or more health disparity populations. The target age range includes middle school to high school-aged youth, corresponding to an approximate age range of 11 to 18.

Deadline: May 25, 2018

[HIV/AIDS High Priority Drug Abuse Research \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\) – \(CFDA 93.279\)](#)

The National Institutes of Health has recently announced the HIV/AIDS research priorities for the next three to five years <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-15-137.html>. The goal of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to stimulate high priority research relevant to drug abuse and HIV/AIDS.

Deadline: September 7, 2018

[Integrated Food Defense – \(CFDA 93.103\)](#)

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: April 2, 2019

Other key dates include:

- Open Date (Earliest Submission Date) - February 1, 2018; February 1, 2019
- Letter of Intent Due Date(s) - March 1, 2018; March 1, 2019
- Application Due Date(s) - April 2, 2018; April 2, 2019

[Occupational Safety and Health Training Project Grants \(T03\) – \(CFDA 93.262\)](#)

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: November 24, 2019.

[NIMH Research Education Mentoring Programs for HIV/AIDS Researchers \(R25\) – \(CFDA 93.242\)](#)

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The over-arching goal of this National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) R25 program is to support educational activities that complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nations biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs and advance the priorities outlined in the Office of AIDS Research (OAR) Annual Strategic Plan and the research program priorities of the NIMH Division of AIDS Research (DAR).

Deadline: September 7, 2020

[Comparative Genomics Research Program \(R01\) – \(CFDA 93.172\)](#)

NHGRI invites applications for research developing comparative approaches that can be used to understand genome structure and function and the relationship between genomic features and phenotypes. This program supports studies that enable the use of a diverse array of species to advance our ability to understand basic biological processes related to human health and disease, as well as studies that develop novel analytical tools and resources for the comparative genomics research community.

Deadline: January 7, 2021

[NIH Research Project Grant \(Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\) – \(CFDA 93.113, 93.121, 93.172, 93.173, 93.213, 93.233, 93.242, 93.273, 93.279, 93.286, 93.307, 93.351, 93.361, 93.393, 93.394, 93.395, 93.396, 93.399, 93.837, 93.838, 93.839, 93.840, 93.846, 93.847, 93.853, 93.855, 93.856, 93.859, 93.865, 93.866, 93.867, 93.879\)](#)

The NIH Research Project Grant supports a discrete, specified, circumscribed project in areas representing the specific interests and competencies of the investigator(s). The proposed project must be related to the programmatic interests of one or more of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) based on their scientific missions. This Funding Opportunity Announcement does not accept clinical trials.

Deadline: January 7, 2021

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Housing and Urban Development

Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP) – (CFDA 14.247)

This SHOP NOFA announces the availability of \$10,000,000 in FY2017 SHOP Grant funds to be awarded to national and regional non-profit organizations and consortia to facilitate and encourage innovative homeownership opportunities on a national, geographically diverse basis through the provision of self-help homeownership housing programs. Applicants must propose to use a significant amount of SHOP Grant funds in at least two states. Individuals are not eligible to apply for SHOP Grant funds. SHOP Grant funds must be used for land acquisition, infrastructure improvements, and for reasonable and necessary planning, administration and management costs (not to exceed 20 percent). The construction or rehabilitation costs of each SHOP unit must be funded with other leveraged public and private funds. The average SHOP Grant expenditure for the combined costs of land acquisition and infrastructure improvements must not exceed \$15,000 per SHOP unit. SHOP units must be decent, safe, and sanitary non-luxury dwellings that comply with state and local codes, ordinances, and zoning requirements, and with all other SHOP requirements, including but not limited to, the requirements for energy-efficiency, water conservation and accessibility). The SHOP units must be sold to homebuyers at prices below the prevailing market price. Homebuyers must be low-income and must contribute a significant amount of sweat equity towards the development of the SHOP units. A homebuyer's sweat equity contribution must not be mortgaged or otherwise restricted upon future sale of the SHOP unit. Volunteer labor is also required SHOP Grantees may award SHOP Grant funds to local non-profit affiliate organizations to carry out the Grantee's SHOP program. These affiliate organizations must be located within the Grantee's service area.

Deadline: January 25, 2018

U.S. Department of the Interior

2018 Preservation Technology and Training Grants – (CFDA 15.923)

2018 Preservation Technology and Training Grants (PTT Grants) are intended to create better tools, better materials, and better approaches to conserving buildings, landscapes, sites, and collections. The PTT Grants are administered by the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT), the National Park Service's innovation center for the preservation community. The competitive grants program will provide funding to federal agencies, states, tribes, local governments, and non-profit organizations. PTT Grants will support the following activities:

- Innovative research that develops new technologies or adapts existing technologies to preserve cultural resources (typically \$25,000 to \$40,000)
- Specialized workshops or symposia that identify and address national preservation needs (typically \$15,000 to \$25,000)
- How-to videos, mobile applications, podcasts, best practices publications, or webinars that disseminate practical preservation methods or provide better tools for preservation practice (typically \$5,000 to \$15,000)

- The maximum grant award is \$40,000. The actual grant award amount is dependent on the scope of the proposed activity. NCPTT does not fund "bricks and mortar" grants.

Deadline: January 4, 2018

FY 18 American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Preservation Planning Project Grants – (CFDA 15.926)

The purpose of this grant program is to provide seed money for projects that lead directly to the identification, preservation, and interpretation of battlefield land or historic sites associated with battlefields. B. Program Objectives The ABPP encourages an interdisciplinary, holistic approach to battlefield preservation. Grant proposals for projects that fit into a larger vision for the site are favored. To maximize effectiveness of battlefield protection efforts, applicant organizations are encouraged to work with partner organizations and Federal, State and local government agencies as early as possible to integrate their efforts into a larger battle site protection strategy. C. Term of the Agreement Agreement terms for funded projects are estimated to range between one and two years, depending on the negotiated project scope. Agreements are not effective until fully executed with signature from the NPS Awarding Officer. In most cases an agreement will expire after five years from the effective date, unless terminated earlier in accordance with 2 CFR, Part 200, Sections 200.338 and 200.339.

