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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced a grant of \$2,253,204 to the City of Beaumont, Texas, to assist in the replacement of its entire fleet of 21 transit buses and to build a new garage/office facility.

The present vehicles are all 20 years old, are in very bad condition, and do not provide reliable service. The purchase of 25 new buses will allow the city to operate 4 more vehicles than at present, and reduce headways on all routes. The improvements both in service and image are expected to attract many new riders.

The present maintenance facility is physically inadequate and poorly located. The new facility will be centrally located and is designed for efficient and economical maintenance of the fleet.

The local one-fifth share of the total project cost is being provided by the City of Beaumont.

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