

SALOMON BROTHERS MUNICIPAL PARTNERS FUND INC

Form N-CSR

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-CSR

CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-7362

SALOMON BROTHERS MUNICIPAL PARTNERS FUND INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

125 Broad Street, New York, NY 10004  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Robert I. Frenkel, Esq.  
Salomon Brothers Asset Management Inc  
300 First Stamford Place  
Stamford, CT 06902  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 446-1013

Date of fiscal year end: December 31  
Date of reporting period: June 30, 2004

ITEM 1. REPORT TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The SEMI-ANNUAL Report to Stockholders is filed herewith.

SALOMON BROTHERS MUNICIPAL PARTNERS FUND INC.

Letter from the Chairman

[Picture  
R. Jay Gerken]

R. Jay Gerken, CFA  
Chairman and  
Chief Executive Officer

Dear Shareholder,

The bond markets experienced a pullback over the last six months amid signs of a strengthening economy and renewed inflationary pressures, and rising interest rates. After a four-year period of monetary easing, which saw the Federal Reserve Bank ("Fed") steer the key federal funds target rate /i/ down to a four-decade low of 1%, the Fed reversed course in late June to what many observers believe will be a protracted period of monetary tightening, or steering short-term interest rates higher. Higher interest rates can act as a brake on robust economic growth, helping maintain a balance between steady growth and the inflation that generally accompanies that growth.

The Fed's increase in the federal funds rate, to 1.25% at the end of June, was widely anticipated. As bond prices declined, the yields on most fixed-income instruments, particularly those on longer-maturity issues, began moving up earlier this year and continued their ascent as it became more evident that the

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improving economy and higher inflation would compel the Fed to act in June. In particular, evidence of renewed job growth - the one missing piece from the economic recovery - drove rates higher beginning in the spring. Intermediate-term municipal bonds, particularly those of 7- to 10-year maturities, succumbed to more pricing pressure than 15- to 20-year issues and short-term notes, but all these maturity classes held up better than bonds with longer maturities of more than 22 years. /ii/

### Market Overview

During the six months ended June 30, 2004, the Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc. returned -3.38% based on its New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") market price and -1.39% based on its net asset value ("NAV") /iii/ per share. The fund's benchmark, the unmanaged Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index /iv/ returned -0.68 and its Lipper general municipal debt (leveraged) closed-end funds category average returned -1.26% over the same time frame. /v/ Please note that Lipper performance returns are based on each fund's NAV. The average credit rating of holdings in the fund was Aa1 (or deemed by the portfolio manager to be of comparable credit quality). /vi/ The fund had the largest exposure to the water-and-sewer, healthcare and transportation sectors. The fund's largest aggregated holdings by state were New Jersey, Illinois and Ohio.

During this six-month period, the fund distributed dividends to shareholders totaling \$0.42 per share. The performance table on the following page, shows the fund's 30-day SEC and annualized distribution yields as well as its six-month total return based on its NAV and market price as of June 30, 2004. PAST PERFORMANCE IS NO GUARANTEE OF FUTURE RESULTS. The fund's yields will vary.

Certain investors may be subject to the federal Alternative Minimum Tax, and state and local taxes may apply. Capital gains, if any, are fully taxable. Please consult your personal tax adviser.

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#### FUND PERFORMANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2004

Price Per Share	30-Day SEC Yield	Annualized Distribution Yield	6-Month Total Return
\$14.89 (NAV)	6.46%	5.64%	-1.39%
\$13.12 (NYSE)	7.35%	6.40%	-3.38%

ALL FIGURES REPRESENT PAST PERFORMANCE AND ARE NOT A GUARANTEE OF FUTURE RESULTS. THE FUND'S YIELDS WILL VARY.

Total returns are based on changes in NAV or market price, respectively. Total returns assume the reinvestment of all dividends and/or capital gains distributions, if any, in additional shares. Annualized distribution yield is the fund's current monthly income dividend rate, annualized, and then divided by the NAV or the market price noted in this report. The "SEC yield" is a return figure often quoted by bond and other fixed income mutual funds. This quotation is based on the most recent 30-day (or one month) period covered by the fund's filings with the SEC. The yield figure reflects the dividends and interest

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earned during the period after deduction of the fund's expenses for the period. The annualized distribution yield assumes a current monthly income dividend rate of \$0.070 for 12 months. These yields are as of June 30, 2004 and are subject to change.

### Information About Your Fund

In recent months several issues in the mutual fund industry have come under the scrutiny of federal and state regulators. The fund's Adviser and some of its affiliates have received requests for information from various government regulators regarding market timing, late trading, fees and other mutual fund issues in connection with various investigations. The fund has been informed that the Adviser and its affiliates are responding to those information requests, but are not in a position to predict the outcome of these requests and investigations.

In November 2003, Citigroup Asset Management disclosed an investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and the U.S. Attorney relating to Citigroup Asset Management's entry into the transfer agency business during 1997-1999. On July 20, 2004, Citigroup disclosed that it had been notified by the Staff of the SEC that the Staff is considering recommending a civil injunctive action and/or an administrative proceeding against certain advisory and transfer agent entities affiliated with Citigroup relating to the creation and operation of its internal transfer agent unit to serve primarily the Smith Barney family of mutual funds. This internal transfer agent did not provide services to the fund. Citigroup is cooperating with the SEC and will seek to resolve this matter in discussion with the SEC Staff. Although there can be no assurance, Citigroup does not believe that this matter will have a material adverse effect on the fund.

