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Fiscal Year 2014-2015



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Tisa Mason VCSU President

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.
Leo Buscaglia

I love this quote because it captures the essence of Valley City State University – a University centered on creating transformational experiences for our students. Those experiences begin with access followed by effort which then leads to transformation. It is a formula resulting in a University

celebrating 125 years of making a difference – yesterday, today, and tomorrow. And at the center of it all is you – our donors.

Access. The college choice journey begins with “fit,” affordability, and being an institution of quality. Your contributions to the VCSU foundation funded a new marketing campaign and made college affordable through scholarships. The results:

- ❖ A record scholarship allocation – more than \$1 million from the VCSU Foundation was awarded to students for the 2014-2015 academic year;



- ❖ An enrollment record of 1,422 students, surpassing the previous high of 1,384 students in 2011; and
- ❖ Ranked #1 Public Regional College in Midwest by US News and named a US News Best College for the 18th consecutive year.

“Receiving the V-500 scholarship demonstrates to me how VCSU strives to help student succeed. The scholarship has definitely been helpful with my tuition costs over the past two and half years. I admire all of the scholarships VCSU offers students, and I am fortunate enough to have received support through V-500. Thank you!” – Alexis Lennon, junior, West Fargo, ND

Effort. One of the enduring concepts in college student success is that of quality of effort – the more effort the student exerts toward the college experience, the more likely the student will not only graduate but truly “tap” into their talents and dreams.

As a partner in student learning, the University is responsible for the quality of facilities and experiences it offers students to make the students’ quality of effort worthwhile. Learning is all about the partnership.

Your contributions have made it possible for the University to build better facilities and create more powerful

experiences. Thank you for enabling VCSU to:

- ❖ Offer more than 80 undergraduate programs;
- ❖ Engage students through internships, scientific fieldwork and research, study abroad, varsity athletics, intramural sports, concerts, theatre productions, gallery exhibits, and student clubs and organizations; and
- ❖ Break ground for the Health, Wellness, and Physical Education Center addressing the significant growth in the number of students pursuing academic programs in physical education, health, exercise science, and athletic training.

“The educational experiences here at VCSU are one-of-a-kind. Professors know your name and your passions and will do everything they can to help achieve your goals.” – Stephanie McCann, sophomore, Verona, ND

Transformation. This past year Valley City State University awarded 302 degrees to 255 undergraduates and 47 graduate students who completed degree requirements in the last three terms (spring, fall, and summer). This was VCSU’s largest graduating class in our 125-year history! Additionally, the 2016 Teacher of the Year for North Dakota, Amy Ashley Neal, and for South

Dakota, Sarah Baertsch Lutz, are both VCSU alumni. Making a difference and being a difference maker – that’s you. Your impact:

“When I first stepped onto the VCSU campus as a part of the Learning to Live program freshman year, my professor, Jodi Shorma, provided me with the courage to improve my speaking, writing, and other academic skills. Her strong sense of compassion makes me feel at home and helped me grow. Her influence will remain in my memory forever.” – Yi Wang, 2015 graduate, Beijing, China

Stevie Ostenson is exuberant as she describes organizing and designing her new classroom. Stevie is a first grade teacher at Griggs County Central Elementary School in Cooperstown, North Dakota. Seeing her young students’ progress in their reading skills has been a huge highlight in this new educator’s first months of teaching. “It also helps to hear from their parents that they are suddenly reading for the first time or that they think I am doing a great job,” Stevie remarks with a big smile. – New Teacher Support Visits Exhibit A, Institutional Report Prepared for the Board of Examiners, National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Thank you for making sure that every day is a great day to be a Viking!

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We have tried to make the Donor Edition as accurate as possible in order to properly recognize everyone that contributed this past fiscal year (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015). However, mistakes are always possible, and we welcome the opportunity to correct them. If we have missed any donor, or if you feel you have been placed in the wrong giving category, please call the Advancement office at 800-532-8641 ext. 37203.



Larry Robinson '71
Executive Director for University Advancement

New Mile Stones-

Fiscal year 2014-2015 is now history. As we reflect on the past year, we are pleased to report that the VCSU Foundation experienced another very successful year. Your Foundation Board of Directors have voted to award a record scholarship allocation of \$1,252,000 for the 2016-2017 academic year. Our strong scholarship program is a direct reflection of the support we have received from you, our Alumni and Friends. That support is driving a record enrollment at Valley City State University. The 2015 fall semester enrollment of 1,422 is an all-time record! That support is also a key factor in assisting our students in keeping their student debt at manageable levels. Nationally, student debt has been rising due to ever increasing costs of higher education. North Dakota is no exception. Many students graduate with debt in excess \$30,000. That fact has been an issue with the legislature, the Governor's Office and the State Board of Higher Education. Our Foundation Board of Directors, with your generous assistance, has taken a pro-active approach, and has worked hard to provide for a strong scholarship program.

We have also benefited from the **Endowment Tax Credit Program** established by the North Dakota legislature. The program makes it possible for individuals, businesses and financial institutions to give more, and through their contributions, have a greater impact on the state's quality of life. An endowment is a fund held by a tax exempt organization where the principal of the fund is not wholly expendable. Only the interest and the appreciation earned in an endowment fund can be used for current operations.

