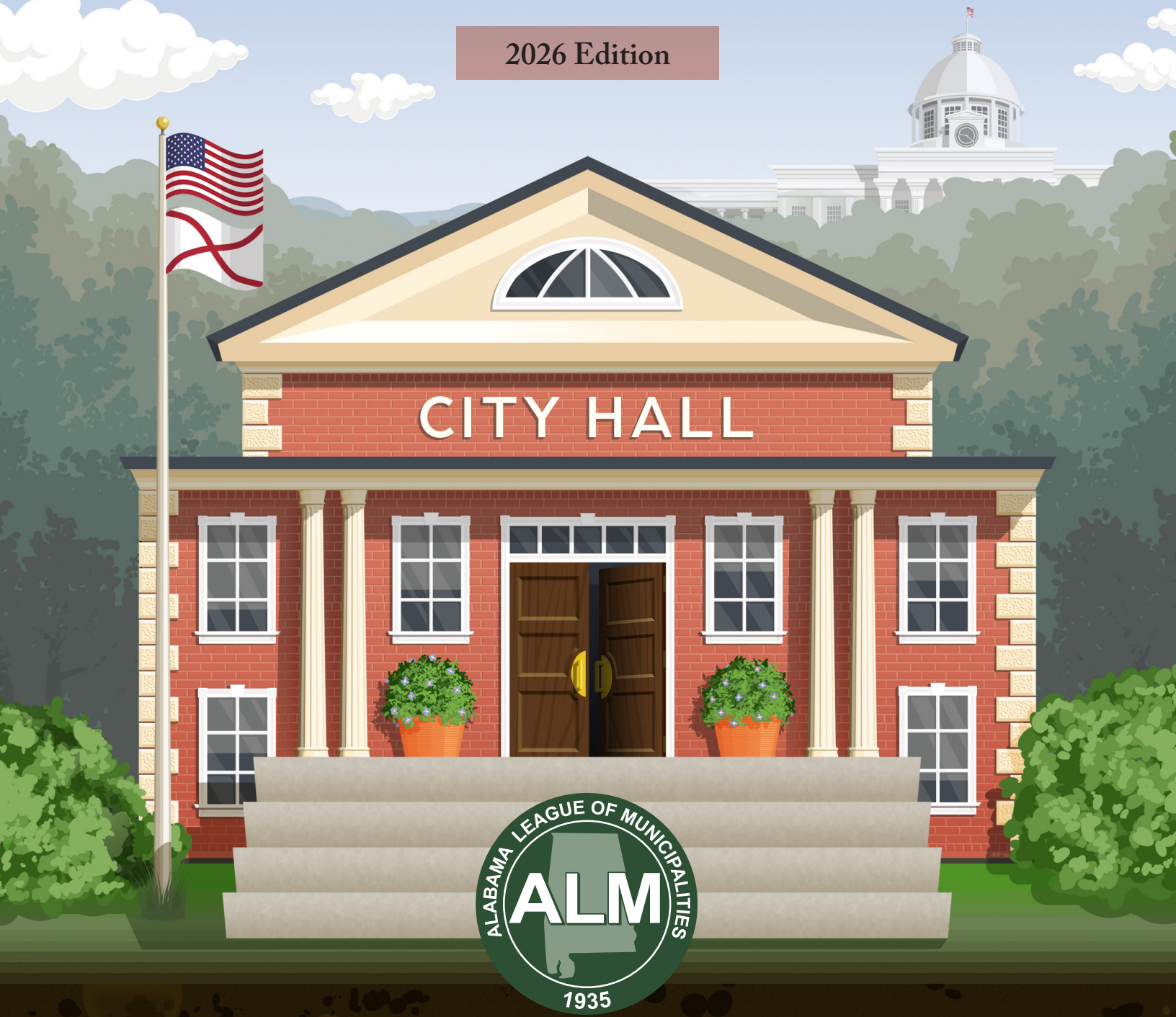


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The GUIDE

The League is excited to share the sixth edition of our Municipal Resources Guide. Alabama provides dozens of resources for local governments across several state agencies. As part of our mission to support our members, the League created this one stop guide to navigating these resources. While this guide does not include all the information about a program, it does provide an overview of valuable resources including program description, matching requirements, contact information and deadlines. The League would like to thank Three Notch Group and UB Community

Development for sponsoring the publication of this guide. Because of their support, we are able to make print copies available to our members. This is also a living document that will be continually updated as municipal officials and employees endeavor to strengthen their communities.



Since 1935, the League has been the voice of Alabama's municipalities and has worked to strengthen municipal government through advocacy, training and the advancement of effective local leadership. The League fully understands that municipalities are the foundation of Alabama's economy and that we must work diligently and intentionally to ensure our cities and towns continue to provide essential resources and services that foster safe, vibrant spaces for businesses to thrive and citizens to live, work, play and prosper.

Gregory D. Cochran,
Executive Director, Alabama League of Municipalities



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Testimonials



“Having spent over a decade in municipal government as a city councilman and later as mayor of Rainsville, I have a great appreciation for the importance of local and state level partnerships. The Municipal Resources Guide offers a thorough overview of the many services the state provides to support local communities. It’s a valuable tool for strengthening collaboration, addressing challenges, and working together to make Alabama an even better place to call home.”

~ Nathaniel Ledbetter, Speaker, Alabama House of Representatives

“As a 14-year veteran of the Cullman City Council, I understand the importance of being able to quickly identify and access state resources that are available to those who serve on the local level. ALM’s Municipal Resource Guide offers the perfect roadmap that can guide local officials to the agencies, programs, and individuals in state government that stand ready to help. It is a valuable tool for those who serve.”

~ Garlan Gudger, President Pro-Tempore, Alabama Senate



“The Municipal Resources Guide is an essential tool for municipal officials across Alabama. It empowers our municipalities with the knowledge needed to seize opportunities for growth. As president of the Alabama League of Municipalities, I’m proud to support this guide and the League’s continued commitment to strengthening communities through collaboration, innovation and informed leadership.”

~ Mayor Sherry Sullivan, Fairhope, League President

“This guide is THE resource for your city. Every one of your elected officials needs a copy, as well as your department heads and City Clerk. Anyone tasked with managing a city or town in the State of Alabama has a need for the infinite amount of information and resources available in this wonderful little booklet.”

~ Mayor Rusty Jessup, Riverside, League Vice-President



“The Alabama Municipal Resources Guide is a vital tool for us in local government. It is a way for us to stay up to date on grants and programs offered by our state agencies that we can use to enhance our communities.”

~ Councilmember Charles Black, Priceville, Chair of the Committee on State and Federal Legislation

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Maps

In addition to the listed resources in this guide, we thought the maps found at the links below might be of interest in your community development pursuits.



Regional Councils Map:

https://alarc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/aarc_map7-11-2019.pdf



Regional Workforce Councils Map:

<https://www2.labor.alabama.gov/Information/WorkforceRegionsMap.pdf>



Emergency Management Agency Divisions Map:

<https://ema.alabama.gov/alabama-ema-divisions/>

The Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR)

Application Timeline: Not set

Type of Program: State project suggestions

Eligible Participants: State and local government agencies

Eligible Funds: Not listed at this time

Source of Funds: Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast (RESTORE) Act

Program Uses: Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region; mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, and natural resources; implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan, including fisheries monitoring; workforce development and job creation; improvements to or on state parks located in coastal areas affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill; infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure; coastal flood protection and related infrastructure; planning assistance; promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing; and promotion of the consumption of seafood harvested from the Gulf Coast region.

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Program Description: The governor, along with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council is tasked with overseeing this funding for the benefit of Alabama's natural resources and economy. Restoration is well underway in the state, with projects being funded across a wide-array of goals that, collectively, will significantly contribute to the improvement of Alabama's coastal resources and strengthen our state economy while improving the health and resiliency of our coastal communities.

