

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 26, 1997****NEW ISSUE****Rating: Moody's A2**

*In the opinion of Bond Counsel, according to present State of Minnesota and federal laws, regulations and rulings, assuming compliance with certain covenants, the interest on the Bonds is not includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes or in taxable income of individuals, estates and trusts for State of Minnesota income tax purposes, and is not an item of tax preference in determining federal or Minnesota alternative minimum tax applicable to individuals. Interest on the Bonds is subject to the State of Minnesota franchise tax applicable to corporations, including financial institutions, and is includable in the calculation of certain federal taxes imposed on corporations. The Bonds will not be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. (See "TAX EXEMPTION".)*

**\$15,435,000****Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority****Revenue Bonds, Series Four-P****(University of St. Thomas)****(DTC Book Entry Only)****Dated Date: December 1, 1997****Interest Due: April 1 and October 1,  
commencing October 1, 1998**

\$5,945,000 serial bonds to mature annually on April 1 as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Yield or Price</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Yield or Price</u>
1999	\$ 75,000	4.05%	100%	2006	\$440,000	4.75%	100%
2000	\$345,000	4.15%	100%	2007	\$465,000	4.85%	100%
2001	\$355,000	4.25%	100%	2008	\$485,000	4.95%	100%
2002	\$370,000	4.35%	100%	2009	\$510,000	5.00%	100%
2003	\$390,000	4.45%	100%	2010	\$535,000	5.10%	100%
2004	\$405,000	4.55%	100%	2011	\$560,000	5.20%	100%
2005	\$425,000	4.65%	100%	2012	\$585,000	5.25%	100%

\$4,235,000 5.375% Term Bonds due April 1, 2018 Price 99.077%

\$5,255,000 5.40% Term Bonds due April 1, 2023 Price 98.633%

At the option of the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority (the "Authority"), the Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity, as described herein. See "The Bonds—Prior Redemption—Optional Redemption". The Bonds will also be subject to optional redemption in whole or in part in certain cases of damage to or destruction or condemnation of the Project Facilities described in the Loan Agreement and Indenture. The Bonds will be subject to optional redemption in whole upon a termination of the air rights lease associated with the Project Facilities. The Bonds will be subject to optional redemption in whole or in part in the event of a Determination of Taxability, as described herein. The Bonds maturing April 1, 2018 and 2023 are subject to mandatory redemption in installments as described herein.

The Bonds will be issued as fully registered Bonds without coupons and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases may be made in book entry form only, in the principal amount of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds purchased. (See "Book Entry Only System" herein). Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota will act as Trustee.

The Bonds are special obligations of the Authority payable solely from Loan Repayments made by or on behalf of the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota (the "University") pursuant to a Loan Agreement between the Authority and the University, or out of other amounts pledged pursuant to the Indenture as described herein. The Loan Repayments will be a general obligation of the University.

THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE LEGAL OR MORAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA NOR CONSTITUTE A DEBT FOR WHICH THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE AUTHORITY OR THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, OR THE TAXING POWERS OF THE STATE, ARE PLEDGED. THE AUTHORITY HAS NO TAXING POWERS.

The Underwriters intend to engage in secondary market trading in the Bonds, subject to prevailing market conditions and applicable securities laws. The Underwriters are not obligated, however, to repurchase any of the Bonds at the request of any holder thereof. For information with respect to the Underwriters, see "UNDERWRITING" herein.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued by the Authority and accepted by the Underwriters named below subject to the approval of legality by Faegre & Benson LLP, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the University by Moore, Costello & Hart, P.L.L.P., St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota; and for the Underwriters by Dorsey & Whitney LLP, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Bonds are expected to be available for delivery to the Underwriters at DTC on or about December 18, 1997.

**Norwest Investment Services, Inc.****Miller & Schroeder Financial, Inc.**

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

No dealer, broker, sales representative or other person has been authorized by the Authority, the University, or the Underwriters to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Official Statement and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Authority, the University or the Underwriters. The information contained herein, except as it relates to the Authority and DTC, has been obtained from the University and is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness. Except for information concerning the Authority, such information is not to be construed as a representation by the Authority. Information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Authority or the University since the date hereof.

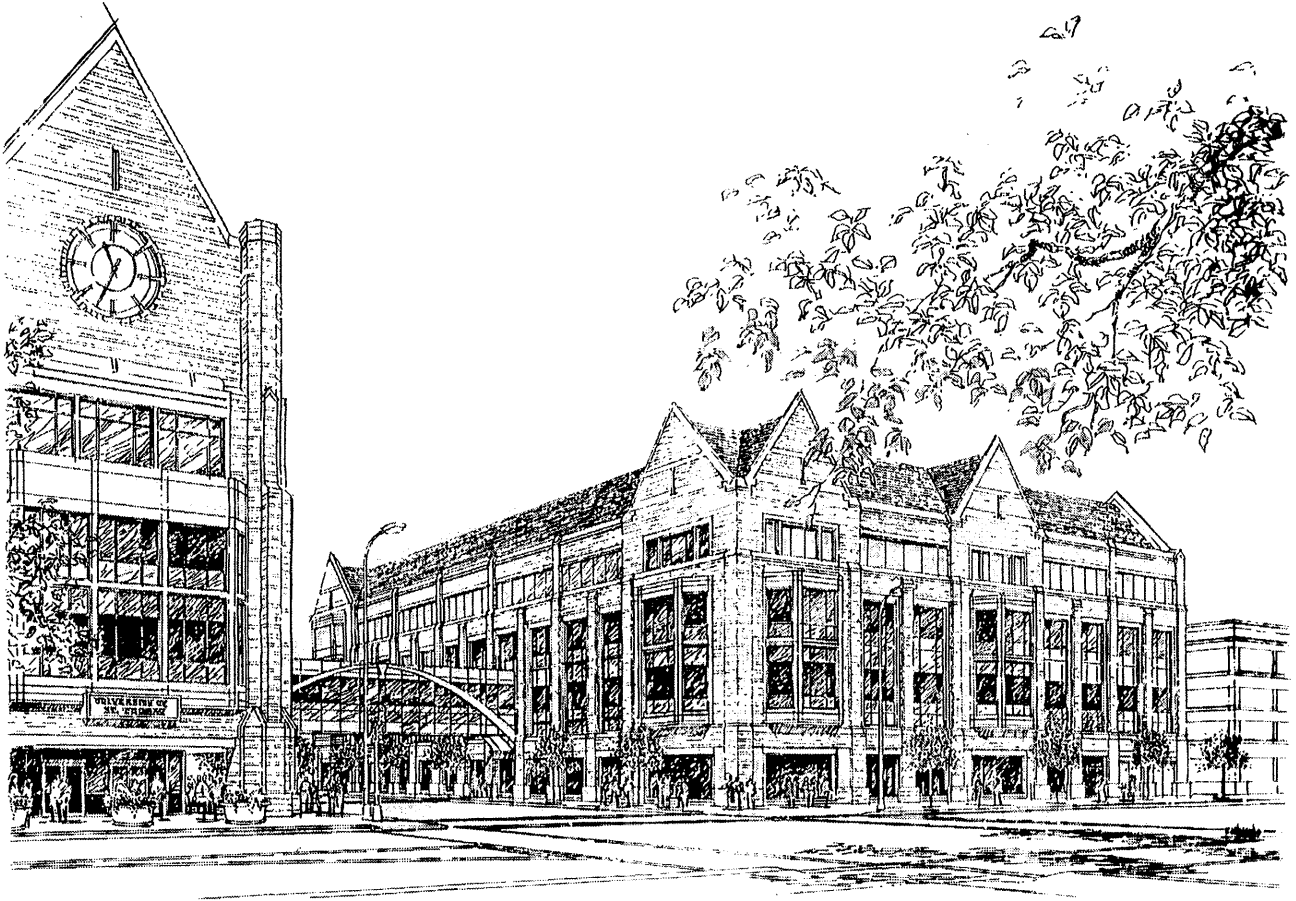
References in this Official Statement to laws, rules, regulations, agreements, and any other documents do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references to such documents are qualified in their entirety by reference to the particular document, the full text of which may contain qualifications of and exceptions to statements made herein. Where full texts have not been included as appendices hereto, they will be furnished on request.

IN MAKING AN INVESTMENT DECISION INVESTORS MUST RELY ON THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE ISSUE AND THE TERMS OF THE OFFERING, INCLUDING THE MERITS AND RISKS INVOLVED.

The Bonds have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission by reason of the provisions of Section 3(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy, and there shall not be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any state in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. The registration or qualification of these securities in accordance with applicable provisions of securities laws of the jurisdictions in which the Bonds may be registered or qualified and the exemption from registration or qualification in other jurisdictions shall not be regarded as a recommendation thereof. Neither these jurisdictions nor any of their agencies have passed upon the merits of the Bonds or the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. Any representation to the contrary may be a criminal offense.

Certain of the parties involved in this financing have agreed to indemnify certain other parties for any untrue statement of a material fact contained in this Official Statement or any omission to state a material fact necessary to be stated in this Official Statement in order to make the statements contained herein not misleading.

# University of St. Thomas



## Opus Hall

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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

**\$15,435,000**

### **MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY**

#### **REVENUE BONDS, SERIES FOUR-P**

**(University of St. Thomas)**

**(DTC Book Entry Only)**

### **INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT**

This Official Statement provides information concerning the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority (the "Authority") and the University of St. Thomas, an institution of higher education with its primary campus located in Saint Paul, Minnesota, (the "University") in connection with the issuance of the Authority's \$15,435,000 Revenue Bonds, Series Four-P (University of St. Thomas) (the "Bonds", the "Series Four-P Bonds" or the "Issue").

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 136A.25 to 136A.42, Minnesota Statutes, as amended, by the provisions of which the Authority was created and authorized to issue its obligations to assist institutions of higher education within the State of Minnesota to finance certain projects.

The Bonds are also issued pursuant to the Trust Indenture (the "Indenture") between the Authority and Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota as trustee (the "Trustee"). The Trustee will also be the Registrar and Paying Agent for the Issue.

Pursuant to a Loan Agreement between the University and the Authority relating to the Bonds, the University will covenant as a general obligation of the University to make Loan Repayments in amounts sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same shall become due. The proceeds of the Bonds will be loaned to the University by the Authority to finance the acquisition, construction, and equipping of an approximately 98,200 square foot facility to be used for offices, a library, classrooms, and other purposes and a skyway connection to its existing building ("Opus Hall" or the "Project") to be owned and operated by the University and located on the Minneapolis campus of the University, as more fully described under "THE PROJECT." Opus Hall will initially be the administrative headquarters for the University's School of Education, the headquarters for which are currently located on the University's Saint Paul campus.

The Bonds are secured by a pledge of the Loan Repayments, which is a general obligation of the University. Under the Loan Agreement, the University will agree to provide the funds necessary to make timely payment of the Loan Repayments.

The Reserve Account will be funded in the amount of \$568,761.88 from proceeds of the Bonds. (See "Reserve Account" herein.)

**The Bonds shall not be legal or moral obligations of the State of Minnesota nor constitute a debt for which the faith and credit of the Authority or the State of Minnesota or the taxing powers of the State are pledged. The Authority has no taxing powers.**

The descriptions and summaries of various documents hereinafter set forth do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive, and reference is made to each document for the complete details of all terms and conditions. All statements herein are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. See Appendices IV and V for definitions of certain words and terms used herein and for a description of certain provisions of the documents hereinafter referred to.

## **RISK FACTORS**

**Investors purchasing the Bonds assume a certain degree of risk in so doing. The following Risk Factors, among others, should be considered before making any such purchase.**

### **No Collateral**

The Bonds are secured by (a) a pledge of amounts payable under the Loan Agreement and (b) a Reserve Account which will be held by the Trustee and applied to the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds. No mortgage lien on or security interest in the Project or any other University property has been granted to secure payment of the Bonds.

### **Adequacy of Revenues**

Payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds is intended to be made from Loan Repayments of the University. The University's ability to make Loan Repayments will be dependent on its ability to receive sufficient unrestricted revenues in excess of expenditures. Such revenues and expenditures are subject to many conditions and factors, some of which may be beyond the control of the University and may change in the future to an extent that cannot be presently determined. Certain debt of the University is secured by mortgage liens on the property financed. Certain other indebtedness of the University is secured by liens on revenues. (See "Long-Term Debt," pages I-19 and I-20.)

### **Reliance on Tuition**

The adequacy of University revenues will in part be dependent on the amount of future tuition revenue received by the University. Tuition revenue in turn will depend primarily on the ability of the University to charge sufficient rates for tuition and to maintain enrollment levels. Future enrollment levels will depend on the number of students applying to the University. A number of factors, including, without limitation, levels of tuition rates and other fees, competition from other colleges, a change in the number of college age students generally or adverse general economic conditions could influence the number of applicants to the University.

### **Financial Aid**

Approximately 70% of the University's students currently receive some form of financial aid covering tuition and fees or living expenses. No assurance can be given that federal and state financial aid will continue to be funded at current levels or that the University will continue to fund student aid at current levels. Curtailment of such aid could cause a decline in enrollment, which could in turn have an adverse effect on the University's revenues.

### **Damage or Destruction**

Although the University will be required to obtain certain insurance as set forth in the Loan Agreement, there can be no assurance that the University will not suffer losses for which insurance cannot be or has not been obtained or that the amount of any such loss will not exceed the coverage of such insurance policies.



## **Nature of Pro Forma Debt Service Coverage**

Certain historical operating revenue for the University and computed pro forma debt service coverage is provided in Appendix I under the caption "Annual Debt Service by Fiscal Year and Coverage Statement." The pro forma coverage is merely a mathematical computation as reflected in the applicable table, and constitutes no assurance as to the future sufficiency of University revenues to satisfy University operations and Bond and other debt service requirements.

## **Limited Obligation**

No entity or person other than the University is, or shall be, in any way liable or responsible for any payments to be made under the Loan Agreement, the Trust Indenture, or the Bonds or the other obligations of the University. Accordingly, for payment of principal and interest on the Bonds, holders of the Bonds must look solely to the Loan Repayments to be made by the University under the Loan Agreement and the Reserve Account.

## **No Limitation on Indebtedness or Liens**

Neither the Loan Agreement nor any of the loan documents for the other indebtedness of the University described in Appendix I under the caption "Long-Term Debt" contains any limitation on incurrence by the University of additional long-term or short-term indebtedness. Therefore, the University could incur additional indebtedness in the future, and the additional payments of principal and interest required for such indebtedness could limit the funds available to pay the Loan Repayments and the payments of principal and interest required for the University's existing indebtedness.

Also, neither the Loan Agreement nor such other loan documents restricts the University from granting a mortgage or security interest in any of the University's property to secure other existing indebtedness or future indebtedness of the University. If the University grants a mortgage or security interest in any of its property to secure other indebtedness, the holders of such secured indebtedness would have a claim on that property that is senior to the unsecured claim of the Bondholders.

## **Sufficiency of Tax Increment**

In 1991, The Minneapolis Community Development Agency (the "MCDA") issued its Tax Exempt Tax Increment Revenue Note (the "Note") to the University in the principal amount of \$9.2 million and payable over a period of 25 years. Principal and interest on the Note are payable solely from a portion of the tax increment collected from properties in Tax Increment District Number 42 (Nieman Marcus) (the "District"), reduced by application of tax increment to certain prior pledges of the tax increment. Estimated annual payments to the University under the Note are expected to range from \$737,150 in 1997 to approximately \$1,190,000 in 2015. The Note was assigned to the bond trustee for the Authority's First Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series Three-C, issued on behalf of the University to finance its Minneapolis Campus. Payments under the Note defray part of the debt service on the Series Three-C Bonds. There can be no assurance that the available tax increment will be sufficient to pay the principal and interest due under the Note due to future factors beyond the control of the University or the MCDA. These factors could include, but are not necessarily limited to, (i) a reduction in the estimated market value for properties in the District, (ii) a reduction in property class rates for commercial property, (iii) a reduction in local tax rates established by taxing authorities, (iv) the conversion of taxable property to tax-exempt property and (v) delinquencies in the payment of property taxes. The commercial property class rate was recently reduced approximately 15%

for taxes payable in 1998, which is expected to have an adverse effect on available tax increments. To the extent payments on the Note are less than anticipated, the University will be required to pay a larger portion of the debt service on the Series Three-C Bonds from its unrestricted funds.

### **Bankruptcy**

The ability of the Trustee to exercise rights under the Loan Agreement and the Indenture may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws or equitable principles related to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights.

### **Federal Grants**

The University is relying on a \$500,000 federal grant and a \$15,000,000 federal grant to pay \$15,500,000 in project costs for a portion of the construction of its Frey Science and Engineering Center (the "Center") which was completed in August 1997. In addition, project costs for the Center are being financed from proceeds of \$18,245,000 Revenue Bonds, Series Four-A1 and Series Four-A2, issued on behalf of the University by the Authority. The Series Four-A2 Bonds were refunded in September 1997 by a portion of the proceeds of the Series Four-O Bonds. The federal grants are subject to revocation, termination or suspension if the University fails to comply with the terms and conditions thereof. The federal government has the option to conduct an audit of the application of federal grant monies and the University expects an audit to be conducted in order to determine compliance with the grant agreements. The findings of any such audit could result in the University being required to repay all or a portion of the grants to the federal government. If the grants were revoked, suspended or terminated in whole or in part, or if the University were required to repay any of the grant funds after an audit, the additional University funds required for such repayment or to complete the Center could limit the funds of the University otherwise available to pay University obligations. Approximately \$469,000 remains to be disbursed under the grants.

### **Project Real Estate**

The University will not have title to the land on which Opus Hall will be constructed. The land has been acquired by the Minneapolis Community Development Agency and is expected to be transferred to the City of Minneapolis. Opus Hall will be constructed pursuant to an air rights lease ("Lease"). If the Lease were breached by the University, the Lease could be terminated and the University would forfeit its right to use and occupy Opus Hall. The University retains the option to redeem the Bonds in whole upon a termination of the Lease prior to the end of its term. Any forfeiture of the University's rights to Opus Hall could have an adverse effect on revenues and the University's ability to meet University obligations, including Loan Repayments. (See THE PROJECT for additional information regarding the University's air rights lease.)

### **MCLU Opposition to Co-Development**

On September 24, 1997, the Minnesota Civil Liberties Union ("MCLU") issued a news release and held a news conference announcing the MCLU's opposition to what it described as the "proposed co-development of a downtown public school in a complex with a St. Thomas Graduate School of Education". At the news conference the president of the MCLU stated that the relationship between the University and the public elementary and high school to which Opus Hall will be adjacent will lead to a governmental establishment of religion that violates both the United States and Minnesota Constitutions. In addition, the MCLU also voiced its

opposition to the benefits that the City of Minneapolis is conferring on the University through the use of its condemnation power to acquire the land for the site, its construction of a parking facility, a portion of which will be available to the University, and its grant of a right to the University to acquire the parking facility.

The University believes that the relationship between the University's School of Education and the public school to which it will be adjacent does not violate the United States or Minnesota Constitutions because, among other things, the University is a nonsectarian institution, the financing and construction of each facility is independent of the other and the University will not operate the public school. Furthermore, the land condemned by the City is not part of the site on which Opus Hall will be constructed and the parking facility will be available to the general public.

The MCLU has not, and has not threatened to, institute litigation against the University in respect of the development or financing of Opus Hall. If the MCLU were to take such action it could delay or prevent the completion of Opus Hall. While the University does not believe that such an action by the MCLU would have a material adverse impact on its net revenues from operation, additional costs could be incurred and funds expended on the Project could be lost. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the consequences of any action that the MCLU might attempt.

### **Other Possible Risk Factors**

The occurrence of any of the following events, or other unanticipated events, could adversely affect the operations of the University:

- (1) Reinstatement of or establishment of mandatory governmental wage and price controls.
- (2) Inability to control increases in operating costs, including salaries, wages and fringe benefits, supplies and other expenses, without being able to obtain corresponding increases in revenues.
- (3) Employee strikes and other adverse labor actions which could result in a substantial increase in expenditures without corresponding increase in revenues.
- (4) Adoption of federal, State or local legislation or regulations having an adverse effect on the future operating or financial performance of the University.

### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

In order to assist the Underwriters in complying with SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"), the University will enter into an undertaking (the "Undertaking") with the Trustee for the benefit of beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide certain financial information and operating data relating to the University to certain information repositories annually, and to provide notices of the occurrence of the eleven events enumerated in the Rule to such repositories or the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board and to the Minnesota state information depository, if any. The specific nature of the Undertaking, as well as the information to be contained in the annual report or the notices of material events is set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement to be executed by the University at the time the Bonds are delivered, a copy of which is available from the University or the Trustee. Appendix III contains a summary of the financial information and operating data to be provided annually. The Continuing Disclosure

Agreement may be amended under certain circumstances as permitted by the Rule. Furthermore, the University has reserved its right to discontinue providing information required by the Continuing Disclosure Agreement or the Rule, if a final determination is made by a court of competent jurisdiction that the Rule is invalid or otherwise unlawful, and to modify the terms of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement if a court of competent jurisdiction or the University determines that such modification is required by the Rule. The University has never failed to comply in all material respects with any previous undertakings under the Rule to provide annual reports or notices of material events. A failure by the University to comply with the Undertaking will not constitute an event of default on the Bonds (although holders may have other remedies in the event of noncompliance). Nevertheless, such a failure must be reported in accordance with the Rule and must be considered by any broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer before recommending the purchase or sale of the Bonds in the secondary market. Consequently, such a failure, or the information supplied by the University pursuant to the Undertaking, may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

## **THE BONDS**

### **General**

The Bonds will be dated December 1, 1997 and will mature in the amounts and on the dates shown on the cover page of this Official Statement. The Bonds are being issued in denominations of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof not exceeding the amount maturing on any maturity date, and shall be fully registered as to principal and interest. Interest on the Bonds will be payable on each April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 1998.

### **Book Entry Only System**

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee). One fully registered Security certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds securities that its participants ("Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the settlement among Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book entry changes in Participants' accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is owned by a number of its Direct Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc.; the American Stock Exchange, Inc.; and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The Rules applicable to DTC and its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Purchases of the Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership of each actual purchaser of each Security ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. effect no change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Trustee as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records unless DTC has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on payable date. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Trustee, or the Authority, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest to DTC is the responsibility of the Trustee or the Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Trustee or the Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Security certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Authority may decide to discontinue use of the system of book entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book entry system has been obtained from DTC, but neither the University, the Underwriters, nor the Authority takes any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

## Prior Redemption

### Mandatory Redemption

Bonds maturing on April 1, 2018 and 2023 shall be called for redemption on April 1 in the years 2013 through 2017 and 2019 through 2022, respectively, at the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, without premium, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption, from moneys in the Sinking Fund Subaccount of the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account, in the respective amounts set forth below.

Term Bonds Due April 1, 2018		Term Bonds Due April 1, 2023	
<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2013	\$615,000	2019	\$ 845,000
2014	\$650,000	2020	\$ 890,000
2015	\$685,000	2021	\$ 940,000
2016	\$725,000	2022	\$ 995,000
2017	\$760,000	2023 *	\$1,585,000
2018 *	\$800,000		

\* Stated maturity.

The Bonds or portions thereof to be so redeemed shall be selected by the Trustee by lot or in such other random manner as the Trustee shall determine.

The Bonds maturing in 2018 and 2023 to be retired pursuant to the mandatory redemption obligations set forth above, may, at the option of the University, be reduced by the principal amount of any Bonds of such maturity which at least 45 days prior to such redemption:

- (1) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
- (2) have been purchased or redeemed (other than through operation of the Sinking Fund Subaccount) and canceled by the Trustee and not theretofore applied as a credit against such mandatory redemption obligations.

### Optional Redemption

At the request of the University, the Authority may elect on April 1, 2007, and on any day thereafter, to prepay Bonds due on or after April 1, 2008. Redemption may be in whole or in part and if in part at the option of the Authority and in such manner as the Authority shall determine as directed by the University. If less than all Bonds of a maturity are called for redemption, the Authority will notify DTC of the particular amount of such maturity to be prepaid. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. All prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

### Extraordinary Optional Redemption

The Bonds will also be subject to optional redemption at par and accrued interest in integral multiples of \$5,000, (i) as a whole or in part, in certain cases of damage to or destruction or condemnation of the Project Facilities, (ii) in whole, upon a termination of the Lease prior to the end of its term, and (iii) as a whole or in part, upon a Determination of Taxability as provided in the Loan Agreement (see "Determination of Taxability" and "SUMMARY OF DOCUMENTS—The Loan Agreement").

### Partial Redemption

In the case of Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000, if less than all of such Bonds then outstanding are to be called for redemption, then for all purposes in connection with redemption, each \$5,000 of principal amount shall be treated as though it was a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000 bearing the number borne by such fully registered Bond and a subnumber assigned by the Trustee. If it is determined that one or more, but not all of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by any such Bond is to be called for redemption, then upon notice of intention to redeem such \$5,000 unit or units, the Owner of such fully registered Bond shall forthwith surrender such Bond to the Trustee for (1) payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption and (2) exchange for a new Bond or Bonds of the aggregate principal amount of the unredeemed balance of the principal amount of such Bond which shall be issued to the registered Owner thereof, without charge therefor. If the Owner of any such Bond of a denomination greater than \$5,000 shall fail to present such Bond to the Trustee for payment and exchange as aforesaid, such Bond shall nevertheless become due and payable on the date fixed for redemption to the extent of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (and to that extent only). Interest shall cease to accrue on the portion of the principal amount of such Bonds represented by such \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount on and after the date fixed for redemption provided that funds sufficient for payment of the redemption price shall have been deposited with the Trustee and shall be available for the redemption of said \$5,000 unit or units on the date fixed for redemption, and in such event, such Bond shall not be entitled to the benefit or security of the Indenture or the Loan Agreement to the extent of the portion of its principal amount (and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption and applicable premium, if any) represented by such \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount, nor shall new Bonds be thereafter issued corresponding to said unit or units.

### Notice of Redemption

Notice of any redemption shall be mailed to the registered Owners at their addresses shown on the registration books of the Authority and maintained by the Trustee not less than thirty days, and if more than 60 days, then again not less than 30 nor more than 60 days, before the date fixed for such payment. If moneys are available at the office of the Trustee to pay the redemption price on the date of redemption, any Bonds thus called shall not bear interest after the call date and, except for the purpose of payment by application of the funds so deposited, shall no longer be protected by the Indenture.

### **Determination of Taxability**

If a Determination of Taxability is made that the interest payable on the Bonds is subject to federal income taxes by reason of the application of the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder in effect on the date of issuance, the Bonds shall bear additional interest equal to two percent (2.00%) per annum above the basic interest rate from the Date Of Taxability effective until the respective dates on which the principal of the Bonds is paid. See "Tax Exemption" on pages 18 through 19 and Appendix IV, "DEFINITION OF CERTAIN TERMS."

**If a Determination of Taxability should occur, any monetary damages or loss resulting from or incident thereto shall be limited to the additional interest rate on the Bonds.**

The University will have the option to prepay the Loan, on the next date for which due notice of redemption can be given, in whole or in part and on any date thereafter following a Determination of Taxability at a price of par and accrued interest (including additional interest from the Date of Taxability).

## THE PROJECT

Proceeds of the Bonds, will finance the acquisition, construction, and equipping of Opus Hall, an approximately 98,200 square foot facility to be used for offices, a library, classrooms and other purposes, and a skyway connection to the University's existing facility on its Minneapolis campus. Opus Hall will initially be the administrative headquarters for the University's School of Education, the headquarters for which are currently located on the University's Saint Paul campus. The University and Opus Corporation ("Opus"), as co-tenants, and the Minneapolis Community Development Agency ("MCDA"), as landlord, entered into a lease (the "Lease") dated June 26, 1997, whereby MCDA leased to the University and Opus the air rights necessary to construct and maintain Opus Hall. The term of the Lease began upon execution of the Lease and will end 50 years after the date which is the earlier of (A) substantial completion of Opus Hall and issuance of a certificate of occupancy or (B) 13 months after a related parking ramp to be constructed by the City is certified to be complete (referred to in the Lease as the "Rent Commencement Date"). The Rent Commencement Date is expected to occur in 1999, with a corresponding Lease termination date in 2049. The University has indemnified Opus against any liability Opus might incur as a tenant under the Lease. The interest of Opus as tenant under the Lease will be assigned to the University, and Opus will be released from all liability under the Lease, after performance of Opus's obligations under a redevelopment agreement between Opus and the MCDA and a construction contract between Opus and the University and upon the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for Opus Hall. It is expected that the MCDA's interest as landlord under the Lease will be assigned to the City. The University has agreed to pay the City \$300,000 in equal monthly installments over five years, beginning in 1997. The City has agreed to pay or satisfy the base rent payable under the Lease for the first 30 years after the Rent Commencement Date and, upon assignment of the landlord's interest in the Lease to the City, to accept the \$300,000 to be paid by the University as payment in full of base rent for the first 30 years after the Rent Commencement Date. During the remaining 20 years of the Lease, from 2029 to 2049, if the University fails to exercise its option to purchase the City's interest in the redevelopment project, as described below, the base rent is expected to be approximately \$135,000 per month. Throughout the term of the Lease, the University is required to pay all costs and expenses necessary for the operation of Opus Hall, in addition to base rent.

The landlord under the Lease has the right to terminate the Lease upon the occurrence of certain events, including a default by the tenant under the Lease, a default by Opus under either the redevelopment agreement with the MCDA or the construction contract with the University, or a default by the University under any agreement executed by the University in connection with the Lease.

Opus Hall is part of a larger redevelopment project on a one-half block site (the "Redevelopment Site") located across 10th Street from the University's existing Minneapolis facility. The redevelopment project includes Opus Hall, construction by the City of a below-grade parking ramp for approximately 600 vehicles and construction by a consortium of nine public school districts (the "School Districts") of an elementary and secondary school building pursuant to an air rights lease similar to the Lease. Opus Hall and the School Districts' building will each occupy approximately 45 percent of the surface of the Redevelopment Site, and approximately 10 percent of the surface of the Redevelopment Site will be occupied by rights of way, sidewalks and other common areas owned by the City.

During a 15-year period, which is expected to commence in 2014 and end in 2029, the University has an option to purchase the City's interest in the redevelopment project, including the entire Redevelopment Site, the City's parking ramp and the City's interest as landlord under the Lease and the School Districts' air rights lease. The purchase option price equals the total cost to the City for the redevelopment project, less the amount of principal paid by the City to the date of the University's purchase on certain parking revenue bonds issued by the City.



Assuming the City's current estimate of redevelopment costs is accurate, the purchase option price is estimated to be \$26,335,000 at the beginning of the option period (2014), declining to approximately \$15,055,000 by the end of the option period (2029). The actual purchase option price will be based upon actual redevelopment costs and could vary from these estimates.

Construction of Opus Hall is expected to begin in April 1998 and be completed by May, 1999 by Opus as general contractor and architect of record. The University has entered into a guaranteed maximum price contract with Opus for the Project other than materials to be purchased directly by the University.

## **ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS**

Sources of funds to finance the Project are estimated as follows:

### Sources of Funds

Series Four-P Bonds Principal	\$15,435,000
Original Issue Discount	<u>(110,925)</u>
Total Sources	<u><u>\$15,324,075</u></u>

### Uses of Funds

Project Costs	\$14,500,000
Debt Service Reserve	568,762
Issuance Costs and Underwriters' Discount	<u>255,313</u>
Total Uses	<u><u>\$15,324,075</u></u>

In the event issuance costs of the Bonds including underwriters' discount exceed 2% of the proceeds of the Bonds, defined as par less original issue discount according to the reoffering scale, such excess shall be paid by the University from other than Bond proceeds.

Accrued interest received at Bond Closing will be deposited into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account and applied as a credit against the amount to be deposited in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account on or before the next interest payment date.

## **SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS**

The Bonds will be special obligations of the Authority payable solely from Loan Repayments made by the University as required by the Loan Agreement or out of other amounts pledged therefor under the Indenture including moneys and investments in the Reserve Account. The Reserve Account will be fully funded to the Reserve Requirement from proceeds of the Bonds in the amount of \$568,761.88.

The Bonds are secured by the pledge of the Loan Repayments and a Reserve Account. The Loan Repayments are a general obligation of the University. The University will agree pursuant to the terms of the Loan Agreement and the Indenture to make payments directly to the Trustee in such amounts and at such times as to assure that the Trustee has sufficient funds with which to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The University agrees to make such

payments out of its general funds or any other moneys legally available. The University covenants and agrees to charge tuition fees, other fees, rentals and charges which, together with the general funds or any other moneys legally available, will be sufficient at all times to make the Loan Repayments and other payments required under the Loan Agreement; to meet current operation and maintenance expenses of the Project Facilities; and to pay all other obligations of the University as they become due.

**The Bonds shall not be legal or moral obligations of the State of Minnesota nor constitute a debt for which the faith and credit of the Authority or the State of Minnesota, or the taxing powers of the State, are pledged. The Authority has no taxing powers.**

The Bonds will not be secured by the General Bond Reserve of the Authority (see "ACCOUNTS—General Bond Reserve Account").

## **ACCOUNTS**

### **Summary**

The Indenture will provide for the creation of certain trust accounts into which the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds and revenues received as Loan Repayments under the Loan Agreement are to be deposited. These accounts include a Construction Account, a Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account, a Reserve Account, and a Redemption Account. The net proceeds of original issue and sale of the Bonds are to be deposited into the Construction Account, except that the amount of the Reserve Requirement will be deposited into the Reserve Account, and accrued interest, if any, will be deposited in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account. Following Bond Closing, amounts received by the Trustee from the University as Loan Repayments are to be deposited into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account, the Reserve Account, and the Redemption Account, as required by the Loan Agreement and used, to the extent needed, to redeem or pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

### **Construction Account**

There shall be deposited initially into the Construction Account certain proceeds of the Bonds, except as otherwise required to be deposited into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account and the Reserve Account. In addition, the University will agree in the Loan Agreement to provide for payment of all Project Costs in excess of the proceeds of the Bonds available therefor and to pay out of available general funds all costs of issuance of the Bonds (including underwriting discount) in excess of 2.00% of the proceeds of the Bonds (principal less original issue discount according to the reoffering scale). Upon receipt of proper documentation, the Trustee will reimburse or pay for the account of the University costs incurred in connection with the Project. When work on the Project has been completed and the Project Equipment has been installed and a certificate to that effect has been furnished to the Trustee, any balance in the Construction Account shall be deposited into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account or the Redemption Account.

### **Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account and Sinking Fund Subaccount**

Initially there shall be deposited into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account any amount of the Bond proceeds representing accrued interest, which is to be used to pay interest on the Bonds. Deposits shall be made to the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account from transfers of amounts in other accounts, as permitted by the Indenture, and from Loan Repayments made by the University. A separate Sinking Fund Subaccount will be maintained within the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account for the retirement of Term Bonds on each Sinking Fund redemption date. Deposits into the Sinking Fund Subaccount shall be made at least five Business Days prior to each April 1 on which a sinking fund payment is due in amounts equal to the redemption price of the principal specified for mandatory redemption.

The moneys and investments in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account will be irrevocably pledged to and shall be used by the Trustee, from time to time, to the extent required, for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds as and when such principal and interest shall become due and payable and for that purpose only.

### **Reserve Account**

There shall be initially deposited into the Reserve Account from Bond proceeds the amount of the Reserve Requirement which is irrevocably pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, as may be required from time to time. All amounts paid by the University as Loan Repayments not deposited or required to be deposited into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account or the Redemption Account will be deposited into the Reserve Account in order to maintain the Reserve Account in an amount not less than the Reserve Requirement.

In the event that a withdrawal of funds from the Reserve Account reduces the balance therein to a sum less than the Reserve Requirement, the University shall forthwith restore the deficiency, provided that if such funds are withdrawn in order to make any rebate payment required to be made by the Authority under the Loan Agreement, the Authority shall restore such deficiency or shall reimburse the University for amounts so withdrawn. Investments in the Reserve Account shall be valued at market value. Investments in the Reserve Account shall be valued by the Trustee not less frequently than as of the first day of the calendar month next preceding April 1, 1998 and each interest payment date thereafter. If upon any valuation date, the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account (exclusive of accrued but unrealized interest on moneys or investments therein) is more than the lesser of the amount of the Reserve Requirement, or the amount permitted for a reasonably required reserve fund under the Arbitrage Regulations, the Trustee shall forthwith transfer the excess to the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account. If on any valuation date the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account is less than the amount of the Reserve Requirement, then (unless the value of the amount on deposit exceeds the amount allowed for a reasonably required reserve fund under the Arbitrage Regulations) such deficiency shall be restored to an amount equal to the amount of the Reserve Requirement within 180 days, in no more than six monthly installments which are each at least equal to one-sixth of the deficiency.

Interest and income in the Reserve Account shall be transferred first, to the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account to the extent the amount on deposit in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account is less than the amount permitted for a bona fide debt service fund under the Arbitrage Regulations, and second, to the Redemption Account any excess interest and income, and when the moneys and investments in the Reserve Account shall be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on all outstanding Bonds when due, such moneys and investments shall be transferred, as appropriate, into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account or the Redemption Account; provided that the Trustee is authorized, in its discretion, to use funds and investments in the Reserve Account to pay the amount of any rebate due the United States in respect of the Bonds under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code if the University or the Authority shall have failed to pay or provide for the payment thereof under the Loan Agreement.

In lieu of maintaining and depositing moneys in the Reserve Account as described above, the University may deposit with the Trustee a letter of credit from a bank with a credit rating in one of the two highest rating categories (without regard to any refinement or gradation of rating category by numerical modifier or otherwise) of each nationally recognized securities rating agency then maintaining a rating on the Bonds, including without limitation Moody's Investors Service Inc. so long as it maintains a rating on the Bonds (a "Rating Agency"). Any such letter of credit shall permit the Trustee to draw amounts thereunder for deposit in the Reserve Account which, together with any cash or investments on deposit in or available from a surety bond or another letter of credit to fund the Reserve Account, are not less than the Reserve Requirement and which may be applied to any purpose for which moneys in the Reserve

Account may be applied. The Trustee shall make a drawing on such letter of credit (a) whenever moneys are required for the purposes for which Reserve Account moneys may be applied and (b) prior to any expiration or termination thereof; provided, however, that no such drawing need be made if other moneys are available from a replacement letter of credit or a surety bond or available in the Reserve Account in the amount of the Reserve Requirement. If the Trustee makes a draw on such letter of credit or if the value of such letter of credit is less than the Reserve Requirement, the Trustee shall notify the University of the amount of the deficiency, and the University shall remedy such deficiency by increasing the value of such letter of credit or by depositing moneys in the Reserve Account (or both) to the extent of such deficiency in the manner and at the times provided in this Section.

In lieu of maintaining and depositing moneys in the Reserve Account, the University also may maintain in effect an irrevocable surety bond issued by a bond insurance company with a credit rating in the highest rating category of each Rating Agency (as defined in the foregoing paragraph) then maintaining a rating on the Bonds. Any such surety bond shall permit the Trustee to obtain amounts thereunder for deposit in the Reserve Account which, together with any cash or investments on deposit in or available from any letter of credit or surety bond to fund the Reserve Account, are not less than the Reserve Requirement and which may be applied to any purpose for which moneys in the Reserve Account may be applied. The Trustee shall make a claim under such surety bond (a) whenever moneys are required for the purposes for which Reserve Account moneys may be applied and (b) prior to any expiration or termination thereof; provided, however, that no such claim need be made if other moneys are available from a replacement surety bond or a letter of credit or available in the Reserve Account in the amount of the Reserve Requirement. The Reserve Requirement may be satisfied from any combination of cash and investments on deposit in the Reserve Account, a letter of credit which complies with this section or a surety bond which complies with this section.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the University shall not be permitted to withdraw any amounts held in the Reserve Account consisting of the initial deposit on the Issue Date or earnings thereon for the purpose of substituting in whole or in part a letter of credit or surety bond to meet the Reserve Requirements unless: (a) the amount is withdrawn prior to the Completion Date and is deposited in the Construction Account for Project Costs, (b) the amount is withdrawn on or after the Completion Date and is deposited in the Redemption Account to pay principal on the Bonds or (c) an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that the tax exempt status of the Bonds will not be adversely affected is provided to the Trustee.

### **Redemption Account**

There shall be deposited into the Redemption Account all other amounts required to be deposited therein pursuant to any provision of the Loan Agreement or the Indenture.

Amounts on deposit to the credit of the Redemption Account shall be used, first, to make up deficiencies in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account; second, to create and maintain the required balance in the Reserve Account; and, third, for the redemption of outstanding Bonds at the request or direction of the University for the purchase of outstanding Bonds on the market at prices not exceeding the redemption price on the next available date for redemption. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee is authorized in its discretion to use funds and investments in the Redemption Account to pay the amount of any rebate due the United States in respect of the Bonds under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code if the University or the Authority shall have failed to pay or provide for the payment thereof under the Loan Agreement.

## **General Bond Reserve Account**

Pursuant to its General Bond Resolution adopted October 31, 1972, the Authority has established and maintains a General Bond Reserve Account. In general, the General Bond Reserve Account secures certain bonds of the Authority for which a deposit is made into the General Bond Reserve Account in compliance with the General Bond Resolution. In connection with the Bonds, the Authority will not require that the University deposit funds into the General Bond Reserve Account. **The Bonds will not be secured by the General Bond Reserve Account, and Bondholders will have no right to require the Authority to apply moneys or investments in the General Bond Reserve Account to the payment of the Bonds or interest thereon.**

## **Authorized Investments**

Moneys on deposit to the credit of the Construction Account, Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account, the Reserve Account and the Redemption Account shall be invested by the Trustee only in investments as authorized by law from time to time which are generally as follows currently: Direct obligations of the United States government and certain obligations issued or guaranteed by certain of its agencies; direct and general obligations of states and local governments, rated at least in the rating category of "AA" or "Aa"; revenue bond obligations of states and local governments insured by municipal bond insurance and rated "AAA" or "Aaa"; mutual funds or unit trusts which invest solely in the foregoing obligations of the United States government, its agencies, state and local governments; time deposits and other accounts fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; certain guaranteed investment contracts issued by a bank or insurance company rated at least in the rating category of "A"; certain types of repurchase agreements; and certain commercial paper maturing in 270 days or less. Section 5.04 of the Indenture sets forth further restrictions as to type and maturity of investments.

## **FUTURE FINANCING**

The University regularly improves and periodically expands its physical plant through long-term debt and operating funds budgeted for those purposes. The University currently has no plans to issue any additional long-term debt

## **THE AUTHORITY**

The Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority was created by Chapter 868, Laws of Minnesota, 1971 (Sections 136A.25 through 136A.42, Minnesota Statutes), for the purpose of assisting institutions of higher education within the State in the construction and financing of projects. The Authority consists of eight members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. A representative of the Minnesota Higher Education Services Office and the President of the Minnesota Private College Council, who is a non-voting member, are also members of the Authority.