Deadline: January 18, 2018

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Labor

U.S. Department of State

FY 2018 Study of the U.S. Institutes for Student Leaders from the Western Hemisphere – (CFDA 19.009)

The Study of the U. S. Branch (ECA/A/E/USS), Office of Academic Exchange Programs, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), invites proposal submissions from accredited U.S. post-secondary education institutions (community colleges, liberal arts colleges, public and private universities) and other U.S. public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue Code section 26 USC 501(c)(3) (see section C. Eligibility Information) for the design and implementation of five (5) Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSIs) for Student Leaders from the Western Hemisphere to take place over the course of five weeks beginning in June 2018, pending the availability of FY 2018 funds. Each Institute should focus on one of the following three themes: Public Policymaking (1 Institute); Social Entrepreneurship (2 Institutes); or Women's Leadership (2 Institutes). More information on the themes can be found in the full announcement. Four Institutes will be conducted entirely in Spanish, and one Institute will be conducted in English. See the full announcement for full details.

Deadline: January 11, 2018

U.S. Department of Transportation

Youth Service and Conservation Corps Workforce Development – (CFDA 20.219)

The FHWA hereby requests applications for assistance to result in the award of a new Cooperative Agreement, entitled, “Youth Service and Conservation Corps Workforce Development.” The purpose of this proposed Cooperative Agreement (Agreement) is to assist the Recipient in encouraging States and regional transportation planning agencies to enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with qualified youth service or conservation corps to perform appropriate projects eligible under the Federal-aid highway program, and to expand youth workforce development opportunities while strengthening transportation career pathways. COST SHARING OR MATCHING: For this cooperative agreement, cost sharing or matching will NOT be required as the scope of work furthers the administration of the RTP, but cost sharing or matching is encouraged. If proposed, the Government will evaluate cost share as part of the cost/budget review. The degree of cost share and leveraging of non-Federal funds will be considered beneficial to the extent the cost share is considered feasible and demonstrates a furtherance of the goals of the program.

Deadline: January 8, 2018

FAA Aviation Research and Development Grants – (CFDA 20.108)

The FAA is soliciting proposals for research grants and cooperative agreements to pursue the long-term growth and short-term technical needs of civil aviation. In order to streamline the application process, it is recommended that all prospective grantees submit a white paper (letter of intent) for agency technical review before complete proposal submission. Please be sure to identify the specific area of interest (Solicitation FAA-12-01 – Chapter I. FAA Research Grants Program, Technical Areas of Research #1-#9). The white paper shall be no longer than three (3) pages and shall detail overall research objectives.

Deadline: December 31, 2019

U.S. Department of Treasury

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

2018 VA GPD Per Diem Only NOFA – (CFDA 64.024)

To review the complete Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) visit the Grant and Per Diem Program website at <https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/GPD.asp>. VA is announcing the availability of per diem funds to eligible entities to provide transitional housing beds under VA’s Homeless Providers GPD Program models. VA expects to fund 1,500 beds with this NOFA for applicants who will use one or a combination of the following housing models: Bridge Housing, Low Demand, Hospital-to-Housing, Clinical Treatment, and Service-Intensive Transitional Housing and Service Centers. This NOFA announces the availability of per diem funding to 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(19) non-profit organizations, State and Local governments, and Indian Tribal governments to provide a minimum of five transitional housing beds. No more than 40 beds per model, per medical center, per each applicant’s Employer Identification Number (EIN) will be allowed under this NOFA.

Deadline: February 28, 2018

Veterans Cemetery Grants – (CFDA 64.203)

Grants are available for states, territories and federally recognized tribal governments. This program is implemented in 38 Code of Federal Regulations Part 39.

Deadline: July 1, 2018

Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

BoatUS Foundation Accepting Grant Applications for Safe and Clean Boating Projects

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: Open

Baseball Tomorrow Fund

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

Surdna Foundation Sustainable Environment Grants

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.

[JFNY Grant for Arts and Culture](#)

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.

Deadline: Applications must be received at least 3 months prior to beginning date of project.

[CSX Beyond Our Rails Grant](#)

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.

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

Deadline: Ongoing

[Laboratory Equipment Donation Program for Colleges, Universities and Museums](#)

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: Ongoing

[Zayed Future Energy Global High Schools Prize](#)

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.

Waste Management Charitable Giving

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.

Clif Bar Foundation Small Grants

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.

Deadline: 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.

Foundation for Contemporary Art Accepting Applications for Emergency Grants

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: OPEN

Weyerhaeuser Giving Fund

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.

Wells Fargo Corporate Giving Programs

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.

Good Sports Accepting Applications for Sports Equipment Grant

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.

Deadline: 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.

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

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: OPEN

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

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 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: OPEN

[Start a Snowball Invites Applications for Youth Philanthropy Projects](#)

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: Rolling

[Craft Emergency Relief Fund Accepting Applications From Craftspeople in Need](#)

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.

Deadline: OPEN

[Pollock-Krasner Foundation Accepting Applications From Artists With Financial Need](#)

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.

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: OPEN

[Pollination Project Invites Applications From Social Entrepreneurs for Seed Grants](#)

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: OPEN

[Hope for The Warriors Accepting Applications for Critical Care Support for Wounded Veterans](#)

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: OPEN

[Singing for Change Accepting LOIs for Projects to Address Social and Environmental Problems](#)

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: Ongoing

[A Little Hope Announces Youth Bereavement Support Services Grants](#)

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: OPEN

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

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.

Deadline: January 31 (typically for fall and winter projects), September 30 (typically for spring and summer projects)

[Chambers of Commerce Invited to Start Young Entrepreneur Academies](#)

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.

[Cornell Douglas Foundation Grant](#)

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: accepted all year

[Public Welfare Foundation](#)

The Public Welfare Foundation has three programs, Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice, and Workers' Rights, that support 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 over incarceration 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. 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 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.

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

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.

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

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: OPEN

[Binoculars for Young Citizen Scientists](#)

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: OPEN

[International Paper Environmental Education Grants](#)

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.

[Lego Children's Fund](#)

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.

Deadline: Applications accepted four times a year.

[Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health](#)

Evidence for Action (E4A), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, funds research that expands the evidence base needed to build a Culture of Health. Our mission is to support rigorously designed quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods research that yields convincing findings regarding the population health, well-being, and equity impacts of specific policies, programs and partnerships. We are especially interested in research examining the health impacts of programmatic or policy interventions that address factors outside the domain of health care services or public health practice.

Deadline: Open

[Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposals](#)

The goal of the Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposal funding opportunity is to explore; to look into the future and put health first as we design for changes in how we live, learn, work and play; to wade into uncharted territory in order to better understand what new trends, opportunities and breakthrough ideas can enable everyone in America to live the healthiest life possible.

While improving the status quo is vital to the health and well-being of millions of Americans now, the Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposal opportunity reaches beyond incremental changes to explore the ideas and trends that will influence the trajectory and future of health. Ultimately, we support work that will help us learn what a Culture of Health can look like—and how we can get there.

