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During February, 1975, the Department of
Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration
(UMTA) announced 43 grants totaling \$124,749,026.
Following is a digest of the announced grants and grant contracts, 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 grant recipient.

The grants were made to:

*Buffalo, New York, Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority -- \$5,492,600 -- to help buy 103 new buses and related support equipment. (NY-03-0066, 2/3/75)

*Nashville, Tennessee, Tennessee Department of Transportation -- \$31,000 -- to support the state's involvement in providing technical planning assistance to the state's urban areas. (TN-09-8001, 2/4/75)

*Hampton, Virginia, Peninsula Transportation District Commission -- \$6,051,888 -- to assist in the acquisition of the privately-owned bus system and the purchase of 89 new buses and related bus transit equipment. (VA-03-0009, 2/4/75)

*Lynchburg, Virginia, Greater Lynchburg Transit Company -- \$236,736 -- a supplemental grant to assist in the purchase of the assets of a privately-owned transit system, 17 new buses and related equipment. The original grant was for \$986,560. (VA-03-0006-01, 2/4/75)

*Lake Charles, Louisiana, Imperial Calcasieu
Regional Planning and Development Commission -- \$40,000 -to assist in a study to produce a short-range Transit
Development Program for the Lake Charles area.
(LA-09-0011, 2/4/75)

*New Castle, Delaware, Wilmington Metropolitan Area Planning Coordinating Council -- \$84,320 -- to support the transit-related elements of the Wilmington area FY 1975 Unified Work Program. An update of regional transportation planning activities is included. (DE-09-0003, 2/4/75)

*Terre Haute, Indiana -- \$544,000 -- to assist in expansion of transit and to provide a more comprehensive coverage of the Terre Haute urban area. The project includes the purchase of four new 30-35 passenger buses, real estate and related improvements. (IN-03-0023, 2/4/75)

*Selma, Alabama -- \$23,000 -- to study alternatives to public ownership, operation and financing of transit service in Selma. (AL-09-0008, 2/4/75)

*Santa Monica, California -- \$1,299,664 -- to assist in a bus replacement program. Seventeen new 49-53 passenger buses and five new 40-45 passenger buses are being purchased. (CA-03-0073, 2/6/75)

*Santa Barbara, California, Santa Barbara County-Cities Area Planning Council -- \$14,800 -- a supplemental grant to expand a regional transit needs study to include a complete Regional Transportation Plan and development of a Regional Transportation Development Program. The original grant was for \$52,000. (CA-09-0033-01, 2/7/75)

*Stockton, California, San Joaquin County Council of Governments -- \$15,000 -- to support a study being made to maintain and monitor the area's transportation planning process. (CA-09-0040, 2/7/75)

*Savannah, Georgia, Chatham County-Savannah Metro-politan Planning Commission -- \$23,200 -- to support the FY 1975 Unified Work Program for the Chatham Urban Transportation Study. (GA-09-0018, 2/7/75)

*Laurel, Mississippi -- \$23,828 -- to support a study which identifies and analyzes alternatives for ownership, operation and financing of urban transit service in Laurel. (MS-09-0007, 2/7/75)

*Columbia, South Carolina, Office of the Governor -- \$20,000 -- to support the state's active involvement in addressing urban public transportation issues statewide. (SC-09-8001, 2/7/75)

*Boise, Idaho, Ada Council of Governments -- \$21,812 -- to initiate a multi-modal planning process in the Boise area. (ID-09-8002, 2/10/75)

*Springfield, Missouri -- \$23,600 -- to support the transit-related elements of the FY 1975 Unified Work Program. It is the first UMTA grant to provide funding for the Springfield continuing transportation planning program. (MO-09-0004, 2/10/75)

*Salisbury, North Carolina, Rowan Municipal and County Planning Board -- \$22,312 -- supports the preparation of an Immediate Action Study for the city of Salisbury and towns of Spencer and East Spencer. (NC-09-0010, 2/10/75)

*Clinton, Iowa, Municipal Transit Authority -- \$16,712 -- to support transit related elements of the Clinton area 1975 planning work program. It is the first UMTA grant to provide funding for the Clinton continuing transportation planning program. (IA-09-0013, 2/10/75)

*Gloucester, Massachusetts -- \$9,760 -- to assist in the production of a Transit Development Program for the Gloucester area. (MA-09-0017, 2/10/75)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority -- \$13,942,800 -- to assist in plant modernization projects which are designed to upgrade the MBTA's physical plant. Relocation of the Harvard Square and Substation and restoration of the Green Line Elevated Structure are among the improvements being made. (MA-03-0031, 2/12/75)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority -- \$8,314,400 -- to assist in the construction and equipping of a North Central Maintenance bus facility to be located at the site of the existing MBTA Charlestown garage and other improvements. (MA-03-0016, 2/12/75)

