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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced a supplemental grant of \$1,959,184 to the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority (AATA) of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Today's grant provides for the purchase of and additions to a storage and maintenance facility presently being leased, and the purchase of an automated fare collection system.

The maintenance portion of the present facility will be thoroughly remodeled and provided with hoists, an automatic bus washer, and other equipment. A new heated storage building will be built at the same location with a capacity of 90 buses to accommodate AATA's present fleet as well as 66 new buses soon to be delivered.

The new buses, along with support equipment, were bought by means of an UMTA grant of \$1,333,200 awarded to AATA on February 1, 1974. The need for an expanded storage and maintenance capacity was recognized at that time but it had not yet been decided whether to build a new facility or remodel the existing one. That decision has now been made and the remodeling project is therefore funded as an amendment to the original grant.

The local one-fifth share of the total project cost will be provided by the State of Michigan and from funds available from a city property tax.

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