J. Luther Anderson has been the Executive Director of the Authority since June 30, 1995, at which time he replaced Joseph E. La Belle, who retired after serving as Executive Director since the inception of the Authority. Mr. Anderson was formerly a Senior Vice President with Springsted Incorporated.

The Authority is authorized and empowered to issue revenue bonds whose aggregate outstanding principal amount at any time shall not exceed \$500 million. The Authority has had 104 issues (including refunded and retired issues) totaling \$587,854,189, of which \$333,606,487 (excluding the Bonds) is outstanding as of October 1, 1997. The Authority currently has no other authorized but unissued debt as of that date. Bonds issued by the Authority are payable only from the rentals, revenues and other income, charges and moneys pledged for their payment. The bonds of the Authority do not represent or constitute a debt or pledge of the faith or credit or moral obligation of the State of Minnesota.

Educational institutions eligible for assistance by the Authority are generally private nonprofit educational institutions authorized to provide a program of education beyond the high school level. Under current statutory authority, public community and technical colleges in the State are also eligible for assistance, but only in financing of child-care and parking facilities. In addition, pursuant to special legislation, the Authority has twice issued bonds on behalf of a public community college for housing purposes. Sectarian institutions are not eligible for assistance; however, the fact that an institution is sponsored by a religious denomination does not of itself make the institution sectarian. Application to the Authority is voluntary.

The scope of projects for which the Authority may issue bonds is broad, including buildings or facilities for use as student housing, academic buildings, parking facilities, day-care centers, and other structures or facilities required or useful for the instruction of students, or conducting of research, in the operation of an institution of higher education.

While the Authority retains broad powers to oversee planning and construction, it is current policy to permit the institution almost complete discretion with respect to these matters.

The Authority is also authorized to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of refunding bonds of the Authority then outstanding, including payment of any redemption premium thereon and any interest accrued or to accrue to the earliest or any subsequent date of redemption.

The Authority is financed solely from fees paid by the participating institutions; it has no taxing power.

Bond issuance costs, including fees of bond counsel, the financial advisor and trustee, are paid by the participating institution.

## **FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

The Authority has retained Springsted Incorporated, Public Finance Advisors, of St. Paul, Minnesota, as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor") in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. In preparing the Official Statement, the Financial Advisor has relied upon University officials, and other sources, who have access to relevant data to provide accurate information for the Official Statement, and the Financial Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy of such information. The Financial Advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the Authority to compile, review, examine or audit any information in the Official Statement in accordance with accounting standards. The Financial Advisor is an independent advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities and therefore will not participate in the underwriting of the Bonds.

## **UNDERWRITING**

The Bonds are being purchased by Norwest Investment Services, Inc. and Miller & Schroeder Financial, Inc. (the "Underwriters"). The Underwriters have agreed to purchase the Bonds at a purchase price of \$15,185,160.10 (representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds less an underwriter's discount of \$138,915.00 and original issue discount of \$110,924.90).

The Underwriters intend to offer the Bonds to the public initially at the offering price set forth on the front cover of this Official Statement, which may subsequently change without any requirement of prior notice. The Underwriters reserve the right to join with dealers and other underwriters in offering the Bonds to the public. The Underwriters may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Bonds into investment trusts) at prices lower than the public offering prices.

The University has agreed in the Bond Purchase Agreement to indemnify the Underwriters and the Authority against certain civil liabilities, including certain potential liabilities under federal securities laws.

Norwest Investment Services, Inc. ("NISI") is a registered broker/dealer and a member of the NASD, SIPC, and the Chicago Stock Exchange. Non-deposit investment products offered by NISI are not FDIC insured; are not deposits; are not obligations of, or guaranteed by any bank; and are subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal invested.

## **RATING**

As noted on the cover page hereof, Moody's Investors Service has assigned a long-term rating of "A2" to the Bonds, with a stable outlook. The rating and the outlook reflect only the view of such rating agency. Further information concerning the rating or the outlook is available from Moody's. There is no assurance that the rating will continue for any given period of time or that it may not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency if in its judgment circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

Moody's defines an "A" rating as follows:

"Bonds that are rated "A" possess many favorable investment attributes and are to be considered as upper medium grade obligations. Factors giving security to principal and interest are considered adequate, but elements may be present that suggest a susceptibility to impairment some time in the future."

Those bonds within the "A" category that carry the modifier "2" rank in the mid-range of that rating category.

## **LITIGATION**

The Authority and the University are unaware of any pending or overtly threatened in writing litigation which would affect the validity of the Bonds or materially affect the ability of the University to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds as the same become due.

## **LEGALITY**

The Bonds will be subject to the unqualified approving opinion as to validity and tax exemption by Faegre & Benson LLP, of Minneapolis, Minnesota as Bond Counsel. A legal opinion in substantially the form set out in Appendix II herein will be delivered at Bond Closing.

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the University by Moore, Costello & Hart, P.L.L.P., of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota; and for the Underwriters by Dorsey & Whitney LLP, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

## **TAX EXEMPTION**

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), establishes certain requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds in order that interest on the Bonds be and remain excludable from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, (1) provisions relating to the expenditure of Bond proceeds, (2) provisions which prescribe yield and other limits relative to the investment of the proceeds of the Bonds and other amounts, (3) provisions which require that certain investment earnings be rebated periodically to the Federal government and (4) provisions relating to the ownership and operation of the facilities financed or refinanced by the Bonds. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to become includable in gross income for purposes of Federal and State of Minnesota income taxation retroactive to their date of original issue, irrespective in some cases of the date on which such noncompliance is ascertained.

The Loan Agreement and Indenture contain provisions (the "Tax Covenants") including covenants of the Authority and the University, pursuant to which, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, such requirements can be satisfied. The Tax Covenants do not relate to all the continuing requirements referred to in the preceding paragraph. If a Determination of Taxability occurs, however, whether or not as a result of violation of any of the Tax Covenants, the outstanding Bonds are subject to optional redemption without premium, and the Bonds shall bear additional interest at a rate of two percent (2%) per annum from the Date Of Taxability until the respective dates on which the principal of the Bonds is paid. (See "THE LOAN AGREEMENT—Determination of Taxability" in Appendix IV). A determination that interest on the Bonds is includable in the computation of the alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals under the Code is not a Determination of Taxability.

Assuming compliance with the Tax Covenants and on the basis of the certifications to be furnished at Bond Closing, in the opinion of Faegre & Benson LLP, Bond Counsel, under present laws and rulings: interest on the Bonds is not includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes or in the taxable income of individuals, estates and trusts for Minnesota income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in determining federal alternative minimum taxable income of individuals and corporations or the Minnesota alternative minimum tax applicable to individuals, estates and trusts. However, the interest is includable in "adjusted current earnings" for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum taxable income of corporations and is subject to the Minnesota franchise tax imposed on corporations, including financial institutions, measured by taxable income and the alternative minimum tax base.

The Code imposes a branch profits tax equal to 30% of the "dividend equivalent amount" which is measured by "earnings and profits" effectively connected to the United States, net of certain adjustments. Included in the earnings and profits of a United States branch of a foreign corporation is income that would be effectively connected with a United States trade or business if such income were taxable, such as the interest on the Bonds.



In addition, interest on the Bonds is includable in the net investment income of foreign insurance companies for purposes of Section 842(b) of the Code. In the case of a property, casualty or other insurance company subject to the tax imposed by Section 831 of the Code, the amount which otherwise would be taken into account as losses incurred under Section 832(b)(5) of the Code must be reduced by an amount equal to 15% of the interest on the Bonds that is received or accrued during the taxable year. In addition, passive investment income, including interest on the Bonds, may be subject to federal income taxation under Section 1375 of the Code for an S corporation that has Subchapter C earnings and profits at the close of the taxable year if more than 25% of its gross receipts is passive investment income.

The Code further provides that interest on the Bonds is includable in the calculation of modified adjusted gross income in determining whether Social Security or railroad retirement payments are to be included in taxable income of individuals.

**Bondholders should consult their tax advisors with respect to collateral consequences arising from the receipt of interest on the Bonds, including without limitation the calculations of alternative minimum tax or foreign branch profits tax liability, or the inclusion of social security or other retirement payments in taxable income.**

The dollar amount of the initial offering price to the public of the Bonds with stated maturities in 2018 and 2023 (the "Discount Bonds") is less than the principal amount of such maturities. The difference between the initial public offering price of each such Discount Bond (assuming a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds is sold at such price) and its principal amount represents original issue discount. Under existing laws, regulations, rulings and decisions, Bond Counsel is of the opinion with respect to the Discount Bonds that the amount of original issue discount constitutes tax-exempt interest to the extent that it is deemed to accrue to an owner for federal and State of Minnesota income tax purposes (other than Minnesota corporate franchise taxes measured by taxable income and the alternative minimum tax base). Original issue discount is deemed to accrue for such purposes on the basis of a constant yield to maturity taking into account semiannual compounding. The amount of original issue discount that accrues during any accrual period to a holder of a Discount Bond who acquires the Discount Bond in this offering generally equals (i) the issue price of such Discount Bond plus the amount of original issue discount accrued in all prior accrual periods, multiplied by (ii) the yield to maturity of such Discount Bond (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period), less (iii) any interest payable on such Discount Bond during such accrual period. The amount of original issue discount so accrued in a particular accrual period will be considered to be received ratably on each day of the accrual period, will be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent as stated interest and will increase the holder's tax basis in such Discount Bond. Any gain realized by a holder from a sale, exchange, payment or redemption of a Discount Bond would be treated as gain from the sale or exchange of such Discount Bond.

It is possible under the applicable provisions governing state and local income taxation in states other than Minnesota that interest on Discount Bonds may be taxable in the year of accrual, and may be deemed to accrue earlier than under federal law.

### **NOT QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS**

The Bonds will not be "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 relating to the ability of financial institutions to deduct from income for federal income tax purposes, interest expense that is allocable to carrying and acquiring tax-exempt obligations.

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**THE UNIVERSITY**

The University of St. Thomas, until 1990 known as the College of St. Thomas, a Minnesota not-for-profit corporation, was founded in 1885 by Archbishop John Ireland as St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary. The University became a four-year institution of higher education in 1908 and conferred its first baccalaureate degrees in 1910. Effective July 1, 1990, the Board of Trustees formally changed the name of the Institution from College of St. Thomas to University of St. Thomas in order to reflect more accurately the range of offered programs. The University currently offers a broad range of academic programs leading to undergraduate and graduate degrees. The University does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, gender, age, or physical disability in the employment of faculty or staff, the admission or treatment of students, or in the operation of its educational programs and activities. As permitted by applicable statutes and regulations, the University reserves the right to consider gender as one factor in its undergraduate admissions policy in order to effect a desired balance in the proportionate representation of gender in the student body.

The main campus of the University is located in the west Summit Avenue area of Saint Paul, Minnesota, between the downtown districts of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. In January 1987, the University opened an educational center in a leased building in downtown Minneapolis. Construction of the core facility of a permanent campus at 1000 LaSalle Avenue in downtown Minneapolis was completed September 1, 1992. The new Opus Hall will be part of the Minneapolis campus. The University also owns and operates the Gainey Conference Center near Owatonna, Minnesota. Academic programs are provided in leased space to the southwest metro area in Chaska and to the south metro area at the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minnesota.

The University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and is registered with the Minnesota Higher Education Services Office in accordance with Minnesota Statutes.

**Governance**

The University is governed by a 43-member Board of Trustees (currently there are two vacancies). The Board elects its own members and each member serves a five-year term with no limit on the number of terms, except that one member is nominated by the University Alumni Association and elected by the Board of Trustees for a two-year term. The present Board consists of 34 lay persons and seven clergy/religious. The President of the University, the Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis and the Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis are ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The Archbishop and Vicar General are also the Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, by virtue of their positions.

Following is a list of the members of the Board of Trustees of the University and their business or professional affiliation, as of September 1997:

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Principal Activity</u>
Most Rev. Harry J. Flynn, D.D., Chair	Archbishop, Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis
Rev. Kevin McDonough, Vice Chair	Vicar General, Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis
John R. Albers	President and Chief Executive Officer, Fairfield Enterprises, Inc., Dallas, Texas
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Siobhán Cleary	Journalist, Minneapolis
Rev. Dennis Dease <sup>(a)</sup>	President, University of St. Thomas, Saint Paul
Catherine M. Denny	Winnetka, Illinois
Dorothy Dolphin	Chair of the Board, Dolphin Corporations, Minneapolis
Eugene Frey <sup>(a)</sup>	Chairman, Wabash Management Inc., Minneapolis
Sr. Sally Furay <sup>(a)</sup>	Retired Provost and Vice President, University of San Diego, San Diego, California
George J. Gardner	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Packaging Incorporated, Minnetonka, Minnesota
Honorable Isabel Gomez	Judge, Hennepin County District Court, Minneapolis
Pierson M. Grieve	Retired Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, Ecolab, Inc., Saint Paul
Kathy Gullickson <sup>(b)</sup>	Recruiting Manager, Robert Half International, Minneapolis

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Principal Activity</u>
Charles A. Haggerty	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Western Digital Corp., Irvine, California
Harry A. Hammerly <sup>(a)</sup>	Retired Executive Vice President of International Operations, 3M Co., Saint Paul
Linda L. Hoeschler <sup>(a)</sup>	Executive Director, American Composers Forum, Saint Paul
Al Hofstede <sup>(a)</sup>	President, North State Advisers, Minneapolis
James J. Howard, III	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Northern States Power Company, Minneapolis
Stanley S. Hubbard	President and Chief Executive Officer, Hubbard Broadcasting Inc., Saint Paul
David A. Koch <sup>(a)</sup>	Chairman and former Chief Executive Officer, Graco, Inc., Minneapolis
James P. Larkin <sup>(a)</sup>	Shareholder and Director, Larkin, Hoffman, Daly & Lindgren, Ltd., Bloomington, Minnesota
Peter Lund	President and Chief Executive Officer, CBS Inc., New York
Reverend Edward A. Malloy	President, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana
Harry G. McNeely, Jr.	President and Chief Executive Officer, Industry Financial Corporation, Saint Paul
Ernest S. Micek	President, Cargill Inc., Minnetonka, Minnesota
Arnold Mikulay	President, Mikulay Company, Minneapolis
John M. Morrison <sup>(a)</sup>	Chairman, Central Bank Group, Golden Valley, Minnesota
Honorable Diana Murphy <sup>(a)</sup>	Judge, U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, Minneapolis
Rev. Msgr. Terrence J. Murphy	Chancellor, University of St. Thomas, Saint Paul
John F. O'Shaughnessy, Jr.	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, General Parts and Supply Co., Bloomington, Minnesota

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Principal Activity</u>
Rev. Msgr. Richard E. Pates	Pastor, Church of Our Lady of Peace, Minneapolis
Gerald A. Rauenhorst	Chairman, Opus Corporation, Minnetonka, Minnesota
William S. Reiling	Chairman, Towle Financial Services, Inc., Minneapolis
Dr. James J. Renier <sup>(a)</sup>	Renier & Associates, Minneapolis
Guy Schoenecker	President and Chief Quality Officer, BI Performance Services, Edina, Minnesota
Richard M. Schulze	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Best Buy Co., Inc., Eden Prairie, Minnesota

(a) *Member of the Executive Committee.*

(b) *Alumni Association representative.*

## **Administration**

The principal officers of the University are as follows:

### *President*

The Reverend Dennis J. Dease began the 14th presidency of the University of St. Thomas on July 1, 1991. President Dease, 53, has enjoyed a 24-year career as an associate pastor of a suburban church, a high school teacher, a college professor, a seminary counselor and spiritual director, and a rector of the archdiocesan co-cathedral, the Basilica of St. Mary.

President Dease holds a Ph.D. in systematic theology from the Catholic University of America (1978), an M.Div. degree in pastoral studies from the Saint Paul Seminary (1973), an M.A. in counseling psychology from the College of St. Thomas (1972) and a B.A. in Latin and philosophy from the Saint Paul Seminary (1965). After his ordination to the priesthood, President Dease was an associate pastor in 1969 and 1970 at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Hopkins, Minnesota. He taught religion for two years at St. Thomas Academy in Mendota Heights, Minnesota, before becoming a staff counselor in 1971 at St. John Vianney Seminary in Saint Paul. President Dease taught theology at the College of St. Thomas from 1974 to 1979, and was spiritual director and dean of formation at the Saint Paul Seminary from 1979 to 1985. In 1985 he became rector of the Basilica of St. Mary, and president of the University in 1991.

### *Provost*

Dr. Charles J. Keffer has been Provost since 1977. He also served as Vice President for Academic Affairs until 1984. He came to the University in 1973 as Dean of the University. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Scranton and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard University. Dr. Keffer has elected to voluntarily leave his position with the University effective August 31, 1998.

### *Senior Vice President for External Affairs*

Quentin J. Hietpas has been Senior Vice President for External Affairs since April 1983. He received his B.A. degree from the College of St. Thomas and his J.D. degree from the William Mitchell College of Law.

### *Vice President for Business Affairs*

Dr. Michael Sullivan assumed the position of Vice President for Business Affairs in October 1985 and was elected Treasurer in 1991. He received his B.A. degree from St. John's University (Collegeville, Minnesota) and has a Ph.D. in Educational Administration from the University of Minnesota.

## **Facilities**

The University's physical plant consists of the buildings and grounds of the main campus in Saint Paul, the buildings and grounds of the Minneapolis campus, and the facilities in or near the City of Owatonna. As of June 30, 1997, the book value of all property and equipment, net of depreciation, was \$151,426,389; buildings and contents have an insured value of \$259,242,382.

The University's physical facilities in Saint Paul consist of the buildings and grounds on the University's original 40-acre campus, on approximately 30 acres of the campus acquired in 1986 from the Saint Paul Seminary and on several sites located in the vicinity of the original campus. The Saint Paul campus has 25 major buildings, including classroom/office facilities, student residence buildings and halls, a stadium and a field house. Seven residence halls and two University-owned apartment buildings have a design capacity to house up to 1,774 students and are currently configured for a capacity of 1,659. Construction is currently underway on the University's new residence hall and parking facilities on the Saint Paul campus. Construction on the Frey Science and Engineering Center, consisting of the O'Shaughnessy and Owens Science Halls on the Saint Paul campus was completed in August 1997. Totalling 195,000 square feet, the Frey Science and Engineering Center constitutes the largest construction project in the University's history. The Frey Science and Engineering Center is home to the undergraduate departments of science, math, computing science and engineering, and the Graduate School of Applied Science and Engineering.

The existing Minneapolis campus at 1000 LaSalle Avenue in downtown Minneapolis consists of a four-story building, providing approximately 150,000 square feet of interior space. The existing Minneapolis campus building houses both graduate and undergraduate programs. The new Opus Hall, which is being financed from proceeds of this Issue, will be part of the Minneapolis campus. Current student enrollment on the Minneapolis campus is 2,135 students, as of fall 1997. The facility is the administrative home for the University's Graduate School of Business (with its Master's programs in Business Administration, Business Communications and International Management), Management Center, Small Business Development Center and a variety of other non-credit outreach centers. The University also owns other adjacent facilities and parking lots.

The University owns the Daniel C. Gainey Conference Center near Owatonna, Minnesota. This center provides classroom, living and dining facilities for groups of various size for seminars, workshops and regular college classes.

The University is currently leasing space in Chaska, Minnesota and at the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minnesota for classrooms.

## **Libraries**

O'Shaughnessy-Frey Library Center contains approximately 336,500 volumes. The Archbishop John Ireland Theological Library has approximately 80,500 volumes. The University is a member of the Cooperating Libraries in Consortium, Inc., a Saint Paul-Minneapolis private college inter-library consortium; and MINITEX, which provides access to the holdings of the Universities of Minnesota and adjacent states, as well as to the public libraries of the Twin Cities. The University completed in 1991 an \$8,250,000 expansion to O'Shaughnessy-Frey Library Center, which doubled the size of the prior facility and increased study space to over 1,600 stations and shelf capacity to over 400,000 volumes. The professional studies library now located on the Minneapolis campus will be relocated in Opus Hall and substantially expanded.

## **Catholic Publishing Center**

The University owns the Catholic Digest, a national, monthly magazine with a circulation of approximately 503,000. Although the magazine has some original articles, its principal content consists of reprints. It has income from advertising in addition to subscriptions. The University operates the magazine within its Catholic Publishing Center, a division of the University, which had a net income of \$612,326 for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1997. Operations of the Catholic Publishing Center are part of the University's financial statements included in Appendix V to this Official Statement.

## **Saint Paul Seminary Affiliation**

On May 3, 1987, an affiliation between the University and The Saint Paul Seminary was finalized and the School of Divinity of the University was established. The effective date of the affiliation was July 1, 1986. The School of Divinity's ministerial studies program, consisting of ministerial training, including classroom theological coursework and field education, is directed by the University. The School of Divinity's ministerial formation program, consisting of programs for spiritual and personal growth and the evaluation of readiness of candidates for ministry, is directed by The Saint Paul Seminary.

## **Academic Information**

The University follows the four-one-four academic calendar of two four-month semesters during the school year, separated by a one-month term in January. During each semester, the undergraduate student's normal course load is four courses; during the January term, concentration is on one subject.

