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The University of Dayton Selected to Receive Grant from Ford Motor Company Fund

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DAYTON, Ohio, November 20, 1968 --- The University of Dayton was one of ten schools selected by the Ford Motor Company Fund to receive a grant of $15,000 for its Mechanical Engineering Department. The first of three $5,000 annual installments was presented by Ford representatives Dwight Mutchler and Robert Kramer. The funds are unrestricted for the discretionary use by Professor Howard E. Smith, department head, to enrich the mechanical engineering program.

In accepting the check Dean Maurice Graney and Professor Smith stated that this grant would provide invaluable support for their plans to provide full coverage in the important area of Direct Energy Conversion.

The University's new Engineering-Research Building when completed will provide laboratory facilities supporting instruction in cryogenics, thermoelectrics, thermionics, bio-engineering, solar cells and fuel cells. The Ford monies will enable the Department of Mechanical Engineering to further strengthen their faculty in these important areas.

During the past year the University of Dayton also received $1,000 from Ford Motor Company supplementary to two Ford scholarships held by UD students, and $5,150 in matching gifts by employees on a two for one basis. In the Ford Motor Company's annual report, the University of Dayton ranked first in Ohio and thirty-second among 576 colleges and universities nationally receiving assistance under the company's Employee Matching Program.