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IMPACT

On St. Charles County!

Lindenwood University's annual impact on St. Charles and the surrounding area has grown from just \$7.5 million in 1989 to \$288 million in 2006-2007. We are the fastest-growing four-year college or university in Missouri and one of the largest employers in St. Charles. Lindenwood has more than 700 people on its payroll and nearly 3,400 students participating in the Work and Learn Program—with a total student population exceeding 14,000!

The largest benefit the community receives from Lindenwood is through the university's bold expansion plan. Lindenwood's new construction is generating and/or keeping hundreds of jobs right here in St. Charles. In the past nine years, Lindenwood has built a new state-of-the-art athletic facility, six new residence halls, and a 112,000 square foot campus center. LU has spent \$125 million on construction over five years.

In addition, Lindenwood invests \$38 million annually in the form of scholarships and financial aid—with more than \$20 million of the aid going directly to students from St. Charles County.

LU has invested millions in renovating its historic campus. Next year, construction will be complete on a \$32 million Fine and Performing Arts venue that will be a destination for the entire region. Soon, residents will see the beginnings of a new shopping center across from campus—with many shops and an anchor grocery store. Imagine the jobs and tax dollars generated!

There are 3,400 students living on Lindenwood's campus. These students spend an average of \$80 a week in the local economy, doing laundry, buying clothes, renting movies, buying snacks and gasoline. Their impact over nine months is put at \$70.5 million.

LU also impacts local tourism. The university's 38 sports host nearly 200 home events annually, which translates into room-nights for local hotels and crowded lobbies at the restaurants. In addition, our theatre program is drawing crowds from the across region each year. But the tourism impact isn't limited to just athletics and performing arts. Each year thousands of people descend on St. Charles for the LU commencement. And the same goes for move-in weekend in August, and Homecoming in the fall.

All this economic benefit to the region comes without any tax support—your tax bill doesn't fund Lindenwood University. People from all over the region are discovering that Lindenwood is one of the best values around—equal or less than the cost of tax-supported institutions.



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