Deadline: Open

Section IV STATE OF ALABAMA GRANTS

Alabama Power Foundation Grant

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.

Alabama Board of Medical Scholarship Awards

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.

Deadline: Applications accepted on ongoing basis.

Economic Development Fund

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

Economic Development Incubator projects

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.

Contact: Community and Economic Development; Shabbir Olia, CED Programs Manager, 334.242.5462, shabbier.olia@adeca.alabama.gov

States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP)

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

Deadline: 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

Alabama Humanities Foundation Grants

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

Bank of America Grant

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.

Deadline: Requests for proposals are issued three times per year.

Costco Wholesale Grants

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.

Deadline: Applications are accepted throughout the year on a rolling basis.

Walmart Foundation National Giving Program Grants

Through its National Giving Program, the Walmart Foundation awards grants of \$250,000 and above to nonprofit 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.

Areas of focus for the Foundation include:

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

Deadline: OPEN

William G. McGowan Charitable Fund Issues Request for Proposals for Projects That Address Homelessness

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: OPEN

Section V (NEW) FELLOWSHIPS / INTERNSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS / FINANCIAL AID / AWARDS

December Scholarships

Betsol Spring Scholarship

Sponsor: Betsol

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 18, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are actively enrolled in college or accepted for the upcoming quarter/semester and are/will be majoring in Computer Science or a related field. Applicant must submit an essay on one of two given topics related to technology.

Drive Smart: No Distractions, No Excuses Teen Digital Short Contest

Sponsor: CTIA Wireless Foundation

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closing Date: December 18, 2017

Description: Contest is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia, ages 13-18. Students must create a digital short to help educate their peers about the dangers of driving distracted. To enter: Register, create a digital short, answer a few questions (paragraph answers), then either share a link to your video or upload it.

MALDEF Law School Scholarship

Sponsor: MALDEF – The Latino Legal Voice for Civil Rights in America

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 18, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to all law students currently enrolled full-time at an accredited United States law school. Applicant must demonstrate commitment to advancing Latino civil rights in their careers.

The Christophers Video Contest for College Students

Sponsor: The Christophers

Amount: Up to \$2,000

Closing Date: December 18, 2017

Description: Contest is open to current undergraduate and graduate college students. Applicant must create a film or video (five minutes or less) that best communicates the message and mission of the The Christophers and its belief that one person can make a difference.

\$1,000 December Scholarship

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school, college, and graduate students, and those planning to enroll within 12 months. Applicant must be a legal resident of the United States or an international student with a valid student visa. Applicant must fill out a short form.

Golden Eagle Coins Scholarship Program

Sponsor: Golden Eagle Coins

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

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.

Hooked To Books Scholarship

Sponsor: Hooked To Books

Amount: UP to \$1,000

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to future and current college students who are at least 15 years old. Scholarship is open to students worldwide. Applicant must submit an essay on how a book changed their life.

Innovation in Education Scholarship

Sponsor: LA Tutors

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

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.

Lawsuit Settlement Loans Scholarship

Sponsor: Nova Legal Funding

Amount: \$750

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are admitted or continuing at an accredited undergraduate, graduate, or law school. Applicant must have at least a 3.5 GPA. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to the finance industry.

The Tree Center Scholarship Program

Sponsor: The Tree Center

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current high school and college students in the United States with at least a 3.0 GPA. Applicant must have designed an innovative product that makes a difference in the lives of others (this could be a website, series of blogs, an app, fundraising event, etc.) and submit an essay describing the goal of the project.

[Tortuga Study Abroad Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Tortuga

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 20, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens, permanent residents, and students in the U.S. on a student visa. Applicant must be a full-time undergraduate student who has applied to or been accepted into a study abroad program eligible for credit by their college or university. Applicant must submit an essay on what they would like to learn from other cultures.

[1Dental Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: 1Dental.com

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 21, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and college students. Applicant must submit a short online survey.

[Addiction Awareness Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: RehabCenter.net

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Closing Date: December 22, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current undergraduate and graduate students who are U.S. citizens, U.S. Nationals, U.S. permanent residents, Refugees, Asylees, Cuban-Haitian entrants, and Humanitarian parolees. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to addiction.

[BEF General Academic Scholarships](#)

Sponsor: Boomer Esiason Foundation

Amount: Up to \$2,500

Closing Date: December 29, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students with cystic fibrosis who are pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees.

[Dr. Juan Andrade Scholarship for Young Hispanic Leaders](#)

Sponsor: United States Hispanic Leadership Institute (USHLI)

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Closing Date: December 29, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a full-time student, in an accredited four-year or two-year institution in the U.S. or U.S. territories, and demonstrates a verifiable need for financial support. At least one parent must be of Hispanic ancestry. Non-U.S. citizens are eligible to apply (DACA or undocumented).

Elder Abuse and Neglect Infographic Scholarship

Sponsor: Peck Law Group

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 29, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who have been accepted to a college and well as students enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program in the United States. Applicant must create an infographic on the topic of elder abuse and neglect.

Maple Holistics Natural Scholarship

Sponsor: Maple Holistics

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 29, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to undergraduate and graduate students with a love for and knowledge of natural personal care and health products. Applicant must submit a blog post in the field of natural health and personal care.

National WWII Museum Essay Contest

Sponsor: The National World War II Museum

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Closing Date: December 29, 2017

Description: Contest is open to middle school and high school students in the United States, U.S. territories, and military bases. Student must submit an essay sharing their thoughts on what the United States' role as the 'Arsenal of Democracy' should be today. Only the first 500 essays will be considered.

Pioneers of Flight Scholarship

Sponsor: National Air Transportation Association (NATA)

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 29, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to college students in their sophomore or junior year who are enrolled in a full-time aviation degree program at an accredited four-year college or university. Applicant must have a least a 3.0 GPA and show an interest in pursuing a career in general aviation.

Alabama Horse Council Scholarships

Sponsor: Alabama Horse Council

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to outstanding youth in Alabama who are majoring in a field of study preparing them for a career in the equine industry. Applicant or applicant's parent must be a current member of the Alabama Horse Council in good standing.

Bi-Annual College Scholarship Essay Contest

Sponsor: Zavodnick/Zavodnick & Lasky, LLC

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited United States college or university by Spring 2018. Applicant must submit an essay on what implementations they would encourage hospitals to make to create a safer environment for employees and patients.

Candere Scholarship

Sponsor: Candere.com

Amount: \$350

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students. Applicant must submit a doodle or well-informed inspiration piece on “what is the next big thing in fashion.”

