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The U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced a grant of \$133,000 to the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CNYRTA) to assist in the purchase of four new specially equipped buses for service to the elderly and handicapped residents of the Syracuse area.

The four buses to be acquired will be equipped with special slats and grab rails, lighted step wells, short rise steps and convenient doors for entry and exit. In addition, two of the buses will be equipped with lifts and tie-downs for wheelchairs.

According to CNYRTA officials, the radio dispatched buses will operate seven days a week, 16 hours a day Monday through Sunday and 11 1/2 hours on Sunday. Three of the buses are scheduled to operate in Syracuse and the fourth throughout Onondaga County. CNYRTA expects between 200 and 500 calls per day.

The local one-third share is being provided by the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority.

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