Success Story

Implementation of the work of the Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council (AGCRC) continues at a large scope and a brisk pace. Alabama's initial Multiyear Implementation Plan (MIP) was approved in October 2018 by the United States Treasury Department. The MIP includes 15 projects that are in various phases of implementation.

Completed projects include:

- Automotive Logistics Roll-On/Roll-Off Terminal at the Alabama State Port
- Town of Mount Vernon Water Treatment Plant Improvements
- City of Mobile Three Mile Creek Greenway Segment 6N

- City of Gulf Shores Ecotourism Center
- Baldwin County ALDOT Capacity Improvements (Projects 1-3a)
 - Project 1: State Rd 181: County Rd 64 to State Rd 104 in Fairhope
 - Project 2: US 31: Westminster Dr. to State Rd 181 in Spanish Fort
 - Project 3a: State Rd 180 east of Foley Beach Expressway in Orange Beach

Projects that are under construction include:

- City of Fairhope Working Waterfront
- Town of Satsuma Water and Sewer Project
- Baldwin County ALDOT Capacity Improvements (Project 4N)
 - Road north of the Intracoastal Waterway between Foley Beach Expressway and US 59
- Historic Africatown Welcome Center

The AGCRC also directs the state's expenditure of Spill Impact Component Funding (Bucket 3) through the creation and approval of a State Expenditure Plan (SEP).

In 2019, the Federal RESTORE Council approved the state's initial SEP. This SEP contained 29 projects totaling approximately \$132 million. In 2021, the state's SEP was amended to add \$37,161,000 in contingency funds. In 2023, the state SEP was amended again to add an additional \$33,000,000 in contingency funds. Both amendments serve to augment the budgets of approved SEP projects and programs, as needed, in response to cost increases for labor, materials, and/or other considerations. As a result of both amendments, approximately \$202.8 million has been approved for Alabama's SEP projects and programs.

Completed projects include:

- Alabama Seafood Marketing
- Meaher State Park Improvements
- Fairhope Area Community-Based Comprehensive Land Use Plan
- Three Mile Creek Watershed Restoration: Creek Restoration from Museum Dr. to University Blvd and East Dr to University Blvd
- Canal Road Improvements east of SR-161
- Development of a Regional Strategic Plan for the Coastal Alabama Region
- Perch Creek Area Sanitary Sewer Trunk Line CIPP – Phase I

Projects that are under construction include:

- Fort Morgan Trail Extension (Phase I)
- Replacement of Substandard Facilities at the ADEM Coastal Office and Mobile Field Office
- Auburn University Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station
- Fairhope Sewer Upgrade
- Little Lagoon Restoration Project
- Three Mile Creek Watershed Restoration: Langan Dredging and Invasive Species Removal
- Orange Beach Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center
- Aloe Bay/Mississippi Sound Water Quality Enhancement Project
- Perch Creek Area Sanitary Sewer Trunk Line CIPP – Phase II
- Extension of Effluent Force Main from Bayou La Batre Wastewater Treatment Facility

More information on projects can be found at <https://www.outdooralabama.com/programs/alabama-coastal-restoration-program>.

Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA)

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, State Lands Division

Application Timeline: Anticipated March/April annually. Project suggestions submitted after the deadline will be reviewed as they are received as time and funding permit.

Type of Program: State project suggestions within Baldwin and Mobile Counties

Eligible Participants: State and local government agencies and other organizations

Eligible Funds: Fluctuates annually

Source of Funds: GOMESA was enacted by Congress in 2006 to provide revenue sharing disbursements (administered by the U.S. Dept. of the Interior).

Program Uses: Projects and activities for authorized uses associated with coastal protection, including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetland losses; mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources; implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan; mitigation of the impact of outer continental shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects; and planning assistance and the administrative costs of statutory compliance with GOMESA section.

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Program Description: The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, State Lands Division, accepts project suggestions for state-based grants to be funded through the annual distribution of federal revenue sharing proceeds to the State of Alabama pursuant to GOMESA for the authorized uses described under Program Uses.

Success Story

During Fiscal Year 2024, Gov. Kay Ivey announced the approval of 25 projects from the annual GOMESA distribution. These projects focus on education and outreach, sewer infrastructure, water quality, land acquisitions, research facility enhancements, restoration, recreational infrastructure and access improvements. The combined total of all projects, when implemented, will be over \$30 million.

FY2024 GOMESA Approved Projects

1. City of Creola Park, Conservation and Education Project	\$1,000,000
2. Mobile Exploreum Traveling Exhibit Gallery Project	\$829,012
3. Dauphin Island Programmatic Dredge Permit	\$300,000
4. Loxley Municipal Park Wetlands Acquisition Project	\$650,000
5. Fairhope Flying Creek Nature Preserve Phase II	\$1,328,400
6. Summerdale Miracle League Ballfields	\$1,538,000
7. Dauphin Island Middle Beach Access Improvements	\$1,500,000
8. Orange Beach Schools Sea, Sand, and Stars Education Project	\$979,684
9. Meaher State Park Headquarters Camp Store Project	\$1,100,000
10. Mobile County Cedar Point Boat Ramp Phase II	\$2,753,440
11. Dauphin Island Sea Lab's Manatee Sighting Network	\$182,461
12. Town of Perdido Beach Comprehensive Drainage Improvements	\$307,670
13. National Maritime Museum Improvements (City of Mobile)	\$2,250,000
14. Saraland Water and Sewer System Upgrades	\$1,523,700
15. Blakeley Park Waterfront Access Improvement Project	\$1,970,500
16. City of Mobile Riverfront Park Enhancements - Phase II	\$4,023,667
17. Dauphin Island Wastewater Treatment Facility Construction	\$2,965,981
18. Daphne Utilities Sewer Lift Station Pumps - Priority 1	\$499,500
19. Daphne Utilities Sewer Lift Station Pumps - Priority 2	\$445,500
20. Mobile County/TNC Coden Bayou Land Acquisition Project	\$753,575
21. City of Prichard Sweeney Lane Bridge	\$650,000
22. Honor Park - A City of Spanish Fort Project	\$3,000,000
23. Alabama Aquarium Improvements (Dauphin Island Sea Lab)	\$200,000
24. Univ. of South Alabama Lower Alabama Beach Education Facility	\$250,000
25. GOMESA Administration	\$398,641

Total: \$31,399,731

Alabama Coastal Area Management Program

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, State Lands Division

Application Timeline: Spring 2026, projects begin October 2026

Type of Program: Request for Proposals, 1:1 non-federal match required

Eligible Participants: Entities conducting projects in Mobile and Baldwin counties, including state and local government agencies, area-wide agencies, conservation districts, port authorities, school districts, public colleges and universities.

Eligible Funds: Approximately \$225,000 to \$250,000

Source of Funds: Coastal Zone Management Act (Administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration-NOAA)

Program Uses: Planning and implementation of projects that address environmental issues affecting the coastal area and/or enhance productive economic growth, including those that protect, enhance, and improve the management of natural, cultural, and historical resources and support the preparedness of coastal communities. Applications must align with one of the following focus areas: Government Coordination and Local Government Planning; Public Access Improvement; Coastal Hazards and Resilient Communities; Coastal Habitats, Wetland Protection and Coastal Resource Stewardship; and Coastal Nonpoint Source Pollution Control.

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Program Description: The Alabama Coastal Area Management Program (ACAMP), or Coastal Program, exists to balance economic growth with conservation of Alabama's coastal resources by promoting wise management of coastal resources and fostering efforts to ensure the long-term ecological and economic productivity of coastal Alabama. Funding is provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and administered by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR), State Lands Division, Coastal Section on a competitive basis. These grant funds are available pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972.