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### Looking for Additional Information?

The fund is traded under the symbol "MNP" and its closing market price is available in most newspapers under the NYSE listings. The daily NAV is available online under symbol XMNPX. Barron's and The Wall Street Journal's Monday editions carry closed-end fund tables that will provide additional information. In addition, the fund issues a quarterly press release that can be found on most major financial web sites as well as [www.sbam.com](http://www.sbam.com).

In a continuing effort to provide information concerning the fund, shareholders may call 1-888-777-0102 or 1-800-SALOMON (toll free), Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time, for the fund's current NAV, market price and other information.

Thank you for your investment in the Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc. We appreciate your continued confidence in our stewardship of your assets and we value our relationship with you.

Sincerely,

/s/ R. Jay Gerken

R. Jay Gerken, CFA  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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July 20, 2004

The information provided is not intended to be a forecast of future events, a guarantee of future results or investment advice. Views expressed may differ from those of the firm as a whole.

RISKS: Investors could lose money on their investment in the fund. Certain investors may be subject to the Federal Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT), and state and local taxes will apply. Capital gains, if any, are fully taxable.

All index performance reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes. Please note that an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

- i The federal funds rate is the interest rate that banks with excess reserves at a Federal Reserve district bank charges other banks that need overnight loans.
- ii Source: Based upon Lehman Brothers index performance data for each respective maturity category of municipal bonds.
- iii NAV is a price that reflects the value of the fund's underlying portfolio plus other assets, less the fund's liabilities. However, the price at which an investor may buy or sell shares of the fund is at the fund's market price as determined by supply of and demand for the fund's common shares, which may be more or less than the fund's NAV.
- iv The Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index is a broad measure of the municipal bond market with maturities of at least one year.
- v Lipper, Inc. is a major independent mutual-fund tracking organization. Returns are based on the six-month period ended June 30, 2004, calculated among the 65 funds in the fund's Lipper category including the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains, if any.
- vi Bonds rated "Aa" are judged to be of high quality by all standards by Moody's Investors Service. Together with the "Aaa" group they comprise what are generally known as high-grade bonds. They are rated lower than the best bonds because margins of protection may not be as large as in "Aaa" securities or fluctuations of protective elements may be of greater amplitude or there may be other elements present which make the long-term risks appear somewhat larger than in "Aaa" securities. Numerical modifiers 1, 2 and 3 may be applied to each generic rating from "Aa" to "B", where 1 is the highest and 3 is the lower rating within its generic category.

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Schedule of Investments (unaudited)  
June 30, 2004

Face Amount	Rating(a)	Security
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Long-Term Investments -- 98.7%

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California -- 3.5%		
\$2,500,000	AA-	California State Economic Recovery, Series A, 5.250% due 7/1/12 .....
1,370,000	AAA	Pleasant Valley, CA School District Ventura County, Series A, MBIA-Insured 5.850% due 2/1/17 .....
Colorado -- 0.9%		
1,000,000	A-	Colorado Springs, CO Hospital Revenue, 6.375% due 12/15/30 .....
District of Columbia -- 1.7%		
2,000,000	AAA	District of Columbia Revenue (American University), AMBAC-Insured, 5.625% due 10/1/26 .....
Georgia -- 0.0%		
40,000	AAA	Fulton County, GA Housing Authority, Single-Family Mortgage, Series A, GNMA-Collateralized, 6.600% due 3/1/28 .....
Hawaii -- 1.7%		
2,000,000	AAA	Hawaii State Airport System Revenue Refunding, Series B, FGIC-Insured, 6.000% due 7/1/19 .....
Illinois -- 14.6%		
3,750,000	AAA	Chicago, IL Board of Education (Chicago School Reform), AMBAC-Insured, 5.750% due 12/1/27 .....
		Chicago, IL Midway Airport Revenue, MBIA-Insured:
2,000,000	AAA	Series A, 5.500% due 1/1/29 .....
2,000,000	AAA	Series B, 5.625% due 1/1/29 .....
2,000,000	Aaa*	Illinois Development Finance Authority, Revolving Fund Revenue, 5.250% due 9/1/12 .....
1,000,000	AA+	Illinois Educational Facilities Authority Revenues (Northwestern University), 5.500% due 12/1/13 .....
1,500,000	A+	Illinois Health Facilities Authority Revenue Refunding (Lutheran General Health System), Series C, 7.000% due 4/1/14 .....
1,500,000	AAA	Illinois State First Series, FSA-Insured, 5.500% due 5/1/16 .....
3,000,000	Aa3*	Illinois State Sales Tax Revenue, Series V (Pre-Refunded - Escrowed with U.S. Treasury obligations to 6/15/05 Call @ 102), 6.375% due 6/15/05 .....
Indiana -- 2.3%		
1,000,000	BBB+	Indiana State Development Finance Authority, Environmental Revenue (USX Corp. Project), 5.250% due 12/1/22 .....
1,750,000	AAA	Indiana State Revolving Fund Revenue, Series B, 5.000% due 8/1/23 .....

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Iowa -- 0.9%		
\$1,000,000	A1*	Iowa Finance Authority, Hospital Facility Revenue, 6.750% due 2/15/16 ...
Kansas -- 1.2%		
1,430,000	AA	Kansas State Development Finance Authority, Health Facilities Revenue (Sisters of Charity), Series J, 6.250% due 12/1/28 .....
Maryland -- 5.6%		
1,500,000	Baa1*	Maryland State Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority Revenue: Caroll County General Hospital, 6.000% due 7/1/37 .....
1,000,000	A	Surburban Hospital, Series A, 5.500% due 7/1/16 .....
1,000,000	A3*	University of Maryland Medical Systems: 6.750% due 7/1/30 .....
500,000	A	6.000% due 7/1/32 .....
2,500,000	Aaa*	Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority, Solid Waste Revenue Refunding, AMBAC-Insured, 5.500% due 4/1/15 .....
Massachusetts -- 8.0%		
3,500,000	AAA	Massachusetts State GO, Series C, FGIC-Insured, 5.500% due 11/1/15 .....
2,500,000	AA-	Massachusetts State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue (Partners Healthcare Systems), Series C, 5.750% due 7/1/32 .....
3,170,000	AAA	Massachusetts State Water Pollution Abatement, Series A, 5.750% due 8/1/2
Michigan -- 1.2%		
1,500,000	AA-	Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Revenue Refunding (Trinity Health), Credit C, 5.375% due 12/1/30 .....
Minnesota -- 2.3%		
2,785,000	AA+	Minnesota State Housing Finance Agency, Single-Family Mortgage, Series H, 6.500% due 1/1/26 .....
Nevada -- 3.1%		
1,350,000	AAA	Clark County, NV Passenger Facility Revenue (McCarran International Airport), Series A, MBIA-Insured, 5.750% due 7/1/23 .....
2,255,000	Aa2*	Nevada Housing Division, Single-Family Program, Series B-2: 6.400% due 10/1/25 .....
185,000	Aa2*	6.950% due 10/1/26 .....
New Hampshire -- 0.1%		
165,000	Aa2*	New Hampshire State HFA, Single-Family Residential, Series A, 6.800% due 7/1/15 .....

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Face Amount	Rating(a)	Security
New Jersey -- 12.3%		
		New Jersey EDA:
\$5,150,000	AAA	PCR (Public Service Electric and Gas Co. Project), Series A, MBIA-Insured, 6.400% due 5/1/32 .....
2,500,000	AA-	School Facilities Construction, Series G, 5.000% due 9/1/11 .....
4,450,000	AAA	Water Facilities Revenue (New Jersey American Water Co., Inc. Project), Series A, FGIC-Insured, 6.875% due 11/1/34 .....
1,000,000	A2*	New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority Revenue (Hackensack University Medical Center), 6.000% due 1/1/25 .....
1,395,000	AAA	New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority, Transportation System, Series A, AMBAC-Insured, 5.000% due 12/15/11 .....
New York -- 6.5%		
600,000	AAA	Nassau County, NY Interim Finance Authority, Sales Tax Secured, Series A, AMBAC-Insured, 5.000% due 11/15/09 .....
		New York City, NY GO, Series A:
180,000	A	6.000% due 5/15/30 .....
820,000	A	Pre-Refunded - Escrowed with U.S. government securities to 5/15/10 (Call @ 101), 6.000% due 5/15/30 .....
		New York City, NY Municipal Water Finance Authority, Water & Sewer System Revenue, Series B:
1,175,000	AA	5.750% due 6/15/29 .....
1,000,000	AA	5.125% due 6/15/31 .....
1,250,000	AA+	New York City, NY Transitional Finance Authority Revenue, Series A, 5.500% due 11/15/17 .....
1,500,000	AAA	New York State Environmental Facilities Corp., Clean Water & Drinking Revolving Funds, Series B, 5.000% due 11/15/16 .....
140,000	Aaa*	New York State Mortgage Agency Revenue, 24th Series, 6.125% due 10/1/30 .....
950,000	AAA	Port Authority of New York and New Jersey Construction, 96th Series, FGIC-Insured, 6.600% due 10/1/23 .....
Ohio -- 8.5%		
1,375,000	Aaa*	Butler County, OH, MBIA-Insured, 5.250% due 12/1/15 .....
2,000,000	BBB+	Miami County, OH Hospital Facilities Revenue Refunding & Improvement (Upper Valley Medical Center), 6.250% due 5/15/13 .....
6,700,000	A+	Ohio State Water Development Authority, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue (Cargill Inc.), 6.300% due 9/1/20 .....

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Face Amount	Rating(a)	Security
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Pennsylvania -- 2.2%		
\$1,250,000	AAA	Delaware Valley, PA Regional Financial Authority, Local Government Revenue Series A, AMBAC-Insured, 5.500% due 8/1/28 .....
1,090,000	AAA	Philadelphia, PA GO, Series A, XLCA-Insured, 5.250% due 2/15/14 .....
250,000	AAA	Philadelphia, PA School District, Series A, FSA-Insured, 5.500% due 2/1/3
Puerto Rico -- 3.2%		
2,500,000	AAA	Puerto Rico Commonwealth Refunding Revenue, FGIC-Insured, 5.500% due 7/1/13 .....
1,100,000	AAA	Puerto Rico Commonwealth Highway & Transportation Authority, Transportation Revenue, Series J, MBIA-Insured, 5.000% due 7/1/11 .....
Tennessee -- 7.2%		
1,000,000	Aaa*	County of Montgomery, TN GO, FGIC-Insured, 5.000% due 5/1/14 .....
2,900,000	AA-	Humphreys County, TN IDB, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue (E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. Project), 6.700% due 5/1/24 .....
3,500,000	AAA	Memphis-Shelby County, TN Airport Authority Revenue, Series D, AMBAC-Insured, 6.000% due 3/1/24 .....
1,045,000	AA	Tennessee Housing Development Agency (Homeownership Program), Series 2C, 6.350% due 1/1/31 .....
Texas -- 5.0%		
1,165,000	A	Harris County, TX Health Facilities Development Authority, Hospital Revenue (Memorial Hermann Healthcare System), Series A, 5.250% due 12/1/17 .....
2,105,000	AAA	Lower Colorado River Authority, TX Revenue Refunding & Improvement, AMBAC-Insured, 5.250% due 5/15/14 .....
100,000	AAA	North Harris Montgomery Community College District, TX Refunding, FGIC-Insured, 5.375% due 2/15/16 .....
2,500,000	AAA	Texas State Turnpike Authority Revenue, First Tier, Series A, AMBAC-Insured, 5.500% due 8/15/39 .....
Virginia -- 1.3%		
1,435,000	AA+	Virginia State Public School Authority Refunding Revenue (School Financing 1997), Series D, 5.250% due 8/1/12 .....



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Face Amount	Rating(a)	Security
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Washington -- 5.4%		
\$1,000,000	AAA	Chelan County, WA Public Utility District (Chelan Hydro System No. 1), Construction Revenue, Series A, AMBAC-Insured, 5.450% due 7/1/37 .....
4,250,000	AAA	Seattle, WA GO, Series B, FSA-Insured, 5.750% due 12/1/28 .....
1,200,000	AAA	Washington State Public Power Supply System Revenue Refunding (Nuclear Project No. 1), Series A, MBIA-Insured, 5.125% due 7/1/17 ....
		Total Long-Term Investments (Cost -- \$117,904,136) .....
Short-Term Investments -- 1.3%		
Idaho -- 1.3%		
1,650,000	A-1+	Idaho Health Facilities Authority Revenues (St. Lukes Medical Center), FSA-Insured, VRDO, 1.080% due 7/1/30 (Cost -- \$1,650,000).....
		Total Investments -- 100.0% (Cost -- \$119,554,136**).....

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(a) All ratings are by Standard & Poor's Ratings Service, except for those that  
are identified by an asterisk (\*) which are rated by Moody's Investors  
Service, Inc.

\*\* Aggregate cost for Federal income tax purposes is substantially the same.

See pages 9 and 10 for definitions of ratings and abbreviations.

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### Long-Term Security Ratings (unaudited)

Standard & Poor's Ratings Service ("Standard & Poor's") -- Ratings from "AA" to "BB" may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standings within the major rating categories.

- AAA - Bonds rated "AAA" have the highest rating assigned by Standard & Poor's. Capacity to pay interest and repay principal is extremely strong.
- AA - Bonds rated "AA" have a very strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal and differ from the highest rated issue only in a small degree.
- A - Bonds rated "A" have a strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal although they are somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than debt in higher rated categories.
- BBB - Bonds rated "BBB" are regarded as having an adequate capacity to pay interest and repay principal. Whereas they normally exhibit adequate protection parameters, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity to pay interest and repay principal for bonds in this category than in higher rated categories.
- BB - Bonds rated "BB" have less near-term vulnerability to default than other speculative issues. However, they face major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions which could lead to inadequate capacity to meet timely interest and principal payments.

Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's") -- Numerical modifiers 1, 2 and 3 may be applied to each generic rating from "Aa" to "Baa," where 1 is the highest and 3 the lowest ranking within its generic category.

- Aaa - Bonds rated "Aaa" are judged to be of the best quality. They carry the smallest degree of investment risk and are generally referred to as "gilt edge." Interest payments are protected by a large or by an exceptionally stable margin and principal is secure. While the various protective elements are likely to change, such changes as can be visualized are most unlikely to impair the fundamentally strong position of such issues.
- Aa - Bonds rated "Aa" are judged to be of high quality by all standards. Together with the "Aaa" group they comprise what are generally known as high grade bonds. They are rated lower than the best bonds because margins of protection may not be as large as in "Aaa" securities or fluctuation of protective elements may be of greater amplitude or there may be other elements present which make the long-term risks appear somewhat larger than in "Aaa" securities.
- A - Bonds rated "A" possess many favorable investment attributes and are to be considered as upper medium grade obligations. Factors giving security to principal and interest are considered adequate but elements may be present which suggest a susceptibility to impairment some time in the future.
- Baa - Bonds rated "Baa" are considered as medium grade obligations, i.e., they are neither highly protected nor poorly secured. Interest payments and principal security appear adequate for the present but certain

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protective elements may be lacking or may be characteristically unreliable over any great length of time. Such bonds lack outstanding investment characteristics and in fact have speculative characteristics as well.

NR - Indicates that the bond is not rated by Moody's or Standard & Poor's as indicated.

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### Short-Term Security Ratings (unaudited)

SP-1 - Standard & Poor's highest rating indicating very strong or strong capacity to pay principal and interest; those issues determined to possess overwhelming safety characteristics are denoted with a plus (+) sign.

A-1 - Standard & Poor's highest commercial paper and variable-rate demand obligation (VRDO) rating indicating that the degree of safety regarding timely payment is either overwhelming or very strong; those issues determined to possess overwhelming safety characteristics are denoted with a plus (+) sign.

VMIG 1 - Moody's highest rating for issues having a demand feature - VRDO.

P-1 - Moody's highest rating for commercial paper and for VRDO prior to the advent of the VMIG 1 rating.

### Abbreviations\* (unaudited)

ABAG	- Association of Bay Area Governments	ISD	- Independent School District
AIG	- American International Guaranty	ISO	- Independent System Operator
AMBAC	- Ambac Assurance Corporation	LOC	- Letter of Credit
AMT	- Alternative Minimum Tax	MBIA	- Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corporation
BAN	- Bond Anticipation Notes	MERLOT	- Municipal Exempt Receipts Liquidation Optional Tender
BIG	- Bond Investors Guaranty	MFH	- Multi-Family Housing
CDA	- Community Development Authority	MSTC	- Municipal Securities Trust Certificates
CGIC	- Capital Guaranty Insurance Company	MUD	- Municipal Utilities District
CHFCLI	- California Health Facility Construction Loan Insurance	MVRICS	- Municipal Variable Rate Inverse Coupon Security
CONNIE LEE	- College Construction Loan Insurance Association	PART	- Partnership Structure
COP	- Certificate of Participation	PCFA	- Pollution Control Finance Authority
CSD	- Central School District	PCR	- Pollution Control Revenue
CTFS	- Certificates	PFA	- Public Finance Authority
DFA	- Development Finance Authority	PFC	- Public Finance Corporation
EDA	- Economic Development Authority	PSFG	- Permanent School Fund Guaranty
EFA	- Educational Facilities Authority	Q-SBLF	- Qualified School Bond Loan Fund
ETM	- Escrowed to Maturity		
FGIC	- Financial Guaranty Insurance Company		

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FHA	- Federal Housing Administration	Radian	- Radian Asset Assurance
FHLMC	- Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	RAN	- Revenue Anticipation Notes
FLAIRS	- Floating Adjustable Interest Rate Securities	RAW	- Revenue Anticipation Warrants
FNMA	- Federal National Mortgage Association	RDA	- Redevelopment Agency
FRTC	- Floating Rate Trust Certificates	RIBS	- Residual Interest Bonds
FSA	- Federal Savings Association	RITES	- Residual Interest Tax-Exempt Securities
GIC	- Guaranteed Investment Contract	SPA	- Standby Bond Purchase Agreement
GNMA	- Government National Mortgage Association	SWAP	- Swap Structure
GO	- General Obligation	SYCC	- Structured Yield Curve Certificate
HDC	- Housing Development Corporation	TAN	- Tax Anticipation Notes
HEFA	- Health & Educational Facilities Authority	TCRS	- Transferable Custodial Receipts
HFA	- Housing Finance Authority	TECP	- Tax Exempt Commercial Paper
IBC	- Insured Bond Certificates	TFA	- Transitional Finance Authority
IDA	- Industrial Development Authority	TOB	- Tender Option Bond Structure
IDB	- Industrial Development Board	TRAN	- Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note
IDR	- Industrial Development Revenue	UFSD	- Unified Free School District
IFA	- Industrial Finance Agency	UHSD	- Unified High School District
INFLOS	- Inverse Floaters	USD	- Unified School District
		VA	- Veterans Administration
		VRDD	- Variable Rate Daily Demand
		VRDO	- Variable Rate Demand Obligation
		VRWE	- Variable Rate Wednesday Demand
		XLCA	- XL Capital Assurance

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 \* Abbreviations may or may not appear in the Schedule of Investments.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities (unaudited)  
 June 30, 2004

ASSETS:

Investments, at value (Cost -- \$119,554,136)	.....
Cash	.....
Interest receivable	.....
Receivable for securities sold	.....
Prepaid expenses	.....
 TOTAL ASSETS	 .....

LIABILITIES:

Management fee payable	.....
Preferred dividends payable	.....
Accrued expenses	.....
 TOTAL LIABILITIES	 .....

AUCTION RATE PREFERRED STOCK

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(800 SHARES AUTHORIZED AND ISSUED AT \$50,000 PER SHARE) (NOTE 4) .....	
TOTAL NET ASSETS .....	
NET ASSETS:	
Common Stock (\$0.001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized; 5,757,094 shares outstanding)	
Additional paid-in capital .....	
Undistributed net investment income .....	
Accumulated net realized gain from investment transactions .....	
Net unrealized appreciation of investments .....	
TOTAL NET ASSETS .....	
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK (\$85,731,753 / 5,757,094 shares outstanding) .....	

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See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Statement of Operations (unaudited)  
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2004

INVESTMENT INCOME:	
Interest .....	
EXPENSES:	
Management fee (Note 2) .....	
Auction agent fees .....	
Audit and tax services .....	
Shareholder communications .....	
Directors' fees .....	
Legal .....	
Listing fees .....	
Transfer agency services .....	
Custody .....	
Insurance .....	
Other .....	
TOTAL EXPENSES .....	
NET INVESTMENT INCOME .....	
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS (NOTE 3):	
Realized Gain From Investment Transactions (excluding short-term investments):	
Proceeds from sales .....	
Cost of securities sold .....	
NET REALIZED GAIN .....	

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Change in Net Unrealized Appreciation of Investments:	
Beginning of period .....	
End of period .....	
DECREASE IN NET UNREALIZED APPRECIATION .....	
NET LOSS ON INVESTMENTS .....	
DIVIDENDS PAID TO AUCTION RATE PREFERRED STOCKHOLDERS	
FROM NET INVESTMENT INCOME .....	
DECREASE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS .....	

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Statements of Changes in Net Assets  
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2004 (unaudited)  
and the Year Ended December 31, 2003

	2004	
OPERATIONS:		
Net investment income.....	\$ 2,681,577	\$
Net realized gain .....	462,458	
Increase (decrease) in net unrealized appreciation.....	(4,143,263)	
Dividends paid to Auction Rate Preferred Stockholders from net investment income .....	(214,679)	
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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS.....	(1,213,907)	
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DISTRIBUTIONS PAID TO COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS FROM:		
Net investment income.....	(2,417,979)	
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DECREASE IN NET ASSETS FROM DISTRIBUTIONS PAID TO COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS.....	(2,417,979)	
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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS.....	(3,631,886)	
NET ASSETS:		
Beginning of period.....	89,363,639	
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END OF PERIOD*.....	\$85,731,753	
	=====	
* Includes undistributed net investment income of:.....	\$ 1,492,143	
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See Notes to Financial Statements.

SALOMON BROTHERS MUNICIPAL PARTNERS FUND INC.

Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited)

Note 1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc. ("Fund"), was incorporated in Maryland on November 24, 1992 and is registered as a diversified, closed-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. The Board of Directors authorized 100 million shares of \$0.001 par value common stock. The Fund's primary investment objective is to seek a high level of current income which is exempt from federal income taxes, consistent with the preservation of capital. As a secondary investment objective, the Fund intends to enhance portfolio value by purchasing tax exempt securities that, in the opinion of Salomon Brothers Asset Management Inc ("SBAM"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Citigroup Inc. ("Citigroup"), may appreciate in value relative to other similar obligations in the marketplace.

The following are a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. The policies are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), which requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual amounts could differ from those estimates.

SECURITIES VALUATION. Tax-exempt securities are valued by independent pricing services which use prices provided by market-makers or estimates of market values obtained from yield data relating to instruments or securities with similar characteristics. Short-term investments having a maturity of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost which approximates market value. Securities for which reliable quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by, or under procedures established by, the Board of Directors.

INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS AND INVESTMENT INCOME. Securities transactions are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on sales of securities are calculated on the identified cost basis. Interest income is accrued on a daily basis. The Fund amortizes premiums and accretes discounts on securities purchased using the effective interest method.

FEDERAL INCOME TAXES. The Fund has complied and intends to continue to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, applicable to regulated investment companies, and to distribute substantially all of its income and capital gains, if any, to its shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax or excise tax provision is required. The character of income and gains to be distributed are determined in accordance with income tax regulations which may differ from GAAP.

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DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS. The Fund declares and pays dividends and distributions to common shareholders monthly from net investment income, net realized short-term capital gains and other sources, if necessary. Long-term capital gains, if any, in excess of loss carryovers are expected to be distributed annually. Dividends and distributions to common shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends and distributions to preferred shareholders are accrued on a weekly basis and are determined as described in Note 4. The amount of dividends and distributions from net investment income and net realized gains are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP.

Note 2. Management and Advisory Fees and Other Transactions

SBAM acts as the investment adviser and administrator of the Fund. SBAM provides all management, advisory and administration services for the Fund. As compensation for its services, the Fund pays SBAM an investment management fee at an annual rate of 0.55% of the Fund's average weekly net assets. For purposes of calculating this fee, the liquidation value of any outstanding preferred stock of the Fund is not deducted in determining the Fund's average weekly net assets. This fee is calculated daily and paid monthly.

SBAM has delegated certain administrative services to Smith Barney Fund Management LLC ("SBFM"), another indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Citigroup, pursuant to a Sub-Administration Agreement between SBAM and SBFM.

Note 3. Investments

For the six months ended June 30, 2004, the aggregate cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of investments (including maturities of long-term investments, but excluding short-term investments) were as follows:

Purchases.....	\$14,379,322	=====
Sales.....	\$15,672,685	=====

At June 30, 2004, the aggregate gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation of investments for Federal income tax purposes were substantially as follows:

Gross unrealized appreciation.....	\$ 5,181,726
Gross unrealized depreciation.....	(791,330)
Net unrealized appreciation.....	\$ 4,390,396
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Note 4. Auction Rate Preferred Stock

On April 2, 1993, the Fund closed its public offering of 800 shares of \$0.001 par value Auction Rate Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock") at an offering price



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of \$50,000 per share. The Preferred Stock has a liquidation preference of \$50,000 per share plus an amount equal to accumulated but unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) and subject to certain restrictions, are redeemable in whole or in part.

Dividend rates generally reset every 7 days and are determined by auction procedures. The dividend rates on the Preferred Stock during the six months ended June 30, 2004 ranged from 0.860% to 1.400%. The weighted average dividend rate for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was 1.076%.

The Fund is subject to certain restrictions relating to the Preferred Stock. The Fund may not declare dividends or make other distributions on shares of common stock or purchase any such shares if, at the time of the declaration, distribution or purchase, asset coverage with respect to the outstanding Preferred Stock would be less than 200%. The Preferred Stock is also subject to mandatory redemption at \$50,000 per share plus any accumulated or unpaid dividends, whether or not declared, if certain requirements relating to the composition of the assets and liabilities of the Fund as set forth in its Articles Supplementary are not satisfied.

The Preferred Stock, which are entitled to one vote per share, generally vote with the common shares but vote separately as a class to elect two directors and on certain matters affecting the rights of the Preferred Stock.

The issuance of preferred stock poses certain risks to holders of common stock, including, among others the possibility of greater market price volatility and in certain market conditions, the yield to holders of common stock may be adversely affected.

