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During the Month of December 1973, the Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced 19 grants/contracts totaling \$17,684,200. Following is a digest of these grants, their dollar amount, UMTA project number, and date of release. For further information contact the UMTA Office of Public Affairs at (202) 426-4043 or the grantee.

The grants were made to:

*The Boeing Company -- \$1,800,000 -- provides additional funding to assure continuity of work in the construction of the Morgantown, West Virginia Personal Rapid Transit System Demonstration project. (WV-06-0005-16, 12/4/73)

*The University of Massachusetts -- \$191,950 -- supplements an original \$475,441 grant for a demonstration project to encourage students and other commuters in the Amherst area to use free bus service instead of their automobiles. (MA-06-0006-01, 12/4/73)

*Hot Springs, Arkansas, West Central Arkansas Planning and Development District -- \$28,428 -- to collect, analyze and evaluate data on travel characteristics, rider attitudes, service levels, financial, legal and management alternatives, and to develop a five year transit development program for the City of Hot Springs. (AR-09-0003, 12/15/73)

*Joliet, Illinois, Joliet Mass Transit District -- \$907,900 -- to assist in the purchase of 20 new buses, rehabilitation of a bus garage and for other improvements to the Joliet transit system. (IL-03-0020, 12/5/73)

*Parkersburg, West Virginia -- \$25,600 -- to assist in developing a transit program for the Parkersburg area. The program will determine the types and levels of service needed. operational costs, revenue projections, equipment needs and establish a program of priorities for implementation. (WVA-09-0003, 12/5/73)

*San Diego, California, Comprehensive Planning Organization (CPO) -- \$760,800 -- to support the transitrelated elements of the FY 1974 Unified Transportation Planning Work Program for the San Diego Region. The CPO will complete a Regional Comprehensive Land-use and Transportation Plan and make a special study of internal distribution in Center City, San Diego. (CA-09-0023-01, 12/7/73)

*Albany, New York, New York State Department of Transportation \$131,387 -- to assist in transportation planning in the Albany area. The study will support the Unified Work Program for continuing transportation planning in the Capital District. (NY-09-0021, 12/11/73)

*Syracuse, New York, New York State Department of Transportation -- \$147,163 -- to assist in the Syracuse Metropolitan Area Unified Work Program. The study will develop a mechanism to integrate the capital programming of the participating agencies in a unified capital program for transportation. (NY-09-0019, 12/11/73)

*Tuscon, Arizona -- \$235,116 -- to assist in the purchase of nine new 31-35 passenger air-conditioned diesel transit buses and fare boxes. The buses will be leased to the Old Pueblo Transit Corporation to expand service within the City. (AZ-03-0001-01, 12/12/73)

*Simi Valley, California -- \$134,896 -- to assist in the purchase of three new 40-45 passenger air-conditioned diesel buses, radios, fare boxes and other equipment. The buses will be used to establish public transportation in the area. (CA-03-0068, 12/12/73)

*Billings, Montana -- \$228,112 -- to assist in the purchase of five new 31 passenger, air-conditioned diesel transit buses, administrative and maintenance equipment and the construction of a garage/storage facility. The grant will permit the City to institute new service and provide indoor storage for buses. (MT-03-0002, 12/13/73)

*San Bernardino, California -- \$699,108 -- to assist in the purchase of 16 new 40-45 passenger air-conditioned diesel buses, 18 new fare boxes, supervisory vehicles and related equipment. (CA-03-0067, 12/13/73)

*Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas, Kansas City Area Transportation Authority -- \$7,829,832 -- to assist in the construction of a centrally located transportation complex, including maintenance, storage and administrative facilities. (IT-03-0020, 12/13/73)

*Alexandria, Louisiana -- \$82,976 -- supplements an original \$482,420 grant for construction of a bus maintenance facility for the municipal transit system. In addition to the new facility, 15 new buses, fare boxes, radios, 20 bus shelters and related equipment were purchased. (LA-03-0008-01, 12/18/73)

*Buffalo, New York, New York State Department of Transportation -- \$482,640 -- to assist in transportation planning in the Buffalo Metropolitan Region. The study will support on-going transportation planning and include several coordinated support projects under the Niagara Frontier Unified Work Program. (NY-09-0022, 12/19/73)

*Haddonfield, New Jersey, New Jersey Department of Transportation -- \$1,750,000 -- to extend the second phase of the Haddonfield, New Jersey, Dial-A-Ride demonstration project. (NJ-06-0002, 12/26/73)

*Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA) -- \$109,464 -- to support the transit related elements of the region's 1974 Unified Work Program. MAPA will continue and expand both long and short range transit planning in the area. Special areas of study will be the impact of the energy shortage and citizen demands for protection of the environment. (NE-09-0006, 12/28/73)

*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DRPA) -- \$1,163,280 -- to support the transit-related elements of the 1974 Unified Work Program for the Philadelphia region. The Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority will be assisted in its Commuter Rail Program and the DRPA and Bucks County in their Transit Improvement Program. (IT-09-0032, 12/28/73)

*Green Bay, Wisconsin -- \$975,548 -- to assist in the purchase of the privately owned Wisconsin Public Service Corporation bus system; six new 45-passenger buses, one acre of land; related bus support equipment, and the construction of a new maintenance facility. (WI-03-0010, 12/28/73)

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