Success Story

Over the 48 years of the program's existence, the ACAMP has provided support for numerous low-cost public access improvements throughout Mobile and Baldwin counties. These boardwalks, dune walk-overs, kayak launches, fishing piers and trailheads have provided access to the natural resources of coastal Alabama through partnerships with local government entities. The program also supports local government planning efforts through funding and technical assistance to promote wise stewardship of coastal resources.

FY2024 ACAMP Funded Projects

1. Baldwin County Commission The Meadows Public Access improvement:	\$50,000
2. City of Daphne Land Use Ordinance:	\$50,000
3. Town of Dauphin Island Comprehensive Plan:	\$45,000
4. City of Foley Bon Secour Stormwater Management Plan:	\$50,000
5. City of Satsuma Revitalization of Gunnison Creek Waterfront Community Park:	\$50,000

Total: \$245,000

Community Development Block Grant: Annual Competitive Grants

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Application deadline is announced during the annual CDBG workshop in the first quarter of the year.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, match required for most applications

Eligible Participants: Non-entitlement municipalities and counties

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$500,000 per grant – Large Cities (population 3,001 or more)

Maximum \$400,000 per grant – Small Cities (population of 3,000 or less)

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Uses: For infrastructure projects including water, sewer and wastewater facilities, roads, drainage, housing rehabilitation, demolition of dilapidated structures.

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Program Description: ADECA annually awards federal CDBG grant funds in the Small City Fund, Large City Fund and County Fund categories. Grant applications are rated, site visited and scored based on several competitive factors including community need, number of low-income and moderate-income residents benefiting from the project, cost efficiency, appropriateness of activities for the project's geographic area and impact.

Success Story

The city of Littleville in Colbert County was awarded \$400,000 in Small City Funds to rehabilitate a portion of the water system by replacing 6,500 linear feet of water lines with larger lines, benefiting more than 160 people.

Community Development Block Grant: Community Enhancement Fund

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Application deadline is announced during the annual CDBG workshop in the first quarter of the year.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, matching funds required in most instances

Eligible Participants: Non-entitlement municipalities and counties

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$400,000 per grant

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Uses: Mainly for “quality-of-life” projects including fire protection, senior citizen centers, community centers, storm shelters and parks and recreational facilities, etc.

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Program Description: This fund is available to all eligible communities to use for projects that address quality of life issues, particularly among low-to-moderate income residents.

Success Story

The town of Detroit in Lamar County was awarded a \$400,000 Community Enhancement Grant for the construction of a volunteer fire station to provide the town with added fire protection. The new station has three bays to allow adequate space for fire trucks and equipment. The town contributed \$221,098 in local funds for the project.

Community Development Block Grant: Planning Fund

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Application deadline is announced during the annual CDBG workshop in the first quarter of the year.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, matching funds not required

Eligible Participants: Non-entitlement municipalities and counties

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$40,000 per grant

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Uses: For comprehensive plans; elements of comprehensive plans; downtown revitalization plans; and regional strategies and plans, etc.

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Success Story

The city of Lafayette was awarded \$40,000 to develop a comprehensive plan for the city of nearly 3,000 people. The new plan will include current and historical information, define a plan for the community's future and provide the city with updated computerized maps. The city is contributing \$8,000 for the project.

Community Development Block Grant: Economic Development Fund

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: The program operates on a continuous funding cycle.

Type of Program: Non-competitive grant program, requires 20% match

Eligible Participants: Non-entitlement municipalities and counties

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$400,000 per grant (can be waived for higher amount)

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Uses: For infrastructure projects relating to new or expanding businesses or industry that will create jobs, particularly those involving low- and moderate-income people. Projects usually involve water, sewer, roads, drainage, site improvements, rail spurs and docks. Also, business incubator and economic development loans.

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Program Description: The CDBG Economic Development Infrastructure Fund is available to all eligible communities for projects supporting the creation or retention of jobs. Applicants for ED assistance should have a commitment from the business to create or retain 15 or more jobs. The business is to provide a significant economic benefit to the grant applicant community. Projects must not include the intrastate relocation of a business or job pirating. The program is available on a continuous funding cycle. A 20% local match is required, and construction cannot begin prior to grant award or release of environmental conditions.

Success Story

Gov. Kay Ivey awarded \$500,000 in CDBG ED funds to the city of Tuskegee to extend water and sewer services to the city's Commerce Park. The improvements assisted in Samkee America Inc.'s location to the park. Samkee is an automotive supplier of high-pressure, die-cast aluminum components used in engine parts. The company created 170 jobs, of which at least 51% went to low- and moderate-income people.

Emergency Solutions Grant

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: The program is funded on an annual basis. Application deadline is announced during the annual Emergency Solutions Grant workshop in the first quarter of the year.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, requires 100% match

Eligible Participants: Local units of government: cities, towns, or counties; private nonprofit organizations

Eligible Funds: Grant ceiling of \$400,000 for single jurisdiction service area or \$500,000 for multicounty service area

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Uses: For street outreach; emergency shelter; homelessness prevention; rapid re-housing; Homeless Management Information System (HMIS); and administration.

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Program Description: Grant funding may be used to upgrade existing homeless facilities and domestic abuse shelters, to help meet the operating costs of such facilities, to provide essential services- which can include health and mental services - to both sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, to help prevent homelessness, to rapidly re-house homeless persons and to assist in the costs of administering the Homeless Management Information System.

Success Story

The city of Florence was awarded \$350,000 in ESG funds to contract with multiple organizations to provide emergency shelter, homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing assistance to homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness, including victims of domestic violence and their children. Those organizations include the Community Action Agency of Northwest Alabama, MOMS Inc., Safeplace Inc. and Salvation Army of the Shoals. The city contributed \$350,000 in local matching funds toward the project.

Land and Water Conservation Fund

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Annually, but deadlines may vary each year

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, requires 50% match

Eligible Participants: Municipalities, counties, state agencies and state authorities created by the Alabama Legislature may apply for the Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance

Eligible Funds: The maximum grant amount is \$1 million. An applicant does not have to request the entire grant amount and ADECA may provide partial funding for projects if necessary. A minimum grant of \$50,000 is required for recreation areas that have never received LWCF.

Source of Funds: The U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service

Program Uses: LWCF assistance can be used to acquire land and water interests for park purposes, develop new outdoor recreation facilities, and in certain instances, renovate existing recreation facilities. Virtually all public outdoor recreation activities are eligible for assistance under the program including playgrounds, ball fields, (including lights – concrete or metal poles only), court sports, picnic areas, camping areas, trails, splash pads, etc. In addition, support facilities such as concession stands, restrooms, park access roads, parking areas, utilities, and site preparation necessary to make a recreation activity area usable may qualify for assistance.

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Program Description: LWCF assistance may be used for the acquisition of land and water interests for park purposes, the development of new outdoor recreation facilities, and in certain instances, the renovation of existing public outdoor recreational facilities.

Success Story

The city of Ozark obtained a \$446,461 LWCF grant to upgrade the 42-year-old Steagall Park. Among the improvements were refurbishing old tennis courts and adding the recently popular pickleball courts.

Recreational Trails Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Annually, but deadlines may vary each year

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, requires 20% match

Eligible Participants: Local, state, and federal agencies

Eligible Funds: \$200,000 for non-motorized, single-use trails; \$400,000 non-motorized, multi-use trails; \$524,937 for motorized, multi-use trails; and \$87,524 for education and safety programs.

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration

Program Uses: For development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages for recreational trails; maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails; provision of features which facilitate the access and use of trails by persons with disabilities; acquisition of easements for recreational trails or recreational trail corridors; acquisition of fee simple title of property from a willing seller for trail development; construction of new recreational trails; assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance; and development and dissemination of publications and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection related to recreational trails.

