

RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 008

AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000 AS THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY PORTION OF THE PUBLIC FUNDING FOR THE BUILD UP GREATER CLEVELAND PROGRAM CONTINGENT UPON THE FUNDING OF OTHER PUBLIC OFFICERS AND ENTITIES (RTA CAPITAL FUND – EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program resulted in the development of a strategy for financing urgent renewal needs of the bridge, highway, water, sewer and transit systems in the Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority funded and participated in the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program in past years; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to the community to continue the process that has evolved for arriving at joint conclusions about infrastructure needs and funding; and

WHEREAS, the intention of the program is to continue the present public-private partnership in order to share plans for local infrastructure renewal, to pursue funding for sustaining and improving infrastructure, to seek support for infrastructure funding and related issues when needed and to inform the public about these matters; and

WHEREAS, other public entities have agreed to participate in the fund and Build Up Greater Cleveland Program in 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority:


Section 1. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to support and continue the coordination process created by the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program and to execute any and all documents necessary to effect the participation of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority in the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$40,000 (RTA Capital Fund – External Affairs Department) to the Cleveland Development Foundation be and it is hereby authorized as the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's share of public funding for calendar year 2003.

Section 3. That the expenditure of funds for and participation in said project are contingent upon the participation and funding by the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County Engineer, and Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer Board.

Section 4. That this Resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: January 21, 2003

  
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President

Attest:   
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CEO, General Manager  
Secretary-Treasurer



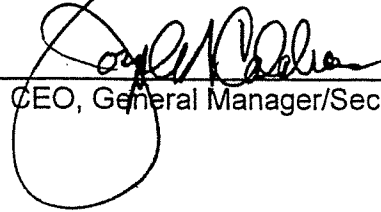
Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority  
**STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS**

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: Authorizing an expenditure of funds in the amount of \$40,000 as the GCRTA portion of the public funding for the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program, contingent upon the funding by other public officers and entities (RTA Capital Fund – External Affairs Department budget)	Resolution No.:2003-008
	Date: January 16, 2003
	Initiator: Stephen Bitto
ACTION REQUEST: <input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to continue its support and involvement in the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Since the early 1980's, the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program has provided a forum for government officials and concerned private citizens to develop workable plans for meeting the capital funding needs for infrastructure improvements throughout the county. The objectives of the program are to:
  - Maintain a database of needed projects, cost estimates, expected funding, and contracting.
  - Provide a forum for local officials to reach consensus and to recommend action on infrastructure funding and on issues affecting infrastructure.
  - Secure support from private sector.
  - Conduct information activities with a view to broadening constituencies and support.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 5.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: RTA will provide \$40,000 as its share of the public funding for the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program. The other public agency participants are the Cuyahoga County Commissioners, Cuyahoga County Engineer, City of Cleveland, and the Northeast Ohio Sewer District. The private share will be provided by the Greater Cleveland Growth Association. Funds have been budgeted in the RTA Capital Fund, External Affairs Department budget for this purpose. This is the same amount as last years contribution.
- 6.0 ALTERNATIVES: Cease RTA's participation in the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program. If RTA ceased to participate in the program, the comprehensive nature of the program would be diminished and RTA would cease to benefit from the program.
- 7.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment of \$40,000 and GCRTA's continued involvement in the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program.

8.0 ATTACHMENTS: No attachments.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.



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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer