



URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

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During November, 1974, the Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced 21 grants totaling \$30,105,357. Following is a digest of the announced grants, their dollar amount, UMTA project number and date of announcement. For further information contact the UMTA Office of Public Affairs at (202) 426-4043 or the grantee.

The grants were made to:

*Simi Valley, California -- \$14,404 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of new buses and equipment. The original grant was for \$134,896. (CA-03-0068-01, 11/1/74)

*Flint, Michigan, Mass Transportation Authority -- \$297,360 -- to assist in providing transit improvements for the Flint area. Five new buses, a two-way radio communication system, fareboxes and bus stop shelters are included in the planned improvements. (MI-03-0026, 11/1/74)

*Grand Rapids, Michigan, Grand Rapids Transit Authority -- \$97,132 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of new buses. The original grant was for \$638,400. (MI-03-0027-01, 11/1/74)

*Juneau, Alaska, City and Borough of Juneau -- \$27,280 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of new buses and equipment. The original grant was for \$106,304. (AK-03-0002-01, 11/1/74)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority -- \$23,040,424 -- to assist in advancing the South Shore rapid transit project. This is the second grant made available for mass transit in the Boston area by means of a \$671 million transfer of funds originally earmarked for Interstate Highway construction. (MA-23-9001, 11/1/74)

*Washington, D.C., National League of Cities - U.S. Conference of Mayors, Inc. -- \$88,173 -- to assist UMTA's Office of Transit Planning in preparing new guidelines for the evaluation of alternatives, the conduct of statewide planning, planning for the elderly and handicapped and short-range programming. (DC-06-0116, 11/1/74)

*Lowell, Massachusetts, Northern Middlesex Area Commission -- \$75,440 -- to support the area's transit development program. The study includes an elderly and handicapped transportation study, an examination of alternatives for a Lowell central business district circulation system and other activities designed to support ongoing transportation planning. (MA-09-0014, 11/1/74)

*Greenville, South Carolina, South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments, -- \$19,000 -- to assist in financing the Greenville Area Unified Work Program. The study will collect transit related data, maintain a valid socio-economic data base, update the Greenville Urban Area Transportation Study and develop a Planning Information System. (SC-09-0008, 11/4/74)

*Ashland, Wisconsin -- \$1,216 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of one new transit bus. The original grant was for \$37,180. (WI-03-0012-01, 11/4/74)

*Rochester, New York, Batavia Bus Service, Inc. -- \$127,600 -- to assist in the purchase of five new 20-25 passenger air conditioned transit buses. The new vehicles are for extended dial-a-bus service in Batavia, New York. (NY-03-0062, 11/4/74)

*Jacksonville, Florida, Jacksonville Area Planning Board -- \$68,000 -- to assist in financing the Jacksonville Unified Work Program. The study will update the area's Transit Development Program and includes funding for a joint Federal Highway Administration - UMTA

transportation systems planning in New Hampshire. The study is designed to identify and coordinate public transportation planning and service being provided by State agencies. (NH-09-8001, 11/25/74)

*Morgantown, West Virginia, West Virginia University -- \$150,000 -- a supplemental grant to permit University support and assistance in the system test phase of the Morgantown demonstration

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project. (WV-06-0006-05, 11/25/74)

*Jackson, Michigan -- \$234,780 -- to assist in the purchase of four new 45 passenger diesel transit buses, 12 fareboxes, 12 bus stop shelters, 12 two-way radios, a radio base station and related equipment. (MI-03-0025, 11/25/74)

*Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Governor's Council of Intermodal Transportation -- \$37,500 -- to support transit planning throughout the State. The work program includes technical assistance resources for local and regional governments, compilation of an inventory of transportation funds spent in Louisiana, examination of transit needs for elderly and handicapped persons and other facets of transit planning. (LA-09-8001, 11/25/74)

*Jackson, Mississippi, Coordinator of Federal/State Programs, State of Mississippi -- \$20,000 -- to encourage State involvement in urban public transportation issues. (MS-09-8001, 11/25/74)

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