Texas CLASS<sup>®</sup>

#### What is Texas CLASS?

The Texas Cooperative Liquid Assets Security System Trust (Texas CLASS) is a local government investment pool that emphasizes safety, liquidity, convenience, and competitive yield. Since 1996, Texas CLASS has sought to provide Texas public entities with a safe and competitive investment alternative. Texas CLASS invests only in securities allowed by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act. Texas CLASS is rated 'AAAm' by S&P Global Ratings. The 'AAAm' principal stability fund rating is the highest assigned to principal stability government investment pools.

#### Who oversees and manages Texas CLASS?

Texas CLASS is supervised by a Board of Trustees whose members are elected by the Participants. The Board of Trustees supervises the Trust and its affairs and acts as the liaison between the Participants, the Custodian, and the Program Administrator. The Board retains the services of Public Trust Advisors, LLC (Public Trust). Public Trust serves as the investment advisor and provides administrative and marketing services for Texas CLASS. Additionally, the Board of Trustees has appointed an Advisory Board composed of individuals qualified to advise the Trust. The Advisory Board provides advice to the Board of Trustees and the Program Administrator about the investment policy and investment strategy of the Trust and about other matters as requested by the Board of Trustees and the Program Administrator.

#### How can you participate in Texas CLASS?

Enrolling in Texas CLASS is simple. After reading the Trust Agreement and Information Statement (available at <u>www.texasclass.com</u>), follow these steps:

- **1** Submit your entity's investment policy to the program administrator for review.
- Pass a resolution authorizing participation in Texas CLASS.
- 3 Adopt the Trust Agreement by signing the Participation Certificate (Exhibit D).
- Complete the Texas CLASS Trust Registration Form and submit the above documents to Texas CLASS Client Services.
- 5 After we review and approve the above documents, you will receive confirmation that you have been accepted as a Texas CLASS Participant.

# **TEXAS CLASS FEATURES**

As a Texas CLASS Participant, you have access to many convenient features:

• Same-day liquidity (4:00 p.m. CT cut-off)

- Contributions by wire or ACH
- Secure online access for transactions and account statements
- Professionally managed since 1996
- Competitive daily yields
- Unlimited subaccounts
- No minimum investment requirements
- Dividends applied and paid daily
- No transaction fees\*
- Audited annually by an independent auditing firm\*\*
- Direct investment of state and federal payments
- Dedicated client service representatives available via email, phone or fax on any business day

<sup>\*</sup>You may incur fees associated with wires and/or ACH transactions by your bank, but there will be no transaction fees charged from Texas CLASS for such transactions. \*\*External audits may not catch all instances of accounting errors and do not provide an absolute guarantee of accuracy.



# What are the objectives of Texas CLASS? Safety

The primary investment objective of Texas CLASS is the safety of public funds. The Texas CLASS portfolios are professionally managed by a team of investment professionals who are solely focused on the management of public funds nationwide. The Texas CLASS government-style fund and the Texas CLASS prime-style fund are both rated 'AAAm' by S&P Global Ratings. The custodian for Texas CLASS is UMB Bank, N.A.

# Liquidity

When you invest with Texas CLASS, you have access to your funds on any business day. You must notify Texas CLASS of your funds transaction requests by 4:00 p.m. CT. By offering daily liquidity, we aim to provide you with the flexibility you need to meet your daily cash needs.

## Convenience

To make cash management simple and efficient, Texas CLASS includes many features that make it easy to access account information and simplify record keeping. Transactions are conducted via the Texas CLASS Online Transaction Portal at <u>www.texaxclass.com</u> and may be entered at any time - up to 365 days in advance.

Our dedicated Client Service team is available to assist with any matters related to the administration of your account and can be reached by email at <u>clientservices@texasclass.com</u>, by phone at (800) 707-6242, by fax at (855) 848-9910 or via the Texas CLASS Online Transaction Portal at www.texasclass.com.

# Flexibility

You may establish multiple Texas CLASS accounts to track and parallel your own internal fund accounting structures. You will receive an email notification when your comprehensive monthly statement is available online; statements show your transaction activity, dividend postings, and yield summaries. These statements have been specifically designed to facilitate public sector fund accounting and to establish a clear accounting and audit trail for your investment records.

## **Competitive Returns**

The Texas CLASS philosophy has always been to prioritize competitive yields while adhering to the objectives of safety and liquidity. Our portfolio managers are professionals with experience in public funds management. Texas CLASS maintains a low management fee structure to help facilitate a competitive yield on the investment portfolio.

## Legality

Texas CLASS invests only in investments legally permitted under Texas State Law and the Texas Public Funds Investment Act.



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