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Recovery Act Update

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Senator Sherrod Brown would like you to know about the following opportunities available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

- Department of Energy Loan Guarantee Program
- Health Care Job Training
- Recovery Funds for Ohio Law Enforcement
- Development of Algal/Advanced Biofuels Consortia
- Recovery Act Local Energy Assurance Planning (LEAP) Initiative

Department of Energy Loan Guarantee Program

The Department of Energy (DOE) will provide up to \$30 billion in loan guarantees, depending on the applications and market conditions, for renewable energy projects. Another \$750 million will support loan guarantees for projects that increase the reliability, efficiency and security of the nation's transmission system. Applications will be accepted over the next 45 days. The lending authority includes:

- Up to \$8.5 billion in lending authority supported by 2009 annual appropriations for renewable energy.
- Up to \$2 billion in subsidy costs, provided by the Recovery Act, to support billions in loans for renewable energy and electric power transmission projects.
- Up to \$500 million in subsidy costs to support loans for cutting edge biofuel projects funded by the Recovery Act.
- Up to \$750 million in subsidy costs to support loans for large transmission infrastructure

projects in the U.S. that use commercial technologies and begin construction by September 30, 2011.

For more information regarding Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy and Advanced Transmission and Distribution Technologies, please click below:

<http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/2009-ren-energy-sol.pdf>

For more information regarding Transmission Infrastructure Investment Projects please click below:

<http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/2009-CPLX-TRANS-sol.pdf>

Health Care Job Training

The Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration has published a Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications for Health Care and Other High Growth and Emerging Industries. The purpose of the grants is to train workers and help them pursue careers in health care and other high growth workforce sectors. Eligible applicants include public or nonprofit entities. These may include local Workforce Investment Boards and their One Stop Systems, Tribal organizations, education and training providers, labor organizations, faith-based and community organizations.

For more information, please click below:

<http://www.doleta.gov/grants/pdf/SGA-DFA-PY-09-01.pdf>

Recovery Funds for Ohio Law Enforcement

Senator Brown would like to make you aware of the allocation of \$79,294,927 in recovery funds to invest in Ohio law enforcement and to protect and create jobs. The federal funds, allocated through competitive grants by the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Recovery Program were made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and will enable local law enforcement agencies to hire or rehire officers necessary to fight crime.

Ohio's allocation through the COPS Hiring Recovery Program will create or retain 332 new jobs in law enforcement across the state. The grants will pay 100 percent of the salary and benefits for an entry level police officer over the next three years. Police departments receiving grants are then expected to retain the police officer for an additional year.

A list of cities who will receive new police officers with this funding can be found below:
http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/pdf/chrp_report.pdf

Development of Algal/Advanced Biofuels Consortia

The Department of Energy (DOE) has published a Notice of Availability of Funds for Development of Algal/Advanced Biofuels Consortia. The purpose of this opportunity is to address the intersection between fundamental and applied research in these respective areas by utilizing consortiums with the necessary expertise to develop algal and advanced fungible biofuels technologies. The DOE will not be seeking to construct new facilities but leverage existing capabilities and resources to the maximum extent possible.

For more information on opportunities with the Algal Biofuel Consortia and Advanced Infrastructure Compatible Biofuels Consortium please click below:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/documents/DE-FOA-0000123.pdf>

Recovery Act Local Energy Assurance Planning (LEAP) Initiative

The Recovery Act Local Energy Assurance Planning (LEAP) Initiative focuses on developing new, or refining existing, plans to integrate new energy portfolios (renewables, biofuels, etc) and new applications, such as Smart Grid technology into energy assurance and emergency preparedness plans. This initiative will create jobs at the local level and allow cities to have well-developed, standardized energy assurance and resiliency plans that they can rely on during energy emergencies and supply disruptions. City or Township governments are eligible to apply.

For more information, please click below:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/documents/DE-FOA-0000098.pdf>

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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