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During June 1975, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) awarded 60 grants totaling \$103,692,674.

These grants are in addition to 114 projects approved for a total of \$162,258,908 under Section 5 provisions of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 as amended, (refer to UMTA news release no's. 75-55, 75-56, 75-65 and 75-66) and 49 grants totaling \$20,837,412 to states for direct transit assistance to elderly and handicapped persons under Section 16(b)(2) provisions of the Act (UMTA news release number 75-76).

A digest of the announced grants, their dollar amount, UMTA project number and date of announcement follows. For additional information contact the UMTA Office of Public Affairs at (202)426-4043 or the grant recipient.

Grants were made to:

*Omaha, Nebraska, Transit Authority of the city of Omaha -- \$2,987,908 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of 50 new buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. NE-03-0004-01, 6/4/75).

*Lake Charles, Louisiana, Imperial Calcasieu Regional Planning and Development Commission -- \$14,000 -- a supplemental grant to support continuation of the area's transit planning program. (UMTA Project No. LA-09-0011-01, 6/4/75).

*Shreveport, Louisiana, Shreve Area Council of Governments -- \$38,000 -- a supplemental grant to support continuation of the area's transit planning program. (UMTA Project No. LA-09-0012-01, 6/4/75).

*Cambridge, Massachusetts, Harvard University -- \$75,057 -- to support research designed to provide methods for improving the productivity of the urban mass transportation industry. (UMTA Project No. MA-11-0026, 6/5/75).

*Libertyville, Illinois, Greater Lake County Mass Transit District -- \$580,184 -- to assist in the purchase of nine buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. IL-03-0036, 6/11/75).

*Detroit, Michigan, Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority -- \$650,248 -- to assist in the cost of engineering, design and construction of a bus maintenance facility and the purchase of related equipment. (UMTA Project No. MI-03-0029-03, 6/11/75).

*Battle Creek, Michigan -- \$589,600 -- to assist in the purchase of 12 buses and related bus transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. MI-03-0047, 6/11/75).

*Orlando, Florida, Orange-Seminole-Osceola Transportation Authority -- \$1,099,168 -- to assist in the purchase of 17 buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. FL-03-0034, 6/11/75).

*Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota, Twin Cities Area Metropolitan Transit Commission -- \$1,598,904 -- to assist in the purchase of land and for engineering and design costs of a proposed new transit facility. (UMTA Project No. MN-03-0013, 6/13/75).

*Portland, Oregon, Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District -- \$5,897,320 -- to assist in the purchase of 100 buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. OR-03-0010, 6/17/75).

*Tyler, Texas -- \$20,000 -- to support a study of existing bus operations including routing, financial considerations and operational alternatives. (UMTA Project No. TX-09-0029, 6/18/75).

*Lafayette, Louisiana, Lafayette Regional Planning Commission -- \$12,000 -- a supplemental grant to support the transit portion of the area's continuing transportation planning process. (UMTA Project No. LA-09-0013-01, 6/18/75).

*Erie, Pennsylvania, Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority -- \$512,840 -- to assist in the purchase of eight buses, related bus transit equipment and other improvements. (UMTA Project No. PA-03-0054, 6/18/75).

*Blacksburg, Virginia, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University -- \$35,000 -- a supplemental grant to support a survey of evaluations and recommendations relating to the usefulness of 1970 census data in urban transportation planning. (UMTA Project No. VA-11-0003, 6/19/75).

*San Francisco, California, Public Utilities Commission -- \$2,336,664 -- a supplemental grant to assist in the purchase of articulated rail transit cars, buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. CA-03-0022-05, 6/19/75).

*Berkeley, California, Metropolitan Transportation Commission -- \$333,000 -- to expand the BART Safety/Availability study. The extended analysis will develop recommendations for improved management of BART's resources in order to maintain optimum levels of system safety and availability. (UMTA Project No. CA-09-0025, 6/19/75).

*High Point, North Carolina -- \$1,149,108 -- to assist in the acquisition of a privately owned bus line, purchase of new buses and related equipment. (UMTA Project No. NC-03-0008, 6/19/75).

*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, University of Pennsylvania -- \$53,428 -- to support research and training in urban transportation including plans for development of an urban transportation data reporting system. (UMTA Project No. PA-11-0002, 6/20/75).

