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Statement Regarding St. Paul Stadium Site

January 15, 2004

Catholic Charities has met with St. Paul leaders regarding the potential need to relocate the Dorothy Day Center, Mary Hall and Catholic Charities' St. Paul Office to make way for a proposed Twins' stadium. Catholic Charities is committed to working for the good of the community and its leadership. We are discussing a relocation plan the committee has outlined and exploring a possible site. The plan as we understand it assures that the guests who visit the Dorothy Day Center to meet their most basic needs, and who live at the Mary Hall residence will have facilities and accommodations equal to or superior to the current facilities. We will continue to advocate for and guard the welfare of the vulnerable people that we serve. We will also continue to work with the city of St. Paul to build a strong, vibrant community for all its citizens.

With 48 programs in 42 locations, Catholic Charities is the Twin Cities' largest private provider of social services. Catholic Charities is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation that serves those most in need, regardless of faith. It is an affiliate of Catholic Charities USA.

St. Paul Campus program descriptions below.

Downtown St. Paul Campus Program Descriptions

Dorothy Day Center

The Dorothy Day Center is the largest and most comprehensive multi-service center for the homeless in St. Paul. It has been providing a safe, friendly and encouraging environment to homeless adults and families since 1981. While the Center tends to the immediate basic needs of its guests, its ultimate goal is to help those who are able to develop the resources necessary to move toward complete self-sufficiency.

Services (numbers are averaged)

- Drop-in center - 450 people daily
- Lunch - 350 meals daily, 365 days
- Dinner - 250 meals daily, 365 days
- Overnight shelter - 135 people, 365 days
- Food shelf - 150 families monthly
- Medical care and referrals
- Mental health care and referrals
- Showers and laundry
- Assistance with I.D, transportation, other needs

Mary Hall residence

Located at 438 Main Street (adjacent to the Dorothy Day Center to the north), Mary Hall Residence provides emergency shelter beds to men and transitional, supportive housing to low-income men and women who are attempting to move from shelters into more stable housing. Ultimately, Mary Hall helps individuals develop skills, savings and rental histories to help them move into independent housing.

Services

- 20 shelter beds, average stay 21 days
- 80 single-room transitional housing units, max. stay two years
- 75 single-room permanent housing units
- Case management
- Health care and mental health services
- Mandatory savings plan
- Meals at the Dorothy Day Center
- Employment resources

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- Library and computer lab

Catholic Charities St. Paul Office

Located at 215 Old Sixth Street (directly north of the Dorothy Day Center), Catholic Charities' St. Paul Office houses 45 employees and is the site of the following programs:

- Aging Services
- Counseling
- Migration and Refugee Services

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