CastleBranch-GNSA Scholarship

Sponsor: Graduate Nursing Student Academy | Castle Branch

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled in a graduate nursing program at an AACN member school of nursing who are SNSA members and have at least a 3.5 GPA.

EK Insurance Scholarship

Sponsor: EK Insurance, LLC

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students who are U.S. citizens or permanent legal residents of the United States. Applicant must submit an essay on one of two given topics related to car insurance.

Limousine Scholarship

Sponsor: Limo Services in Maine

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students age 15 years or older who are or will be enrolled by 2020 in an accredited secondary or post-secondary institution of higher learning or seminary. Applicant must submit a funny essay on a topic of their choice. To find the scholarship information on website, it will be on the right of the page near the heading that says, “Wedding Limousine.”

Odenza Marketing Group Volunteer Award

Sponsor: Odenza Marketing Group

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students between the ages of 16 and 22 by the deadline who have at least a 2.5 GPA and have contributed at least 50 hours of volunteer (non-paid) service within his/her community over the last 12 months.

Vape Craft Inc. Scholarship

Sponsor: Vape Craft Inc.

Amount: \$4,000

Closing Date: December 30, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled or admitted at an accredited college or university in the U.S. with at least a 2.8 GPA. Applicant must submit a personal essay on one of three given prompts.

\$500 Art Scholarship

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to legal residents of the United States or International students with a valid visa who are 13 years of age or older and who are interested in attending art school, or are currently enrolled in an art school.

\$500 Beauty School Scholarship

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to legal residents of the United States or International students with a valid visa who are 13 years of age or older and who are interested in attending beauty school, or are currently attending beauty school.

\$500 Community College Scholarship

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current community college students or high school students or adult students planning to enroll in a community college.

\$500 Culinary Scholarship

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to legal residents of the United States or International students with a valid visa who are 13 years of age or older and who are interested in attending culinary school, or are currently attending culinary school.

\$500 Graduate Student Scholarship

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current graduate students or college students and adults planning to enroll in graduate school.

[\\$500 Nursing Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Niche

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to legal residents of the United States or International students with a valid visa who are 13 years of age or older and who are interested in attending nursing school, or are currently enrolled in nursing school

[“Impact a Life” College Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: A-Z Discount Printing

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students 18 years of age or older who are enrolled or accepted to an undergraduate or graduate program at an accredited American institution of higher education. Applicant must submit an essay on one of three given topics related to fundraising.

[10KForSchool Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: 10KForSchool

Amount: \$10,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal U.S. residents in the United States who are at least 18 years of age at the time of entry. Applicant must be currently enrolled, or will be enrolled within the next three months, in a college or university in the United States. Applicant must fill out a short online form.

[A Better America Scholarship Program](#)

Sponsor: Global English Editing

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled at an accredited university in the United States who are U.S. citizens or valid green card holders. Applicant must submit a short essay on how they intend to change America.

[Achieve Today Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Achieve Today

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to any current student of an accredited U.S. university or college. Applicant must submit a video OR essay on personal development or high performance.

[AfterCollege Nursing Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: AfterCollege

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who are seeking a baccalaureate, master’s or doctoral degree in nursing.

[AfterCollege STEM Inclusion Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: AfterCollege

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to currently enrolled students working towards a degree in a field of Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics from a group underrepresented in their field of study. Underrepresented groups may be defined by: gender, race, ethnic background, disability, sexual orientation, age, socio-economic status, nationality and other non-visual differences.

[AfterCollege Succurro Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: AfterCollege

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to currently enrolled students in an accredited program, working towards a degree. Applicant must create a profile on the AfterCollege website.

[Animal Compassion Undergraduate Scholarship Award](#)

Sponsor: Pet Insurance U

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to veterinary undergraduate students enrolled in a degree program at an accredited institution. Applicant must have plans to pursue graduate studies in veterinary medicine and proven history of animal advocacy.

[Annual Legal Writing Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: The Expert Institute

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current J.D. student. Applicant must submit a blog post on a topic related to expert witnesses.

[Applegate-Jackson-Parks Future Teacher Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: National Institute For Labor Relations Research

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduate and undergraduate students majoring in education in institutions of higher learning throughout the United States.

[Apprentice Ecologist Initiative Youth Scholarship Program](#)

Sponsor: Nicodemus Wilderness Project

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarships are open to students between the ages of 13 and 21 who are candidates for a degree/diploma at a primary (middle school), secondary (high school), or accredited post-secondary educational institution from any country around the world. Applicant must conduct their own environmental stewardship project in 2017.

Autism Scholarship

Sponsor: Percy Martinez Personal Injury

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students who have autism. Applicant must submit a video or essay on their thoughts on the future of education, as well as two letters of recommendation.

Because College is Expensive Scholarship

Sponsor: Cedar Education Lending

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school students, adults looking to head back to school, current college students, and anyone looking to attend college or graduate school within 12 months. Applicant must submit a short form.

Better Than a Loan Scholarship

Sponsor: Lendza

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States who are 18 years of age or older at the time of entry and who are currently enrolled as an undergraduate student. Applicant must describe a strategy a mom-and-pop shop could use to compete against a big box retailer that has recently opened up in its community.

Bi-Annual Scholarship

Sponsor: ShirtSpace.com

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to citizens and permanent residents of the United States who are graduating high school students or current college students. Applicant must design a T-shirt, hoodie, bag, or sock and share a photo on Instagram.

Budge & Heipt, PLLC Scholarship

Sponsor: Budge & Heipt, PLLC

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who are planning to enroll in an accredited United States college or university in the Spring 2018 semester. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to police and excessive force.

Business Student Scholarship

Sponsor: AfterCollege

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently working towards a degree in a field of business such as Accounting, Advertising, Business Administration, Economics, Finance, Human Resources, International Relations, Management, Political Science, Public Relations, etc. Applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA.

Car Accident Injury Survivor Scholarship

Sponsor: Michigan Auto Law

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students who have sustained injuries from a car or truck accident. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and have at least a 2.75 GPA.

Celebrity Scholarship

Sponsor: Celebrity Scholarship

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to residents of the United States, District of Columbia and U.S. Territories who are at least 16 years of age and registered on the website. Applicant must submit a celebrity impersonation in photo or a video.

C.I.P. Scholarship

Sponsor: College is Power

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students age 17 years or older who plan to start a program of higher education within the next 12 months or who are currently enrolled in a program of higher education. Applicant must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States. Applicant must submit a short online application.

Comedy Defensive Driving Scholarship

Sponsor: Comedy Defensive Driving

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to incoming and current college students. Applicant must take the pledge related to driving and design an advertisement against distracted driving.

