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Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe today announced a \$50,000 grant to the City of Detroit, the second of five cities participating in a project to improve the command and control communications in urban transportation.

The study will include a profile on Detroit's present system of command and control of its vehicles such as buses and police cars.

Suggestions for improving the system to reassign vehicles to areas where they are needed will be developed.

Secretary Volpe said: "Detroit was selected because it typifies cities of its population and configuration having complex population and transportation problems.

"The findings and recommendations extracted from the Detroit study may be applied as solution to transportation problems of a similar structure and size."

The first of the cities to be studied was Syracuse which is typical of cities with a population of 500-thousand to one-million.

The Urban Mass Transportation Administration, headed by Carlos C. Villarreal, made the grant.

Total cost of the project, which will be managed by the Mayor's Community Development Committee of the City of Detroit, is \$55,556.

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