CLEVELAND, OH – The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is the recipient of a $15 million BUILD grant to help replace its aging rail fleet. The funds will go towards the cost of replacing the 34 rail cars needed to operate the Red Line.

“We are elated to hear of the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announcement for the $15 million BUILD grant. This is an extraordinary opportunity, and we look forward to utilizing the award funds to advance our rail car replacement program as we dramatically modernize our aging rail fleet and bring our infrastructure into a state of good repair,” said RTA CEO and General Manager, India Birdsong.

“As Ohio's leader and only provider of rail for public transportation, our system has proven to be one of our region’s greatest assets for mobility enhancement for Greater Cleveland residents. Now, with this federal grant investment, we are one-step closer to eliminating the risk of losing this resource --- a resource that offers mobility options to residents as they journey to school, work, health care and a host of other essential destinations each day,” Birdsong said.


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