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Program Description: The Recreational Trails Program provides grant assistance to state and federal agencies and local units of government for the acquisition and/or development/improvement of recreational trails and trail related resources. Examples of eligible trail types include, but are not limited to, walking, jogging, cycling, skating, mountain biking, hiking, backpacking, off-highway vehicle and equestrian.

Success Story

The city of Hueytown was awarded a \$400,000 RTP grant to construct the first phase of the 330-acre West Rock Mountain Preserve. The project will include approximately 5.3 miles of hiking and biking trails, a parking area and other amenities.

Appalachian Regional Commission

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Annually, but deadlines may vary each year.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, requires 20-70% match

Eligible Participants: State and local governments, non-profit organizations, and institutions of higher education in Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Cullman, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Morgan, Pickens, Randolph, St. Clair, Shelby, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker or Winston counties

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$500,000 for construction projects in FY 2024; maximum \$350,00 for non-construction projects in FY 2024; maximum \$50,000 for a planning grant.

Source of Funds: U.S. Congress

Program Uses: To invest in entrepreneurial and business development strategies that strengthen Appalachia's economy; improve the education, knowledge, skills and health of residents to work and succeed in Appalachia; invest in critical infrastructure-especially broadband, transportation, and water/wastewater systems; strengthen Appalachia's community and economic development potential by leveraging the region's natural and cultural heritage assets; and build the capacity and skills of current and next generation leaders and organizations to innovate, collaborate and advance community and economic development.

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Program Description: The Appalachian Regional Commission is a partnership of federal, state, and local governments and was created to promote economic growth and improve the quality of life in the 13-state region stretching along the Appalachian Mountains from southern New York to northern Mississippi. The region includes 420 counties, incorporating all of West Virginia and counties in 12 other states: Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Success Story

A \$1 million ARC grant will help the city of Cullman attract industry and support the area's growing aviation industry. Cullman was awarded a \$1 million grant to expand hangar space and create a classroom to assist Wallace State Community College's aviation and flight technology program to help meet the growing demand of aviation related jobs in north Alabama.

Delta Regional Authority

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Annually, but deadlines may vary each year

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, requires a 20-70% match

Eligible Participants: Cities, counties and regional planning agencies in Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Dallas, Escambia, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Monroe, Perry, Pickens, Russell, Sumter, Washington and Wilcox counties

Eligible Funds: In general, project awards will range from \$50,000 to \$500,000 depending on the type of project and rating on the grant application

Source of Funds: U.S. Congress

Program Uses: To invest in entrepreneurial and business development strategies that strengthen the Black Belt region's economy; improve the education, knowledge, skills and health of residents to work and succeed in the Black Belt; invest in critical infrastructure- especially broadband, transportation, and water/wastewater systems and build the capacity and skills of current and next generation leaders and organizations to innovate, collaborate and advance community and economic development.

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Program Description: The Delta Regional Authority encourages the development of new jobs and basic improvements to enhance quality of life. The DRA's formula for strengthening economies is to improve education, infrastructure, transportation, and businesses with an emphasis on private enterprise.

Success Story

The city of Reform received a \$1.5 million grant to upgrade all the water lines in its aging water system. The improvements ensured water customers were provided plentiful and clean water to drink, bathe and do other household essentials.

Southeast Crescent Regional Commission

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Annually, but deadlines may vary each year

Type of Program: Competitive grant program, requires 20-50% match

Eligible Participants: Cities, counties and regional planning agencies in Autauga, Baldwin, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lee, Mobile, Montgomery and Pike counties

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$350,000 for construction projects; maximum \$200,000 for non-construction projects

Source of Funds: U.S. Congress

Program Uses: To build sustainable communities and strengthen economic growth in southeast and coastal Alabama by investing in public infrastructure, telecommunications, transportation, health and support services, business and workforce development, education and training, conservation and preservation and tourism.

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Program Description: The Southeast Crescent Regional Commission is a federal-state partnership authorized by Congress in the 2008 Food, Conservation and Energy Act (the Farm Bill) to promote and encourage economic development in 428 counties in parts of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. In Alabama, it includes counties not part of the Appalachian Regional Commission or the Delta Regional Authority.

Success Story

A \$350,000 grant was awarded to provide a rural crisis center in the town of Brantley that will serve multiple counties in south Alabama. The grant was combined with a Community Development Block Grant for the project that will assist those suffering from mental health issues, substance abuse and disabilities. It will employ 65 people.

State Energy Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Application deadline varies (Typically in spring and late summer)

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Local governments, public and private K-12 schools, commercial businesses, utilities, and for-profit and non-profit organizations

Eligible Funds: \$15,000 to \$250,000

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Energy

Program Uses: Energy-efficient retrofits; wastewater treatment plants and renewable energy

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Program Description: The funding is utilized to plan and implement energy programs in Alabama that are designed to achieve national energy goals such as lowering energy costs and consumption, decreasing reliance on imported energy, reducing impacts of energy production and use on the environment, and to increase energy security and reliability.

Success Story

The city of Fairhope used \$46,500 in energy grants to provide energy-efficient LED lighting at its wastewater treatment plant and LED lighting and HVAC upgrades at the Flying Creek Nature Preserve Center.

Alabama Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Application deadline varies (Typically late summer)

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Government and non-government entities

Eligible Funds: Varies

Source of Funds: State funds

Program Uses: All project costs must be necessary for and directly connected to the acquisition and installation of Electric Vehicle charging infrastructure.

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Program Description: The purpose of this program is to fund projects to support the electric vehicle infrastructure needs of residents, visitors and automobile manufacturers in Alabama by installing EV direct current fast charging (DCFC) and AC Level 2 charging infrastructure on Alabama's non-interstate corridors to create a convenient, affordable, reliable and equitable network of charging stations in Alabama.

Success Story

Scottsboro Electric Power Board was awarded \$57,689 to construct two direct current fast charging stations in the city.

Byrne Memorial Judicial Assistance Grant Equipment: Competitive Fund

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: Applications are announced through state law enforcement member groups on the ADECA website and the Alabama Grants website.

Type of Program: Competitive equipment grant program (Patrol Vehicles, Radios, Computers, Tasers, etc.)

Eligible Participants: Law enforcement agencies that do not qualify for direct funding from the U.S. Department of Justice. Agencies must apply through their local unit of government, i.e. County Commission, Mayor's Office.

Eligible Funds: Not listed at this time

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Justice, Byrne JAG

Program Uses: For law enforcement equipment upgrades

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Program Description: Competitive application to upgrade needed law enforcement equipment.

Success Story

The city of Childersburg was awarded a \$23,540 grant to implement a multi-prong strategy to reduce gun violence by offering specialized crisis training and intervention for police officers. Funding also helped offer a mentoring and educational program in schools to discourage gun violence.

Alabama Surplus Property

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: None

Type of Program: Surplus state and federal equipment

Eligible Participants: Government and non-government entities

Eligible Funds: Not applicable

Match Requirement: Not applicable

Source of Funds: Not applicable

Program Uses: State and federal surplus equipment available including vehicles, tractors, office equipment and more. Law enforcement agencies may become eligible under the federal Law Enforcement Support Office program to receive military surplus items at no costs other than transportation.

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Program Description: ADECA's Surplus Property Division's warehouses in Montgomery and Eva (Morgan County) contain state and federal surplus items ranging from vehicles to generators, to traditional office equipment. Qualifying property purchasers, which include public agencies and nonprofits, are able to view warehouse items in Surplus Property's online storefront.

In some cases, unused and gently used items are available. Some special items are also available during disasters. The Law Enforcement Support Office provides military equipment for police departments at no charge. These surplus items are usually located at military bases throughout the United States. Interested entities are required to transport all items at their own expense.

