



The 7th Express

Proudly Moving Alabama's 7th Congressional District Forward

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The 7th District Is On The Move!

Greetings!

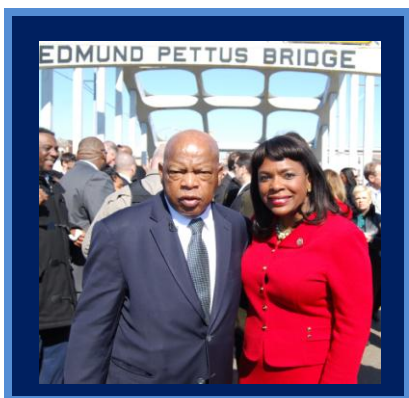
The 7th Express is on the move! During our first year, this office helped to secure \$1.3 million in direct benefits to constituents of the 7th Congressional District and received over \$20 million in grants for our community. This second year we hope to keep up this proud tradition. This newsletter is a way to track our progress. You can subscribe to this newsletter by visiting our website. Please forward to others so that they can stay informed. [Click here](#) to visit our website or visit <http://sewell.house.gov/>.

Congresswoman Sewell Joins President Obama for the Signing of the JOBS Act

On April 5, President Obama invited us to the White House for the bill signing ceremony of the Jumpstart Our Business Startups (JOBS) Act. This bi-partisan piece of legislation will make it easier for small businesses and start-ups to access capital, secure new investors and hire workers to grow their businesses and expand capacity. I look forward to working with the President and my colleagues in Congress in continuing efforts to stimulate our economy, create jobs, strengthen small business development and reduce our deficit. [Click here](#) to view press release.



12th Annual Civil Rights Pilgrimage



On March 2-4, we had the pleasure of hosting and participating in the 12th Annual Civil Rights Pilgrimage along with Representatives John Lewis, Spencer Bachus, and Martha Roby. The pilgrimage included visits to historic Civil Rights sites in Birmingham, Montgomery and Selma. The pilgrimage concluded on the 47th Anniversary of Bloody Sunday with a reenactment of the historic march from Selma to Montgomery. Participants included over 20 Members of Congress, Civil Rights luminaries, students, and many noted scholars and civic leaders. [Click here](#) to view the press release.

Congresswoman Sewell on the 2nd Anniversary of the Affordable Care Act

March 23 marked the 2nd anniversary of the Affordable Care Act a monumental piece of legislation that offers Americans the opportunity to receive quality healthcare and ensures stronger patient protection. It prevents insurance companies from discriminating against individuals with pre-existing conditions as well as ensures that young adults up to the age of 26 are now able to obtain healthcare coverage through their parents' insurance plan.

The healthcare law is a critical step toward strengthening our healthcare system and is already improving the lives of so many people in the 7th Congressional District, the State of Alabama and across this nation. In the 7th Congressional District, 6,800 young adults now have health insurance. 19,000 children and 90,000 adults now have health insurance that covers preventative services without paying co-pays, coinsurance or deductibles. In addition, 36,000 children with pre-existing health conditions can no longer be denied coverage by their health insurers. [Click here](#) to view the press release.

Congresswoman Sewell Participates in BET's 3rd Annual Leading Women Defined Summit

On March 20, I participated in BET's 3rd Annual Leading Women Defined Summit to discuss the importance of the youth vote in the 2012 presidential election. After decades of declining turnout, today's youth are emerging as a strong political voice – voting in record numbers and playing a decisive role in key battleground states. An estimated 22 to 24 million young people voted in 2008 presidential election, an increase in youth turnout by at least 2.2 million over 2004. The active participation of our young people is crucial to the upcoming presidential election.



Global Automotive Supplier Lear Corporation to Build Multi-Million Dollar Plant in Alabama

On March 23, Global Automotive Supplier Lear Corporation announced its plans to build a multi-million dollar supplier plant in Tuscaloosa County. We are pleased that Lear Corporation will be building a \$19.6 million supplier plant in Tuscaloosa County. Spurring job creation and economic growth is a priority for Alabamians and Americans across this nation. This investment is projected to create 150 new jobs in the 7th Congressional District. [Click here](#) to view the press release.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Founder's Day Celebration



On March 24, I had the honor of joining fellow Sorors in celebrating the 104th Founders' Day and 76th Beta Nu Omega Founders' Day for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Now more than ever we need the active engagement of our women and of our young people. Women cannot afford to stay on the sidelines because the issues facing our nation are too important to stay silent.

Congressional Black Caucus Scholarship Opportunity

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (CBCF) is now accepting applications for their scholarships. These scholarships seek to provide financial awards for minority college students across the nation pursuing degrees in various fields. [Click here](#) to find out more about how you can apply!



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It is an honor to serve the 7th District in Congress.
I'll be back in touch again soon!

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