The B.A. degree is awarded in the following major concentrations or programs of study: Advertising, Applied Sociology, Art History, Behavior Neuroscience, Biology, Broadcast Journalism, Business Administration (Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Human Resources Management, Operations Management, Entrepreneurship, General Business, International Business), Catholic Studies, Chemistry, Communication, Criminal Justice, Economics, Elementary Education, English, Environmental Studies, French, Geography, Geology, German, Health Education, History, International Business/Language Intensive, International Studies, Journalism/Mass Communication, Justice and Peace Studies, Latin, Literary Studies, Mathematics, Music, Music Education, Philosophy, Physical Education, Physics, Political Science, Print Journalism, Psychology, Psychology for Elementary Education, Public Relations, Quantitative Methods and Computer Science, Science and Mathematics for Elementary Education, Social Sciences, Social Studies (secondary teaching licensure), Social Work, Sociology, Spanish, Theater, Theology.



In cooperation with other institutions in the Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities ("ACTC"), the B.A. degree is awarded in: Classical Languages, East Asian Studies, Russian Area Studies, Russian, Russian/Central/Eastern European Studies, Women's Studies.

The B.S. degree is awarded in Manufacturing Engineering.

The University currently has 33 graduate programs, including 28 masters programs, two education specialist programs and three doctoral programs. Two additional graduate programs have been approved and will begin within the current academic year.

The University has 31 non degree-granting programs developed for the education and training of the general community. The five principal centers for such programs include: the Management Center, offering formal courses, seminars and conferences to business, government and public institutions; the Center for Health and Medical Affairs; the Minnesota Center for Corporate Responsibility; the Center for Nonprofit Management; and the Small Business Development Center.

## **Faculty and Staff**

The faculty-student ratio at the University is approximately 1 to 17. There is no religious or denominational prerequisite nor any participatory religious requirement for faculty or staff membership except with respect to the School of Divinity. The University subscribes to the 1940 Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom of the American Association of University Professors and the Association of American Colleges.

As of fall 1997, the University employed 326 full-time and 362 part-time faculty. Total employees number approximately 1,647. The total payroll for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1997 was \$54,689,032, not including contributed services of 19 religious employees.

The following table lists the average salary of the lay members of the full-time University faculty for the 1997/98 academic year.

<u>Title</u>	<u>Average Salary</u>
Professor	\$65,574
Associate Professor	48,803
Assistant Professor	39,284
Instructor	34,566

The following table lists the degrees and professional designations held by the full-time faculty members for the 1997/98 academic year.

	<u>Number</u>
Doctorate	278
Master of Arts, Juris Doctorate, Certified Public Accountant	39
Bachelor of Arts	<u>9</u>
Total	<u>326</u>

## Freshman Applications, Acceptances and Enrollments

	<u>1993/94</u>	<u>1994/95</u>	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>	<u>1997/98</u>
Applications	2,057	1,801	1,950	2,199	2,313
Acceptances	1,807	1,653	1,764	1,997	2,070
Percent Accepted	88%	92%	90%	91%	89%
Fall Enrolled	831	769	857	997	958
Percent Enrolled to Accepted	46%	47%	49%	50%	46%
Mean ACT Scores	23.2	23.0	23.3	23.7	24.2

## Transfer Student Enrollment—Fall Semester—Undergraduate Day Program

<u>1993/94</u>	<u>1994/95</u>	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>	<u>1997/98</u>
354	354	355	341	340

## Graduate School Applications, Acceptances and Enrollments

### Graduate School of Business

	<u>1992/93</u>	<u>1993/94</u>	<u>1994/95</u>	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>
Applications	1,661	1,832	1,845	2,085	2,043
Acceptances <sup>(a)</sup>	1,341	1,486	1,636	1,896	1,830
Percent Accepted	81%	81%	89%	91%	90%
Enrollments <sup>(a)</sup>	900	963	991	1,128	1,332

### Graduate Schools of Education, Psychology and Social Work

	<u>1992/93</u>	<u>1993/94</u>	<u>1994/95</u>	<u>1995/96<sup>(b)</sup></u>	<u>1996/97</u>
Applications	1,149	1,373	1,356	993	1,060
Acceptances	677 <sup>(a)</sup>	1,288	1,264	898	1,000
Percent Accepted	59%	94%	93%	90%	94%
Enrollments	761 <sup>(a)</sup>	640	661	602	823

<sup>(a)</sup> Acceptance and enrollment do not necessarily happen in the same school year with the graduate programs. Hence, it is possible to have a higher enrollment number than acceptances in any given school year.

<sup>(b)</sup> In 1996, the University reduced the number of Graduate Education Extended Degree programs which bring masters education programs on-site to school districts. While these programs have grown significantly over the past several years, a decision was made by the University to insure the quality of the programs, partially by reducing program offerings. The reduction in applications and acceptances is primarily a result of the reduction in Extended Degree programs offered.

## Student Body

There is no religious or denominational prerequisite nor any participating religious requirement for students of the University other than in the School of Divinity. The fall term enrollment at the University for the 1997/98 academic year is 10,436; with a full-time equivalent ("FTE") enrollment of 7,285. Approximately 79% of the 1997/98 freshman class were from the State of Minnesota.

The University's undergraduate day program admitted women for the first time in the fall of 1977. Graduate programs have been coeducational since their inception. Women comprise approximately 51% of the total graduate and undergraduate student body.

## Enrollments

The following table sets forth the enrollment at the University as of the fall term for the five most recent academic years. All figures are headcount, except the last line, which is full-time equivalents ("FTE's").

<u>Program</u>	<u>1993/94</u>	<u>1994/95</u>	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>	<u>1997/98</u>
Total Undergraduate	<u>5,088</u>	<u>4,916</u>	<u>4,908</u>	<u>5,066</u>	<u>5,127</u>
Graduate School:					
Education	1,042	1,029	1,257	951	1,060
Professional Psychology	191	189	173	190	183
Social Work	131	156	170	188	163
Business	2,971	2,931	2,957	2,947	2,921
Divinity	115	140	146	129	133
Applied Science and Engineering	649	708	728	761	766
Arts and Science	<u>58</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>83</u>
Total Graduate	<u>5,157</u>	<u>5,245</u>	<u>5,513</u>	<u>5,258</u>	<u>5,309</u>
Total Enrollment	<u>10,245</u>	<u>10,161</u>	<u>10,421</u>	<u>10,324</u>	<u>10,436</u>
FTE Enrollment	7,060	6,937	7,039	7,146	7,285

## Housing

Students may live either off campus or in one of the residence halls on campus. Substantially all students living on campus also must board on campus. As of fall 1997 the University had nine student residences with a design capacity of 1,774 and currently configured for a capacity for 1,659 with occupancy of 1,655, or 99.8%. The new residence hall currently under construction on the Saint Paul campus will have a capacity of approximately 345 upon completion in September 1998. Approximately 35% of the undergraduate day student population for the academic year 1997/98 reside on campus.

## Tuition

The University meets the cost of educational programs primarily through tuition and fees. The following table lists the tuition and mandatory fees charged full-time students in the University's major programs for the academic years listed:

	<u>1993/94</u>	<u>1994/95</u>	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>	<u>1997/98</u>
Undergraduate (full-time) per academic year	\$11,762	\$12,114	\$13,106	\$13,778	\$14,660
Graduate education and religious education per credit	\$ 287	\$ 302	\$ 321	\$ 341	\$ 360
Graduate School of Business, Business Communications, Engineering and Computer Science per credit	\$ 316	\$ 332	\$ 352	\$ 373	\$ 394

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to revise charges from time to time. Although the Board of Trustees anticipates that it will be able to raise current tuition and fees without adversely affecting future enrollment, there can be no assurance that it will be able to do so. Future economic and other conditions may affect the ability to increase tuition and fees while sustaining current levels of enrollment.

The following table lists total revenue derived from tuition and fees, before deducting University funded financial aid, for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 1993 through 1997.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Tuition and Fees</u>
1993	\$65,071,824
1994	67,447,094
1995	69,561,561
1996	74,498,940
1997	79,816,562

**1997/98 Undergraduate Rate Comparison of Minnesota Private Colleges  
(Ranked by Comprehensive Fees)**

<u>College</u>	<u>Tuition &amp; Fees</u>	<u>Room &amp; Board</u>	<u>Comprehensive Fees</u>
Carleton College	\$21,885	\$4,440	\$26,325
Macalester College	18,758	5,430	24,188
St. Olaf College	16,500	4,020	20,520
Gustavus Adolphus College	16,170	4,010	20,180
Minneapolis College of Art & Design	15,808	4,075	19,883
Hamline University	14,850	4,799	19,649
College of St. Benedict	14,758	4,706	19,464
<b>University of St. Thomas</b>	<b>14,660</b>	<b>4,769</b>	<b>19,429</b>
St. John's University	14,758	4,574	19,332
Augsburg College	13,996	4,986	18,982
Bethel College	13,840	4,950	18,790
College of St. Catherine	14,258	4,430	18,688
College of St. Scholastica	13,995	3,957	17,952
St. Mary's University	12,495	4,120	16,615
Concordia College (St. Paul)	11,980	4,500	16,480
Concordia College (Moorhead)	12,145	3,525	15,670
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$15,054</b>	<b>\$4,456</b>	<b>\$19,510</b>

*NOTE: Charges apply to new entering students only. Several colleges have differential tuition for upperclassmen, housing cost freezes for returning students or other policies that result in variation in costs.*

*Source: Minnesota Private College Council.*

### **Financial Aid**

About 70% of the University's undergraduate students currently receive some form of financial aid including federal, State, institutional or private. Some of the federal and State financial aid programs apply to tuition and fees, whereas others provide aid for living expenses such as transportation, housing (on or off campus) and personal expenses.

## FINANCIAL AID BY TYPE

Year Ended June 30	Number of Students <sup>(a)</sup>	University of St. Thomas	Restricted Funds <sup>(b)</sup>	PELL Grants <sup>(c)</sup>	Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants <sup>(c)</sup>	State of Minnesota Grant Program	State of Minnesota SELF Loan Program	STAFFORD Loan Program			SLS Loan Program <sup>(g)</sup>	Work <sup>(h)</sup>	Total
								Subsidized <u>(c), (e)</u>	Unsubsidized <u>(c), (f)</u>				
1987	3,951	\$ 2,750,944	\$1,000,540	\$ 734,638	\$334,335	\$2,412,171	\$ 499,727	\$ 4,664,136	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,494,828	\$14,563,781	
1988	4,016	3,161,117	1,026,562	798,753	345,974	2,886,688	868,694	4,620,399	0	0	1,571,684	15,888,171	
1989	4,382	2,838,219	1,168,097	1,087,518	334,335	2,928,770	930,656	5,073,552	0	249,878	1,380,065	16,631,225	
1990	4,699	4,161,112	1,394,509	1,137,281	339,366	3,572,893	1,309,964	6,004,995	0	361,251	1,587,531	20,058,986	
1991	4,229	4,896,586	1,227,482	1,238,124	379,159	4,450,409	1,328,582	6,386,129	0	464,542	1,916,643	22,826,292	
1992	4,198	6,324,581	1,515,324	1,538,628	562,197	4,775,151	1,362,888	7,380,449	0	573,667	2,120,913	26,694,330	
1993	4,761	7,256,692	1,488,648	1,614,397	420,622	4,598,712	1,625,480	8,225,755	0	902,887	2,190,738	28,824,476	
1994	4,978	8,866,807	1,678,644	1,223,336	525,107	4,307,950	795,393	11,303,110	0	2,371,476	2,246,484	33,971,474	
1995	5,086	10,292,227	1,740,092	1,156,514	484,985	3,912,354	532,681	12,053,835	2,974,489	0	2,023,233	35,870,488	
1996	5,366	11,647,318	2,664,863	1,214,029	540,580	4,067,027	635,950	12,553,515	7,413,788	0	2,167,464	43,513,534	
1997	5,537	14,203,946	2,961,252	1,339,221	491,535	4,117,923	456,580	12,737,344	7,207,133	0	2,385,255	46,539,311	

(a) Total number of students receiving at least one type of financial aid (unduplicated count).

(b) Restricted funds include financial aid primarily funded by private gifts.

(c) Federal aid program.

(d) Previously the National Direct Student Loan program. Includes 10% UST share.

(e) STAFFORD Loans previously called the Guaranteed Student Loan program.

(f) Unsubsidized federal STAFFORD Loan information was not collected prior to 1995.

(g) SLS (Supplementary Loans for Students) information was not collected prior to 1989 and the University discontinued the program in 1995.

(h) Includes federal, State, and University work-study funds.

NOTE: Due to modifications in 1996 financial reporting, some University aid previously reported as University aid is now restricted funds. The amount in 1996 reported as restricted was \$475,832.

Awards of financial aid, excluding competitive scholarships, are granted on the basis of need up to the maximum allowed by the various programs and can be substituted for each other in the establishment of a student's financial aid package. No assurance can be given that federal and State student financial aid will continue to be funded at current levels. If such student aid is curtailed, it may cause the enrollment of the University to decrease, which, in turn, may have an adverse effect on the University's revenues.

## **Pensions**

Retirement benefits are provided to all faculty and exempt staff who work at least 1,000 hours through the University's 403(b) Retirement Plan in which employees elect to have their contributions sent to either Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association and College Retirement Equity Fund ("TIAA"/"CREF") or, beginning September 1992, to Fidelity Investments. Under this arrangement, the University makes contributions each pay period in the amount of 10.4% of the participant's base compensation to TIAA/CREF or to Fidelity Investments. Effective September 1992, upon separation from the University, employees are approved to withdraw a maximum of 40% of the total accrual from all sources. The remaining 60% must be withdrawn over a period of time of at least ten years. The cost of these benefits to the University was \$3,206,468 for 1996 and \$3,489,297 for 1997.

Retirement benefits are provided for the non-exempt staff in the University's 403(b) Retirement Plan. Effective January 1, 1997, the contribution is 5.5% of base salary. These funds have the same investment options and restrictions as those available to the faculty and exempt staff. In addition, the University provides a 401(a) Age Weighted Discretionary Contribution ("AWDC") Plan. The cost of the retirement contributions to the AWDC Plan was \$199,092 for 1996 and \$171,673 for 1997. The University has decided to phase out the AWDC Plan so that it is terminated as of January 1, 2000, and concurrently will increase its contribution to the 403(b) Plan so that on January 1, 2000 the University's contribution will be 10.4% for non-exempt staff, the same contribution level currently in place for faculty and exempt staff.

## **Unions**

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 120 represents approximately 60 employees who are on the custodial or groundskeeping staff of the University. The University signed a three-year contract with Teamsters Local 120 which runs from February 1, 1995 through January 31, 1998. The International Union of Operating Engineers Local 70 AFL-CIO, which represents fewer than ten employees, negotiated a contract which expired February 28, 1997 and is currently in negotiation.

Additionally, the University contributes monthly to the Local 70 Central Pension fund in the amount of 7.3% of wages per regularly scheduled hours.

## **Presentation of Financial Statements**

For the year ended June 30, 1996, the University adopted two new Statements of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. Together the new statements significantly alter the appearance and content of private college and university financial statements. These changes in presentation make it difficult to draw comparisons between the financial statement for the fiscal years ended prior to June 30, 1996, and the financial statements for 1996 and thereafter.

SFAS #116, *Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made*, has two significant aspects. The first is a requirement to record certain specifically verifiable donor promises as revenues in the period the promises are received, and to reflect the promises as receivables of the University. This contrasts with the previous practice of recording contributions when the actual cash or property was received.

The second aspect of SFAS #116 is the requirement to record contributions into one of three classes of net assets: permanently restricted, temporarily restricted or unrestricted, based on the existence or absence of donor imposed restrictions.

SFAS #117, *Financial Statements for Not-for-Profit Organizations*, is intended to make financial statements of not-for-profit organizations more understandable to users of those statements, and requires that the financial statements of all not-for-profit organizations include a statement of position, a statement of activities and a statement of cash flows. Such financial statements focus on the University as a whole and present balances and transactions according to the existence or absence of donor imposed restrictions, and again classify fund balances and transactions into three classes of net assets: permanently restricted, temporarily restricted or unrestricted.

The University adopted SFAS #116 and SFAS #117 effective July 1, 1995, and retroactively restated its beginning net assets for the year ended June 30, 1996 to conform to the new standards.

Appendix VI sets forth the audited financial statements of the University for the year ended June 30, 1997, prepared in accordance with SFAS No. 116 and SFAS No. 117.

## **Statement of Financial Activity for Fiscal Years 1993 through 1997**

The table on page I-15 sets forth the University's statements of current unrestricted revenues, expenditures and other changes for the University for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 1993 through 1995 which were maintained and presented on the fund accounting system. The table on page I-16 sets forth the University's statements of unrestricted activities for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 1996 and 1997.



**UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**  
**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF UNRESTRICTED CURRENT FUND**  
**REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND OTHER CHANGES**  
**For the Years Ended June 30,**

<b>REVENUE:</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>
Tuition and Fees	65,071,824	67,447,094	69,561,561	<b>See</b>  <b>"Summary Statement</b>  <b>of</b>  <b>Unrestricted Activities"</b>	<b>Columns</b>  <b>on</b>  <b>Page I-16</b>
Private Gifts, Grants and Contracts	1,536,471	1,679,721	1,692,620		
Endowment Income	2,078,238	1,784,997	1,944,888		
Income from Investments	588,298	436,513	927,587		
Net Gain (Loss) on Investments	230,004	(232,065)	355,520		
Sales & Services of Ed. Enterprises	14,204,504	15,024,458	15,256,126		
Sales & Services of Aux. Enterprises	13,024,168	13,599,912	14,108,113		
Other Revenue	<u>1,779,399</u>	<u>1,941,358</u>	<u>1,907,228</u>		
Total Revenue	<u>98,512,906</u>	<u>101,681,988</u>	<u>105,753,643</u>		
<b>EXPENDITURES AND MANDATORY TRANSFERS:</b>					
Educational and General:					
Instruction	29,735,279	31,438,010	32,366,035		
Educational Enterprises	13,108,209	13,327,995	14,284,068		
Public Service	405,615	489,183	468,715		
Academic Support	4,975,890	5,128,760	5,550,123		
Student Services	6,448,486	6,780,853	7,357,807		
Institutional Support	12,113,974	11,918,680	12,299,054		
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	6,419,170	6,508,994	6,297,104		
Student Aid	<u>7,256,692</u>	<u>8,866,807</u>	<u>10,292,227</u>		
Educational and General Expenditures	<u>80,463,315</u>	<u>84,459,282</u>	<u>88,915,133</u>		
Mandatory Transfers for:					
Principal and Interest	1,763,441	2,407,764	2,321,259		
Student Loan Funds	-	11,495	11,204		
Total Educational and General	<u>82,226,756</u>	<u>86,878,541</u>	<u>91,247,596</u>		
Auxiliary Enterprises and Independent Operations:					
Expenditures	10,546,176	10,508,706	10,357,782		
Mandatory Transfers for:					
Principal and Interest	3,258,234	2,765,882	2,613,485		
Renewals and Replacements	27,750	27,750	27,750		
Total Auxiliary Enterprises and Independent Operations	13,832,160	13,302,338	12,999,017		
Total Current Expenditures and Mandatory Transfers	96,058,916	100,180,879	104,246,613		
<b>OTHER TRANSFERS AND ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)</b>					
Transfers Among Funds (Net)	(2,441,066)	(1,460,482)	(1,460,167)		
Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle	-	-	-		
<b>NET INCREASE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>12,924</b>	<b>40,627</b>	<b>46,863</b>		

Source: Audited financial statements of the University.

**UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**  
**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF UNRESTRICTED ACTIVITIES**  
**For the Years Ended June 30,**

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<b>Operating Revenues</b>					
Tuition and Fees				74,498,940	79,816,562
<i>Less: University funded aid</i>				<u>(11,647,318)</u>	<u>(14,203,946)</u>
Net Tuition and Fees				62,851,622	65,612,616
Educational enterprises sales		See		17,504,846	18,411,824
Private gifts and grants				7,327,953	4,892,070
Auxiliary enterprises sales		"Summary Statement of Unrestricted Current Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Other Changes"		14,724,516	15,032,348
Federal grants and contracts				5,966,481	11,487,724
Other revenue				4,422,107	4,539,830
Ordinary investment income				3,570,291	3,320,065
Endowment earnings used				3,135,496	3,112,143
State grants and contracts				985,265	1,418,476
Net assets released from restriction				<u>1,043,468</u>	<u>5,296,775</u>
Total Operating Revenues				121,532,045	133,123,871
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>		Columns			
<i>Instruction and other services</i>		on			
Instruction				42,267,036	44,201,394
Educational enterprises				16,279,237	17,211,168
Auxiliary enterprises		Page I-15.		15,527,139	15,243,628
Student activities and services				10,189,490	10,954,139
Academic support				4,181,430	4,765,530
Libraries				4,047,731	4,314,294
Student aid (externally funded)				3,205,443	3,452,787
Public service				2,696,585	2,846,839
Research				<u>566,214</u>	<u>768,308</u>
Total instruction and other services				98,960,305	103,758,087
<i>Management and general</i>					
General Administration & support				8,111,367	8,936,622
Other institutional expenditures				4,185,256	5,640,030
Development				<u>2,597,020</u>	<u>3,005,989</u>
Total Management and General				14,893,643	17,582,641
<b>Net Operating Income</b>				<b>7,678,097</b>	<b>11,783,143</b>
<b>Non-Operating Activities</b>					
Permanently restricted gifts				0	0
Reinvested endowment earnings				9,383,274	12,608,596
Net gain(loss) on other investments				6,843,428	12,441,360
Nonrecurring loss on fixed assets				(5,023,959)	12,501
Net assets released from restriction				<u>10,000</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Net Non-Operating Income</b>				<b>11,212,743</b>	<b>25,062,457</b>
<b>Net increase in net assets</b>				<b>18,890,840</b>	<b>36,845,600</b>
Net assets, beginning of year				<u>167,392,845</u>	<u>186,283,685</u>
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>				<b><u>186,283,685</u></b>	<b><u>223,129,285</u></b>

Source: Audited financial statements of the University.

