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The Department of Transportation today announced a \$353,393 supplemental grant to the Memphis, Tennessee Transit Authority. The Urban Mass Transportation Administration grant increases Federal financial support for the project to expand and improve mass transit service for Memphis and Shelby County.

The original capital grant of \$1,060,177, awarded on Feb. 8, 1965, enabled the Memphis Authority to purchase 75 new 53-passenger air-conditioned buses to replace obsolete equipment, and to modernize and expand transit services.

The initial grant, made under the emergency program planning provisions of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, totalled 50 percent of the \$2.1 million net project cost. The supplemental grant was reserved pending completion of area-wide planning and programming requirements of the Act.

Having met these requirements within the three-year limitation, the Memphis Authority was eligible for the additional one-sixth grant. Official disbursement of the funds was today approved by UMTA.

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