## NEWS

## URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

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During February 1977, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced the award of 54 grants totaling \$44,995,531.

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 Indiana), the grants were awarded to:

\*San Mateo, California, San Mateo County Transit District -- \$2,517,576--to help fund the purchase of 48 new buses and other transit support equipment in conjunction with CA-23-2006). (CA-03-0126, 2/8/77).

\*San Mateo, California, San Mateo County Transit District -- \$1,999,276--to help fund the purchase of 48 new buses and other transit support equipment (in conjunction with CA-03-0126). (CA-23-2006, 2/8/77).

\*Berkeley, California, Metropolitan Transportation Commission -- \$1,364,888--to help fund the purchase of 21 new full-size buses for use by the San Mateo County Transit District. (CA-05-0018, 2/8/77).

\*Berkeley, California, Metropolitan Transportation Commission -- \$2,143,000--operating assistance for the San Mateo County Transit District. (CA-05-4058, 2/2/77).

\*San Diego, California, Comprehensive Planning Organization -- \$6,890,874--operating assistance for the San Diego Transit Corporation. (CA-05-4059, 2/8/77).

\*Sacramento, California, State of California--\$77,412-operating assistance for Santa Rosa Municipal Transit.
(CA-05-4031, 2/18/77).

\*Aspen, Colorado -- \$333,676--to help fund the purchase of five new buses, maintenance equipment and appraisal services. (CO-03-0013, 2/24/77).

\*Colorado Springs, Colorado -- \$26,576--to help finance the purchase of five buses, fareboxes, two-way radios and bus passenger shelters (in conjunction with CO-05-0005). (CO-03-0012, 2/24/77).

\*Colorado Springs, Colorado -- \$330,000--to help finance the purchase of five buses, fareboxes, two-way radios and bus passenger shelters (in conjunction with CO-03-0012). (CO-05-0005, 2/24/77).

\*Washington, D.C., National Center for Public Service Internship Programs -- \$92,371--to help support development of a series of internship programs in the mass transit field. (DC-06-0180, 2/17/77).

\*Washington, D.C., Urban Land Institute -- \$85,000-to support a study to develop a casebook of joint development
practices and projects for public and private organizations
interested in implementing similar developments. (DC-06-0183,
2/3/77).

\*Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Ft. Wayne Public Transportation Corporation -- \$248,000--to aid in financing a new bus storage facility and renovations to the existing maintenance facility. (IN-03-0025-1, 2/23/77).

\*Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments--\$450,000--technical studies. (IT-09-0077, 2/9/77).

\*Kansas City, Missouri, Mid-America Regional Council-\$50,000--technical studies. (IT-09-0078, 2/7/77).

\*Chattanooga, Tennessee, Chattanooga Area Regional Transportation Authority -- \$1,017,485--operating assistance. (IT-05-4004, 2/24/77).

\*Newport, Kentucky, Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky -- \$907,306--operating assistance. (KY-05-4010, 2/8/77).

\*Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Governor's Council on Intermodal Transportation -- \$61,049--operating assistance for the City of Monroe. (LA-05-4006, 2/4/77).

\*Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Governor's Council on Intermodal Transportation -- \$157,729--operating assistance. (LA-05-4007, 2/7/77).

\*Shreveport, Louisiana -- \$25,116--operating assistance. (LA-05-4004, 2/16/77).

\*Shreveport, Louisiana -- \$215,353--operating assistance. (LA-05-4005, 2/18/77).

\*Baltimore, Maryland, Mass Transit Administration -- \$221,355--to help fund studies and preliminary engineering for a bus storage and service facility in the northwest Baltimore region. (MD-05-0001, 2/18/77).

\*Cambridge, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Institute of Technology -- \$25,000--to supplement the ongoing work on an urban transportation research and training project (university research and training grant). (MA-11-0003-1, 2/3/77).

\*Midland, Michigan -- \$109,120--to aid in financing the purchase of one new 25-passenger bus, five new 12-15 passenger vans and related support equipment. (MI-03-0041, 2/14/77).

\*Flint, Michigan, Mass Transportation Authority--\$511,672-to aid in financing the purchase of office and shop
equipment and three utility vehicles. (MI-05-0010, 2/2/77).

\*St. Paul, Minnesota, Minnesota State Planning Agency-\$281,440--to help 14 private nonprofit organizations provide transit services for elderly and handicapped persons by purchasing vans and buses, wheelchair lifts and related equipment. (MN-16-0003, 2/23/77).

\*Papillion, Nebraska -- \$30,336--to aid in financing the purchase of one 17-24 passenger vehicle equipped with a hydraulic lift and related support equipment. (NE-03-0007, 2/25/77).

\*Concord, New Hampshire, New Hampshire Transportation Authority -- \$122,580--to help nine private nonprofit organizations provide transit services for elderly and handicapped persons by purchasing 12 new vehicles. (NH-16-0002, 2/23/77).

\*New York, New York, New York City Transportation Administration -- \$3,193,168--to aid in financing the purchase of two new Staten Island ferry boats at a cost higher than originally estimated. (NY-03-0017-01, 2/23/77).