ConsumerHealthDigest Scholastic Competition

Sponsor: ConsumerHealthDigest

Amount: \$250

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Competition is open to college students at least 18 years of age. Applicant must submit a well-researched health article, Infographic or video.

[Coupons Plus Deals Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Coupons Plus Deals

Amount: \$3,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students of all nationalities and majors who are at least 16 years old and are enrolled at an accredited university or college all around the world. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to saving money.

[CrazyGames.com Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: CrazyGames.com

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students worldwide who are enrolled in a computer science or related computer education program. Applicant must submit one piece of work related to games, such as a game prototype, an essay related to games, an overview of game development technologies, or other related work.

[CurvedView.com College Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: CurvedView

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who are 18 years of age or older and citizens of the United States. Applicant must submit a video essay answering personal questions about themselves and their educational plans.

[Customized Girl Annual Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: CustomizedGirl

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students. Applicant must submit an original and unique statement and fill out a short form.

[Design Thinking Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: American Graphics Institute

Amount: 1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open students enrolled in a degree-granting program at an accredited two or four-year college or university in the United States. Applicant must submit an essay describing how they anticipate design thinking or design tools will impact them and their career choice.

[DietSpotlight Student Essay Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: DietSpotlight

Amount: Up to \$3,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States who are 13 years of age or older and currently enrolled in a U.S. accredited, post-secondary institution of higher learning. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to the “mobile diet” app revolution.

[Digital Marketing Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Blazing Glass

Amount: \$200

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to all students studying in the United States and Canada. However, students who demonstrate a passion for learning and skill development AND studying a Marketing, Commerce, Business or I.T. course/degree will be favored.

[Digital Marketing Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: TechsCrunch

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. undergraduate students pursuing degrees in business, marketing, advertising, or other computer science related fields. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or India and have a minimum GPA of 3.0

[Discover Student Loans Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Discover Financial Services

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school seniors and undergraduate students who are 16 years of age or older. Applicant must sign up to receive helpful tips on planning and paying for college and they will be automatically entered into the sweepstakes.

[DocuTAP Scholarship Program](#)

Sponsor: DocuTAP

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program in the United States who are at least 18 years of age and in good academic standing. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to technology and healthcare.

[EDvestinU Quarterly Scholarship Giveaway](#)

Sponsor: EDvestinU

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States and foreign students with a valid student visa who are or will be enrolled at any Title IV eligible college or university by September 30, 2018. Two winners will be selected – a national winner and a student who is from or attending college in New Hampshire.

[Elements Behavior Health Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Elements Behavior Health

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current undergraduate students who are legal U.S. residents. Applicant must submit an essay, infographic, or illustration on a given topic related to addiction.

[Empathy for Animals \(EFA\) Scholarship Award for Veterinary Students](#)

Sponsor: Pet Life Today

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled in veterinary studies, animal sciences or a similar undergraduate program at an accredited university. Applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA, proven history of advocacy for animals, and demonstrated financial need.

[Engineering & Technology Student Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: AfterCollege

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently working towards a degree in a field of engineering, technology and/or mathematics. This can also include Computer Science and Cybersecurity. Applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA.

[Experts Exchange Scholarship Contest](#)

Sponsor: Experts Exchange

Amount: Up to \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to citizens, legal residents, and student visa holders in the United States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and all U.S. territories and possessions who are currently enrolled in or accepted to a college, university or trade school. Applicant must submit an essay or video on a technology topic of their choosing.

Facebook Scholarship

Sponsor: Advertisemint

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students who are between the ages of 18 and 25 years of age. Applicant must take a short survey, create a 90 second video pitch about their business idea and complete a short application.

Fallen Heroes Scholarship

Sponsor: The Coast Guard Foundation

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to unmarried dependent children of enlisted and commissioned men and women of the U.S. Coast Guard who lost their lives in Coast Guard land, air, or sea operations. Applicant must be a college bound high school senior entering an accredited college or technical school for fall semester or a full-time undergraduate student already enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program or technical school for the fall semester of this year.

Fight Against Homelessness Scholarship

Sponsor: Frank Betz Associates

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who have been accepted into an accredited post-secondary school. Applicant must be currently homeless or have been homeless in the past, be at risk for homelessness, or worked with the homeless in some demonstrable way.

Fine-Tune Your Mind Scholarship Program

Sponsor: CogniTune

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to incoming freshman and current undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled full-time in a United States college or university. Applicant must submit an essay answering three given questions related to Adderall and the use of non-medical prescription stimulants.

First in Family Scholarship

Sponsor: StudySoup

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate and graduate students who are first generation college students (parents did not attend college).

[FR Outlet Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: FR Outlet

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled in or accepted to a full-time undergraduate or graduate program in an accredited U.S. college or university. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age and a legal resident of the United States or hold a valid student visa. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to flame resistant clothing.

[Free Speech Essay Contest](#)

Sponsor: Foundation for Individual Rights in Education

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to juniors and seniors in U.S. high schools, including home-schooled students, as well as U.S. citizens attending schools overseas. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to free speech.

[Fueloyal Trucking Industry Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Fueloyal

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school seniors and undergraduate students. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to the trucking industry.

[Future Mentors Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Justice Solutions Group

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to incoming students who have received an acceptance letter and current college students. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to mentorship.

[Future of Assisted Living Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Senior Advisor

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled in an associate's degree, bachelor's degree or graduate degree program at an accredited two or four-year college or university during the 2017-2018 academic year. Applicant must submit an essay on how their major of study can improve the lives of seniors in assisted living facilities in their town.

[Future of Freelance Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Contract Mint

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school, college, and university students with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Applicant must submit an essay on what their advice to future freelancers would be.

[G2 Overachievers Student Grant](#)

Sponsor: Pilot Pen and Shonda Rhimes

Amount: \$12,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Student grant is open to exceptional young scholars aged 13 to 19 in middle school or high school who are making a difference in others' lives outside of the classroom.

[Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Gen and Kelly Tanabe

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students in grades 9-12, college, or graduate school students who are legal U.S. residents. Applicant must submit an essay answering why they deserve the scholarship or their academic or career goals.

[General Prize Essay Contest](#)

Sponsor: U.S. Naval Institute

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to all persons eligible for membership (including those already members) in the institute. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to the U.S. Naval Institute's mission.

[George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest](#)

Sponsor: National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017 (dates vary by state)

Description: Scholarship is open to students who are United States citizens or legal aliens who attend a public, parochial, or private high school (including accredited home schools). Applicant must submit an essay related to the American Revolution, the Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. Student should contact their state SAR chapter for specific deadline.

