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

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During October 1976 the U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced the award of 78 grants totaling \$453,839,375.

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 made to:

*Montgomery, Alabama--\$465,449--to assist in a demonstration to test the effectiveness and viability of a user subsidy as a means of improving the mobility of elderly and handicapped persons. (AL-06-0003, 10/20/76)

*Los Angeles, California, Southern California Rapid Transit District--\$1,156,000--to assist in the purchase of 38 used transit buses and bus maintenance improvements. (CA-03-0121, 10/19/76)

*Oakland, California, AC Transit--\$1,636,944--to assist in costs associated with the purchase of 310 new 70-passenger articulated buses and six new 25 to 30-passenger buses. (CA-03-0105-01, 10/19/76)

*Palm Springs, California--\$827,840--a supplemental grant to assist in the purchase of 12 new 25 to 30-passenger buses and related equipment as an addition to seven buses being purchased under the original grant. (CA-03-0095-02, 10/19/76)

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*San Francisco, California, Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District--\$684,096--to help develop and implement a computer vanpool service (CA-06-0095, 10/19/76)

*Fresno, California--\$892,939--operating assistance. (CA-05-4025, 10/19/76)

*Sacramento, California, California Department of Transportation --\$525,000 operating assistance for the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District. (CA-05-4051, 10/19/76)

*Los Angeles, California, Southern California Association of Governments--\$43,000,000--operating assistance. (CA-05-4052, 10/19/76)

*Monterey, California, Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments --\$38,000--technical study. (CA-09-0058, 10.19/76)

*Fresno, California, Council of Fresno County Governments--\$44,000 --technical study (CA-09-0057, 10/19/76)

*Irvine, California, University of California--\$79,528--university research and training. (CA-110014, 10/19/76)

*Tallahassee, Florida, Florida Department of Transportation--\$141,480--to assist continuation of a demonstration project to test the feasibility of a high-level priority transit service on reserved freeway lanes. (FL-06-0006-02, 10/28/76)

*Savannah, Georgia, Savannah Transit Authority--\$215,057--operating assistance, (GA-05-4007, 10/19/76)

*Downers Grove, Illinois,--\$389,296--to assist in the purchase of seven new 45-passenger buses, radios, fare boxes and related bus transit equipment. (IL-03-0045, 10/21/76)

*Chicago, Illinois,--\$443,504--to assist with architectural and engineering studies of Chicago's State Street Pedestrian and Transit Mall. (IL-03-0051, 10/30/76)

*Peoria, Illinois, Greater Peoria Mass Transit District--\$861,604 --to assist in the extension and renovation of garage facilities, and related services and equipment. (IL-03-0053, 10/7/76)

*Peoria, Illinois, Greater Peoria Mass Transit District--\$135,551 --operating assistance. (IL-05-4011-01, 10/20/76)

*Loves Park, Illinois--\$114,400--to assist in the purchase of two new 45-passenger buses. (IL-05-0006, 10/15/76)

*Evanston, Illinois, Northwestern University--\$89,994-- university research and training. (IL-11-0012, 10/7/76)

*Indianapolis, Indiana, Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation--\$2,127,068--to assist in the purchase of 34 new 49 to 53-passenger transit buses and related transit equipment. (IN-03-0026, 10/4/76)

*Indianapolis, Indiana, Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation--\$1,290,684--to assist in the purchase of six new 49 to 53-passenger buses and three new 25-passenger buses specially equipped for elderly and handicapped users. (IN-05-0012, 10/4/76)

*South Bend, Indiana, South Bend Public Transportation Corporation --\$33,216-- to assist in the purchase of audio-visual training equipment, office furniture and a one-ton pickup truck. (IN-05-004, 10/29/76)

*Terre Haute, Indiana, West Central Indiana Economic Development District, Inc.--\$20,000--technical study. (IN-09-0012-01, 9/20/76)

*Washington, D.C., Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority --\$112,553,760--a transfer of Interstate Highway funds for continued construction activities on the region's rapid rail transit project. (IT-23-9003, 10/1/76)

*Chicago, Illinois, Bi-State Metropolitan Planning Commission--\$74,000--technical study. (IT-09-0075, 10/7/76)

*New Castle, Delaware, Wilmington, Metropolitan Area Planning Coordinating Council--\$88,000--technical study. (IT-09-0066, 10/20/76)

*Sioux City, Iowa--\$255,972--to assist in the purchase of land and for design and engineering of a new maintenance facility to be built on site. (IA-03-0022, 10/15/76)