Office of Water Resources: Floodplain Management

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

Application Timeline: None

Type of Program: Information

Eligible Participants: Communities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

Eligible Funds: None

Source of Funds: None

Program Uses: To help communities reduce flood damage to both new and existing buildings and infrastructure.

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Program Description: ADECA's OWR Floodplain Management Unit works closely with local communities and the Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) to build relationships to strengthen their mitigation plans and take action to protect their residents and reduce flood risk.

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Loan Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: Applications may be submitted and reviewed year-round; however, to be considered for Principal Forgiveness (up to \$500,000 but no more than 50% of a project), the application must be submitted no later than February 1st of each year.

Type of Program: Competitive loan program

Eligible Participants: Any public body, including counties, state agencies, incorporated cities and towns, boards, and authorities, may apply for State Revolving Fund financing.

Eligible Funds: Based upon availability of funds – typically, there is a range of \$40-\$80 million available on an annual basis. The amount is determined based on annual infrastructure allocations approved through the U.S. Congress and revenue generated by the program, which are obligated to service new loans.

Source of Funds: State and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Program uses: Rehabilitate or develop water sources to replace contaminated sources; install or upgrade treatment facilities if the project would improve the quality of drinking water to comply with primary or secondary standards; install or upgrade water storage tanks to prevent microbiological contaminants from entering the water system; install or replace distribution pipes to prevent contamination caused by leaks or breaks in the pipe; consolidate water supplies when customers have an inadequate quantity of water, the water supply is contaminated, or the system is unable to maintain compliance for financial or managerial reasons; and other projects meeting the priority objectives of the program.

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Program Description: Alabama's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund is a perpetual source of low-cost financial assistance with fixed loan interest rates substantially lower than the prevailing municipal bond rates, for the construction of public water supply facilities needed to meet compliance standards and public health requirements. The fund may offer loans for up to 100% of allowable project costs for up to 20 years (longer for qualifying communities).

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)

Loan Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: Applications may be submitted and reviewed year-round; however, to be considered for Principal Forgiveness (up to \$500,000 but no more than 50% of a project), the application must be submitted no later than February 1st of each year.

Type of Program: Competitive loan program

Eligible Participants: Any public body, including counties, state agencies, incorporated cities and towns, boards, and authorities, may apply for SRF financing.

Eligible Funds: Based upon availability of funds – typically, there is a range of \$40-\$80 million available on an annual basis. The amount is determined based on annual infrastructure allocations approved through the U.S. Congress and revenue generated by the program which are rolled back into new loans.

Source of Funds: State and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Program uses: For wastewater treatment works; sewer rehabilitation; interceptors, collectors, and pumping stations; decentralized wastewater treatment; streambank restoration; permeable pavements; rain gardens and biofiltration products; brownfield remediation; and watershed and estuary protection projects.

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Program Description: Alabama's CWSRF is a perpetual source of low-cost financial assistance with loan interest rates substantially lower than the prevailing municipal bond rates, for the construction of public water supply facilities needed to meet compliance standards and public health requirements. The fund may offer loans for up to 100% of allowable project costs for up to 20 years.

Scrap Tire Marketing Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: Applications may be submitted throughout the year utilizing the department's electronic database, Alabama Environmental Permitting and Compliance System. There is no deadline for application submission.

Type of Program: Competitive reimbursement grant program, does not require matching funds

Eligible Participants: Eligibility for funding is mostly limited to local governments and local governmental non-profits.

Eligible Funds: Up to 20% of the Scrap Tire Environmental Fee is allocated on an annual basis.

Source of Funds: The Scrap Tire Environmental Fee is a fee that is collected at the point of sale from the consumer on replacement tires. Currently the fee is set at \$1 per new, used or retreaded replacement tire sold.

Program Uses: Promote the growth of scrap tire markets and beneficial end-use of scrap tire material. The Department has granted funds to projects that include the use of scrap tire material as walking tracks and other athletic surfacing, rubber-modified asphalt, splash pads, and for playground and landscape mulch.

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Program Description: Alabama's Scrap Tire Marketing Program was developed to promote the growth of scrap tire markets and beneficial end-use. The Scrap Tire Environmental Fee funds and promotes the development of scrap tire markets. Up to twenty percent of the Scrap Tire Environmental Fee is used for market development.

Success Story

Since 2011, this program has granted over \$14.5 million for the implementation of Scrap Tire Marketing Demonstration Projects across the state. These projects not only provide environmental and economic benefits in their application, but have improved many Alabama communities. Over 57 grants have been issued to local governments totaling more than \$9.5 million in awards for recycled scrap tire demonstration projects. These projects have included: walking tracks, rubber-modified asphalt, playground and landscape mulch, and splash pads.

Scrap Tire End-Use Marketing Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: Applications may be submitted throughout the year utilizing the Department's electronic database, Alabama Environmental Permitting and Compliance System. There is no deadline for application submission.

Type of Program: Competitive partial reimbursement grant program

Eligible Participants: Eligibility is based on the processing of scrap tires and scrap tire materials for conversion into new products and beneficial uses. The tires must have been originally generated in the state of Alabama and there must be a contract in place for the sale of the processed tire material. Tires and tire materials must be beneficially used as outlined in program regulations.

Eligible Funds: Up to 25% of Scrap Tire Environmental Fee funds deposited in the Scrap Tire Fund may be allocated on an annual basis.

Source of Funds: The Scrap Tire Environmental Fee is a fee that is collected at the point of sale from the consumer on replacement tires. Currently the fee is set at \$1 per new, used, or retreaded replacement tire sold.

Program Uses: Promote the growth of scrap tire processing, scrap tire markets and beneficial end-use of scrap tire materials.

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Program Description: Alabama's Scrap Tire End Use Marketing Program was developed to promote the growth of scrap tire markets and beneficial end-use of scrap tires generated within the state. The Scrap Tire Environmental Fee funds and promotes the development of scrap tire markets by partially reimbursing the cost of processing scrap tires generated in Alabama and beneficially reused.

Alabama Recycling Fund Grant Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: Applications may be submitted by March 1st of each year utilizing ADEM Form 009.

Type of Program: Competitive reimbursement grant program; does not require matching funds

Eligible Participants: Local governments, authorities and non-profit organizations

Eligible Funds: Variable; 60% of available funds to Category 1 applicants (>40,000 households); 20% of available funds to Category 2 applicants (<40,000 households)

Source of Funds: Alabama Recycling Fund

Program uses: Offers grant funding to launch and/or further enhance recycling programs across Alabama to reduce material disposal in solid waste landfills. Grant funding can be used to purchase equipment, purchase educational materials, purchase professional services, or develop employment opportunities.

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Program Description: The Alabama Recycling Fund Grant program was launched in 2008 with the Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials Management Act establishing a \$1.00/ton tipping fee on all landfilled solid waste. Twenty-five percent of these fees is allocated to the Alabama Recycling Fund. The fund allows ADEM to award grants for communities to launch and further enhance recycling programs, allowing further reduction of solid waste in Alabama.

Success Story

Since 2009, the department has awarded over 300 Alabama Recycling Fund grants, exceeding a total of \$34 million of funds granted, which has allowed for Alabama to meet the solid waste reduction goal for the five of the past six years.

Brownfields Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: None

Type of Program: Voluntary; no-cost to applicant program for site assessment and remediation of properties suitable for redevelopment

Eligible Participants: Local governments and non-profit organizations. The individuals that may initiate a request for assistance include mayors, city councilmembers, economic development board members, presidents of non-profit organizations, and presidents of universities.

Eligible Funds: Limited and on a first come-first served basis

Source of Funds: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant

Program uses: Conduct comprehensive community Brownfield surveys to assist with Brownfield prioritization; perform visioning workshops to encourage community input in site development; conduct Phase 1 and Phase 2 Assessments at “no cost” for public entities on first come-first served basis; cleanup enrolled properties to promote economic revitalization; other projects meeting the priority objectives of the program.

