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Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe today announced supplemental grants totaling \$2,737,166 to the City of Detroit.

Previous grants totaling \$8.5 million were made to Detroit to assist the city in modernizing its bus system.

The grants aided Detroit's purchase of 149 new diesel, radio equipped transit coaches and the construction of a transit administration building, a central repair garage and a central terminal building with parking facilities, as well as other improvements of the public transit system.

"While we work to build new public transit systems for the future, our first responsibility is to improve the efficiency and convenience of existing systems. Detroit is a leader in this effort," Secretary Volpe said.

After the original grants, Detroit completed the planning and program requirements of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, thus becoming eligible for the supplemental grants.

The supplemental grants were made by the Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration, headed by Carlos C. Villarreal.