Davenport, Iowa--\$20,000--to assist in determining the cost effectiveness of renovating an existing garage as compared to the cost of constructing a new facility. (IA-05-0005, 10/29/76)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority --\$24,172,750--a loan to assist in the acquisition of the Boston and Maine Railroad. (MA-23-9010, 10/6/76)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority--\$46,308,960--to assist in the upgrading of facilities and rolling stock of the Boston and Maine Railroad. (MA-23-9006, 10/6/76)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
--\$14,099,368--to assist in the modernization of 88 Red Line rapid
transit cars. (MA-23-9009, 10/6/76)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
--\$3,000,000--to assist in the engineering of proposed replacement of
the Orange Line in the Southwest Corridor and a proposed extension to
the Red Line in the Northwest Corridor. (MA-29-9001, 10/26/76)

*Boston, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
--\$13,202,100--to assist in the modernization of the Charlestown
maintenance facilities. (MA-03-0016-01, 10/6/76)

*Cambridge, Massachusetts, Harvard University--\$125,000--university
research and training (MA-11-0005, 10/7/76)

*Cambridge, Massachusetts, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
--\$114,395--university research and training. (MA-11-0004, 10/7/76)

*College Park, Maryland, University of Maryland--\$23,058--to assist
in the development and implementation of a computer algorithm for
scheduling subscription buses. (MD-06-0027, 10/14/76)

*Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, Eastern Upper Peninsula Transportation
Authority--\$1,070,000--to assist in the construction of docking
facilities and to refurbish a ferry vessel serving the counties of
Chippewa, Luce and Mackinac. (MI-03-0056, 10/10/76)

*Flint, Michigan, Flint Mass Transportation Authority--\$54,000--
technical study. MI-09-0017-01, 10/20/76)

*Jackson, Michigan,--\$20,000--technical study. (MI-09-0022-01,
10/20/76)

*Sauk Rapids, Minnesota, St. Cloud Area Council of Governments--
\$20,000--technical study. (MN-09-0020, 10/20/76)

*Omaha, Nebraska, Transit Authority of the City of Omaha--\$1,730,
825--operating assistance. (NE-05-4003, 10/18/76)

*Albany, New York, Capital District Transportation Authority--
\$1,511,836--operating assistance. (NY-05-4037, 10/5/76)

*Rochester, New York, Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation
Authority--\$1,424,146--operating expenses. (NY-05-4036-01, 10/7/76)

*Buffalo, New York, Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority--
\$559,755--operating assistance. (NY-05-4020-01, 10/19/76)

*Columbus, Ohio, Central Ohio Transit Authority--\$1,418,784--to assist in the purchase of an existing operating facility and a 22 acre site on which a second maintenance facility will be built. (OH-03-0048, 10/8/76)

*Youngstown, Ohio, Western Reserve Transit Authority--\$113,400--to assist in the purchase of five new specially equipped 13-passenger buses for the use of elderly and handicapped persons. (OH-03-0042, 10/4/76)

*Lorain, Ohio--\$613,000--to assist in the purchase of eight new 31-passenger buses and related bus transit improvements. (OH-03-0014, 10/7/76)

*Dayton, Ohio, Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority--\$3,901,908--to assist in the acquisition of land, the construction of trolley substations and a garage/office facility. (OH-03-0028-01, 10/6/76)

*Youngstown, Ohio, Western Reserve Transit Authority--\$46,792--to assist in the purchase of office and shop equipment and for design and engineering for remodeling of office facilities. (OH-05-0001, 10/29/76)

*Toledo, Ohio, Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments--\$150,000--technical study. (OH-09-0035, 10/7/76)

*Canton, Ohio, Stark County Regional Planning Commission--\$55,000--technical study. (OH-09-0033, 10/20/76)

*Youngstown, Ohio, Eastgate Development and Transportation Agency--\$70,120--technical study. (OH-09-0036, 10/20/76)

*Bellingham, Washington--\$64,040--to assist in the final design and engineering of a bus garage and to help buy passenger shelters and benches. (WA-03-0022, 10/4/76)

*Charleston, West Virginia, West Virginia University Board of Regents--\$63,600,000--to assist in the expansion of the Morgantown Personal Rapid Transit System from three to five stations and to help purchase additional vehicles to accommodate the expanded system. (WV-03-0006-02, 10/4/76)

*Racine, Wisconsin--\$328,094--operating assistance. (WI-05-4005, 10/20/76)

Other UMTA activities this month include:

- o An announcement by the Secretary of a \$600 million commitment in principle for mass transit construction in the Metropolitan Detroit, Michigan area.

- o An announcement by the Secretary of changes to improve the administration of labor protective provisions of the Urban Mass Transportation Act.
- o An announcement by the Administrator of significant changes in the UMTA grant delivery system for urbanized areas seeking Federal transit funds.
- o Presentation by the Administrator of Awards for Outstanding Public Service to the cities and transit authorities of Portland, Oregon; Madison, Wisconsin; and Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota for displaying extraordinary initiative in advancing urban transportation in the public interest.
- o An announced decision by the Administrator to provide funds for engineering and environmental analysis for a first stage major upgrading of existing trolley service in the South Hills area of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- o Publication of a compilation of 136 urbanized areas by States to show the address of a person responsible for public transit in that locality.

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