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Program Description: ADEM's Brownfields Program assists local governments and non-profit organizations with assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment of Brownfields sites. ADEM may perform site assessments for these entities at no cost and also offers training and assistance on applying for Environmental Protection Agency grants available under Section 128(a) of the federal Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. The Redevelopment program is administered within the Land Division.

Voluntary Cleanup Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Application Timeline: Open

Type of Program: Voluntary; fee-based

Eligible Participants: Any public or private entity willing to enter into an agreement with the department and adhere to the terms and conditions of the program may apply.

Eligible Funds: Fee-based (ADEM Division 1 Regulations - Schedule H)

Source of Funds: Enrolled parties

Program uses: Department oversight of assessment and cleanup activities on Brownfields properties; oversight visits before/during/after any cleanup actions; implementing soil/groundwater covenants when necessary; issuing fully transferable Letters of Concurrence upon program completion (Unconditional or Conditional); limited liability protections for the applicants who complete the program; other projects meeting the priority objectives of the program.

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Program Description: ADEM's Voluntary Cleanup Program is a fee-based program for public and private entities that provides oversight of assessment and cleanup of Brownfields properties. The program results in limited liability protection for the property owner. The enrolled site may also be eligible for Brownfields Tax Abatements. Additional benefits of the program include utilizing established infrastructure, transferrable benefits (Letters of Concurrence), and community support. The Redevelopment program is administered within the Land Division.

Alabama Brownfields Redevelopment State Revolving Loan Fund Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Management Application Timeline: None

Type of Program: Competitive loan program

Eligible Participants: Governmental entities

Eligible Funds: \$1 million

Source of Funds: State and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Program Uses: The remediation of contaminated Brownfields sites.

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Program Description: Alabama's Brownfields Redevelopment State Revolving Fund (BRSRF) is designed to be a perpetual source of low-cost financial assistance, the loan interest rate is substantially lower than the prevailing municipal bond rate, for the remediation of Brownfields sites to an acceptable level for redevelopment. The BRSRF offers loans for up to 100% of allowable project costs for up to 10 years.

Success Story

Downtown Montgomery has entered a new era of Brownfields revitalization. Previous industrial and commercial activity in the downtown area resulted in contamination that hindered redevelopment efforts. However, the construction of the Riverwalk Stadium in 2004 sparked redevelopment in downtown Montgomery. The baseball stadium was constructed on the site of a historic train depot. Instead of knocking down the existing buildings, the architects incorporated them into the ballpark, creating a unique blend of old and new. The converted century-old train shed now includes 20 luxury suites from which to watch the game, picnic areas, concessions, and a children's playground area.

Downtown Montgomery has also seen a surge of residential development. The recently developed Heights Montgomery overlooks the Alabama River and is steps away from the newly upgraded Wright Brothers Park, the EAT South Downtown Farm, and the core of downtown. The apartments include 164 residential units, a swimming pool and fitness center. Through the partnership efforts of a number of organizations, EAT South's Downtown Farm, located on a former rail yard, was remediated and then redeveloped. After conducting Brownfields assessments, the site was determined to be suitable for use as an urban garden. The community garden space provides fresh produce as well as a hands-on educational learning center for schools. For most of the projects listed above, the city of Montgomery utilized various Brownfields grants and the BRSRF to assess and clean-up the sites to prepare them for redevelopment.

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT)

Application Timeline: Generally, March - May annually

Application Submission Portal: <https://aldot.submittable.com/submit>

Type of Program: Cost reimbursement program, the sponsor must pay 100% of the project expenses and request reimbursement for 80% of eligible expenditures

Eligible Participants: Local governments; regional transportation authorities; transit agencies; school districts; tribal governments; nonprofit entities responsible for the administration of local transportation safety programs, and other local or regional governmental entities with the responsibility for, or oversight of, transportation or recreational trails

Eligible Funds: Maximum of \$1,000,000 per project; (\$800,000 federal and \$200,000 sponsor match). PE costs are eligible for reimbursement (up to 10% of the total project cost with a maximum of \$100,000).

Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration

Program uses: Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, senior adults, and individuals with disabilities; construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation; conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized transportation users; construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas; community improvement activities; and, environmental mitigation activities.

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Program Description: Transportation Alternatives Program set-aside funds are awarded through an ALDOT administered competitive selection process. It should be noted that while certain types of projects are technically eligible, not all types of projects have the same level of priority in the competitive selection process. The purpose and intent of this program is to provide new "Transportation Alternatives" to communities, as well as enhance existing non-motorized transportation infrastructure. All eligible applications will be evaluated on how the proposed project improvements advance the intent of the program. The following areas are considered in the competitive selection process: promotes safety, provides community enhancements, local commitment, and environmental justice.

Rebuild Alabama Act Annual Grant

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT)

Application Timeline: Generally, December - January annually

Application Submission Portal: <https://aldot.submittable.com/submit>

Type of Program: Application based grant program

Eligible Participants: Municipal and county governments

Eligible Funds: \$10 million will be awarded with no local match required. The maximum amount of funding that can be requested per project with no match required will be \$250,000.

\$5 million will be awarded with a 50 percent local match required. Any Rebuild Alabama Act Annual Grant funding requested over \$250,000 will require a dollar-for-dollar local match from the sponsor, up to a maximum of \$100,000 per project.

Therefore, the maximum amount of total RAA Annual Grant funding that can be requested per project is \$250,000 with no local match required, or \$350,000 with a local match of \$100,000.

Source of Funds: Rebuild Alabama Act

Program uses: RAA Annual Grant program funding is only available for eligible construction activities for transportation infrastructure projects. Preliminary engineering, right-of-way, utility relocation, construction engineering and inspection or materials testing costs are not eligible.

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Program Description: The RAA Annual Grant Program is an ALDOT administered transportation infrastructure grant program for projects of local interest created in the Rebuild Alabama Act of 2019.

Local Roads Safety Initiative (LRSI)

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT)

Application Timeline: Generally, June - July annually

Application Submission Portal: <https://aldot.submittable.com/submit>

Type of Program: Application based grant program

Eligible Participants: Municipal and county governments

Eligible Funds: No maximum per project, at least \$5 million is annually allocated for the program, requires a 10% match

Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration

Program uses: Project applications will be accepted for projects designed to reduce the number of fatal and serious injury lane departure and run-off-road crashes and prioritized in descending order: projects designed to reduce the potential of drivers leaving their lane; projects designed to reduce the potential of a crash in the event a driver does leave their lane; projects designed to minimize the severity of a crash in the event that a crash does occur.

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Program Description: This initiative is available to cities and counties for both rural and urban non-state maintained roadways with significant safety risks. Applications submitted through this initiative must be in accordance with the most recent Alabama Strategic Highway Safety Plan and applicable Local Road Safety Plans if one has been developed by the county that the location falls within.

Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program - II

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT)

Application Timeline: Generally, September - November annually

Application Submission Portal: <https://aldot.submittable.com/submit>

Type of Program: Application based grant program

Eligible Participants: Municipal and county governments

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$2 million per project, \$30-50 million is annually allocated for the program. No local match is required, but applications with a funding commitment from the sponsor are more competitive.

Source of Funds: Rebuild Alabama Act

Program uses: Transportation projects which improve any state-maintained highway system. Local roads and bridges are not eligible except for incidental work that is necessary in order to complete the improvements to the state route.

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Program Description: The purpose of the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program-II (ATRIP-II) is to rehabilitate and improve transportation infrastructure by funding projects of local interest, proposed by one or more local governments, related to the state-maintained highway system. Projects may include local roads and bridges essential to such projects.