The Fund is required to maintain certain asset coverages with respect to the Preferred Stock. If the Fund fails to maintain these coverages and does not cure any such failure within the required time period, the Fund is required to redeem a requisite number of the Preferred Stock in order to meet the applicable requirement. Additionally, failure to meet the foregoing asset requirements would restrict the Fund's ability to pay dividends to common shareholders.

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### Note 5. Concentration of Credit Risk

Since the Fund invests a portion of its assets in issuers located in a single state, it may be affected by economic and political developments in a specific state or region. Certain debt obligations held by the Fund are entitled to the benefit of insurance, standby letters of credit or other guarantees of banks or other financial institutions.

### Note 6. Events Subsequent to June 30, 2004

COMMON STOCK DIVIDENDS. On May 14, 2004, the Board of Directors of the Fund declared two common share dividends from net investment income, each in the amount of \$0.070 per share, payable on July 30 and August 27, 2004 to shareholders of record on July 13 and August 17, 2004, respectively. In addition, on July 29, 2004, the Board of Directors of the Fund declared three common share dividends from net investment income, each in the amount of \$0.070

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per share, payable on September 24, October 29, and November 26, 2004 to shareholders of record on September 14, October 13 and November 16, 2004, respectively.

PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS. The Board of Directors designated each of the following dividend periods as a Special Rate Period. With each auction date, the regular auction procedure resumes, subject to the Fund's ability to designate any subsequent dividend period as a Special Rate Period.

Auction Date	Commencement of Rate Period	Rate Effective Through	Preferred Rate
6/28/04	6/29/04	7/5/04	1.400%
7/2/04	7/6/04	7/12/04	1.400
7/12/04	7/13/04	7/19/04	1.250
7/19/04	7/20/04	7/26/04	1.200
7/26/04	7/27/04	8/2/04	1.050

### Note 7. Additional Information

Citigroup has been notified by the Staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") that the Staff is considering recommending a civil injunctive action and/or an administrative proceeding against Citigroup Asset Management ("CAM"), including its applicable investment advisory companies and Citicorp Trust Bank ("CTB"), an internal transfer agent, relating to the creation and operation of the internal transfer agent unit to serve certain CAM-managed funds. CTB did not provide services to the Fund. This notification arises out of a previously disclosed investigation by the SEC and the U.S. Attorney and relates to CTB's entry in 1999 into the transfer agency business, CAM's retention of, and agreements with an

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unaffiliated sub-transfer agent, the adequacy of the disclosures made to the fund boards that approved the transfer agency arrangements, (including CAM's failure to disclose a related revenue guarantee agreement benefiting CAM and its affiliates), and CAM's operation of and compensation for the transfer agency business. The revenue guarantee described above was terminated in 1999 and CAM will be paying the applicable funds, primarily through fee waivers, a total of approximately \$17 million (plus interest) that is the amount of the revenue received by Citigroup relating to the revenue guarantee. The Fund did not implement the contractual arrangement described above and therefore will not receive any portion of the payment. Citigroup is cooperating fully in the investigation and will seek to resolve the matter in discussions with the SEC Staff. Although there can be no assurance, Citigroup does not believe that this matter will have a material adverse effect on the Fund.

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## Financial Highlights

Data for a share of common stock outstanding throughout each year ended December 31, unless otherwise noted:

	2004 (1)	2003	2002	2001	2000
NET ASSET VALUE, BEGINNING OF PERIOD.	\$15.52	\$15.35	\$14.38	\$14.25	\$13.12
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS:					
Net investment income.....	0.47	0.95	1.00	1.03	1.06
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.64)	0.13	0.86	0.04	1.14
Dividends paid to Auction Rate Preferred Stockholders from net investment income.....	(0.04)	(0.07)	(0.10)	(0.21)	(0.29)
Total Income (Loss) From Operations.....	(0.21)	1.01	1.76	0.86	1.91
DISTRIBUTIONS PAID TO COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS FROM:					
Net investment income.....	(0.42)	(0.84)	(0.79)	(0.73)	(0.78)
Total Distributions Paid to Common Stock Shareholders .....	(0.42)	(0.84)	(0.79)	(0.73)	(0.78)
NET ASSET VALUE, END OF PERIOD.....	\$14.89	\$15.52	\$15.35	\$14.38	\$14.25
MARKET VALUE, END OF PERIOD.....	\$13.12	\$14.00	\$13.40	\$12.59	\$12.0625
TOTAL RETURN, BASED ON MARKET PRICE(2)	(3.38)%++	11.07%	12.93%	10.52%	17.90%
RATIOS TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS OF COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS(3):					
Operating expenses.....	1.30%+	1.32%	1.34%	1.33%	1.36%
Net investment income.....	6.12%+	6.17%	6.70%	7.10%	7.84%
NET ASSETS OF COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS, END OF PERIOD (000s).....					
	\$85,732	\$89,364	\$88,382	\$82,778	\$82,067
PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATE.....	11%	57%	71%	34%	31%
AUCTION RATE PREFERRED STOCK:					
Total Amount Outstanding (000s).....	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
Asset Coverage Per Share.....	157,165	161,705	160,478	153,473	152,584
Involuntary Liquidating Preference					
Per Share.....	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Average Market Value Per Share.....	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000

(1) For the six months ended June 30, 2004 (unaudited).

