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received an transportation fund increase of \$7,790 per year. Farmington Hills' increase is \$57,239 per year.

"We're in the expanding now, since the voters gave us the chance to survive a little over a year ago," said Richard Kaufman, SMART gen-

"Now SMART is doing many dynamic things, including this sort of partnership with commu-nities."

"In our case, we have so much demand among the seniors and handicapped for transportation to doctors' offices, shopping, and so on," said Steve Brock, Farmington Hills assistant city manager.

"We can certainly use more transit vehicles to provide trans-portation in a timely fashion."

"For the youth program," he continued, "more buses will be invaluable to us during the after-school hours."

Brock expected the youth bus be acquired and running with-

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in the week, with the other vehi-cles to be added in the next few months.

The Farmington Area Good-fellows are also contributing \$10,000 to support an expansion of the Senior Handicapped Transportation Program.

"We've supported the Senior program for the last 8 years," said Richard Tupper, Goodfel-lows president and general chairman.

"We put no stipulation on the use of the money, provided that it was used for senior trans-portation."

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nis Archer against former Mayor Coleman Young.
"I thought Detroit was going in the wrong direction," he said.
When Butler, 40, puts his mind a something, he brings energy and ideas and a determination to the task.
"UN. b. 16 for the general prints."

"When I first became a minis-ter, my dream was to have a con-gregation of 500," said the Uni-versity of Michigan graduate. Butler now directs the Word of Faith Christian Center and

Battler how directs the word and preaches to a congregation of 11,000 who come from as far as 100 miles to hear him. The savices are broadcast on WACN. Channel 20, at 7 a.m. and Sundays.

But the Temple Baptist Church and center on West Chicago are not the extent of Butler's work. Three years up to begin a spiritually called to begin as. He away commutes to him the same of the saving and the s

the pulpit for the 11:30 a.m. service.

"I was really pleased to have such a positive representative of the community join the advisory committee," said Chief Dwyer. We're trying to get a good cross section of people with different concerns. They are out there in the community."

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Dwyer said he'd admired Butler's work while both were in Detroit. Dwyer worked for many years in the Detroit Police Department before becoming chief of the Hills department.

So why did such a recognized and respected Detroiter move to Farmington Hills?

"My wife (Deborah) wanted to," he said. "She had a driver pick me up at the airport (after a trip to Atlanta) and bring me to the house. There she was, standing on the porch with the Realtor."

Butler says his neighbors have

Butler says his neighbors have rolled out the red carpet and made him and his family feel most welcome.

"We haven't had any troubles because of race here in Farmington Hills," he said. "We really like living in Farmington Hills."

Butler says never say never hen it comes to possible future political offices, but his busy life with his church activities and his family life come first these

Butler's philosophy: "I try to emphasize teaching people how to apply the word of God to their daily lives."

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The organization, which includes churches in Jackson, Miss., Jacksonville, Fla., and Philadelphia, Pa., has plans for churches in Grand Rapids, Nashville, Tonn. and Birmingham. Ala.

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In addition, the center will be moved to the former Duns Scutus facility in Southfield. That building can house 5,000 for church services as dposed to 4,000 in the current building:

With his son Andre, 20, and daughter Michelle, 18, but attending his alma mater in Ann Arbor, and his daughter Kristina. 14, attending Southfield Christian High School, Butler has found spending time with his children an important part of his life.

What both drives and keeps the minister humble is the effect

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nis ministry has on people, he said.
"The glory is to God," he said.
"I try to emphasize teaching people how to apply the word of God to their daily lives."

to their daily lives."
He also credits that philosophy
with increasing the size and
number of his congregation.
"Sheep beget sheep," he said.
When you are able to really
change someone's life, they will
bring people they love with them
to church as well."

The ministry also recognizes different needs of its congregation, reaching out to the young, to singles and to seniors.

"Even though I support the police, I don't believe that is the most important thing," he said.

"The problem is from within. Crimes are not committed because police aren't there, it's

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That is Butler's greatest mission, he says.
Butler said his calling came an early age, but it wasn't like a bolt of lightning.
"You can ask my grandmother," he said. "As long as anyone can remember, this is what I've wanted to do."
Dwyer hopes that same determination can benefit Farmington Hills.

"This advisory committee has really been a good sounding board for programs," he said, adding that drug awareness, handicapped parking patrols and other programs have come about thanks to the group.

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