Alabama Airport Improvement Funding Program

Administering Agency: The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT)

Application Timeline: Generally, September annually

Application Submission Portal: <http://apps.outreach.aum.edu/AeronauticsPortal>

Type of Program: Reimbursement

Eligible Participants: Municipal, county governments and airport authorities

Eligible Funds: ALDOT will award grants through the Alabama Airport Improvement Funding Program up to 50% of the project's actual cost incurred by the airport owner.

Source of Funds: Airport Constitutional Amendment

Program uses: The Alabama Airport Improvement Funding Program is a reimbursement type program intended to provide financial assistance to the state's publicly owned airports for planning and capital construction of various airfield facilities. The program also can provide funding assistance for land acquisition for airport expansion or obstruction control/removal.

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Program Description: The Alabama Airport Improvement Funding Program has two major priorities. The first is to develop and maintain the safe and secure operation of Alabama's airport system, which is comprised of six commercial service airports that provide scheduled passenger services and 72 general aviation airports. To address this priority, the department has established the goal that all of the state's airports will meet the airport safety design standards of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The second priority is to preserve and improve an adequate system of airports to meet economic development trends occurring in the state.

Flood Mitigation Assistance

Administering Agency: Alabama Emergency Management Agency

Application Timeline: Federal Emergency Management Agency issues a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) generally in early-to-mid September. The NOFO will have specific information regarding that fiscal year's grant.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: State and local governments and Native American tribes

Eligible Funds: TBA

Match Requirement: Minimum 25% match required

Source of Funds: FEMA, under the Department of Homeland Security

Program Uses: Implement long-term hazard mitigation measures tied to flood reduction mitigation activities.

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Program Description: Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant program makes federal funds available to states, U.S. territories, Indian tribal governments, and local communities to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Success Story

On numerous occasions, local governmental entities have utilized this grant to remove structures from flood-prone areas by either acquisitions or elevations. These actions have reduced future losses. Local governments throughout the state are currently working on elevations of homes that will not only reduce future losses but also ensure that the homes are, by and large, not impacted, allowing homeowners to resume their normal activities with little disruption. In addition, Muscle Shoals successfully completed their FMA grant for their city's flood study for the FMA 2020 grant.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Emergency Management Agency

Application Timeline: Generally, around 90 - 120 days from the major disaster declaration date

Type of Program: Federally declared disaster grant program

Eligible Participants: State and local governments, Native American tribes, and certain non-profit organizations

Eligible Funds: An estimate of HMGP funding will be provided after completion of Joint Federal/State/Local Public Assistance (Infrastructure) Damage Assessments and a federal disaster declaration is issued. A much better figure will be provided after the 30-day estimate is provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Hazard mitigation is generally funded at 15% of the 30-day estimate.

Match Requirement: Minimum 25% match required

Source of Funds: FEMA, under the Department of Homeland Security

Program Uses: Implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration.

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Website: <https://ema.alabama.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program/>

Program Description: The purpose of the program is to reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery from a disaster.

Success Story

Many local jurisdictions availed themselves of 404 mitigation opportunities to build both hurricane and tornado safe rooms. Tornado saferooms have provided a safe haven for many of Alabama's residents during severe weather events. Hurricane safe rooms will afford coastal communities the ability to pre-position local assets, such as law enforcement, fire and rescue, public works, and local governance in a wind rated secure facility that will allow for rapid response and decision making to a tropical storm or hurricane impacting these areas. Those protected assets and first responders in less impacted neighboring jurisdictions will be able to assist more impacted communities in their time of need. Since the April 26, 2018 severe storms, local jurisdictions have been awarded funding for these safe rooms and others are awaiting potential funding.

Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Emergency Management Agency

Application Timeline: Federal Emergency Management Agency issues a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) generally in early-to-mid September. The NOFO will have specific information regarding that fiscal year's grant.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: State and local governments and Native American tribes

Eligible Funds: TBA

Match Requirement: Minimum 25% match required

Source of Funds: FEMA, under the Department of Homeland Security

Program Uses: Implement long-term hazard mitigation measures tied to innovative community mitigation initiatives.

Contact Information:

Alabama Emergency Management Agency

Hazard Mitigation Section

Phone: (205) 280-2316

Email: mitigation@ema.alabama.gov

Website: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>

Program Description: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program aims to categorically shift the federal focus away from reactive disaster spending and toward research-supported, proactive investment in community resilience. FEMA anticipates BRIC funding projects that demonstrate innovative approaches to partnerships, such as shared funding mechanisms, and/or project design.

Historic Sites Grant

Administering Agency: Alabama Historical Commission

Application Timeline: March 2026, contingent on legislative funding

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Public or non-profit entities who own and operate historic sites in Alabama

Eligible Funds: Approximately \$3.5 million annually

Source of Funds: State funds

Program uses: Repairs to historic buildings; work to correct any structural deficiencies; keep moisture out of the building; upgrade or repair of mechanical systems; roof repair or replacement, painting, and removal of vegetation; educational programming, and interpretive signage; and grave marker cleaning and repair.

Contact Information:

Alabama Historical Commission

Attn: Stacey Mills

P. O. Box 300900

Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900

Email: grants@ahc.alabama.gov

Website: <https://ahc.alabama.gov/Resources/grants.aspx>

Program Description: Grants will be awarded to public or non-profit entities who own and operate historic sites in Alabama, reflect a historical education-based mission, concentrate on educational programming, and reflect the geographical diversity of the state. Preference will be given to properties built before 1840 to 1943 that are listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and to properties built after 1943 that significantly contributed to the Civil Rights Movement.

Success Story

The historic Vine Hill Presbyterian Church, built in 1887, has been a center for community and faith for citizens in Autauga for generations. Abandoned in 1990, members of the Old Autauga Historical Society undertook renovations on the dilapidated structure beginning in 2020. Since then, OAHHS has restored the church to its original condition over the past five years. This dramatic improvement over the course of a few years is largely due in part to donations made by the Alabama Historical Commission and the dedication of the local community.

In April 2025, Vine Hill Presbyterian celebrated its restoration with the completion of a new roof for the sanctuary. The project totaling \$28,000 was fulfilled through local fundraising and a generous grant from the Alabama Historical Commission. Vine Hill Presbyterian will continue to serve as a pillar of the Autauga community for generations to come.



Homeland Security Grant Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA)

Application Timeline: Based on release of federal funds – Application deadlines will be published to ALEA's website each year.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Units of local government

Eligible Funds: Approximately \$4 million annually

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Homeland Security through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Program uses: The Homeland Security Grant includes a suite of risk-based grants to assist state, local, tribal and territorial efforts in preventing, protecting against, mitigating, responding to and recovering from acts of terrorism and other threats. This grant provides grantees with the resources required for implementation of the National Preparedness System and working toward the national preparedness goal of a secure and resilient nation.

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Website: <https://www.alea.gov/homeland-security-grant-program>

Program Description: The purpose of the HSGP is to provide funds to eligible entities to support state, local, tribal, and territorial efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare the nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risks to the security of the United States.

Success Story

The Prattville Fire Department has been a part of the Alabama Mutual Aid System since its inception. The department has deployed its special rescue teams across the state of Alabama and the Southeast United States many times. These deployments would not be possible without funding from the Homeland Security Grant Program. The grants have allowed the department to procure specialized rescue equipment and training.

In FY2023, the Prattville Fire Department was awarded a grant for the purchase of a utility task vehicle. Using the grant and municipal funds, the vehicle was equipped for National Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) Response System and Swift Water missions. In the fall of 2024, the team was deployed to North Carolina/Hurricane Helene for ten days. The vehicle was essential for team transportation due to the devastation and impassability of all roadways. During the deployment the vehicle was additionally used to extract trapped victims, access critical recon areas for rescue intel and assist with humanitarian aid. The operational period would have not been possible without the use of this piece of equipment.