[Get a Boost Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Black Note

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to full-time college students who are at least 21 years of age and legal residents of the United States. Applicant must submit an essay on their ideas that can produce a truly smoke-free world.

[Global Student Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: StudySoup

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate and graduate students who are non-U.S. students, but studying at a college or university in the United States.

[Grey Smoke Media Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Grey Smoke Media

Amount: \$3,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled in a post-secondary institution who are pursuing a career in Business Marketing, Communications, Liberal Arts, or Social Sciences. Preference will be given to those students who have not started their first semester or are in their first or second year.

[Growing Generations Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Growing Generations

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal U.S. residents who are accepted as an incoming full-time student or currently enrolled full-time as an undergraduate or graduate student at an accredited college in the United States. Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to happiness.

[HeadsetPlus.com College Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: HeadsetPlus.com

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate and graduate students who are legal residents or citizens of the United States and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applicant must submit a short YouTube video about themselves.

[Healthcare and Life Sciences Scholarship Writing Contest](#)

Sponsor: The Expert Institute

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students actively pursuing a degree related to healthcare or the life sciences. Applicant must submit an essay on how they feel their specialized knowledge and training could be applied to improving the practice of law.

[Healthcare Scholarship Program](#)

Sponsor: Medical Assistant Degrees

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens who are 18 years of age or older and are enrolled in full-time education working towards a degree in the healthcare field.

Howell & Christmas, LLC Visionary Scholarship

Sponsor: Howell & Christmas, LLC

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current law students at an accredited law school within the United States or at an accredited undergraduate university planning to attend law school. Applicant must have a minimum 2.8 GPA and be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.

Illustrators of the Future Contest

Sponsor: L. Ron Hubbard Library

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to new and amateur artists who have not been professionally published and paid for more than three black-and-white story illustrations, or more than one process-color painting, in media distributed broadly to the general public.

Image America High School Scholarships

Sponsor: Imagine America Foundation

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors or recent high school graduates who have a high school GPA of 2.5 or greater and financial need. Applicant must be planning on attending a career college.

Influence Print Award for Design Excellence

Sponsor: Influence Print

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate and graduate students who are majoring or interested in design and applied arts or graphic design with strong academic records and outstanding creative abilities. Applicant must submit a design and a 300 word description of their design.

Intern & Volunteer Abroad Scholarship Essay Contest

Sponsor: StudyAbroad.com

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who are 18 years of age or older at the time of application and who are currently enrolled (or will enroll no later than the fall of 2018) in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning. Applicant must submit a short essay on volunteering abroad.

Investment Banking Scholarship

Sponsor: InvestmentBank.com

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens who are enrolled full-time in an accredited program in the United States. Applicant must be either a finance or pre-law undergraduate, MBA or law school student AND have at least a 3.0 GPA.

iVein Health & Wellness Scholarship

Sponsor: Intermountain Vein Center

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current full-time undergraduate and graduate students attending an accredited U.S. university or college with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.4. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to healthy lifestyles.

Jack Cramer Scholarship

Sponsor: National Athletic Trainers' Association

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors who have applied to a university offering an athletic training education program providing eligibility to sit for NATA BOC examination upon matriculation.

Jacoby & Meyers Scholarship Competition

Sponsor: Law Offices of Jacoby & Meyers

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current undergraduate and law school students. Applicant must submit an essay on how they plan on making a difference using their future law degree.

Jennifer Dean Community Scholarship

Sponsor: Rancho Santa Fe Cosmetic & Family Dentistry

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school seniors and current college students in the United States. Applicant must submit an essay or video sharing how they are having a positive impact on their community or those around them.

Kenneth P. Carp Scholarship

Sponsor: The Law Offices of Kenneth P. Carp

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to incoming and current college students in the United States. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to Chapter 13 bankruptcy.

[Law Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Percy Martinez Personal Injury

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students who have an interest in law. Applicant must submit a video or essay on the strategies they would use in a case where both the defendant and plaintiff are at fault.

[LawnStarter Lawntrepreneur Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: LawnStarter

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to full-time college students who currently own a lawn care business, ran a lawn care business in the past, or plan on starting a business upon graduating college.

[Luke G Neurological Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Bella Soul

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to full-time college students who are living with a neurological disorder.

[Merck Animal Health Veterinary Student Scholarship Program](#)

Sponsor: Merck Animal Health

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled and in good standing at an AVMA accredited school of veterinary medicine in the United States in either their 2nd or 3rd year.

[Missing in History: Make a Bookmark Celebrating Diverse Figures in History!](#)

Sponsor: DoSomething

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: School textbooks often leave out the contributions of black Americans and other figures from underrepresented groups. Use DoSomething's easy guide to print a bookmark (or make your own) celebrating a forgotten figure in history. Put the bookmark in one of your school textbooks, and you can win the scholarship. Unlimited entries!

[MoolahSPOT \\$1,000 Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: MoolahSPOT

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students at least 16 years or older who plan to attend, or are currently attending, college or graduate school. Students may be of any nationality and reside in any country. Applicant must submit a short form and a short essay.

[Most Promising Logo Design Scholar](#)

Sponsor: FreeLogoServices.com

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students in graphic or product design, or branding or marketing. Applicant must submit one original logo for each of the following three industries: automotive, construction, and beauty & massage.

[My College Review Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Cappex

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students. Applicant must create a Cappex profile and provide a review of their college.

[NACA Scholarships for Student Leaders](#)

Sponsor: National Association for Campus Activities

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current undergraduate students who hold significant leadership positions on their campus.

[Nakul Karkare Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Nakul Karkare

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently enrolled in college. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to hip and knee replacement surgery.

[National Don't Text and Drive Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Goldberg & Osborne

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school seniors and current college students. Applicant must fill out a form pledging they will not text and drive.

[NCGA Educational Foundation Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: National Church Goods Association (NCGA) Education Fund

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to college students who have been employed prior to attending school in the church goods industry, or are currently employed in the church goods industry, or is a family member of a current employee, or a family member of a former employee who is deceased or has been laid off within the last year.

[NextStepU Win Free Tuition](#)

Sponsor: NextStepU

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Sweepstakes is open to legal residents of the U.S. and Canada, age 15 or older, who are in college or will be enrolled in college within three years of 9/30/2016. Applicant must create a NextStepU account (free) or log into their account.

[Nitro College Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Nitro

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States and the District of Columbia who are enrolled in an accredited college or university during the 2016-2017 school year. Applicant must complete a scholarship survey, and answer three short-answer questions.

[NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund Essay Contest](#)

Sponsor: NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to all students enrolled, or who will be enrolled, in an elementary, junior high or high school during the 2017-2018 academic year, including homeschooled students in an equivalent grade level. Applicant must submit an essay on the theme, "What Does the Second Amendment Mean to You?"

[OppU Achievers Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: OppLoans

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens who are graduating high school seniors or current undergraduate students with at least a 3.0 GPA. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to financial literacy.

[Outdoor Entrepreneur Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: RoverPass

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students who are currently part of an outdoor organization on campus or plan on starting an outdoor business upon graduation.

[Parents Need To Know Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Parents Need to Know

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who are parents. Applicant must submit a video sharing the challenges of studying and parenting.

Picture Keeper Scholarship

Sponsor: Picture Keeper

Amount: Up to \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate and graduate students who are legal U.S. residents. Applicant must submit a short essay and a photo that shares what the applicant is doing to follow their dreams.

Pink Zebra Scholarship

Sponsor: Pink Zebra

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to single female high school seniors and current college students who are at least 17 years of age and have a child under the age of 13. Applicant must submit a complete application and a short essay.

Poetry Card Contest

Sponsor: Blue Mountain Arts

Amount: Up to \$350

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contestant must submit an original poem.

Point101 Scholarship

Sponsor: Point101

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to accepted and currently enrolled college students. Applicant must submit a video on a given topic related to design.

Practice Acts of Kindness (Random Optional) Mini Contest

Sponsor: Project Paradigm

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open to students aged 4 to 18 years of age worldwide. Student must share their random or non-random acts of kindness by creating a video, poem, story, drawing, photograph, or anything else that captures one of their acts of kindness.

Private Tutoring at Home Scholarship Program

Sponsor: Private Tutoring

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students presently enrolled at a high school, college, university, or a trade school. Applicant must submit a video on a given topic related to private tutoring.

Promises Treatment Centers Scholarship

Sponsor: Promises Treatment Centers

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to currently enrolled or accepted undergraduate students in the U.S. Applicant must submit an essay on how addiction or mental illness has affected them or someone they love.

PuppyWire Scholarship for the Betterment of Dogs

Sponsor: PuppyWire

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students who are U.S. citizens and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applicant must have a dog or grew up with a dog. Applicant must submit an essay on how dogs have made life better.

Safe Driving Scholarship

Sponsor: Driving-Tests.org

Amount: \$2,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current undergraduate students who are attending a U.S. accredited college or university who are between the ages of 17 and 25 years of age. Applicant must submit an essay on a topic related to reducing road fatalities.

Sales Training and Development Scholarship

Sponsor: Sales Training and Development

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college Freshmen and Sophomores who will be pursuing a degree in business or teaching.

Scholarship Detective Scholarship

Sponsor: Scholarship Detective

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school and college students who are permanent residents of the United States. Applicant must submit a short online form and answer in 140 characters or less how they plan to use the scholarship money.

Scholarship Poetry Contest

Sponsor: Live Poets Society of New Jersey

Amount: Up to \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to all U.S. high school students. Applicant must submit an original poem with 20 lines or less.

Scholarships for Minorities

Sponsor: SR Education

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to minority students (Hispanic, African-American, Asian, or Native American ethnicity) who are enrolled at a public or public educational institution and working towards a certificate, diploma, or degree.

Scholarships for Trades

Sponsor: Intern Solutions

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who are studying a trade, such as plumbing, HVAC, and electrical. In addition to the general scholarship, there is a scholarship specifically open to veterans and military personnel.

Scholarships4Dads Scholarship

Sponsor: Scholarships4Dads

Amount: \$10,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to dads who are currently enrolled, or will be enrolled within the next three months, in a college or university in the United States. Applicant must submit a short form to be entered for the scholarship.

Science Student Scholarship

Sponsor: AfterCollege

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students currently working towards a degree in one of the many fields of science. Applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA.

SHM Cleaning Scholarship

Sponsor: SHM Cleaning

Amount: \$250

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to college bound students who will be enrolled for the fall 2018 semester. Special consideration will be given to those who are taking business or business-related courses. Applicant must submit a completed application, transcript and recommendation letters.

Single Mother Scholarship

Sponsor: TopProducts

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to female, current undergraduate students who are single parents of one or more child under the age of 18 and who is enrolled in a four-year institution. Applicant must submit an essay on their story.

[Single Parent Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Custody X Change

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to U.S. residents who are 18 years of age and have legal and physical custody of one or more minor child. Applicant must also be enrolled full-time at an accredited college and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

[STEM Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: RevPart

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students attending an accredited college and pursuing a career in one of the following: Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math. Applicant must submit a short form, transcript, and a short essay about themselves.

[Student Caregiver Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Caring.com

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students attending a U.S. university or college in Winter Term 2018 (starting January 2018), who have been caring for an older relative while attending school. This includes current high school students who are matriculating in January 2018 and have been involved in caregiving during high school and intend to continue while attending college. Applicant must submit an essay or two-minute video telling the scholarship committee about their journey.

[StyleWe Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: StyleWe

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students who plan to pursue a design career. Applicant must submit a video sharing their design capability.

[TableLegsOnline.comFuture Entrepreneurs of American Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: TableLegsOnline

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college students who are/will be seeking a business related degree.

[Take Shorter Showers to Save Water!](#)

Sponsor: DoSomething

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Americans use more than a TRILLION gallons of water showering each year. That's enough to supply all the water needs of New Jersey and the Empire State. Share a five-minute playlist with a friend to remind them to keep their shower under five minutes. That'll save up to 1,500 gallons of water this year and you'll automatically be entered to win the scholarship.

[Tania Matthews Team Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Tania Matthews Team

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled in an undergraduate and graduate program who are pursuing a degree that enables them or others in their communities to learn a new trade, develop skills, or start a small business. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to small businesses.

[Thanks a Billion: Make a Thank-You Card For Your Favorite Science Teacher!](#)

Sponsor: DoSomething

Amount: \$5,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Beyond everything else they do for students, American teachers spend over \$1.6 Billion a year (of their own money) on classroom supplies. For science teachers, new lab equipment is especially important for learning and especially expensive to buy. Use DoSomething's simple tips for what to write on the card, and then give it to your teacher! Unlimited entries!

[The m.s.Woods Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: M.S.Woods Real Estate, LLC

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students who are attending or have been accepted to an official, accredited U.S. college or university by the application deadline. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to home.

[Timothy J. Ryan & Associates Law Scholarship](#)

Sponsor: Timothy J. Ryan & Associates

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to law or university students who are currently attending and enrolled at a law school accredited by their state or an undergraduate degree program at an accredited college or American university. Applicant must submit an essay on a hypothetical law situation.