## Gifts, Grants and Bequests

The University actively solicits and receives gifts and bequests from a variety of donors and also receives various grants from private foundations and from agencies of the federal government.

Major development programs, including efforts to raise capital funds and a variety of annual giving programs among alumni, parents of students, businesses and friends of the University, have been maintained for a number of years.

In connection with the University's Frey Science and Engineering Center, two grants were approved by agencies of the United States of America. The Defense Nuclear Agency ("DNA") of the U.S. Department of Defense approved and has disbursed to the University the sum of \$500,000 which, with matching funds of the University, was expended for planning, design and engineering research in connection with the Center.

The DNA has also approved, and the University has received a part of, a grant of \$15,000,000 to provide funding for the direct and indirect expenses of constructing the Center. The grant provisions remain in effect until the earlier of expenditure of the entire grant or September 28, 1999. Requests for advances or reimbursement of expenses may be made monthly by the University. As of October 15, 1997, \$14,530,999 had been disbursed for construction expenditures by the DNA at the request of the University. After the end of the grant period, any uncommitted funds and interest earned thereon must be returned to the DNA. The University completed the Center in August 1997 and expects to obtain disbursement of the entire grant by December 1997. The funds are disbursed upon submission of required documents by the University.

The University's contributions receivable for the past two fiscal years are shown below. Unconditional promises are recognized at the estimated present value of the future cash flows net of allowances.

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
In one year or less	\$17,387,995	\$12,510,605
Between one year and five years	15,111,391	14,429,576
More than five years	<u>10,125,977</u>	<u>12,510,344</u>
Total face value of pledges outstanding	\$42,625,363	\$39,450,525
Discount (to present value)	(6,520,400)	(6,928,080)
Allowance for uncollectable pledges	<u>(3,410,000)</u>	<u>(3,160,000)</u>
Contributions receivable	<u>\$32,694,963</u>	<u>\$29,362,445</u>

## Capital Campaign—Ever Press Forward

On September 20, 1996, the University publicly announced a new \$120 million capital campaign: Ever Press Forward. The University has received pledges totaling \$98,364,867 as of October 5, 1997, of which \$51,086,852 has been received in cash contributions as of October 5, 1997. Of the total \$120 million capital campaign, \$73.5 million is expected to be designated as endowment funds and \$46.5 million is expected to be designated as current funds. Approximately \$40 million of the endowment funds is expected to be used for student scholarships, with the remainder used for a variety of programs, including \$15 million for distinguished professorships and \$6 million for faculty and staff development. Of the \$46.5 million current funds, \$26.5 million is expected to be used for facilities and equipment and \$20 million is expected to be used for annual operating items.

The University completed its last capital campaign in 1991, which had a stated goal of \$50 million. The University actually raised \$84 million in gifts and pledges.

## Endowment Funds

The University's endowment and similar funds for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1992 through 1995 include (i) endowment funds which are subject to the restrictions of gift instruments requiring the principal be maintained in perpetuity and that only the income be utilized either for donor specified purposes or for general University purposes; and (ii) funds functioning as endowment ("Quasi-Endowment") which represent expendable funds received which, by decision of the Board of Trustees of the University, have been retained and invested for the future benefit of the University, which can be utilized, if and when the need arises, for current operating and capital expenditure purposes, including the Project, at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. The following table is a recapitulation of fund balances of endowment and similar funds for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 1992 through 1995, which represents fund information prior to the University's adoption of SFAS #116 and SFAS #117.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Endowment*</u>	<u>Quasi- Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>
1992	\$50,065,506	\$45,686,704	\$ 95,752,210
1993	58,548,184	51,470,580	110,018,764
1994	66,089,368	47,351,966	113,441,334
1995	78,520,805	50,492,988	129,013,793

\* Includes Life Income funds.

The following tables state the net assets for endowment funds as of June 30, 1996 and June 30, 1997.

Net assets as of June 30, 1997:				
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total Net Assets</u>
Endowment Funds				
Endowment	\$ 53,707,411	\$3,224,458	\$70,790,312	\$127,722,181
Quasi-Endowment	62,475,718			62,475,718
Life Income		*	1,670,068	1,670,068**
Total	\$116,183,129	\$3,224,458	\$72,460,380	\$191,867,967

Net assets as of June 30, 1996:				
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total Net Assets</u>
Endowment Funds				
Endowment	\$41,921,853	\$1,963,599	\$56,590,989	\$100,476,441
Quasi-Endowment	56,006,176			56,006,176
Life Income		*	1,480,094	1,480,094**
Total	\$97,928,029	\$1,963,599	\$58,071,083	\$157,962,711

\* Life income funds of a temporarily restricted nature are not part of endowment funds.

\*\* Net of annuity obligations and present value liabilities.

## Line of Credit

Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, provides a \$3,000,000 revolving line of credit to the University for short-term borrowing. As of the date of this Official Statement, \$0 was outstanding. The line of credit expires on June 30, 1998, unless renewed. In addition, Allied Irish Bank provides a \$9,000,000 revolving line of credit to the University for short-term borrowing. As of the date of this Official Statement, \$0 was outstanding. The line of credit expires on March 26, 1998, unless renewed.

## Long-Term Debt

The University has the following long-term debt outstanding:

- (a) \$1,200,000 Dormitory Bonds of 1957, dated December 1, 1957, at 2-7/8%; remaining principal is \$50,000 due in annual installments through 1997; purchased by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; proceeds were used to construct Dowling Hall (student dormitory). The bonds are secured by (i) a first mortgage lien on Ireland and Dowling Halls, and (ii) net revenues of the operations of these buildings.
- (b) \$1,050,000 Dormitory Bonds of 1967, dated April 1, 1967, at 3%; remaining principal is \$625,000 due in annual installments through 2017; purchased by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; proceeds were used to construct Brady Hall (student dormitory). The bonds are secured by (i) a first mortgage lien on Brady Hall and (ii) net revenues from the operation of the building.
- (c) \$1,346,000 Academic Building Bonds of 1969, dated June 1, 1969, at 3%; remaining principal is \$637,000 due in annual installments through 2009; purchased by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare; the proceeds were used to finance in part the construction of the O'Shaughnessy Educational Center. The bonds are secured by a first mortgage lien on O'Shaughnessy Educational Center. The University received gifts from I.A. O'Shaughnessy that are functioning as a term endowment to provide principal and interest.
- (d) \$24,405,000 (original amount) Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series Three-C, dated March 1, 1991 at various rates of interest; principal due September 1, 2016. The proceeds financed the existing building on the Minneapolis campus. The bonds are secured by a debt service reserve fund, a security interest in contribution and pledges restricted to use for the Minneapolis campus, a mortgage on the existing building, and the proceeds of a revenue note issued by the Minneapolis Community Development Agency to the University and assigned to the Trustee for the Bondholders. The revenue note is in the principal amount of \$9.2 million and is payable solely from available tax increment from another property in Minneapolis. All but \$3,560,000 of the Series Three-C Bonds has been refunded by the Authority's Series Three-R2 Bonds (see paragraph (g) below).
- (e) \$10,200,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series Three-I, dated April 1, 1992 at various rates of interest; principal outstanding is \$6,575,000 due October 1, 1997 through 2003. The proceeds financed the acquisition and installation of a new telecommunications system on the Minneapolis and Saint Paul campuses of the University; the replacement and renovation of two boilers and related equipment on the Saint Paul campus; and the construction, furnishing and equipping of an addition to the physical plant headquarters on the Saint Paul campus. The bonds are secured by a debt service reserve fund.
- (f) \$22,985,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series Three-R1, dated June 15, 1993 at various rates of interest; principal outstanding is \$17,510,000 due October 1, 1998 through 2008. The proceeds refunded five bond issues of the University. The bonds are secured by a debt service reserve fund.

- (g) \$23,015,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Refunding Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series Three-R2, dated June 15, 1993 at various rates of interest; principal outstanding is \$18,925,000 due September 1, 1998 through 2008. The bonds refunded the 1993 through 2014 maturities of the Authority's Series Three-C Bonds and are issued on a parity with, and are secured by the same collateral as, the Series Three-C Bonds (see paragraph (d) above). A debt service reserve fund secures both the outstanding Series Three-C Bonds and the Series Three-R2 Bonds.
- (h) \$11,645,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series Four-A1, dated March 1, 1996 at various rates of interest; principal outstanding is \$11,595,000 due October 1, 1998 through 2021. The proceeds financed a portion of the acquisition, construction and equipping of the O'Shaughnessy and Owens Science Halls. The bonds are unsecured general obligations of the University.
- (i) \$580,000 Contract for Deed for the purchase of property adjacent to the Minneapolis campus, with no stated interest rate, due in 2000.
- (j) \$21,680,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series Four-M, dated June 15, 1997, at various rates of interest; principal outstanding is \$21,680,000 due April 1, 1999 through 2022. The proceeds financed a portion of the construction, furnishing, and equipping of a residence hall and adjacent parking facilities on the Saint Paul campus. The bonds are unsecured general obligations of the University.
- (k) \$10,800,000 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series Four-O, dated September 24, 1997. Holders may tender bonds on seven days' notice; interest is re-set weekly. The final maturity is October 1, 2021. The proceeds refunded the Authority's Series Four-A2 Bonds and financed a portion of the construction, furnishing and equipping of a residence hall and adjacent parking facilities on the University's Saint Paul Campus. The bonds are unsecured general obligations of the University.
- (l) The Bonds.

As of October 2, 1997, the total of long-term debt outstanding adjusted to include the Series Four-P Bonds, is \$107,972,000.

#### **Annual Estimated and Actual Debt Service by Fiscal Year and Proforma Coverage Statement**

The table on page I-22 shows information related to the proforma debt service coverage for outstanding debt of the University, combined with the estimated debt service on the Bonds.

The columns included in the table on page I-22 include the following information:

Column 1 shows fiscal year ends;

Column 2 shows the actual debt service for each Fiscal Year for the Bonds.

Column 3 shows the estimated debt service for the Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series Four-O issued in September, 1997. The debt service has been estimated using an estimated variable interest rate of 4.50%, as observed during September, 1997 and includes 0.625% of related annual fees for a combined estimated interest rate of 5.125%. The actual interest rate on the Series Four-O Bonds will be reset weekly, will vary, and could exceed the estimated rate. Although approximately level debt service for the Series Four-O Bonds is

shown in Column 3, the Series Four-O Bonds could be repaid with a different amortization schedule. There is no required amortization of the Series Four-O Bonds prior to maturity.

Column 4 shows the annual debt service of the University for each of the listed Fiscal Years ending June 30 with respect to all existing long-term indebtedness; except for the Series Four-O Bonds, which is shown in Column 3.

Column 5 shows the total estimated long term debt service for the University, combining the existing long-term debt service, the estimated debt service on the Series Four-O Bonds and the actual debt service on the Bonds.

Column 6 shows the amount of University revenue that was available for debt service for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1997 as further detailed in footnote (c) of the table;

Column 7 shows the estimated amount of dormitory revenue and parking facility revenue, net of operating and indirect expenses, expected to be available for debt service from a new residence hall and adjacent parking facility under construction on the University's Saint Paul campus. The dormitory and parking facility revenues generated by this project will be available for payment of debt service upon completion of the project, which is anticipated in September, 1998. These revenues are shown as additional revenue available for debt service because they are not reflected in the University's current financial statements. The dormitory revenue and parking facility revenue shown in Column 7 are estimated based on information provided by the University. There can be no assurance that either the estimated dormitory revenue or the estimated parking facility revenue will be realized;

Column 8 shows proforma debt service coverage for the combined estimated annual debt service provided by the revenue available for debt service in fiscal year ended June 30, 1997, plus estimated net revenue from the dormitory and parking facilities shown in Column 7.

**Although the University currently has no plans to issue additional long-term debt, any additional indebtedness will increase the debt service requirements of the University and may reduce the proforma debt service coverage ratio shown by the table.**

**The table on page I-22 is intended merely to show the relationship of historic annual revenues of the University plus estimated net additional dormitory and parking facility revenues available for the payment of debt service to a proforma statement of combined annual debt service of the University based on actual debt service requirements of the Bonds and an estimated interest rate and assumed amortization schedule with respect to the University's Series Four-O Bonds. This table is not intended and should not be considered as a projection of future revenues, expenses, debt service or debt service coverage of the University.**

**There is no assurance that the future revenues, expenses, debt service and debt service coverage of the University or the respective relationships thereof will correspond to the revenues, expenses and debt service or the respective relationships thereof shown by or reflected in the following table.**

# ANNUAL PROFORMA DEBT SERVICE BY FISCAL YEAR AND PROFORMA COVERAGE STATEMENT

*This table should be read in conjunction with the explanation and assumptions appearing on Pages I-20 and I-21.*

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, (1)	Series Four-P Bonds (a) (2)	Estimated Series Four-O Bonds (b) (3)	Other Existing Long-Term Debt Service (4)	Total Est. Long-Term Debt Service (5)	FY 1997 Amt Available for Debt Service (c) (6)	Estimated new Dormitory & Parking Net Revs. (d) (7)	Proforma Coverage Ratio (8)
1998	\$ 265,187	\$ 329,839	\$ 7,350,759	\$ 7,945,784	\$ 11,238,011	\$ -	1.41
1999	870,561	782,991	8,085,880	9,739,432	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.32
2000	1,137,524	780,691	7,893,505	9,811,719	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.31
2001	1,133,206	782,750	7,842,982	9,758,939	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.32
2002	1,133,119	784,041	7,408,077	9,325,237	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.38
2003	1,137,024	784,563	7,584,342	9,505,929	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.35
2004	1,134,669	784,316	7,544,060	9,463,044	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.36
2005	1,136,241	783,300	6,259,630	8,179,172	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.57
2006	1,131,479	781,516	6,258,739	8,171,734	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.57
2007	1,135,579	783,834	6,235,828	8,155,241	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.58
2008	1,133,026	780,256	6,242,630	8,155,912	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.58
2009	1,134,019	780,781	6,339,087	8,253,887	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.56
2010	1,133,519	785,153	5,221,302	7,139,974	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.80
2011	1,131,234	783,372	5,129,677	7,044,282	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.82
2012	1,127,114	780,566	5,132,592	7,040,271	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.82
2013	1,126,401	781,606	5,139,044	7,047,052	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.82
2014	1,128,345	781,366	5,129,482	7,039,192	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.83
2015	1,128,408	784,716	5,129,117	7,042,240	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.82
2016	1,131,589	781,656	4,849,205	6,762,450	11,238,011	1,610,139	1.90
2017	1,127,620	782,188	4,469,631	6,379,439	11,238,011	1,610,139	2.01
2018	1,126,770	781,181	2,538,723	4,446,674	11,238,011	1,610,139	2.89
2019	1,128,770	783,509	2,540,138	4,452,417	11,238,011	1,610,139	2.89
2020	1,128,140	784,044	2,535,523	4,447,707	11,238,011	1,610,139	2.89
2021	1,130,080	782,784	2,539,596	4,452,460	11,238,011	1,610,139	2.89
2022	1,134,320	784,603	2,517,370	4,436,293	11,238,011	1,610,139	2.90
2023	1,670,590	-	-	1,670,590	11,238,011	1,610,139	7.69
Totals:	\$28,834,532	\$19,115,620	\$137,916,917	\$185,867,069	\$292,188,286	\$40,253,469	

(a) Based on actual rates.

(b) The Series Four-O Bonds at estimated all-in rate of 5.125%. (See pages I-20 and I-21.)

(c) Based on Fiscal Year 1997 Unaudited Internal Financial Statements of the University:

	Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets:	\$ 36,845,600
Plus:	Depreciation	6,390,130
	Debt Service Interest (accrued)	3,165,237
Less:	Nonrecurring gain on fixed assets	(12,501)
	Nonrecurring Gifts of property & equipment	(118,150)
	Investment return in excess of spending policy	(12,608,596)
	Federal Grants for Science Building	(9,982,349)
	Net realized gains on other investments	(12,441,360)

Amount available for debt service: \$ 11,238,011

(d) Estimated. Net of operating expenses and indirect expenses.  
(See pages I-20 and I-21.)



## PROPOSED FORM OF LEGAL OPINION

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\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority  
 Revenue Bonds, Series Four-P  
 (University of St. Thomas)

We have acted as bond counsel in connection with the issuance by the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority (the "Authority") of its fully registered (initially book-entry) Revenue Bonds, Series Four-P (University of St. Thomas), in the aggregate principal amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Bonds"), dated December 1, 1997, in the denomination of \$5,000 each and integral multiples thereof, maturing on April 1 in the years and amounts and bearing interest at the basic rates per annum as follows:

<u>April 1</u> <u>of the Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Basic</u> <u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>April 1</u> <u>of the Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Basic</u> <u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>
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The Bonds are subject to optional redemption prior to the stated maturities thereof as provided in the Bonds and the Indenture. The Bonds due in the years \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ shall be redeemed through operation of the mandatory Sinking Fund Subaccount of the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account provided for in the Indenture, as defined below. Interest on the Bonds is payable on each April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 1998. In the event of a Determination of Taxability (as defined in the Loan Agreement and Trust Indenture referred to below), the Bonds are subject to additional interest and optional redemption. Interest is payable by check or draft mailed or sent by wire transfer to the registered owner, and principal is payable at the principal corporate trust office of Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as Trustee (the "Trustee"). The Bonds are issued for the purpose of funding a loan from the Authority to the University of St. Thomas, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation and institution of higher education headquartered in the City of St. Paul,

Minnesota (the "University"), in order to finance construction and installation of new facilities, all owned or to be owned and operated by the University and located on its Minneapolis campus. We have examined executed counterparts of the Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement") between the Authority and the University and the Trust Indenture (the "Indenture") between the Authority and the Trustee each dated as of December 1, 1997, one or more opinions of Moore, Costello & Hart P.L.L.P. as counsel to the University, the form of the Bonds prepared for execution, and such other documents as we deemed necessary for the purpose of the following opinion.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon certified proceedings, documents and certifications furnished to us by public officials and officials of the University without undertaking to verify such facts by independent investigation. We have also relied upon the opinion of Moore, Costello & Hart P.L.L.P., as to the Loan Agreement having been duly authorized and executed and being binding upon the University and as to the corporate organization, tax-exempt status, good standing and powers of the University, and as to title to the Project Site (as defined in the Loan Agreement and Indenture), without examining the records of the University or original title records or abstracts of title.

We have not been engaged or undertaken to verify the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of the Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Bonds (except to the extent, if any, stated in the Official Statement), and we express no opinion relating thereto (except only matters set forth as our opinion in the Official Statement).

Based on our examination, we are of the opinion, as of the date hereof, as follows:

1. The Authority is an agency of the State of Minnesota with authority under Sections 136A.25 to 136A.42, Minnesota Statutes, to issue the Bonds, to loan the proceeds thereof to the University and to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement and the Indenture to secure the Bonds.

2. The Loan Agreement and the Indenture are valid and binding instruments of the parties thereto, enforceable in accordance with their terms.

3. The Bonds are valid and binding limited obligations of the Authority and are secured solely by the assignment of the loan repayments payable by the University under the Loan Agreement to the Trustee, scheduled to be made in amounts and at times sufficient (if timely paid in full) to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due, and by the pledge of the funds and investments held by the Trustee under the Indenture and by the pledge of funds and rights to payments held by the Trustee, as assignee, under the Loan Agreement.

4. Assuming compliance with the covenants in the Loan Agreement and Indenture, the interest on the Bonds is not includable in gross income for purposes of Federal income taxation or in taxable income of individuals, estates and trusts for purposes of Minnesota income taxation under present laws and rulings. Interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference required to be included in the computation of "alternative minimum taxable income" for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax applicable to individuals under Section 55 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") or Minnesota alternative minimum tax applicable to individuals, trusts and estates. Interest on the Bonds is includable in "adjusted current earnings" for purposes of the computation of "alternative minimum taxable income" of corporations under Section 55 of the Code and is subject to the Minnesota franchise tax imposed upon corporations, including financial institutions, measured by taxable income and the alternative minimum tax base. The Bonds are not arbitrage bonds within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code. The Bonds are "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141(a) and "qualified 501(c)(3) bonds" within the meaning of Section 145 of the Code. Ownership of the Bonds will result in disallowance of a deduction for a portion of the interest expense of a "financial institution" under Section 265(b) of the Code. Reference is made to the caption "Tax Exemption" in the Official Statement for a description of the effect of certain provisions of the Code relating to, among other things, the branch profits tax imposed on foreign corporations, losses incurred by property and casualty insurance companies, Subchapter C earnings of S corporations, net investment income of foreign corporations, and the taxability of Social Security and railroad retirement benefits.

It is to be understood that the rights of the holders of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds, the Indenture and the Loan Agreement may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable and that their enforcement may also be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of law.

Dated at Minneapolis, Minnesota, \_\_\_\_\_, 1997.

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**ANNUAL REPORT INFORMATION**

The Annual Report Date will be 270 days after each fiscal year end, commencing with the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998. The Annual Report will contain:

1. Audited financial statements for the most recent complete fiscal year.
2. The following financial and operating data contained in Appendix I to the Final Official Statement:
  - a. Information as of the end of the most recent complete academic or fiscal year, as appropriate, of the matters covered by the Sections entitled:
    - Faculty and Staff
    - Freshmen Applications, Acceptances and Enrollments
    - Transfer Student Enrollment — Fall Semester — Undergraduate Day Program
    - Graduate School Applications, Acceptances and Enrollments
    - Student Body
    - Enrollments
    - Housing
    - Tuition
    - Financial Aid
  - b. Information as to gifts, bequests and grant support for the most recent complete fiscal year, identifying major sources by category.
  - c. Information as to any publicly announced capital campaign, including stated goals and progress toward the goals.
  - d. A calculation of the amount available for debt service for the most recent complete fiscal year, based upon the audited financial statements for the most recent complete fiscal year and presented in a manner consistent with and similar to footnote (d) on page I-21 of the final Official Statement; provided that the University may, in its discretion, delete components of the calculation which are no longer applicable and add additional components to the calculation which are appropriate for future fiscal years.