*Berkeley, California, Metropolitan Transportation Commission -- \$150,000 -- a supplemental grant to support the development of a Parking Management Plan under the region's Unified Work Program. The original grant was for \$702,000. (CA-09-0034-01, 2/13/75)

*Atlanta, Georgia, Federal Regional Council -- \$951,000 to support the continuing regional planning program in the Atlanta metropolitan area. (GA-09-0020, 2/18/75)

*Atlanta, Georgia, Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority -- \$80,000,000 -- a supplemental grant to assist in the construction of the rail system's East Line and other commitments in connection with Atlanta's rapid rail transit system. Federal funds committed to the project are almost \$200 million. (GA-03-0008-02, 2/19/75)

*Montgomery, Alabama -- \$12,148 -- to support the area's FY 1975 Unified Work Program for the Montgomery Area Transportation Study. (AL-09-0011, 2/19/75)

*Laredo, Texas, South Texas Development Council -- \$20,000 -- to assist in the development of a five-year program for capital and operational improvements with special attention given to implementation, priorities, costs and financing. (TX-09-0032, 2/19/75)

*Brownsville, Texas -- \$11,200 -- to assist in the production of an updated short-range Transit Development Program for the Brownsville area. (TX-09-0026, 2/19/75)

*Kenosha, Wisconsin -- \$86,328 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of new buses and construction of a bus garage.

The earlier grant was for \$1,484,776. (WI-03-0007, 2/19/75)

*Rochester, New York, Regional Transit Service, Inc. -- \$2,495,560 -- to assist in the purchase of 61 new buses and six support vehicles. NY-03-0064, 2/19/75)

*McAllen, Texas, Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council -- \$18,400 -- to assist in the formulation of goals and objectives for mass transportation in the McAllen area. (TX-09-0033, 2/19/75)

*Columbus, Ohio, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission -- \$70,244 -- a supplemental grant to support planning reevaluation and provide revised long-range planning goals and objectives. (OH-09-0021, 2/20/75)

*San Francisco, California, Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District -- \$1,530,024 -- a supplemental grant to assist in the purchase of additional buses and transit equipment. The original grant was for \$1,530,320. (CA-03-0065-01, 2/20/75) *Tuscaloosa, Alabama, West Alabama Planning and Development Council -- \$9,360 -- to assist in financing the 1974-1975 Tuscaloosa Metropolitan Area Unified Work Program. (AL-09-0009, 2/20/75)

*Frankfort, Kentucky, Kentucky Department of Transportation -- \$23,500 -- to encourage the State's active involvement in urban public transportation issues statewide. (KY-09-8001, 2/20/75)

*Winter Park, Florida, Regional Planning Council -- \$49,000 -- to assist in financing the area's 1974-1975 Unified Work Program. (FL-09-0021, 2/20/75)

*Seattle, Washington, -- \$47,780 -- for testing and evaluation of three prototype buses. The three new Transbus prototypes were developed under UMTA's Research and Development program. (WA-06-0007, 2/24/75)

*Fort Dodge, Iowa -- \$16,000 -- to assist in planning for the development and maintenance of a modern bus system. (IA-09-0014, 2/24/75)

*Raleigh, North Carolina, Triangle J. Council of Governments -- \$14,850 -- a supplemental grant to assist in financing the Raleigh area 1974-1975 Unified Work Program. The additional funding updates the region's transit development program. The original grant was for \$72,000. (NC-09-0009-01, 2/24/75)

*Minot, North Dakota -- \$24,000 -- to support preliminary planning activity pursuant to the development of a Transit Development Program for the Minot area. (ND-09-0002, 2/24/75)

*Flagstaff, Arizona, Northern Arizona Council of Governments -- \$20,000 -- to support the development of a short-range transit development program in the Flagstaff area. (AZ-09-0010, 2/24/75)

*Rochester, New York, Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority -- \$2,598,200 -- to demonstrate the operation of an integrated demand-responsive, fixed-route service. (NY-06-0048, 2/26/75)

*New York, New York, Tri-State Regional Planning Commission -- \$210,000 -- to demonstrate an automated bus maintenance inspection system. (IT-06-0102, 2/28/75)

*Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation -- \$140,000 -- to support transit-related activities included in the FY 1975 Unified Work Program for Altoona, Erie, Johnstown, Lancaster, Reading, and York. (PA-09-0028, 2/28/75)

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