*Chicago, Illinois, Department of Public Works -- \$60,766 -- to help plan a method of providing convenient barrier-free transportation for elderly and handicapped citizens of Chicago. (UMTA Project No. IL-06-0033, 6/23/75).

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority -- \$10,394,400 -- to help finance the purchase and installation of new equipment and the rehabilitation of the South Boston and Lincoln Power stations. (UMTA Project No. MA-03-0037, 6/23/75).

*Charleston, West Virginia, Kanawha Valley Regional Transportation Authority -- \$1,288,928 -- to assist in the purchase of new buses, related transit equipment and other improvements. (UMTA Project No. WV-03-0008, 6/23/75).

*Raleigh, North Carolina -- \$1,898,616 -- to assist in the acquisition of a private bus company, new buses and related transit improvements. (UMTA Project No, NC-03-0007, 6/24/75).

*San Diego, California, San Diego Transit Corporation -- \$5,306,936 -- to assist in the purchase of 45 articulated buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. CA-03-0104, 6/24/75).

*Lawton, Oklahoma, Lawton Metropolitan Area Planning Commission -- \$16,000 -- a supplemental grant to support transit planning as a part of the area's overall planning process. (UMTA Project No. OK-09-0006-01, 6/25/75).

*Cincinnati, Ohio, Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky -- \$5,089,320 -- to help purchase land and construct a new bus storage, maintenance and administrative facility. (UMTA Project No. KY-03-0010, 6/25/75).

*Pineville, Louisiana, Rapides Area Planning Commission -- \$12,000 -- to support continuation of the area's transit planning program. (UMTA Project No. LA-09-0014-01, 6/25/75).

*Oakland, California, AC Transit -- \$11,315,304 -- to assist in the purchase of 121 buses and related transit improvements. (UMTA Project No. CA-03-0105, 6/25/75).

*Gulfport, Mississippi, Mississippi Coast Transportation Authority -- \$594,544 -- a supplemental grant to assist in the purchase of a bus washer, design work, transit improvements and to meet a higher than anticipated cost of new buses, equipment and construction costs provided for under the original grant. (UMTA Project No. MS-03-0003-03, 6/25/75).

*Grand Rapids, Michigan, Grand Rapids Transit Authority -- \$3,815,368 -- to assist in the purchase of 17 buses and related transit equipment. Land also is being acquired as a site for construction of a new garage. (UMTA Project No. MI-03-0042, 6/25/75).

*Monterey, California, Monterey Peninsula Public Transit System Joint Powers Agency -- \$1,002,104 -- to assist in the purchase of 15 buses and related bus transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. CA-03-0100, 6/25/75).

*Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Capital Region Planning Commission -- \$40,000 -- a supplemental grant to support continuation of transit planning in the area. (UMTA Project No. LA-09-0010-01, 6/25/75).

*Flint, Michigan, Mass Transportation Authority -- \$1,570,540 -- to assist in the purchase of land and construction of a new maintenance facility on the site. (UMTA Project No. MI-03-0038, 7/25/75).

*Rochester, New York, Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority -- \$686,400 -- to assist in the purchase of 20 new buses and related transit equipment for demand responsive service. (UMTA Project No. NY-03-0075, 6/25/75).

*Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Southeast Arkansas Regional Planning Commission -- \$10,000 -- a supplemental grant to support the update and refinement of Pine Bluff's transit development program. (UMTA Project No. AR-09-0006-01, 6/25/75).

*San Francisco, California, Public Utilities Commission -- \$20,785,032 -- a supplemental grant to assist in rehabilitation of light rail track and wiring and the construction of facilities. (UMTA Project No. CA-03-0043-02, 6/25/75).

*San Francisco, California, Public Utilities Commission -- \$1,713,374 -- to assist in rehabilitation of light rail track and wiring and the construction of facilities. (UMTA Project No. CA-23-0001, 6/25/75).

*Joplin, Missouri -- \$24,000 -- to support Joplin's continuing transportation planning program. (UMTA Project No. MO-09-0005, 6/26/75).

*Monroe, Louisiana, Ouachita Council of Governments -- \$14,000 -- a supplemental grant to support continuation of the area's transit planning program. (UMTA Project No. LA-09-0015-01, 6/26/75).

*Haverhill, Massachusetts, Merrimack Valley Planning Commission -- \$40,000 -- supplemental funds to help in the preparation of a Transit Development Program for the Lawrence-Haverhill urban area. (UMTA Project No. MA-09-0021-01, 6/26/75).

