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Recovery Act Update

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Senator Sherrod Brown would like you to know about new opportunities available through the Recovery Act:

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Energy

The U.S. Department of Energy is publishing all funding opportunities through the Recovery Act at <http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>. Detailed solicitations for Smart Grid, Biomass, Clean Cities, Battery, Wind research and other competitive energy opportunities are already available at this site. Additional opportunities will be posted in the coming weeks. Please be sure to check back often.

Transportation-related energy opportunities and open solicitations can be found here:

<http://www.afdc.energy.gov/cleancities/progs/solicitations.php>.

Additionally, the Department of Energy recently revealed a clearinghouse for all energy-related questions about the Recovery Act. The Toll-free number for the DOE Recovery Act Clearinghouse is 1-888-DOE-RCVY (1-888-363-7289), available Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 7 PM EST. Or, visit <http://recoveryclearinghouse.energy.gov/>.

For more Recovery Act information from DOE, visit: <http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>

Neighborhood Stabilization Program

In addition to a formula component that has already been allocated, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recently announced two competitive grant opportunities under the Recovery Act to address home foreclosure and abandonment and for the provision of capacity building and support for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) grantees.

There are two competitive opportunities. In the NSP2 program round, applicants compete for up to \$1.9 billion to carry out neighborhood stabilization programs (deadline for receipt of NSP2 application: 5 P.M. EDT on July 17, 2009). In the NSP-TA round, applicants compete for up to \$50 million to provide technical assistance, including capacity building of local communities (deadline for receipt of NSP-TA application: 5 P.M. EDT on June 8, 2009).

For the NSP2 solicitation, visit: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nsp2-nofa.pdf>

For the NSP-TA solicitation, visit: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nsp-ta-nofa.pdf>

For more program details, visit <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm>.

National School Lunch Program

The Recovery Act provides \$3.1 million to the State of Ohio to fund to the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is responsible for the distribution of these resources. To be considered for these funds, all interested schools must submit both a proposal to <http://recovery.ohio.gov/> and an application to ODE. For details from ODE, click here. For more details on National School Lunch Program funds in the Recovery Act, visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-nslp.htm>

Education Technology Grants

The State of Ohio will receive approximately \$23.9 million in recovery funds for Education Technology Grants. These funds allow schools to purchase up-to-date computers and software and provide for professional development to ensure the technology is used effectively in the classroom. The Ohio Department of Education is responsible for the distribution of these resources. Please visit <http://www.etech.ohio.gov/go/arra> for details. All applicants must also submit a separate project proposal on <http://recovery.ohio.gov/>.

Senator Brown will send out additional Recovery information when available. Visit Senator Brown's Recovery website for up-to-date Recovery information:
http://brown.senate.gov/issues_and_agenda/issues/recovery/

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