\*Albany, New York, New York State Department of Transportation -- \$1,439,560--to help 54 private nonprofit organizations provide transit services for elderly and handicapped persons by purchasing 178 new vehicles, 63 wheelchair lifts or ramps and related support equipment. (NY-16-0003, 2/9/77).

\*New York, New York, Regional Plan Association -- \$85,000-to support a study to improve UMTA's capability of
identifying sites and cities suitable for implementing fixed
guideway transit systems. (NY-06-0061, 2/3/77).

\*Minot, North Dakota -- \$496,108--to aid in financing the construction of a bus maintenance facility and the purchase of shop tools and equipment. (ND-03-0003-1, 2/23/77).

\*Athens, Ohio -- \$145,200--to aid in financing the purchase of four new 23-passenger and one new 45-passenger buses. (OH-03-0038, 2/8/77).

\*Cleveland, Ohio, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency -- \$86,876--transit operating assistance for the City of Shaker Heights. (OH-05-4003-1, 2/8/77).

\*Springfield, Ohio -- \$160,000-to aid in financing the purchase of two buses, one van and related equipment. (OH-05-0009, 2/4/77).

\*Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority -- \$466,005--operating assistance. (OK-05-4007, 2/25/77).

\*Tulsa, Oklahoma, Metropolitan Tulsa Transit Authority -- \$908,385--operating assistance. (OK-05-4008, 2/25/77).

\*Portland, Oregon, Tri-County Metropolitan District of Oregon -- \$229,520--to provide additional Federal Aid to Urban Systems (FAUS) funds for the construction and equipping of a storage garage, design and engineering and purchase of 10 used buses. (OR-23-2001-3, 2/15/77).

\*Eugene, Oregon, Lane County Mass Transit District -- \$573,771--operating assistance. (OR-05-4006, 2/18/77).

\*Altoona, Pennsylvania, Transportation and Motor Buses for Public Use Authority -- \$1,267,760--to aid in financing the purchase of 10 45-passenger buses, rehabilitation of garage and administrative facilities, various office and maintenance equipment and passenger amenities. (PA-03-0055, 2/11/77).

\*Kingston, Pennsylvania, Luzerne County Transportation Authority -- \$88,018--to aid in financing the renovation of administrative, maintenance and parking facilities, one service vehicle, nine bus stop shelters and related support equipment. (PA-05-0005, 2/16/77).

\*Kingston, Pennsylvania, Luzerne County Transportation Authority -- \$597,699--operating assistance. (PA-05-4041, 2/23/77).

\*Scranton, Pennsylvania, County of Lackawanna Transit System -- \$546,801--operating assistance. (PA-05-4039, 2/23/77).

\*Pierre, South Dakota, South Dakota Department of Transportation -- \$165,032--to help 14 private nonprofit organizations provide transit services for elderly and handicapped persons by purchasing 18 vehicles, six wheelchair ramps or lifts and related support equipment. (SD-16-0001, 2/11/77).

\*Johnson City, Tennessee -- \$723,200--to aid in financing the purchase of 23 new buses, fareboxes, communication equipment and related support equipment. (TN-03-0008, 2/7/77).

\*Memphis, Tennessee, Memphis Area Transit Authority-\$3,674,000--to aid in financing 54 new buses and related support equipment. (TN-03-0010, 2/1/77).

\*Amarillo, Texas -- \$191,000--operating assistance. (TX-05-4020, 2/25/77).

\*Corpus Christi, Texas -- \$375,976--operating assistance. (TX-05-4015, 2/25/77).

\*Dallas, Texas -- \$272,590--additional operating assistance for the Dallas Transit System and the City of Dallas Park and Ride Operation. (TX-05-4003-1, 2/25/77).

\*Dallas, Texas -- \$33,454--operating assistance for the City of Dallas Park and Ride Operation. (TX-05-4017, 2/18/77).

\*Laredo, Texas -- \$336,950--operating assistance. (TX-05-4024, 2/4/77).

\*Seattle, Washington -- \$5,990,000--operating assistance. (WA-05-4006, 2/4/77).

\*Charleston, West Virginia, Kanawha Valley Regional Transportation Authority -- \$689,000--operating assistance. (WV-05-4006, 2/9/77).

\*Fond du Lac, Wisconsin -- \$832,152--to aid in financing the purchase of 12 new 45-passenger buses and related support equipment. (WI-03-0023, 2/14/77).

\*Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Milwaukee County Board -- \$1,134,116-to aid in financing two-way radios, support equipment,
bus stop shelters and supervisory autos. (WI-03-0005-01,
2/18/77).

Other UMTA activities during February included:

Publication of a list of 106 urbanized areas over 200,000 population identifying all known transit operations serving those areas and indicating relative size by number of passenger vehicles operated.

Announcement by Secretary of Transportation Brock Adams that he will review the current policy concerning the purchase of advanced design transit buses. Secretary Adams set a public hearing for March 15 and promised a decision by May 27, 1977.

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