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DEFINITION OF CERTAIN TERMS

*Act:* Sections 136A.25 to 136A.42, Minnesota Statutes, as amended.

*Additional Bonds:* Any Additional Bonds issued by the Authority on behalf of the University pursuant to Section 2.09 of the Indenture.

*Air Rights:* The leasehold interest in the air rights above the Project Site granted by the landlord and owner of the Project Site, to the University and Opus Corporation as tenants pursuant to the Lease.

*Authority:* The Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority.

*Authorized Authority Representative:* The person at the time designated to act on behalf of the Authority by written certificate furnished to the University and the Trustee, containing the specimen signature of such person and signed on behalf of the Authority by its Chair, Secretary or Executive Director or any officer authorized to act on behalf of the foregoing officers. Such certificate may designate an alternate or alternates.

*Authorized Institution Representative:* The President, the Provost or Vice President for Business Affairs or the person at the time designated to act on behalf of the University by written certificate furnished to the Authority and the Trustee, containing the specimen signature of such person and signed on behalf of the University by the Chairman or the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University. Such certificate may designate an alternate or alternates.

*Authorized Investments:* Investments authorized for moneys in the accounts created under the Indenture and described in Section 5.04 thereof.

*Board of Trustees:* The Board of Trustees of the University, including any Executive Committee authorized to act for such board.

*Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account:* The account established pursuant to the Indenture into which the Authority and Trustee shall deposit certain moneys for payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds.

*Bond Closing:* The original issuance, sale and delivery of any Bonds.

*Bond Resolution:* The Series Resolution of the Authority adopted on November 12, 1997, authorizing the Bonds, as the same may be amended, modified or supplemented by any amendments or modifications thereof.

*Bonds:* Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series Four-P (University of St. Thomas).

*Building Equipment:* Those items of goods, equipment, furnishings, furniture, inventory, machinery or other tangible personal property now or hereafter owned by the University and located on the Project Site acquired with funds other than the proceeds of the Bonds.

*Business Day:* Any day other than Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday in the State of Minnesota or any other day that DTC or its successor as depository or banks in Minnesota are not open for business.

*Construction Account:* The account established under the Indenture for the deposit of certain Bond proceeds and other funds to be used for the payment of Project Costs.

*Date of Taxability:* The date as of which the interest on the Bonds is determined to be includable in the gross income of the Owners thereof, provided that no Bond shall bear additional interest for any period for which the statute of limitations shall be a bar to the assertion or collection of a deficiency of federal income taxes from the Owner of such Bond.

*Depository or DTC:* The Depository Trust Company in New York, New York, its successors or assigns, or any other person who shall be a Holder of all Bonds directly or indirectly for the benefit of Beneficial Owners and approved by the Authority, University and Trustee to act as the Depository; provided any Depository shall be registered or qualified as a "clearing agency" within the meaning of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

*Determination of Taxability:* A Notice of Deficiency issued by the Internal Revenue Service or a final decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to the effect that the interest payable on the Bonds is includable in gross income for purposes of federal income taxation by reason of the application of the provisions of Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code, related sections and regulations thereunder, in effect on the date of issuance of the Bonds, as more fully provided in the Loan Agreement. A determination that interest on the Bonds is includable in the computation of any alternative minimum tax is not a Determination of Taxability.

*Event of Default:* An Event of Default described in the Indenture or Loan Agreement and summarized in this Official Statement in the sections entitled "THE INDENTURE - Events of Default" and "THE LOAN AGREEMENT - Events of Default."

*Financial Journal:* Northwestern Financial Review, The Bond Buyer, Finance & Commerce or any other newspaper or journal devoted to financial news published in the English language in Minneapolis or St. Paul, Minnesota, or in the City of New York, New York.

*Fiscal Year:* The University's fiscal year, initially the 12-month period commencing on July 1 in each year.

*General Bond Resolution:* The General Bond Resolution adopted by the Authority on October 31, 1972, and any amendments thereto.

*Holder, Bondholder, or Owner:* The person in whose name a Bond is registered, except if any Bond is in Book Entry Form, with respect to any consent or approval of a Holder of Bonds of such Series, the terms shall mean the Beneficial Owner.

*Indenture:* The Trust Indenture between the Authority and Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota, as Trustee, dated as of December 1, 1997, under which the Bonds are authorized to be issued, and including any indenture supplemental thereto.

*Institution:* University of St. Thomas, a Minnesota institution of higher education located in the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota and owned and operated by the University.

*Internal Revenue Code:* The Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and amendments thereto.

*Issue:* The Bonds.

*Issue Date:* The date on which the Bonds are delivered to the Underwriters thereof upon original issuance.

*Lease:* The Lease dated as of June 26, 1997 pursuant to which the landlord has leased Air Rights to the University.

*Loan Agreement:* The Loan Agreement between the Authority and the University relating to the Bonds, dated as of December 1, 1997, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

*Loan Repayments:* Payments required to be made by the University to the Trustee pursuant to the Loan Agreement.



*Net Proceeds:* When used with respect to proceeds of insurance or a condemnation award, moneys received or receivable by the University as owner or lessee or the Trustee as secured party pursuant to the Indenture, less the cost of recovery (including attorneys' fees) of such moneys from the insuring company or the condemning authority plus investment earnings thereon.

*Permitted Encumbrances:* As of any particular time, (i) liens for ad valorem taxes and special assessments not then delinquent, (ii) utility, access and other easements and rights-of-way, mineral rights, restrictions and exceptions that an independent engineer certifies will not interfere with or impair the use of or operations being conducted in the Project Facilities, (iii) such minor defects, irregularities, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way and clouds on title as normally exist with respect to properties similar in character to the Project Facilities (including, with respect to Project Equipment, purchase money security interests and equipment leases), and as do not in the aggregate, in the opinion of independent counsel, materially impair the property affected thereby for the purposes for which it was acquired or is held by the University, and (iv) those additional encumbrances set forth in Exhibit C to the Loan Agreement.

*Project:* The Project consists of the acquisition, construction, and equipping of an approximately 98,200 square foot facility, including classrooms, offices and library, and skyway connection to be owned and operated by the University and located in the air space related to the Air Rights ("Opus Hall").

*Project Buildings:* The facilities acquired, improved or constructed with proceeds of the Bonds, including investment earnings.

*Project Costs:* Costs properly payable from the Construction Account in relation to the Project.

*Project Equipment:* All fixtures, equipment, and other personal property of a capital nature acquired with proceeds of the Bonds, including investment earnings.

*Project Facilities:* The Project Building, and the Project Equipment.

*Project Site:* The land underlying the Air Rights and on which the Project Building is or will be located or otherwise to be improved as part of the Project.

*Redemption Account:* The Redemption Account created under the Indenture for deposit of any moneys received which are not otherwise committed. Moneys in the Redemption Account shall be used (i) to create and maintain the required balance in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account; (ii) to create and maintain the required balance in the Reserve Account; and (iii) to redeem or prepay outstanding Bonds or to purchase outstanding Bonds for redemption and cancellation. Moneys in the Redemption Account may be used in the discretion of the Trustee to pay rebate due to the United States under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code if the University or the Authority fails to provide for payment of any rebate.

*Reference Rate:* The interest rate per annum announced from time to time by Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association as its prime or reference rate.

*Regular Record Date:* The 15th day (whether or not a Business Day) of the calendar month next preceding an interest payment date.

*Reserve Account:* The Reserve Account established under the Indenture, into which at Bond Closing will be placed Bond proceeds in the amount of the Reserve Requirement. Moneys in the Reserve Account shall be used to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds if moneys in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account or Redemption Account are not sufficient thereof and may be used in the discretion of the Trustee to pay rebate due to the United States under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code if the University or the Authority fails to provide for payment of any rebate.

*Reserve Requirement:* (i) If no Additional Bonds are outstanding, one-half of the maximum amount of principal of and interest on the Bonds payable in any remaining Bond Year excluding the principal amount maturing on April 1, 2023, or (ii) if Additional Bonds are outstanding, the sum of (A) the amount set forth in subsection (i) plus (B) one-half of the maximum amount of principal of and interest on Additional Bonds payable in any Bond Year of the Additional Bonds.

*Series Four-P Bonds:* The Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series Four-P (University of St. Thomas).

*Special Record Date:* The record date set by the Trustee for the purpose of paying defaulted interest.

*Trust Estate:* All the rights, interests and security given to the Trustee under the Indenture as security for the Bonds.

*Trustee, Registrar, Paying Agent:* Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

*University:* University of St. Thomas, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation, its successors and assigns.

**SUMMARY OF DOCUMENTS**

**THE LOAN AGREEMENT**

The following is a summary of certain provisions of the Loan Agreement. This summary does not purport to be complete and reference is made to the full text of the Loan Agreement for a complete recital of its terms. Certain words and terms used in this summary are defined in "DEFINITIONS OF CERTAIN TERMS," Appendix IV, contained herein.

**Construction of Project**

The University represents that the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project are to be substantially completed by no later than June 1, 1999 subject only to "force majeure," as provided in the Loan Agreement. The University may apply to the Authority at any time to delete from the Project any building, system or equipment proposed to be acquired, constructed or improved as part of the Project, or to add any building, system or equipment to the Project, or both, and upon approval of the Authority, the description of the Project shall accordingly be amended by a supplement to the Loan Agreement executed by the Authority and the University, a copy of which shall be furnished to the Trustee, provided that no such amendment of the description of the Project shall be approved if the Project, as so amended, will not constitute an authorized "project" under the Act or will adversely affect the tax exempt status of interest on the Bonds and an opinion of counsel to such effects is furnished. The University agrees that it has previously paid or will itself pay all costs relating to the acquisition, construction, improving and equipping of the Project, including costs of issuance of the Bonds, to the extent such payments and costs exceed the proceeds of the Bonds, including investment earnings in the Construction Account.

**Loan Repayments**

Under the Loan Agreement, the University agrees to make Loan Repayments in amounts and at times sufficient to provide for payment in full of all principal of and interest and premium, if any, on the Bonds when due. To provide for such payments the University covenants to pay for the account of the Authority in the following amounts:

- (a) at least five (5) Business Days prior to each April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 1998, into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account a sum which will be equal to the amount payable as interest, or as principal and interest, on the Bonds on the next succeeding interest payment date, (whether at maturity or mandatory sinking fund redemption); provided however, that there shall be credited against such obligations (i) the net amount of funds and investments then on deposit to the credit of the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account; and (ii) any credits permitted by Sections 5.02, 5.03 or 5.04 of the Indenture (relating to the transfer to the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account of certain investment earnings and certain excess funds); and
- (b) on or prior to a date established for the optional redemption and prepayment of the Bonds, into the Redemption Account such amount, if any, as shall be necessary and sufficient to provide for the redemption of any Bonds called for redemption from the Redemption Account; and

- (c) forthwith into the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account or Redemption Account, as appropriate, the amount of any deficiency in the event that the funds on deposit in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account or Redemption Account on any Bond principal or interest payment date are for any reason insufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds then due or then to become due (whether at maturity, or by call for redemption, or by acceleration of maturity); and
- (d) into the Reserve Account any amounts required to be deposited therein by Section 5.02 of the Indenture; and
- (e) into any fund or account designated by the Trustee funds in the amount determined by the Trustee to be necessary to comply with the provisions of Section 6.09(f) of the Loan Agreement and Section 5.05 of the Indenture (relating to arbitrage rebate); and
- (f) at least five business days prior to each April 1, commencing April 1, 2013, into the Sinking Fund Subaccount of the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account, the amount, if any, as shall be necessary and sufficient to redeem on the next succeeding April 1, at par plus accrued interest, the amount of the Bonds specified in the Indenture.

There is reserved to the University the right to prepay all or part of the Loan and to redeem Bonds prior to their maturity in certain events as described under "THE BONDS."

As additional payments the University agrees to pay the annual fee of the Authority, fees and expenses of the Trustee, rebate of certain excess investment earnings to the United States, and certain other expenses.

### **Use of Project Facilities**

The University agrees to use the Project Facilities as educational facilities, in compliance with law and ordinance requirements, and not as facilities for sectarian instruction or religious worship, nor primarily in connection with a program of a school or department of divinity for any religious denomination. The University agrees not to permit use of the Project Facilities in such manner or to such an extent as would result in loss of the tax-exemption of interest on the Bonds under the Internal Revenue Code or loss of its status as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

### **Maintenance of Project Facilities**

The University agrees that, so long as there are Bonds outstanding, the University will keep the Project Facilities in good repair and good operating condition at its own cost, making such repairs, modifications, and replacements as are necessary so that the Project will remain a "project" under the Act and interest on the Bonds will be exempt from federal income taxation. The University may lease or sublease or enter into agreements in the ordinary course of business for the use of the Project Facilities, so long as the tax-exempt status of the Bonds will not be affected thereby and such lease, sublease or use agreement shall not be inconsistent with the Loan Agreement, the Indenture or the Act, and the University shall remain fully obligated under the Loan Agreement as if such lease, sublease or use agreement had not been made.

## **Title to Property and Liens**

Except for Permitted Encumbrances, the University will not permit any liens to be established or to remain against the Project Facilities including any mechanics' liens for labor or materials furnished in connection with any remodeling, additions, modifications, improvements, repairs, renewals or replacements, provided the University may in good faith contest any liens filed or established against the Project Facilities and may permit the items so contested to remain undischarged and unsatisfied during the period of such contest unless the Authority or Trustee shall notify the University that, in the opinion of independent counsel, by nonpayment of any such items the Project Facilities will be subject to loss or forfeiture, in which event the University shall promptly pay all such items. To the extent certain Project Equipment become fixtures of University buildings which are a Project Building, liens and encumbrances may be placed on such Project Equipment.

## **Taxes and Other Governmental Charges**

The University will pay all taxes, special assessments, license fees and governmental charges of any kind that may at any time be lawfully assessed or levied against, or with respect to the operations of the University, or the Project Facilities or any improvements, equipment or related property installed or bought by the University therein or thereon, or the Bonds, the Loan Agreement, the Indenture, or the interest of the Authority, the Trustee, or the Bondholders therein.

The University may, at its expense, in good faith contest any such taxes, assessments, license fees and other charges and may permit the taxes, assessments, license fees or other charges so contested to remain unpaid during the period of such contest and any appeal therefrom unless the Authority or the Trustee shall notify the University that, in the opinion of independent counsel, by nonpayment of any such items the Project Facilities or any part thereof, or the revenue therefrom will be subject to loss or forfeiture, in which event such items shall be paid promptly.

## **Insurance**

Unless and until the Lease has been terminated, the University shall maintain or cause to be maintained, at its own cost, the insurance required by the Lease, which can be amended from time to time without Bondholder or Trustee consent. If the Lease is terminated, the University is required to maintain, or cause to be maintained, insurance, with certain deductible amounts, as follows:

- (a) Insurance against loss and/or damage to the Project Facilities and contents, including fire and extended coverage in an amount not less than 80% of the full insurable replacement value of the Project Facilities, with a deductible amount of up to \$250,000 so long as the University occupies the Project Facilities.
- (b) Comprehensive general public liability insurance against liability for personal injury in the minimum amount for each occurrence of \$5,000,000 and aggregate for each year of \$5,000,000 with a deductible amount of up to \$250,000 and against liability for property damage in the minimum amount for each occurrence of \$100,000.
- (c) Workers' compensation insurance in such amount as is customarily carried by organizations in like activities of comparable size and liability exposure to the University.

Upon the written request of the University, the Trustee (i) may permit modifications to such insurance requirements and deductible amounts, including permission for the University to be self-insured in whole or in part for any comprehensive general public liability insurance, upon

such terms and conditions as the Trustee may require, and (ii) shall permit modifications to such insurance requirements and deductible amounts, including permission for self-insurance, in accordance with the recommendation of an independent insurance consultant employed by the University and satisfactory to the Trustee.

The University is required to furnish to the Trustee policies or certificates or binders evidencing the required insurance. Each required policy shall contain a provision that the insurer will not cancel or modify the policy without giving written notice to the University and the Trustee at least thirty days before the cancellation or modification becomes effective.

### **Damage or Destruction**

If the Lease has not been terminated and the Project Facilities shall be damaged or partially or totally destroyed there shall be no abatement in the Loan Repayments and the University shall comply with the Lease relating to disposition of Net Proceeds and application of Net Proceeds to either restore or clear the rubble remaining from the Project Facilities. The University may prepay the Bonds, in whole or in part from any funds available and so designated by the University following such damage or destruction as more fully provided in the Loan Agreement. If the Lease has been terminated, to the extent that the claim for loss resulting from such damage or destruction is not greater than \$1,000,000, the University will promptly repair, rebuild or restore the property damaged or destroyed with such changes, alterations and modifications (including the substitution and addition of other property) as will not impair the character or significance of the Project Facilities as educational facilities. To the extent that the claim for loss resulting from such damage or destruction exceeds \$1,000,000, the University shall either repair, rebuild or restore the damaged facilities, or redeem and prepay the Bonds in whole or in part as more fully provided in the Loan Agreement.

If the Bonds are redeemed and prepaid in part, the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed shall not be less than the amount of Net Proceeds remaining after application of Net Proceeds as required under the Lease.

### **Condemnation**

If at any time before the Bonds have been fully paid (or provision for payment thereof has been made in accordance with the Indenture), title to the Project Building, and site thereof, shall be taken in any proceeding involving the exercise of the right of eminent domain, the University shall either redeem the Bonds in whole or in part or rebuild or restore such facilities, as more fully provided in the Loan Agreement.

If the Bonds are to be redeemed and prepaid in part, the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed shall not be less than the amount of Net Proceeds remaining after application of Net Proceeds as required under the Lease.

### **Removal or Release of Project Equipment and Building Equipment**

The University may remove or release Project Equipment and Building Equipment from the Project Facilities if no Default exists and upon the following conditions:

- (a) the University may substitute equipment and related property for any Project Equipment and Building Equipment, provided that such substitution shall not materially impair the character or revenue producing significance or value of the Project Facilities;

- (b) the University may release any equipment from the definition of Project Equipment (with or without the physical removal thereof) without substitution therefor, provided that the University pays a sum equal to the then value of such Project Equipment as determined by an Independent engineer selected by the University, to the Trustee for deposit in the Redemption Account for the redemption and prepayment of the Bonds; provided that if the depreciated book value of any item of equipment so removed was less than \$25,000, such release without substitution and such deposit to the Redemption Account may be effected without such determination of value and Certificate by an Independent engineer upon such showing by the University as may be satisfactory to the Trustee; and
- (c) the University may remove any Building Equipment without substitution therefor provided that such removal will not materially impair the character or revenue producing significance or value of the Project Facilities.

In connection with (a) and (b) above, if the depreciated book value of the Project Equipment or, in connection with (c) above, the depreciated book value of Building Equipment, to be substituted, removed or released equals or exceeds \$25,000 the University will deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by the Authorized Institution Representative stating that the substitution, removal, or release, as the case may be, of such equipment will not materially impair the character or revenue producing significance of the Project Facilities.

### **Indemnification**

The University agrees to hold the Authority, its members and employees, harmless against any claim, cause of action, suit or liability for any loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned by any cause whatsoever pertaining to the Project Facilities and the use thereof, including that caused by any negligence of the Authority or anyone acting in its behalf, provided that the indemnity shall be effective only to the extent of any loss that may be sustained by the Authority in excess of the net proceeds received by the Authority from any insurance carried with respect to the loss sustained.

The University agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Authority against any and all losses, claims, damages or liability to which the Authority may become subject under law, and to reimburse the Authority for any out-of-pocket legal and other expenses (including reasonable counsel fees) incurred by the Authority in connection with investigating any such losses, claims, damages, or liabilities or in connection with defending any actions, insofar as the same relate to information furnished to the Authority by the University in connection with the sale of the Bonds.

### **Existence and Accreditation of University and Institution**

The University agrees that during the term of the Loan Agreement it will maintain its existence as a nonprofit corporation and will maintain the Institution as a nonprofit institution of higher education under the laws of Minnesota, accredited as such by recognized accrediting agencies, and that it will not dissolve or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets or all or substantially all the assets of the Institution, or consolidate with or merge into another corporation, or permit one or more other corporations to consolidate with or merge into it, except upon the conditions provided in the Loan Agreement. The conditions are the following: (a) If the surviving, resulting or transferee corporation, as the case may be, is other than the University, such surviving, resulting or transferee corporation shall assume in writing all of the obligations of the University in the Loan Agreement and shall be either a state university or college or a nonprofit corporation operating or authorized to operate an institution of higher education under the laws of Minnesota, eligible to be a participating nonprofit institution under the Act, and complies and will comply with the provisions of the Loan Agreement against

unlawful discrimination and requiring that the institution be nonsectarian; and (b) the University shall furnish to the Trustee an opinion of bond counsel that such consolidation, merger or transfer shall have no effect upon the tax-exempt nature of the interest on the Bonds under the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder.

