WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY’S IMPACT ON ST. LOUIS

• Physicians affiliated with Washington University School of Medicine provide nearly one million outpatient visits and clinical care to nearly 500,000 children and adults at 49 clinical sites across the metropolitan area each year. Washington University Physicians is one of the largest academic clinical practices in the nation.

• As one of the nation’s leading institutions in cancer prevention, research, and treatment, the Siteman Cancer Center at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University School of Medicine has earned the highest possible rating—“exceptional”—from the National Cancer Institute. The center serves nearly 9,000 newly diagnosed cancer patients each year.

• Washington University is the third-largest employer in St. Louis. It employs nearly 13,400 people and purchases nearly $250 million in goods and services per year.

• Washington University paid more than $176 million to local construction vendors in 2014.

• Students attending Washington University from outside the St. Louis region boost the local economy by an estimated $149 million per year.

• Nearly 25% of Washington University’s 135,175 alumni live and work in the St. Louis area.

• 26 chief executive officers or presidents of the largest public and privately held companies based in the St. Louis area are graduates of Washington University.

• The Institute for School Partnership works with teachers and urban schools in the St. Louis region to strategically improve teaching and learning in grades K-12 and help integrate STEM fields—science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. In the past 22 years, Washington University’s educational outreach has served about one million students and teachers.

• To help make higher education more accessible to first-generation students, Washington University’s College Prep Program helps talented high school students from the St. Louis region with limited financial resources prepare to succeed at the college of their choice.

• University College offers affordable part-time, evening, and summer school classes to students pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees or certificates in specialized areas of study.

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The Skandalaris Center for Interdisciplinary Innovation and Entrepreneurship works with students and local startup ventures to help drive the vibrant entrepreneurial culture in St. Louis. *The New York Times* found that from 2000 to 2012, the number of young college graduates ages 25 to 34 living in St. Louis increased 26%.

Through the Gephardt Institute for Civic and Community Engagement, Washington University volunteers provided approximately 1,144,000 hours of service in St. Louis in fiscal year 2014. The university has about 640 community partnerships in the St. Louis area.

67% of Washington University undergraduate students participate in community service before graduation, including tutoring and mentoring in St. Louis area schools.

Graduate and professional students support community organizations through projects and clinics connected to their degree programs, including law, social work, medicine, and physical therapy.

The Institute for Public Health at Washington University harnesses the expertise of faculty and students in medicine, social work, the social sciences, and many other disciplines to address complex health issues and health disparities facing the St. Louis region and the world.

Washington University’s broad interdisciplinary engagement with the humanities offers rich cultural resources for the entire St. Louis region. These range from productions by the Performing Arts Department to dynamic exhibitions and programming at the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum. Washington University Libraries provide access to information for the entire St. Louis community.

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