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UM RECEIVES \$15,000 GRANT TO ASSIST BUSINESS GROWTH

The University of Montana Bureau of Business and Economic Research has been awarded a grant of \$15,000 by the Office of State Technical Services, U.S. Department of Commerce, under the State Technical Services Act.

The Bureau is responsible for implementing State Technical Services activities in Montana. The grant is the second such grant to be received under the State Technical Services Act. In February, 1966 the Bureau received a \$25,000 grant.

The planning grant does not require state matching funds and will be used to develop more effective methods of transmitting technological information to Montana's businessmen. Considerable emphasis will be given to three planning areas: regional planning activities in cooperation with the eight Rocky Mountain states; field services; and referral services.

In addition to the planning phase of State Technical Services, Fiscal 1966 and 1967 State Technical Services programs have been initiated in Montana at Bozeman, bringing the total support under the Act to \$95,702. Montana State University and Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology at Butte will cooperate with the Bureau in the services provided under the annual programs.