### **\$150,000,000 Limitation on Outstanding Non-Hospital Bonds**

The University has represented that the sum of the principal amount of the Bonds, plus the respective outstanding aggregate principal amounts of all tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of or for the benefit of the University and all organizations under common management or control with the University (other than qualified hospital bonds and other than tax-exempt bonds issued after August 5, 1997 as part of an issue 95% or more of the net proceeds of which are to be used to finance capital expenditures incurred after such date), within the meaning of Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code, does not exceed \$150,000,000. Under the Loan Agreement, in no event will the University affiliate or consolidate with or merge into another corporation or sell or otherwise transfer to another institution all or substantially all of its assets or the assets of the Institution as an entirety if the effect of any such transaction would be to adversely affect the tax-exempt status of the Bonds, such as by exceeding limitations on the outstanding aggregate principal amounts of all tax-exempt bonds issued by or on behalf of the University or such other resulting entity, and all organizations under common management or control with the University or such resulting entity (other than qualified hospital bonds and other than tax-exempt bonds issued after August 5, 1997 as part of an issue 95% or more of the net proceeds of which are to be used to finance capital expenditures incurred after such date), within the meaning of Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code.

### **Institution to be Nonsectarian**

Except for the School of Divinity which is separate from the general undergraduate and graduate programs of the University for which the Project is to be completed, the University agrees that the Institution will continue to be nonsectarian; will not require or forbid attendance by students or any other persons at religious worship or acceptance of any religious creed; and will not promulgate the distinctive doctrines, creeds or tenets of any particular religious sect.

### **Federal Income Tax Status**

The University represents that it presently is and agrees that it shall take all appropriate measures to assure that it remains an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, exempt from income taxes under Section 501(a) of such Code.

### **Determination of Taxability**

In the event a Determination of Taxability is made at any time that interest payable on the Bonds is includable in gross income for purposes of federal income taxation under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder as in effect at the date of issuance of the Bonds, the Bonds shall bear additional interest at the rate of two percent (2%) per annum from the Date of Taxability until the respective dates on which the principal of the Bonds is paid. In addition, in the event of such Determination of Taxability, the Bonds shall be subject to optional redemption, in whole or in part, on the next date for which due notice can be given or any date thereafter and the redemption price therefor shall be equal to par plus accrued interest (including additional interest from the Date of Taxability). If a Determination of Taxability should occur, any monetary damage or loss resulting from or incident thereto shall be limited to the additional interest rate, as more fully set forth in the Loan Agreement.



## **Other Covenants**

The University further agrees to comply with all applicable laws and regulations against unlawful discrimination, and not to discriminate on account of religion (except with respect to the School of Divinity), race, color, creed or national origin in the use of the Project Facilities; to provide and file such financing statements and other instruments of further assurance as the Authority or the Trustee may request; to perform all obligations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder with respect to the non-arbitrage status of the Bonds; and to observe all applicable State laws and regulations, including those of the Authority and the Minnesota Higher Education Services Offices, subject to the right of contest. The University agrees to indemnify the Authority from losses arising from certain representations made by the University regarding the absence of hazardous waste on the Project Facilities.

The Authority further agrees to comply with the applicable rebate requirements imposed under Section 148(f) of the Internal Revenue Code with respect (but only with respect) to amounts paid by the University to the Authority as the Authority's annual fee under the Loan Agreement and any income earned or imputed therefrom.

## **Events of Default**

Following are Events of Default under Section 7.01 of the Loan Agreement:

- (a) If the University shall fail to make any Loan Repayment when due and either (i) the moneys on deposit in the Bond and Interest Sinking Fund Account, Reserve Account or Redemption Account, as the case may be, on a Bond principal or interest payment date are insufficient to pay when due principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, or (ii) such failure shall continue for 5 Business Days after notice from the Trustee or the Authority to the University that such payment has not been made; or
- (b) If the University shall fail to comply with the provisions of Section 6.09(f) of the Loan Agreement (relating to arbitrage calculation and rebate requirements); or
- (c) If the University shall fail to maintain the balance in the Reserve Account in the amount of the Reserve Requirement as defined in Section 5.02 of the Indenture, provided failure to comply with such requirement shall not become an Event of Default unless the University fails to restore such deficiency within a period of 180 days after written notice specifying such deficiency and requesting that it be remedied is given to the University by the Authority or the Trustee; or
- (d) If the University shall fail to observe and perform for reasons other than force majeure any other covenant, condition or agreement on its part under the Loan Agreement for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice, specifying such default and requesting that it be remedied, is given to the University by the Authority or the Trustee unless the Trustee shall agree in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration for such longer period as may be reasonably necessary to remedy such default so long as the University is proceeding with reasonable diligence to remedy the same; or
- (e) If the University files a petition in voluntary bankruptcy, or for the composition of its affairs or for its corporate reorganization under any state or Federal bankruptcy or insolvency law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or consents in writing to the appointment of a trustee or receiver for itself or for the whole or any substantial part of the property of the University; or

- (f) If a court of competent jurisdiction shall enter an order, judgment or decree against the University in any insolvency, bankruptcy, or reorganization proceeding, or appointing a trustee or receiver of the University or of the whole or any substantial part of the property of the University and such order, judgment or decree shall not be vacated or set aside or stayed within ninety days from the date of the entry thereof; or
- (g) If, under the provisions of any other law for the relief or aid of debtors, any court of competent jurisdiction shall assume custody or control of the University or of the whole or any substantial part of the property of the University, and such custody or control shall not be terminated within ninety days from the date of assumption of such custody or control.

The term "force majeure" as used above includes the following: acts of God; strikes, lockouts or other employee disturbances; acts of public enemies; orders, regulations or laws of any kind of the government of the United States of America or of the State of Minnesota or any of their departments, agencies, political subdivisions or officials, or any civil or military authority; insurrections; riots; epidemics; landslides; lightning; earthquakes; fires; hurricanes; tornadoes; storms; floods; washouts; droughts; arrests; restraint of government and people; civil disturbances; explosions, breakage or accident to machinery, transmission pipes or canals; partial or entire failure of utilities; or any other cause or event not reasonably within the control of the University.

#### **Remedies on Default**

Whenever any Event of Default shall have happened, and be subsisting, the Loan Agreement provides that any one or more of the following steps may be taken:

- (a) The Trustee may declare all or any amount of Loan Repayments thereafter to become due under and payable for the remainder of the term of the Loan Agreement to be immediately due and payable, whereupon the same shall become immediately due and payable.
- (b) The Trustee (or the Authority with respect to certain sections of the Loan Agreement) may take whatever action at law or in equity which may appear necessary or desirable to collect the payments then due and thereafter to become due under the Loan Agreement.
- (c) The Trustee may take whatever action in law or equity which appears necessary or desirable to enforce the security provided by or enforce any provision of the Loan Agreement or the Indenture in accordance with the provisions thereof.

Any amounts collected by the Trustee pursuant to action taken under the foregoing paragraphs shall be applied first to advances and expenses, second to payment of the Bonds as provided in Section 7.04 of the Indenture and any excess to the University.

#### **Amendments**

Except as otherwise provided in the Loan Agreement or in the Indenture, subsequent to issuance of the Bonds and so long as any Bonds are outstanding, the Loan Agreement may not be amended without the prior written consent of the Trustee.

## **THE INDENTURE**

The following constitutes a summary of certain provisions of the Trust Indenture (the "Indenture"). This summary does not purport to be complete and reference is made to the full text of the Indenture for a complete recital of its terms. Certain words and terms used in this summary are defined in "DEFINITIONS OF CERTAIN TERMS," Appendix IV, contained herein.

### **Granting Clauses**

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Authority grants to the Trustee, as security for the Holders of the Bonds, the following:

- (a) all right, title and interest of the Authority under the Loan Agreement and all Loan Repayments and other sums due under the Loan Agreement, except the Authority's annual fee and rights to indemnity and reimbursement;
- (b) a first lien on and pledge of (i) the moneys and investments in the Accounts covenanted to be created and maintained under the Indenture, (ii) moneys and investments in the Construction Account not paid out for Project Costs, and (iii) all accounts, contract rights, general intangibles, moneys and instruments arising therefrom or relating thereto and all proceeds and products of and accessions to any thereof; and
- (c) any and all other property of every name and nature from time to time conveyed, mortgaged, assigned or transferred, or in which a security interest is granted, by the Authority or the University or by anyone in behalf of them or with their written consent, to the Trustee.

### **Accounts**

Bond proceeds, revenues and other funds derived under the Loan Agreement or Indenture shall be deposited into accounts held by the Trustee as described in "ACCOUNTS," contained in the body of this Official Statement.

### **Trustee's Right to Payment**

The Trustee shall have a first lien, with right of payment prior to payment of interest on or principal of the Bonds, for reasonable compensation, expenses, advances and counsel fees incurred in and about the execution of the trusts created by the Indenture and exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the Trustee under the Indenture, and the cost and expenses incurred in defending against any liability in the premises of any character whatsoever (unless such liability is adjudicated to have resulted from the negligence or willful default of the Trustee).

### **Additional Bonds**

In addition to the Bonds, the Indenture permits the issuance of one or more series of Additional Bonds by the Authority, acting at the request of the University, equally and ratably secured on a parity with the Bonds to provide funds for the following purposes: (i) completion of the Project, (ii) refunding of all or any series or portion of series of then outstanding Bonds or Additional Bonds, (iii) improvements or alterations, repairs or replacement of the Project Facilities, or (iv) other project or projects as authorized by the Act.

The issuance of Additional Bonds requires, among other things, evidence satisfactory to the Authority of the University's ability to meet debt service on the Additional Bonds. Furthermore, to the extent required by the Authority, the University shall execute supplements to the Loan Agreement and the Indenture. Additional Bonds may not be issued unless in the opinion of bond counsel the interest on the outstanding Bonds remains excludable from gross income of the holders for federal income tax purposes.

### **Covenants of the Authority**

Under the Indenture the Authority covenants, among other things, to perform its various undertakings and agreements; not to extend the maturity of any of the Bonds or the time of payment of any claims for interest; to take such action or cause and permit the Trustee to take such action as may be necessary and advisable to enforce the covenants, terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement, if such action shall, in the discretion of the Trustee, be deemed to be in the best interests of the Authority or the Bondholders; to comply with the applicable arbitrage rebate requirements under Section 148(f) of the Code and regulations thereunder; to keep proper books, accounts and records; and not to issue or permit to be issued any Bonds under the Indenture in any manner other than in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture and not to suffer or permit any default to occur under the Indenture. Under the Act, and it is expressly agreed that, the Authority has no obligation to make any advance or payment or incur any expense or liability from its general funds for performing any of the conditions, covenants or requirements of the Indenture or from any funds other than Loan Repayments or moneys in the Accounts established by the Indenture.

### **Events of Default**

The following are Events of Default under the Indenture:

- (a) If payment of the principal of any of the Bonds, when the same shall become due and payable (whether at maturity or by proceedings for redemption or by declaration of acceleration or otherwise), shall not be made; or
- (b) If payment of any interest on the Bonds when the same shall become due and payable (in which case interest shall be payable to the extent permitted by law on any overdue installments of interest, in each case at the interest rate borne by the Bonds in respect of which such interest is overdue) shall not be made; or
- (c) If the Authority shall default in the due and punctual performance of any of the covenants, conditions, agreements and provisions contained in the Bonds or in the Indenture, or in any supplemental indenture on the part of the Authority to be performed, and such default shall have continued for a period of sixty days after written notice, specifying such default and requiring the same to be remedied, shall have been given to the Authority and to the University (giving the University the privilege of curing such default in the name of the Authority, if permitted by law) by the Trustee, which may give such notice in its discretion and shall give such notice upon written request of the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Bonds then outstanding; or
- (d) If any "event of default" on the part of the University, as that term is defined in the Loan Agreement shall occur and be continuing.

## **Remedies**

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee may, and upon written request of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding shall, by notice in writing delivered to the Authority, declare the principal of all Bonds then outstanding and the interest accrued thereon immediately due and payable, and such principal and interest shall thereupon become and be immediately due and payable subject, however, to the right of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Bonds then outstanding by written notice to the Authority and the Trustee to annul such declaration and destroy its effect at any time if all covenants with respect to which default shall have been made shall be fully performed or made good, and all arrears of interest upon all Bonds outstanding and the reasonable expenses and charges of the Trustee, its agents and attorneys, and all other indebtedness secured by the Indenture (except the principal of any Bonds which have not then attained their stated maturity and interest accrued on such Bonds since the last interest payment date) shall be paid, or the amount thereof shall be paid to the Trustee for the benefit of those entitled thereto.

In the case of the breach of any of the covenants or conditions of the Loan Agreement or the Indenture, the Trustee, anything therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding and without any request from any Bondholder (subject, however to its rights to indemnity and notice provided in the Indenture) shall be obligated to take such action or actions for the enforcement of its rights and the rights of the Bondholders and the rights of the Authority under the Loan Agreement as due diligence, prudence and care would require and to pursue the same with like diligence, prudence and care.

Upon the happening and continuance of an Event of Default, the Trustee may, and shall upon the written request of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of outstanding Bonds, proceed forthwith by suit or suits at law or in equity or by any other appropriate remedy to enforce payment of the Bonds, to enforce application to payment of the Bonds the funds, revenues and income appropriated thereto by the Indenture and by the Bonds, to enforce any such other appropriate legal or equitable remedy as the Trustee, being advised by counsel, shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce any of its rights or any of the rights of the Bondholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee need not proceed upon any such written request of the Bondholders as aforesaid, unless such Bondholders shall have offered to the Trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred therein or thereby.

## **Concerning the Trustee**

The Trustee has no responsibility to use its own funds under the Indenture, but it may make advances at a rate equal to the Reference Rate of Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, which advances are given priority of payment. The Trustee also has a lien with right of payment prior to payment of Bond interest or principal for reasonable compensation, expenses, advances and counsel fees. The responsibilities of the Trustee prior to an Event of Default are limited to express provisions of the Indenture, and at all times the Trustee shall not be liable unless it acts negligently or in bad faith. The Trustee is not required to institute suit or take other steps to enforce its rights and powers unless indemnified to its satisfaction against all costs and expenses. The Trustee and its officers and directors are authorized to acquire and hold Bonds and otherwise deal with the Authority or the University to the same extent as if it were not Trustee. Provision is made for the succession or replacement of the Trustee by another corporate Trustee with a minimum capital, surplus and undivided profits of \$10 million in event of merger, resignation, or removal by Holders of a majority in principal amount of outstanding Bonds, or in the event of disability, by the Authority or a court. Provision is also made for removal of the Trustee by Bondholders or the Authority, at the request of the University, provided that the Authority may, but is not required to remove the Trustee (without the request of the University) if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or a default which with the passage of time or the giving of notice will become an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. The Authority may not remove a successor Trustee properly appointed by the Bondholders.

## **Concerning the Bondholders**

No Bondholder shall have any right to institute any proceeding in equity or at law for the enforcement of the Indenture or for any remedy under the Loan Agreement unless a default has occurred of which the Trustee has been notified or of which it is deemed to have notice; nor unless also such default shall have become an Event of Default and the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding shall have made written request to the Trustee and shall have offered it reasonable opportunity either to proceed to exercise the powers granted or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its own name; nor unless also they shall have offered to the Trustee indemnity as provided in the Indenture; and no one or more Bondholders shall have the right to affect, disturb, or prejudice the lien of the Indenture by his or their action or to enforce any right thereunder except in the manner therein provided, and that all proceedings at law or in equity shall be instituted and maintained in the manner therein provided and for the equal benefit of the Holders of all Bonds outstanding.

The Trustee, upon the written request of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Bonds at the time outstanding, shall waive any default under the Indenture and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the principal of the Bonds at the date of maturity specified therein; provided, however, that a default in the payment of interest on the Bonds shall not be waived unless, prior to such waiver, all arrears of interest, and all expenses of the Trustee shall have been paid or shall have been provided for by deposit with the Trustee of a sum sufficient to pay the same. In case of any such waiver, the Authority, the Trustee and the Holders of the Bonds shall be restored to their former positions and rights respectively. No waiver of any default or Event of Default, whether by the Trustee or by the Bondholders, shall extend to or shall affect any subsequent default or Event of Default or shall impair any rights or remedies consequent thereon.

Provision is made for meetings of Bondholders, proof of ownership of Bonds and execution of consents and other instruments by Bondholders.

## **Defeasance**

If the Authority and the University shall:

- (a) pay or cause to be paid the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest on the outstanding Bonds at the time and in the manner stipulated therein and in the Indenture, or
- (b) provide for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the outstanding Bonds by depositing with the Trustee at or at any time before maturity an amount either in cash or direct obligations of the United States in such aggregate face amount, bearing interest at such rates, and maturing on such dates sufficient to pay the entire amount due or to become due for principal and premium, if any, and interest to maturity of all Bonds outstanding, or
- (c) deliver to the Trustee (1) proof that notice of redemption of all of the outstanding Bonds not surrendered or to be surrendered to it for cancellation has been given or waived, or that arrangements have been made insuring that such notice will be given or waived; or (2) a written instrument executed by the University for the Authority and expressed to be irrevocable, authorizing the Trustee to give such notice for and on behalf of the Authority; or (3) file with the Trustee a waiver of such notice of redemption signed by the Holders of all such outstanding Bonds, and in any case, deposit with the Trustee before the date on which such Bonds are to be redeemed, the entire amount of the redemption price, including interest accrued and to accrue, and premium, if any, either in cash or direct obligations of the United States of America in such aggregate face amount,

bearing interest at such rates and maturing at such dates as shall be sufficient to provide for the payment of the redemption price on the date such Bonds are to be redeemed and on any interest payment dates, or

- (d) surrender to the Trustee for cancellation all Bonds for which payment is not so provided,

and shall also pay or provide for the payment of all unpaid fees and expenses of the Trustee and the rebate of all amounts due or to become due to the United States under Section 148(f) of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder, then at the request of the Authority or the University all the Trust Estate shall revert to the Authority and the University as their interests appear, and the entire estate, right, title and interest of the Trustee, and of registered owners of Bonds in respect thereof, shall thereupon cease, determine and become void; and the Trustee in such case, upon cancellation of all Bonds for the payment of which cash or government obligations shall not have been deposited in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, shall, upon receipt of a written request of the Authority and of a certificate of the Authority and an opinion of counsel as to compliance with conditions precedent, and at its cost and expense, execute to the Authority, or its order, proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction of the Indenture and surrender to the Authority or its order, all cash and deposited securities, if any (except that held for the payment of the Bonds), which shall then be held thereunder.

When the Authority or the University shall have deposited at any time with the Trustee in trust for the purpose, in the manner provided, or left with it if previously so deposited, cash or direct obligations of the United States of America sufficient to pay the principal of any Bonds (and premium, if any) when the same become due, either at maturity or otherwise, or at the date fixed for the redemption thereof and to pay all interest with respect thereto at the due date of such interest or to the date fixed for redemption, for the use and benefit of the Holders thereof, then upon such deposit all such Bonds shall cease to be entitled to any lien, benefit or security of the Indenture except the right to receive the funds so deposited, and such Bonds shall be deemed not to be outstanding thereunder; and from and after such redemption date or maturity, interest on such Bonds so called for redemption shall cease to accrue.

### **Supplemental Indentures**

The Authority and the Trustee may enter into such supplemental indentures as shall by them be deemed necessary or desirable for any one or more of the following purposes, among others:

- (a) to correct the description of any property conveyed or pledged by the Indenture or intended so to be, or to assign, convey, pledge or transfer and set over to the Trustee additional property for the benefit and security of the Holders and owners of all Bonds under the Indenture;
- (b) to add to the covenants and agreements of the Authority or to surrender any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the Authority;
- (c) to evidence the succession of any other department, agency, body or corporation to the Authority;
- (d) to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any defective or inconsistent provision contained in the Indenture or in any supplemental indentures or to make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under the Indenture or any supplemental indenture as the Authority may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the Indenture or any supplemental indenture and which shall not impair the security of the same; and
- (e) to create a series of and authorize Additional Bonds.

In addition and subject to the provisions set forth below, the Holders of not less than 51% in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then outstanding shall have the right to consent to and approve such supplemental indentures as shall be deemed necessary or desirable by the Authority for the purpose of modifying, altering, amending, adding to or rescinding in any particular, any of the terms or provisions of the Indenture or in any supplemental indenture; provided, however, that such provision shall not be construed as permitting without the consent of the Holders of all Bonds directly or indirectly affected (a) an extension of the maturity of any Bond, or (b) a reduction in the principal amount of any Bond or the redemption premium or the rate of interest thereon, or (c) the creation of a lien upon or a pledge of revenues ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien or pledge created by the Indenture (except as provided in Section 2.09 of the Indenture), or (d) a preference or priority of any Bond over any other, or (e) a reduction in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds the Holders of which are required to consent to such supplemental indenture or the Loan Agreement as set forth in the Indenture.

### **Amendments to the Loan Agreement**

The Authority and the University with the consent of the Trustee may, without the consent of or notice to any of the Bondholders, consent to and (if requested) execute any amendment, change or modification of the Loan Agreement as may be required (a) by the provisions of the Loan Agreement or Indenture, or (b) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or formal defect or omission, (c) so as to add additional rights acquired in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement, or (d) in connection with any other change therein which, in the judgment of the Trustee, is not to the prejudice of the Trustee or the Holders of the Bonds.

Except for amendments, changes or modifications provided for in the preceding paragraph, neither the Authority nor the Trustee may consent to any amendment, change or modification of the Loan Agreement without the written approval or consent of the Holders of not less than 51% in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at the time outstanding, given and procured as provided in the Indenture. However, the Indenture does not permit a reduction in, or a postponement of, the Loan Repayments under the Loan Agreement without the consent of the Holders of all the Bonds then outstanding.