*Charleston, West Virginia, Regional Intergovernmental Council -- \$20,000 -- to support transit planning activities including a transit priority program study. (UMTA Project No. WV-09-0008, 6/26/75).

*Eugene, Oregon, Lane Council of Governments -- \$40,000 -- to support continuing transportation planning efforts in the Eugene-Springfield area. (UMTA Project No. OR-09-0013, 6/26/75).

*Stockton, California, San Joaquin Council of Governments -- \$26,000 -- to support continuing transportation planning activities. (UMTA Project No. CA-09-0045, 6/26/75).

*Sacramento, California, California Department of Transportation -- \$99,276 -- to develop and demonstrate the role of a State Department of Transportation in providing training opportunities to elected and appointed officials and to transportation professionals with past experience in highway related activities. (UMTA Project No. CA-06-0082, 6/26/75).

*San Diego, California, Comprehensive Planning Organization -- \$700,000 -- to support long and short-range planning activities including a study of transportation development impacts and refinement of current rapid transit plans. (UMTA Project No. CA-09-0043, 6/26/75).

*Athens, Georgia -- \$1,406,604 -- to assist in establishing a public transportation system in the city of Athens, Georgia. The purchase of equipment needed to start up a mass transit system is included. (UMTA Project No. CA-03-0005, 6/27/75).

*Salem, Oregon, Mid Willamette Valley Council of Governments -- \$25,000 -- to support transit planning including the determination of long range service needs. (UMTA Project No. OR-09-0012, 6/27/75).

*Des Moines, Iowa, Central Iowa Regional Association of Local Governments -- \$42,000 -- to support the transit related elements of the regional transportation planning efforts. (UMTA Project No. IA-09-0018, 6/27/75).

*Columbus, Georgia -- \$1,010,260 -- to assist in the purchase of 15 new buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. GA-03-0009, 6/27/75).

*Miami, Florida, Metropolitan Dade County -- \$13,568,936 -- to assist in financing mass transportation improvements, including the purchase of 600 buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. FL-03-0026, 6/27/75).

*Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Tuscaloosa County Parking and Transit Authority -- \$528,000 -- to assist in the purchase of 10 buses and related transit equipment. (UMTA Project No. AL-03-0005, 6/27/75).

*Madison, Wisconsin, Wisconsin Department of Transportation -- \$82,400 -- a supplemental grant to assist in the preparation of transit development programs for Manitowoc-Two Rivers, Stevens Point and Watertown. (UMTA Project No. WI-09-8001-01, 6/27/75).

*Lansing, Michigan -- \$93,600 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of nine new buses. (UMTA Project No. MI-03-0028-01, 6/27/75).

*Chicago, Illinois, North Suburban Mass Transit District -- \$2,098,976 -- a supplemental grant to assist in meeting a higher than anticipated cost of construction of a third railroad access track into Chicago's Union Station and other construction and rehabilitation projects. (UMTA Project No. IL-03-0034-01, 6/27/75).

*Hudson, New York -- \$83,600 -- to assist in the implementation of a transit system including the purchase of three buses and related equipment. (UMTA Project No. NY-03-0078, 6/27/75).

*Madison, Wisconsin, University of Wisconsin -- \$75,000 -- to support a study of labor relations and related problems including practices and policies of the urban mass transportation industry. (UMTA Project No. WI-11-0004, 6/30/75).

*Troy, New York, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute -- \$20,961 -- to support research of a bus transit management and planning information system using credit card fare collection data. (UMTA Project No. NY-11-0001, 6/30/75).

*Wichita, Kansas, Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Commission -- \$50,000 -- to support the area's transportation planning program. (UMTA Project No. KS-09-0005, 6/30/75).

*Springfield, Missouri -- \$20,000 -- to support the area's transportation planning program. (UMTA Project No. MO-09-0007, 6/30/75).

*Columbia, Missouri -- \$20,000 -- to support the area's transportation planning program including the development and maintenance of a modern bus system. (UMTA Project No. MO-09-0006, 6/30/75).

*Topeka, Kansas, Topeka-Shawnee County Metropolitan Planning Commission -- \$22,000 -- a supplemental grant for continuation of the area's transportation planning program. (UMTA Project No. KS-09-0004-01, 6/30/75).

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