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The Department of Transportation has approved a grant of \$634, 333 to the Transit Authority of the City of Sacramento, Secretary John A. Volpe announced today.

The funds, provided by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA), will provide two-thirds of the cost of purchasing 22 new 49-passenger air-conditioned transit buses, Secretary Volpe said.

"The new coaches will replace obsolete vehicles that are a quarter of a century old," Secretary Volpe said. "The improved service the residents of the California capital city will be receiving is what President Nixon sought when he called upon us to write a mass transportation success story for the 1970's," the Secretary added.

UMTA Administrator Carlos C. Villarreal pointed out that the Transit Authority will provide \$317, 167 as the local share of the project. "This is the type of a local commitment to improved transportation that is called for in the Urban Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1970," he said.

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