### **Registration**

The Bonds shall be fully registered as to principal and interest at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee, which shall also perform the functions of registrar and paying agent. Bonds may be transferred and exchanged by surrender to the Trustee with a written authorization by the registered Holder or his authorized attorney satisfactory to the Trustee subject to such reasonable regulations as the Trustee may prescribe and shall be without expense to the Holder, except as to any taxes or other governmental charges required to be paid. If the Bonds are no longer in book entry form, Bonds may be exchanged for a new Bond or Bonds of the same series, aggregate principal amount, maturity and interest rate of any Authorized Denominations. Payment of principal will be at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee and interest shall be by check or draft of the Trustee mailed (or, pursuant to an agreement with the Trustee, by wire transfer) to the registered Owner at his address as shown on the registration books of the Trustee, subject to applicable procedures while in book entry form.



**UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS  
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA**

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1997**

## Report of Independent Accountants

To the Board of Trustees  
University of St. Thomas:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of the University of St. Thomas (the University) as of June 30, 1997, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. We previously audited and reported upon the June 30, 1996 financial statements of the University, which condensed financial statements are included for comparative purposes only. These financial statements are the responsibility of the University's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the University of St. Thomas as of June 30, 1997, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P.".

Saint Paul, Minnesota  
September 10, 1997

**University of St. Thomas**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
As of June 30, 1997 and 1996

<b>Assets</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1996</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$4,603,998	\$2,982,807
Accounts receivable, net	11,574,380	12,489,425
Inventories	1,354,384	1,214,818
Prepaid expenses and other assets	4,624,538	4,788,002
Contributions receivable, net	29,362,445	32,694,963
Loans to students	4,158,515	4,134,048
Investments	225,897,105	186,600,988
Land, buildings, and equipment, net	151,426,389	130,966,694
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$433,001,754</b>	<b>\$375,871,745</b>
<b>Liabilities and net assets</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$13,678,099	\$14,683,969
Unearned tuition income	4,575,857	4,212,460
Unearned subscription income	4,253,162	4,220,505
Refundable advance	800,000	900,000
Other liabilities	1,370,111	1,412,699
Assets held in custody for others	10,374,848	7,642,860
Annuity obligations	5,686,645	4,577,990
Bonds payable	69,717,000	72,712,000
Advances from federal government for student loans	3,644,781	3,628,004
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>114,100,503</b>	<b>113,990,487</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		
<b>Unrestricted:</b>		
Operations	10,799,998	10,720,349
Long-term investment	116,183,129	97,928,029
Invested in plant	96,146,158	77,635,307
<b>Total unrestricted</b>	<b>223,129,285</b>	<b>186,283,685</b>
<b>Temporarily restricted</b>	<b>23,311,586</b>	<b>17,526,490</b>
<b>Permanently restricted</b>	<b>72,460,380</b>	<b>58,071,083</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>318,901,251</b>	<b>261,881,258</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>\$433,001,754</b>	<b>\$375,871,745</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**University of St. Thomas**  
**Statement of Activities**  
For the year ended June 30, 1997  
(with comparative totals for 1996)

	1997			1996
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
<b>Operating revenues</b>				
Tuition and fees	\$79,816,562			\$79,816,562
Less: University funded student aid	(14,203,946)			(14,203,946)
Net tuition and fees	65,612,616			65,612,616
Sales and services of educational enterprises	18,411,824			18,411,824
Private gifts and grants	4,892,070	\$9,141,527		14,033,597
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises	15,032,348			15,032,348
Federal grants and contracts	11,487,724			11,487,724
Other revenue (sales, seminars, rental, other)	4,539,830			4,539,830
Ordinary investment income (non-endowment)	3,320,065	1,071		3,321,136
Endowment investment earnings used	3,112,143			3,112,143
State grants and contracts	1,418,476			1,418,476
Net assets released from restrictions	5,296,775	(5,296,775)		
Total operating revenues	133,123,871	3,845,823		136,969,694
<b>Operating expenditures</b>				
<i>Instruction and other services</i>				
Instruction	44,201,394			44,201,394
Educational enterprises	17,211,168			17,211,168
Auxiliary enterprises	15,243,628			15,243,628
Student activities and services	10,954,139			10,954,139
Academic support	4,765,530			4,765,530
Libraries	4,314,294			4,314,294
Student financial aid (externally funded)	3,452,787			3,452,787
Public service	2,846,839			2,846,839
Research	768,308			768,308
Total instruction and other services	103,758,087			103,758,087
<i>Management and general</i>				
General administration and support services	8,936,622			8,936,622
Other institutional expenditures	5,640,030			5,640,030
Development	3,005,989			3,005,989
Total management and general	17,582,641			17,582,641
Total operating expenditures	121,340,728			121,340,728
Net operating income	11,783,143	3,845,823		15,628,966
<b>Non-operating activities</b>				
Permanently restricted gifts			\$12,309,905	12,309,905
Reinvested endowment earnings	12,608,596	950,276	2,079,392	15,638,264
Net gain on other investments	12,441,360	988,997		13,430,357
Nonrecurring gain (loss) on fixed assets	12,501			12,501
Net non-operating income	25,062,457	1,939,273	14,389,297	41,391,027
Net increase in net assets	36,845,600	5,785,096	14,389,297	57,019,993
Net assets, beginning of year	186,283,685	17,526,490	58,071,083	261,881,258
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$223,129,285</u>	<u>\$23,311,586</u>	<u>\$72,460,380</u>	<u>\$318,901,251</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

University of St. Thomas  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
For the years ended June 30, 1997 and 1996

	<b>1997</b>	<b>1996</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Increase in net assets	\$57,019,993	\$46,879,042
<b>Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Depreciation	6,390,130	6,463,969
Write-down of fixed assets to net realizable value		4,842,916
Net realized and unrealized investment gains	(29,927,332)	(20,039,925)
Gifts of property and equipment	(17,279,227)	(502,132)
Federal grant for construction of Science and Engineering Center	(11,916,889)	(1,087,279)
Contributions restricted for long-term investment	(2,061,209)	(4,039,966)
Investment income restricted for long-term investment	(2,079,392)	(1,575,234)
(Decrease) increase in allowance for uncollectible pledges	(250,000)	2,360,000
(Gain) loss on disposal of fixed assets	(12,501)	181,043
<b>Change in operating assets and liabilities</b>		
<i>Decrease (increase) in operating assets</i>		
Accounts receivable, net	915,045	(2,623,777)
Contributions receivable	3,582,518	(25,249,909)
Other operating assets	(569)	(693,374)
<i>(Decrease) increase in operating liabilities</i>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,005,870)	2,188,992
Other operating liabilities	4,110,886	1,151,885
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>7,485,583</b>	<b>8,256,251</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Purchases of investments	(159,613,166)	(101,711,177)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	150,244,381	93,567,131
Expenditures for land, buildings, and equipment	(28,066,034)	(17,808,373)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	2,696,860	9,000
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(34,737,959)</b>	<b>(25,943,419)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from contributions restricted for endowment, and for land, buildings and equipment	17,872,286	4,039,966
Proceeds from the issuance of bonds payable		18,825,000
Payments to retire bonds payable	(2,995,000)	(8,272,000)
Federal grant for construction of Science and Engineering Center	11,916,889	1,087,279
Investment income restricted for long-term investment	2,079,392	1,575,234
<b>Net cash provided by financing activities</b>	<b>28,873,567</b>	<b>17,255,479</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>1,621,191</b>	<b>(431,689)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year</b>	<b>2,982,807</b>	<b>3,414,496</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>	<b>\$4,603,998</b>	<b>\$2,982,807</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**University of St. Thomas**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**

**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**Organization**

The University of St. Thomas is a private, coeducational, comprehensive university that offers a broad range of undergraduate and graduate degree programs at the main campus in St. Paul, and a campus in Minneapolis. The University also operates The Catholic Publishing Center and has an affiliation agreement with the St. Paul Seminary.

**Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying statements of the University have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting.

Net assets and related revenues and expenses are classified into the following three categories based upon the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions:

*Unrestricted net assets are free of donor-imposed restrictions.*

Unrestricted net assets generally result from revenues derived from providing services, receiving unrestricted contributions, and gains and losses that are not recorded in permanently or temporarily restricted net assets. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets.

*Temporarily restricted net assets are donor restricted but the restriction will expire.*

Temporarily restricted net assets generally include gifts, pledges, and investment income, which can be expended, but for which donor-imposed restrictions have not yet been met. Such restrictions include purpose restrictions where donors have specified the purpose for which the net assets are to be expended, or time restrictions imposed by donors or implied by the nature of the gift (capital projects, pledges to be paid in the future, life income funds).

When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and are reported in the Statement of Activities as "Net assets released from restrictions". However, if a restriction is fulfilled in the same fiscal year in which a contribution is received or restricted investment income is earned, the University reports the support (and related expense) as unrestricted.

*Permanently restricted net assets have restrictions that do not expire.*

Permanently restricted net assets generally represent the original value of gifts, trusts and pledges which are permanently restricted by the donor. Generally the corpus (original gift) is invested in perpetuity and only the investment income is made available for program operations in accordance with the donor stipulations. In some instances, a portion of the investment income is added to the corpus and is reinvested in perpetuity as stipulated by the donor.

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**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued**

**Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cash)**

All highly liquid cash investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased by the University are considered to be cash equivalents.

Cash that is held for long-term investment is included in the Statement of Financial Position as investments. For example, cash held by endowment investment managers until suitable investment opportunities are identified, and cash held for the purchase of buildings and equipment, are reported as investments. Cash held for long-term investment totaled \$17,586,664 and \$13,181,211 at June 30, 1997 and 1996, respectively.

**Inventories**

Inventories are recorded at the lower of cost or market with cost determined on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis. Inventories consist mainly of books and materials at the University bookstores and The Catholic Publishing Center.

**Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets**

Prepaid expenses include direct-response circulation costs related to The Catholic Publishing Center. These costs are amortized over a one year period on a straight-line basis from the date incurred as the related subscription revenues are earned.

Deferred debt financing costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over a ten-year period, which approximates the interest method.

**Investments**

Investments are stated at market value. Changes in fair value are recorded as unrealized gains or losses in the period of change. Fair values of substantially all investments are based upon quoted market prices for the same or similar issues. Realized gains and losses on sales of securities are generally determined using the average cost method. Gifts of investments in securities are recorded at fair value at the date of the gift.

**Land, Buildings, and Equipment**

Land, building, and equipment acquisitions are stated at cost if purchased, or fair value if gifted, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the related asset.

**Unearned Tuition Income**

Tuition for summer school sessions is recognized as revenue in the fiscal year in which the classes are completed.

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**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued**

**Unearned Subscription Income**

Subscription revenue is deferred by The Catholic Publishing Center upon receipt of each subscription agreement. As magazines are delivered to subscribers, the proportionate share of the subscription price is recognized as revenue.

**Assets Held In Custody For Others**

Assets held in custody for others represents primarily investments that are held and administered by the University, but are owned by other non-profit organizations. These investments are included within investments in the Statement of Financial Position.

**Annuity Obligations**

Some contributions received, such as interests in charitable gift annuity contracts and charitable trusts, have donor imposed obligations to make payments to the donor or others. Annuity obligations arising from such split-interest gifts are recognized as a liability and are measured at the present value of the actuarially determined obligation.

**Contributions**

Contributions received, including unconditional donor promises, are recognized as revenue when the University receives the donor's commitment. Unconditional promises are recognized at the estimated present value of the future cash flows, net of allowances for uncollectible pledges.

Promises made that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support. Conditional promises are recorded when donor stipulations are substantially met.

The University reports gifts of land, buildings, and equipment as unrestricted support unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated asset must be used.

**Grants and contracts**

Revenue from government and private grants and contracts are recognized as they are earned in accordance with the agreements. Any funding received before it is earned is recorded as a refundable advance. Expenses incurred before cash is received are recorded as receivables.



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2. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of the following at June 30:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Student accounts	\$6,567,142	\$6,004,325
Catholic Digest subscriptions	1,416,031	1,319,346
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	<u>(853,853)</u>	<u>(724,986)</u>
	7,129,320	6,598,685
Federal grant for Science and Engineering Center	1,526,831	3,461,371
Other	<u>2,918,229</u>	<u>2,444,256</u>
Total	<u>\$11,574,380</u>	<u>\$12,489,425</u>

3. Contributions Receivable

Unconditional promises are recognized at the estimated present value of the future cash flows net of allowances, in the following time frame:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
In one year or less	\$12,510,605	\$17,387,995
Between one year and five years	14,429,576	15,111,391
More than five years	<u>12,510,344</u>	<u>10,125,977</u>
Total face value of pledges outstanding	39,450,525	42,625,363
Discount (to present value)	<u>(6,928,080)</u>	<u>(6,520,400)</u>
Allowance for uncollectible pledges	<u>(3,160,000)</u>	<u>(3,410,000)</u>
Contributions receivable	<u>\$29,362,445</u>	<u>\$32,694,963</u>

4. Investments

The following table summarizes the value of investments at June 30, 1997 and 1996:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>% of</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>% of</u>
	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$17,586,664	7.8%	\$13,181,211	7.1%
Corporate stocks	142,667,375	63.2%	114,997,685	61.6%
Corporate bonds	18,739,945	8.3%	8,482,411	4.5%
Government securities	32,095,323	14.2%	44,777,121	24.0%
Mortgage backed securities	12,707,918	5.6%	3,940,946	2.1%
Other	<u>2,099,880</u>	<u>0.9%</u>	<u>1,221,614</u>	<u>0.7%</u>
Total market value	<u>\$225,897,105</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$186,600,988</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Total cost	<u>\$193,642,230</u>		<u>\$163,593,254</u>	

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4. Investments - continued

The components of investments and investment earnings are summarized below:

	<u>1997</u>
<b>Investments at beginning of year</b>	\$186,600,988
<b>Endowment earnings</b>	
Ordinary investment income (interest & dividends)	2,253,432
Net realized and unrealized gains	16,496,975
Total endowment investment earnings	18,750,407
Less: withdrawn for operations (spending policy)	3,112,143
Net endowment earnings reinvested	15,638,264
<b>Other investment earnings</b>	
Ordinary investment income	3,321,136
Net realized and unrealized gains	13,430,357
Total other investment earnings	16,751,493
<b>Gifts</b>	18,735,894
<b>Other additions (withdrawals), net</b>	(11,829,534)
<b>Net change in investments</b>	39,296,117
<b>Investments at end of year</b>	<u>\$225,897,105</u>

Investment earnings, as reflected in the Statement of Activities, are as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Operating</b>				
Other ordinary investment income (non-endowment)	\$3,320,065	\$1,071		\$3,321,136
Endowment investment earnings used (the spending policy distribution)	3,112,143			3,112,143
Operating investment earnings	6,432,208	1,071		6,433,279
<b>Non-operating</b>				
Reinvested endowment earnings (in excess of spending policy)	12,608,596	950,276	\$2,079,392	15,638,264
Net gain on other investments	12,441,360	988,997		13,430,357
Non-operating investment earnings	25,049,956	1,939,273	2,079,392	29,068,621
Total investment earnings	<u>\$31,482,164</u>	<u>\$1,940,344</u>	<u>\$2,079,392</u>	<u>\$35,501,900</u>

Investment management fees, which are included within "Other institutional expenditures" in the Statement of Activities, totaled \$878,774 and \$869,453 for the years ended June 30, 1997 and 1996, respectively.

The University participates in a securities lending program, whereby securities owned by the University and included in the University's investments are loaned to other institutions. The University requires that collateral from the borrower in an amount equal to 102% of the market value of the loaned securities be placed with a third party trustee in the name of the University. At June 30, 1997, securities on loan totaled \$27,159,488. The value of cash collateral held at this date was \$27,915,993.

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5. Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Land, buildings, and equipment and related accumulated depreciation at June 30 consist of the following:

	Estimated Useful Life (Years)	1997	1996
Land		\$17,452,918	\$17,431,922
Land improvements	15	3,929,855	3,901,931
Buildings	20 - 60	116,102,956	116,785,216
Equipment	5 - 15	32,791,375	36,412,883
Library books	15	10,607,575	9,884,246
Art objects	0 - 15	1,340,651	1,084,623
Cost of land, buildings, and equipment		182,225,330	185,500,821
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(63,220,550)	(64,981,360)
Land, buildings, and equipment, net of depreciation		119,004,780	120,519,461
Add: Construction-in-progress		32,421,609	10,447,233
Land, buildings, and equipment as reported		<u>\$151,426,389</u>	<u>\$130,966,694</u>

6. Bonds Payable

Bonds payable consists of the following at June 30:

	1997
<b>MHEFA Refunding Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series Three-R2</b>	\$19,905,000
Payable through 2008, interest at 4.2% to 5.6%, collateralized by Minneapolis campus land, building, equipment and related revenues	
<b>MHEFA Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series Three-R1</b>	18,640,000
Payable through 2008, interest at 4.2% to 5.6%, uncollateralized, proceeds used for Murray Herrick, dormitory, and other additions	
<b>MHEFA Revenue Bonds, Series Four-A1</b>	11,645,000
Payable through 2021, interest at 3.9% to 5.625%, uncollateralized, proceeds used for Science and Engineering Center	
<b>MHEFA Revenue Bonds, Series Three-I</b>	7,475,000
Payable through 2003, interest at 5.7% to 6.2%, collateralized by telecommunications system, boilers and plant headquarters building addition	
<b>MHEFA Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series Four-A2</b>	6,600,000
Payable 2021, variable interest rate (not to exceed 15%), uncollateralized, proceeds used for Science and Engineering Center	
<b>MHEFA Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series Three-C (term bonds)</b>	3,560,000
Payable 2016, interest at 6.25%, collateralized by Minneapolis campus land, buildings, equipment and related revenues	
<b>Academic Building Bonds, 1969</b>	637,000
Payable through 2009, interest at 3%, collateralized by O'Shaughnessy Educational Center building	
<b>Dormitory Bonds, 1967</b>	625,000
Payable through 2017, interest at 3%, collateralized by Brady Hall building and related net revenues	

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**6. Bonds Payable - continued**

	<u>1997</u>
<b><i>Contract for Deed</i></b>	580,000
Payable 2000, no stated interest rate (purchase of property adjacent to Minneapolis campus)	
<b><i>Dormitory Bonds, 1957</i></b>	50,000
Payable through 1997, interest at 2-7/8%, collateralized by Ireland and Dowling dormitory buildings and related net revenues	
Total face value of long-term debt	<u>\$69,717,000</u>
Approximate market value of long-term debt	<u>\$71,200,000</u>

In July 1997, additional bonds totaling \$21,680,000 were issued to finance the construction of a new dormitory. The MHEFA Revenue Bonds, Series Four-M, are payable through 2022 with an interest rate of 4.2% to 5.4%. The bonds payable liability and related investment of the bond proceeds are not included in the University's financial statements as of June 30, 1997.

Interest payments were \$3,705,834 and \$3,146,189 for 1997 and 1996, respectively.

The annual maturities for bonds payable at June 30, 1997, are as follows:

1998	\$3,176,000
1999	3,342,000
2000	3,313,000
2001	4,010,000
2002	3,171,000
Thereafter	52,705,000
	<u>\$69,717,000</u>

**7. Bank Lines of Credit**

The University has two lines of credit which total \$14,000,000 with interest generally at LIBOR plus .5% to 1%. The lines of credit are collateralized by certain investments. The University can borrow funds under the agreements for a period of up to one year. At June 30, 1997, the University had no borrowings under the agreements.

**8. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets**

Temporarily restricted net assets at June 30 are available for the following purposes:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Instructional activities	\$3,031,519	\$2,251,032
Buildings and equipment	15,094,531	11,956,612
Student financial aid	1,025,733	657,554
Other	1,103,539	1,195,045
	<u>20,255,322</u>	<u>16,060,243</u>
Annuity trust agreements	3,056,264	1,466,247
	<u>\$23,311,586</u>	<u>\$17,526,490</u>

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**11. Income taxes**

The University qualifies as a tax-exempt nonprofit organization under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code and similar statutes of Minnesota law. Certain advertising and list rental income are subject to unrelated business income tax. Related to these activities, the University has net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$6,592,000 at June 30, 1997 which expire in fiscal years 1998 through 2010. Valuation allowances have been established for the entire tax benefit associated with the loss carryforwards and consequently there is no impact on the attached financial statements.

**12. Commitments and Contingencies**

In the normal course of operations, the University is subject to various claims and lawsuits. Additionally, amounts received and expended under various federal and state programs are subject to audit by government agencies. In management's opinion, the ultimate resolution of these contingencies would not have a significant adverse effect upon the overall financial position or operations of the University.

During 1997, the University entered into agreements with various parties in connection with the construction of a residence hall. The estimated cost of the facility (including furnishings) is \$24.5 million.

In connection with the issuance of certain bonds, the University entered into a redevelopment contract with the Minneapolis Community Development Agency (MCDA). Under terms of the contract, the University has committed to provide eight full-time (4 year) scholarships each year (for a maximum of 32 scholarships at any one time) to eligible students through 2017. The MCDA has provided the University a \$9.2 million Revenue Note, payment of which is contingent upon the receipt of certain tax revenues by the City of Minneapolis. The Revenue Note has not been recorded as an asset due to the contingent nature of the payments on the note by the MCDA.

The University is leasing other property and equipment which require lease payments over the next five years which total \$2,604,000.

**13. Related Party Transaction**

A member of the University's Board of Trustees is the chief executive officer of the company that is the primary general contractor for the construction of the Science and Engineering Center, and new residence hall.

Also, pledges from certain Board of Trustee members are included in the financial statements.





