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SUMMARY OF GRANT AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

During January 1977, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced the award of 29 grants totaling \$324,714,841.

A digest of the announced grants including a short description of capital improvement and research projects, their dollar amount, UMTA project number and date of announcement follows. Transit planning (technical studies), Section 5 apportioned funds for operating assistance, managerial training and university research and training grants are so noted.

Listed alphabetically by state (Interstate grants follow Illinois), the grants were awarded to:

*Banning, California--\$101,728--to assist the purchase of two buses specially equipped to accommodate wheelchairs, and related equipment. (CA-03-0118, 1/21/77)

*Los Angeles, California--\$6,751,000--operating assistance for the Orange County Transit District. (CA-05-4046, 1/10/77)

*Atlanta, Georgia, Atlanta Regional Commission--\$600,000--technical studies. (GA-09-0031, 1/27/77)

*Atlanta, Georgia--\$132,000,000--to assist continuing construction on the MARTA rapid rail project. (GA-03-0008, 1/17/77)

*Rock Island, Illinois, Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District--\$432,265--operating assistance. (IL-05-4019, 1/24/77)

*Steubenville, Ohio, Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission--\$20,000--technical studies. (IT-09-0045, 1/13/77)

*Kansas City, Missouri, Mid-America Regional Council--\$364,000--technical studies. (IT-09-0076, 1/21/77)

*Anderson, Indiana--\$69,300--to assist the purchase of three new buses. (IN-05-0002, 1/13/77)

*East Chicago, Indiana--\$184,904--operating assistance. (IN-05-4010, 1/14/77)

*Highland, Indiana--\$33,521--operating assistance. (IN-05-4015, 1/19/77)

*Kalamazoo, Michigan--\$2,858,596--to assist the construction of a new bus maintenance and storage facility. (MI-03-0040, 1/13/77)

*Bay City, Michigan, Bay County Metropolitan Transportation Authority--\$147,124--to assist the purchase of two new buses and related equipment. (MI-05-0007, 1/17/77)

*Detroit, Michigan, Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority--\$35,424--operating assistance. (MI-05-4022, 1/13/77)

*St. Paul, Minnesota, Metropolitan Council--\$500,000--technical studies. (MN-09-0022, 1/5/77)

*New York, New York--\$2,953,000--to assist in financing construction and equipping of Phase I of the Fulton Mall. (NY-03-0089, 1/19/77)

*New York, New York, Metropolitan Transportation Authority--\$78,590,300--operating assistance. (NY-05-4040, 1/4/77)

*New York, New York, Metropolitan Transportation Authority--\$3,054,300--operating assistance. (NY-05-4039, 1/7/77)

*Poughkeepsie, New York--\$46,303--operating assistance. (NY-05-4010-1, 1/14/77)

*High Point, North Carolina--\$88,968--to assist the purchase of two buses specially equipped to accommodate handicapped persons, and for property acquisition. (NC-05-0002, 1/19/77)

*Cleveland, Ohio, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency--\$80,000--technical studies. (OH-09-0030-01, 1/7/77)

Cleveland, Ohio, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority--\$55,108,280--to assist the purchase of 180 new buses, 55 to 60 new light rail rapid transit cars and other improvements. (OH-03-0054, 1/12/77)

*Toledo, Ohio, Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority--\$1,151,920--to assist the purchase of 18 buses and related support equipment. (OH-03-0053, 1/21/77)

*Springfield, Ohio--\$109,053--operating assistance. (OH-05-4028, 1/31/77)

*Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Port Authority of Allegheny County--\$19,491,660--to assist the purchase of 220 buses and related equipment. (PA-03-0064, 1/19/77)

*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority--\$16,054,716--operating assistance. (PA-05-4029-1, 1/31/77)

*Houston, Texas, Houston-Galveston Area Council--\$816,000--technical studies. (TX-09-0066, 1/31/77)

*Richmond, Virginia, Greater Richmond Transit Company--\$1,550,975--operating assistance. (VA-05-4012, 1/17/77)

*Tacoma, Washington--\$1,123,240--operating assistance. (WA-05-4005, 1/24/77)

*Madison, Wisconsin--\$398,264--technical studies. (WI-09-0020, 1/12/77)

Other UMTA activities during January included:

Appointment of a special task force to study ways to encourage the use of art, good design and architecture in the development of Federally funded transportation projects.

Announcement of two research and development contracts, totaling \$640,000, to study the potential for saving energy for the Nation's bus fleets.

Announcement of a management experiment to develop improved working relationships between the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority and the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Announcement of the reservation of \$300 million in FY 1977 and 1978 for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for the proposed Red Line and Orange Line rapid rail extensions in the Boston area.

Announcement of an agreement between UMTA and the City of Philadelphia on a grant contract involving a \$240 million Federal commitment to assist in building the Center City Commuter Connection.

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