Tobi Cares Scholarship

Sponsor: Tobi

Amount: \$3,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to female undergraduate students in a four-year college or community college in the United States. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to fashion.

Top Medical Assistant Programs Healthcare Scholarship

Sponsor: Top Medical Assistant Programs

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarships is open to high school seniors and current college students who are at least 18 years of age and U.S. citizens. Applicant must be planning on becoming a medical assistant or other healthcare professional.

Top Ten List Scholarship

Sponsor: Unigo

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students 13 years of age or older who are legal residents of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia who are currently enrolled (or will enroll no later than the fall of 2023) in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher education. Applicant will need to submit a short response to a given prompt.

Tough Turtle Turf Scholarship

Sponsor: Tough Turtle Turf

Amount: \$1,500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school seniors and current undergraduate students who plan to work in the environmental and/or water conservation industry.

Trevor Coopersmith Urban Art Scholarship

Sponsor: Trevor Coopersmith Urban Art Scholarship

Amount: \$350

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students. Applicant must submit a short personal essay and 3-5 images of their urban art. There is no major requirement, but students must have a talent for art.

Unigo \$10K Scholarship

Sponsor: Unigo

Amount: \$10,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Applicant must be at least 13 years of age, a legal resident of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia, and be currently enrolled (or enroll no later than the fall of 2023) in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher education.

UnitedAg Scholarship

Sponsor: UnitedAg

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to individuals affiliated with a UnitedAg member company either as a child or grandchild of an employee who will be enrolled anytime during the 2018/2019 academic year. Scholarship is open to students of all majors.

Versitas Education Scholarship

Sponsor: Versitas

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current college students at accredited post-secondary institutions in the U.S. who are studying Business Administration, Human Resources, Management, Business & MBA, or Adult Education.

Veteran Benefits Scholarship

Sponsor: VeteranAid.org

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students enrolled in an associate's degree, bachelor's degree or graduate level program at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university. Veterans and military personnel are urged to apply for the scholarship, although it is open to all current college students. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to veterans benefits.

Veterinary Student Scholarship Award

Sponsor: Pet Insurance U

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to all active students currently enrolled in an accredited veterinary college in the United States.

Wandsworth Sash Windows Customer Service Scholarship

Sponsor: Wandsworth Sash Windows

Amount: \$500

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to incoming and current college students. Applicant must submit a video on a topic related to customer service.

Wpromote Digital Marketing Scholarship

Sponsor: Wpromote

Amount: Varies

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who are currently enrolled full-time at an accredited university in the U.S. Applicant must submit a short essay on how they are actively trying to challenge the status quo as a student, as well as a photo that represents their essay.

Writers of the Future Contest

Sponsor: L. Ron Hubbard Library

Amount: Up to 1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Contest is open only to those who have not professionally published a novel or short novel, or more than one novelette, or more than three short stories, in any medium.

Writing Award Scholarship

Sponsor: TC Mastery

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate students. Applicant must submit an essay on a given topic related to internet marketing, content writing, and/or internet marketing tools/resources.

Yoobly Business Scholarship

Sponsor: Yoobly

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to high school and college students who display a high level of enthusiasm for business. Applicants studying Marketing, Commerce, Business or I.T. courses will be favored.

Young Scholars Scholarship

Sponsor: CC Bank

Amount: \$2,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to students attending universities, colleges and other academic institutions across the U.S. who are under the age of 30 and have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Applicant must submit completed application and an essay on volunteering and community service.

Youth Forward Scholarship

Sponsor: National Driving and Traffic School

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarship is open to current full-time high school and college students. Applicant must submit an essay on a topic related to volunteerism.

Zebra Scholarship Programs

Sponsor: The Zebra

Amount: \$1,000

Closing Date: December 31, 2017

Description: Scholarships are open to students currently enrolled at or planning to attend a four-year university, graduate program, community college, or trade school located in the continental United States. There are scholarships for each state, so scroll to the bottom of the page and click on your state. Once on your state page, scroll to the bottom and find the specific scholarship requirements.

Scholarship Resources

- [HBCU Scholarship Directory](#)
- [Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs](#)
- [Alabama Scholarships](#)
- [Nerd Wallet](#)
- [Scholarships due in December 2017](#)
- [Fast Web](#)
- [Scholarship Experts](#)

Financial Aid

[FAFSA \(Free Application for Federal Student Aid\)
Federal Aid Website](#)

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.

[Minority Fellowship Program](#)

Section VI SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Section VII RESOURCES

[THE UPDATED GRANT AND LOAN GUIDE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN WEST ALABAMA IS AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW!](#)

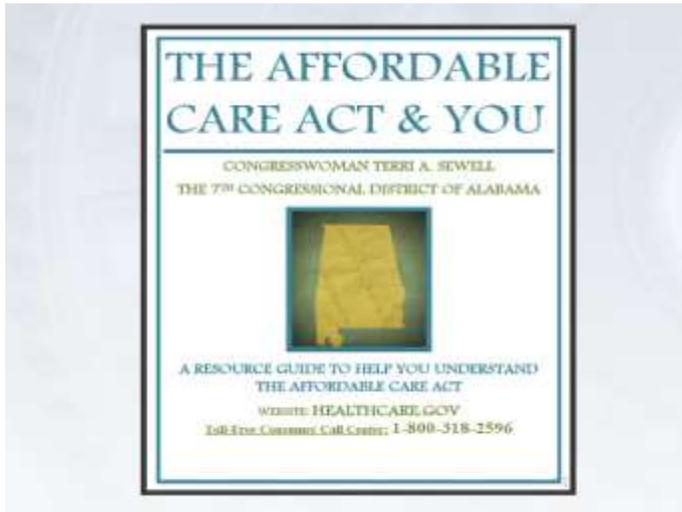
The guide is a quick reference to a variety of commonly used programs giving you the most important details you need to get started.

Find the Guide at <http://warc.info/planning-a-development/documents><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.

Healthcare



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><https://www.healthcare.gov>

Alabama

Health Insurance Marketplace - HealthCare.Gov is the Health Insurance Marketplace for Alabama. Consumers can apply as early as October 1, 2013. Visit 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 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>

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.

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.

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.

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.

[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.

[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.

[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.

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%20%20>

For a tutorial video on how to use the Veterans Employment Center, please visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWfhI-eSoWk>

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/>

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.aacfinfo.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
P.O. Box 3033
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403
Telephone: 205-366-0698, Fax 205-366-0813
Website: <http://thecfwa.org/>

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

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