Alabama State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

Administering Agency: Alabama Office of Information Technology

Application Timeline: First-come, first-serve

Application Submission Portal: <https://slcgp.alabama.gov/apply/>

Type of Program: Non-competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Any county, municipality, city, town, township, local public authority, school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments, regional or interstate government entity, or agency or instrumentality of a local government; or any Indian tribe or authorized tribal organization; or any rural community, unincorporated town or village, or other public entity.

Eligible Funds: Approximately \$19 million, subject to applicable restrictions or requirements

Source of Funds: The federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

Program Uses: The goal of Alabama's SLCGP program is to raise the collective cybersecurity posture and resilience of our state by assisting local governments in determining their current cybersecurity readiness level, identifying key areas of improvement or enhancement, and providing pathways that enable the acquisition of necessary resources to strengthen systems and processes.

Contact Information:

Application Submission Portal: <https://slcgp.alabama.gov/apply/>

Website: <https://slcgp.alabama.gov/>

Program Description: The federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), was signed into law on November 15, 2021. One component of the act is the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP), which appropriated \$1 billion over four rounds of funding (2022-2025) to address cybersecurity risks and threats to information systems owned or operated by, or on behalf of, state, local, or tribal governments (SLT). Alabama was allocated approximately \$19 million.

Success Story

To date, approximately 50 local government entities (LGE) across the state have submitted applications for funding through Alabama's SLCGP program. Alabama's State Administrative Agency (SAA), the Alabama Office of Information Technology, is currently working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) to obligate grant funds that will enable these LGE to begin implementing critical cybersecurity IT services to protect their systems and networks.

Alabama State Council on the Arts - Project Funding

Administering Agency: Alabama State Council on the Arts

Application Timeline: Deadlines for most grants are listed below.

- December 1, 2025 (for Arts Facilities)
- March 2, 2026 (for Artist Fellowships)
- June 2, 2026 (for Project Grants and Operating Support)
- September 1, 2026 (for Project Grants and Folk Arts Apprenticeships)
- Live Arts Learning and Quick Assist grant applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Organizations legally domiciled in Alabama; 501(c)(3) nonprofit entities in good standing with Internal Revenue Service; public institutions such as schools, school boards, local or county agencies, or municipal governments; colleges and universities; individual artists in Alabama. Eligibility varies by grant program, see guidelines for complete details.

Eligible Funds: Up to \$2,500 for Quick Assist grants; up to \$5,000 for Arts in Education/Live Arts Learning grants; up to \$10,000 for Project grants; up to \$20,000 for Administrative or Consolidated Project grants and Arts in Education curriculum-based project grants; up to \$100,000 for Arts Facilities grants.

Source of Funds: State and federal

Program Uses: Projects that occur between October 1, 2026, and September 30, 2027; visit <https://arts.alabama.gov/> to read the guidelines for the most up-to-date funding criteria.

Contact Information:

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Website: <https://arts.alabama.gov/>

Program Description: Detailed program descriptions can be found at <https://arts.alabama.gov/>.

Success Story

For most grant recipients, public programs supported by the Council on the Arts have a reach that extends far beyond the anticipated audiences. People from all walks of life are drawn to and interested in artistic and creative activities. At Troy Regional Medical Center, grantee Troy-Pike Cultural Arts Center helms the 'Sunshine Arts for Seniors' program. While the classes are intended for senior inpatients, hospital staff including nurses and social workers are required to be in the room; they happily join in when invited to participate, revealing the universal appeal of creativity.

Innovate Alabama Network: Community Designation Program

Administering Agency: Innovate Alabama

Application Timeline: Various opportunities throughout the year

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Municipalities, counties and federally recognized Native American tribes.

Eligible Funds: Up to \$250,000 per application for Network Designation; up to \$750,000 per project application.

Source of Funds: State funds

Program Uses: Innovate Alabama recognizes three components to a healthy and robust innovation economy: people, place, and resources. People refer to programming and assets that help strengthen the workforce, including: education opportunities, workforce development programs and others. Place refers to the assets that attract and retain workers to communities. Assets and programs may include: neighborhood revitalization grants, placemaking initiatives, building rehabilitation or preservation programs, among others. Lastly, resources refer to the financial or programmatic assets that directly grow or serve innovators within the community such as mentorship programs, business incubators, among others. Innovate Alabama understands that innovation activity is the result of a complex interaction between these asset categories and that the examples provided above are non-exhaustive.

Contact Information:

Email: partners@innovatealabama.org

Website: <https://innovatealabama.org/innovate-alabama-network/>

Program Description: The Innovate Alabama Network: Community Designation Program supports communities throughout the state who are committed to expanding innovation-related programming and assets. Expanding these initiatives will grow the Alabama economy by attracting and retaining high and mid-skilled workers; creating programming that connects entrepreneurs with innovation resources; and developing physical assets that contribute to increased quality of life and worker productivity.

Success Story

Innovate Alabama's impact is not exclusive to the state's urban centers. Through the Innovate Alabama Network, we are catalyzing innovation and entrepreneurship in every corner of the state. Marion is one of several members of the Innovate Alabama Network located in the Black Belt. With the grant money from the city of Marion's and Main Street Marion's designations, which were \$100,000 and \$125,000 respectively, they will turn a building on the downtown square into a computer lab, training facility and conference space where entrepreneurs can come to take advantage of these resources and cross-collaborate. Recognizing Marion's high unemployment rate, this project will serve as a catalyst for small business growth, local workforce enhancement and the city's transition towards a smart city environment. This project not only highlights the innovation happening in Alabama's rural communities, but also showcases the power of partnership and collaboration between two Innovate Alabama Network designees. In a statement to Black Belt News Network, Marion Mayor Dexter Hinton said, "Bringing in funding and investment to assist with revitalization efforts for our structures and training opportunities for our citizens is essential to the growth of our city and our workforce."

Tourism: Community Grants

Administering Agency: Alabama Tourism Department

Application Timeline: Available all year, but applications are due three months prior to the event

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Municipalities and non-profits

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$2,500 for festivals and \$5,000 for attractions

Match Requirement: None

Source of Funds: State funds

Program Uses: There are three uses for this grant program.

1. design and printing of brochures
2. websites and mobile applications
3. out of state advertising

Contact Information:

Community Grants Coordinator

Alabama Tourism Department

Post Office Box 4927

Montgomery, AL 36103-4927

Phone: (334) 242-4416

Fax: (334) 353-8249

Website: <https://tourism.alabama.gov/forms/matching-grants/>

Program Description: The Community Grants Program provides assistance to municipal and nonprofit Alabama organizations promoting travel and vacation business to Alabama on a reimbursement basis.

Tourism: Product Development Grants

Administering Agency: Alabama Tourism Department

Application Timeline: Available all year (depending on funding)

Type of Program: Competitive grant program

Eligible Participants: Municipalities and non-profits

Eligible Funds: Maximum \$50,000

Match Requirement: None

Source of Funds: State funds

Program Uses: This grant program was setup to help tourism partners and destinations around the state to have access to funds for larger scale special projects and events which are statewide or regional in scope.

Contact Information:

Community Grants Coordinator

Alabama Tourism Department

Post Office Box 4927

Montgomery, AL 36103-4927

Phone: (334) 242-4416

Applications may be emailed to: grants@tourism.alabama.gov

Website: <https://tourism.alabama.gov/forms/>

Program Description: The Alabama Tourism Department (ATD) started the Product Development Grant program as a way to assist destinations in attracting large statewide or regional events. Grants have also been used to help create photo opportunities (murals, statues or other site specific installations) or other ways to engage tourists visiting our state.

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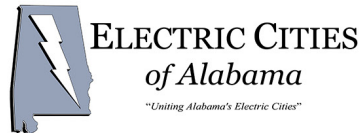
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