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The North Dakota legislature has also established the **North Dakota Challenge Grant Matching Grant Program**. VCSU has been allocated up to \$1,000,000 of matching dollars if we can raise

\$2,000,000 in private funds. The VCSU Foundation is using this program to enhance over 170 scholarship endowment funds. Folks may also use this program to start a new endowment fund for a loved one, favorite professor, staff person, coach, or other special people in your lives. As a result of this fund, a \$5,000 gift will access \$2,500 in matching funds, making the total endowment \$7,500.

Further information on these exciting programs is available from the VCSU Foundation Office at 701-845-7203 or contact us at alumni.vcsu.edu

Yes, it is an exciting time at VCSU. Your support and the support of the North Dakota legislature are positioning us to reach new mile stones. Together, we are building an even stronger Valley City State University. We are in fact, **Securing the Future, Today!**

Thank you for your continued support! Happy Holidays from all of us at VCSU! Safe travels.

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NET COST TO YOU	\$1,600	\$8,000	\$16,000

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The 2015 North Dakota legislators have once again created the North Dakota Challenge Fund Matching Grant Program. VCSU has been allocated up to \$1 million of matching dollars if we can raise \$2 million in private dollars. The VCSU Foundation is using this program to enhance more than 170 scholarship endowment funds.

YOUR GIFT AMOUNT	\$5,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
State Match	\$2,500	\$12,500	\$25,000
TOTAL GIFT TO VCSU	\$7,500	\$37,500	\$75,000

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Learn more by contacting the VCSU Foundation at alumni@vcsu.edu or (701) 845-7203.



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Assistant Director of Annual Giving



V-500 is Valley City State University's largest scholarship program. Last year, V-500 allocated over \$250,000 in merit-based scholarships to incoming VCSU students. Since its inception in 1972, this program has stood the test of time and grows each year thanks to the generous support of alumni, community members, businesses and friends of the University. With scholarship growth, we are seeing enrollment growth. Money talks and V-500 is up to the task.

VCSU is always striving to bring quality students to our campus. There are many schools for these students to choose from, so VCSU has to stand out from the rest. One way to stand out is to offer attractive scholarships that make post-secondary education affordable. Since V-500 scholarships are awarded to students who have met specific academic criteria, we are using these dollars to attract bright students who will become the next professionals to leave this university even better than how they found it. Giving to the V-500 Scholarship Program is an investment in our university and community.

We recently implemented a new structure to give V-500 a personal touch. The V-500 Scholarship Sponsorship Program now allows donors to attach their gift to an actual VCSU student. V-500 scholarships are awarded at \$1,500, \$2,500 and \$5,000 levels. A donor can pledge one of these three amounts, which would pay for a VCSU student's V-500 scholarship.

The sponsorship program is valuable in many ways. The student will have the opportunity to thank the supporter that made their scholarship possible, while experiencing the effect and power of philanthropy first-hand. The donor will see how their gift touches the life of a VCSU student and the impact their gift can make. Current sponsors have enjoyed having the opportunity to meet the student receiving their scholarship making this program a great way to "Make a Difference" in the life of our students.

THANK YOU, V-500 donors! The impact of your gift is evident in the success of Valley City State University.

V-500 Current Pledges

(Typically payable over four years)

The V-500 Scholarship Program provides academic scholarships and financial aid that are central to VCSU's ability to attract quality students.

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Attending Valley City State University (VCSU) was the best academic decision I have ever made for myself. With the support of the V-500 scholarship, I have been able to focus on developing my education without the financial burden that college costs often impose on students. The scholarships I have received from VCSU have allowed me to focus on studying and enjoying college life. I would like to thank the donors for their continued support, and let them know that their donations really do make a difference!

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Gifts and donations will be used for the preservation of this wonderful old house. Gifts also help ensure the home is available to the public for events and to provide a comfortable place for alumni and other visitors to stay while on campus.

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Gifts to Friends of Theatre enhance the Drama Department.

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Jack Denholm
Athletic Director



As Viking Athletic Director, I would like to extend an invitation to get connected with Valley City State and the athletic department. It's important to have excitement and enthusiasm surrounding our programs, and you can help.

Each year, more than 250 student-athletes put in the extra time and effort of competing in athletics while receiving a quality education at VCSU. We are thrilled to welcome so many great student-athletes to our campus each fall and nothing pleases our staff and our athletes more than seeing fans come out to fill the stands and support the programs.

Another way to support our student-athletes is by being a part of the Viking Century Club. Through the Century Club, you can help us continue the strong tradition that Viking Athletics has built throughout the years. Financial contributions by our members provide much needed assistance for scholarships to our student-athletes that help offset the rising cost of tuition.

Our coaches, staff, athletes and booster board members work very hard to prepare for their upcoming seasons, and your contribution can be a big help. Your attendance at the games and through your Century Club membership helps us produce quality teams on the field, and graduate quality men and women off the field. Viking athletics has garnered more than 130 team conference championships and dozens more individual titles. Following their student-athlete experience, former Vikings routinely move on to teaching and coaching careers throughout the country, continuing the VCSU legacy.

On behalf of all VCSU team members, thank you for getting involved with Viking athletics! We truly appreciate all of the time and financial gifts received. Let's work together for another successful season at VCSU. GO VIKINGS!

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Please feel free to contact us with information, ideas, questions, or just to catch up on what's happening. I can be reached at (701) 845-7403 or kim.hesch@vcsu.edu. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Madelyn Zane - Newburg, ND
 Senior



Mary Simonson
Foundation Board of Directors, Chair



VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

The Valley City University Foundation is excited to announce that over \$1.2 Million has been offered in scholarship support this school year. We believe this increase in scholarships is one of the precipitating factors in the record enrollment that is currently occurring at the University.

The Foundation supports VCSU through raising and managing private resources of time, talent and financial contributions. These factors provide opportunities for both the students and the University that are not available through state funds. Its mission is to help the University grow in its pursuit of excellence.

Under the leadership of the Executive Director, Larry Robinson and the dedicated staff of Kim Hesch, Loree Morehouse and Jeremy Wiebe, coupled with the commitment of volunteer board members, the Foundation has been able to begin the provision of sustainable scholarships for STEM students and Presidential scholars. These scholarships will award money for four years if the student continues to meet the criteria.

The Foundation continues to follow its strategic plan encouraging planned giving through wills and estates; corporate giving; major gifts; and annual support of our scholarship programs. In recent months this has included extensive involvement with the new Valley City Health, Wellness and Physical Education

Center. This is an exciting addition for VCSU, Valley City Parks and Recreation and for the citizens living in and around the area. This facility provides a new giving opportunity for those who want to support the Foundation but are more interested in health and physical education. Additionally, the Foundation has established a Growth Fund. It too, is another option for giving to the University. The Growth Fund provides opportunities for donors to support other important campus initiatives such as expansion of the fieldhouse, the purchase of equipment, and to position the University to take advantage of opportunities that arise to support special initiatives that advance the institution.

The Foundation staff or board members would welcome the opportunity to discuss these new giving opportunities with anyone who has an interest.

Once again, Valley City State University has been named by U.S. News as one of the best public regional colleges in the Midwest for eighteen consecutive years. The Foundation is committed to assisting the University in this pursuit of educational excellence. The Board is excited to partner with our newly installed President, Dr. Tisa Mason, to continue the pursuit of time, talent and financial support for scholarships, the Wellness Center and the Growth Fund. Together the pursuit of growth partnered with excellence will remain at the forefront of the actions of the Foundation.

VCSU Foundation Statement of Activities - June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Support and revenue		
Contributions	\$1,813,704	\$3,557,468
Noncash contributions	259,228	187,045
Memorials	295	310
Special event income	226,526	237,443
Miscellaneous income	3,890	275
Interest, dividends, and capital gains	801,165	350,137
Royalties	7,943	14,163
Realized gain (loss) on investments		
Unrealized gain on investments	-516,328	930,427
Net assets released from restrictions		
 Total support and revenue	 \$2,596,423	 \$5,277,268
 Expenses		
Program services (Scholarships)	1,137,289	715,382
Management and general	314,983	257,994
Fundraising, special events, & development	332,837	291,966
 Total expenses	 \$1,785,109	 \$1,265,342
 CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	 \$811,314	 \$4,011,926
 TOTAL NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	\$9,972,194	\$5,960,268
 NET ASSETS, End of year	 \$10,783,508	 \$9,972,194

VCSU Foundation Statement Financial Position - June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	497,097	\$711,474
Restricted cash and investments	2,164,181	-
Current portion of pledge receivables	142,738	164,392
Prepaid expenses	6,982	4,354
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Total current assets	2,810,998	880,220
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PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net	15,950	18,279
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OTHER LONG-TERM ASSETS		
Investments	9,201,030	8,340,711
Certificates of Deposit	700,018	702,327
Pledge receivables, less current portion	82,114	147,321
Property held for future development of the University	795,313	-
Other assets	9,738	9,822
Financing costs, net	2,981	-
Assets limited as to use - funds invested and held for the University	1,012,900	1,026,344
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Total other assets	11,804,094	10,226,525
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Total assets	\$14,631,042	\$11,125,024
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LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Current portion of annuities payable	3,821	938
Current portion of long-term debt	15,961	61,415
Accounts payable	1,337	5,331
Accrued expenses	4,954	54
Due to Valley City Park Board	2,164,181	-
Due to Valley City State University	30,051	28,846
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Total current liabilities	\$2,220,305	\$96,584
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Long-Term Liabilities		
Annuities Payable, net of current position	14,329	18,150
Long-term debt, net of current portion	600,000	11,752
Funds invested and held for others	1,012,900	1,026,344
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Total long-term liabilities	\$1,627,229	\$1,056,246
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Total liabilities	\$3,847,534	\$1,152,830
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NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	352,137	113,190
Temporarily restricted	5,695,961	5,575,277
Permanently restricted	4,735,410	4,283,727
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Total net assets	10,783,508	9,972,194
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Total liabilitiies and net assets	\$14,631,042	\$11,125,024
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