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- (2) For purposes of this calculation, dividends on common shares are assumed to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Fund's dividend reinvestment plan and the broker commission paid to purchase or sell a share is excluded.
- (3) Ratios calculated on the basis of income and expenses relative to the average net assets of common shares and excludes the effect of dividend payments to preferred stockholders.
- ++ Total Return in not annualized, as it may not be representative of the total return for the year.
- + Annualized.

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Additional Stockholder Information (unaudited)

Result of Annual Meeting of Stockholders

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc. was held on April 30, 2004, for the purpose of considering and voting upon the election of Dr. Riordan Roett as Class I Director, Jeswald W. Salacuse as a Class II Director and William R. Hutchinson as a Class II Director. The following table provides information concerning the matter voted upon at the Meeting:

1. Election of Directors\*

Nominees	Common Shares For	Common Shares Withheld	Preferred Shares For	Preferred Shares Withheld
Dr. Riordan Roett	N/A	N/A	532	2
William R. Hutchinson	5,035,009	381,845	532	2
Jeswald W. Salacuse	5,035,009	381,845	532	2

\* At June 30, 2004, in addition to the above listed Directors, the other Directors of the Fund were as follows:

- Carol L. Colman (Class I)
- Daniel P. Cronin (Class II)
- Leslie H. Gelb (Class I)
- R. Jay Gerken (Class II)

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### Dividend Reinvestment Plan (unaudited)

Pursuant to certain rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the following additional disclosure is provided.

Pursuant to the Fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan ("Plan"), holders of Common Stock whose shares of Common Stock are registered in their own names will be deemed to have elected to have all distributions automatically reinvested by EquiServe Trust Company, N.A. ("Plan Agent") in Fund shares pursuant to the Plan, unless they elect to receive distributions in cash. Holders of Common Stock who elect to receive distributions in cash will receive all distributions in cash by check in dollars mailed directly to the holder by the Plan Agent as dividend-paying agent. Holders of Common Stock who do not wish to have distributions automatically reinvested should notify the Plan Agent at the address below. Distributions with respect to Common Stock registered in the name of a bank, broker-dealer or other nominee (i.e., in "street name") will be reinvested under the Plan unless the service is not provided by the bank, broker-dealer or other nominee or the holder elects to receive dividends and distributions in cash. Investors who own shares registered in the name of a bank, broker-dealer or other nominee should consult with such nominee as to participation in the Plan through such nominee, and may be required to have their shares registered in their own names in order to participate in the Plan.

The Plan Agent serves as agent for the holders of Common Stock in administering the Plan. After the Fund declares a dividend on the Common Stock or determines to make a capital gain distribution, the Plan Agent will, as agent for the participants, receive the cash payment and use it to buy the Fund's Common Stock in the open market, on the New York Stock Exchange or elsewhere, for the participants' accounts. The Fund will not issue any new shares of Common Stock in connection with the Plan.

Participants have the option of making additional cash payments to the Plan Agent, monthly, in a minimum amount of \$250, for investment in the Fund's Common Stock. The Plan Agent will use all such funds received from participants to purchase shares of Common Stock in the open market on or about the first business day of each month. To avoid unnecessary cash accumulations, and also to allow ample time for receipt and processing by the Plan Agent, it is suggested that participants send in voluntary cash payments to be received by the Plan Agent approximately ten days before an applicable purchase date specified above. A participant may withdraw a voluntary cash payment by written notice, if the notice is received by the Plan Agent not less than 48 hours before such payment is to be invested.

The Plan Agent maintains all shareholder accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmations of all transactions in an account, including information needed by shareholders for personal and tax records. Shares of Common Stock in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Agent in the name of the participant, and each shareholder's proxy will include those shares purchased pursuant to the Plan.

In the case of holders of Common Stock, such as banks, broker-dealers or other nominees, who hold shares for others who are beneficial owners, the Plan Agent will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of shares of Common Stock certified from time to time by the holders as representing the total amount registered in such holders' names and held for the account of beneficial owners that have not elected to receive distributions in cash.

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Dividend Reinvestment Plan (unaudited) (continued)

There is no charge to participants for reinvesting dividends or capital gains distributions or voluntary cash payments. The Plan Agent's fees for the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions and voluntary cash payments will be paid by the Fund. However, each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred with respect to the Plan Agent's open market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of dividends and distributions and voluntary cash payments made by the participant. The receipt of dividends and distributions under the Plan will not relieve participants of any income tax which may be payable on such dividends or distributions.

Participants may terminate their accounts under the Plan by notifying the Plan Agent in writing. Such termination will be effective immediately if notice in writing is received by the Plan Agent not less than ten days prior to any dividend or distribution record date. Upon termination, the Plan Agent will send the participant a certificate for the full shares held in the account and a cash adjustment for any fractional shares or, upon written instruction from the participant, the Plan Agent will sell part or all of the participant's shares and remit the proceeds to the participant, less a \$2.50 fee plus brokerage commission for the transaction.

Experience under the Plan may indicate that changes in the Plan are desirable. Accordingly, the Fund and the Plan Agent reserve the right to terminate the Plan as applied to any voluntary cash payments made and any dividend or distribution paid subsequent to notice of the termination sent to all participants in the Plan at least 30 days before the record date for the dividend or distribution. The Plan also may be amended by the Fund or the Plan Agent upon at least 30 days' written notice to participants in the Plan.

All correspondence concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Agent, P.O. Box 43010, Providence, Rhode Island 02940-3010.

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 that the Fund may purchase at market prices from time to time shares of its common stock in the open market.

Beginning August 31, 2004, information on how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the 12 month period ended June 30, 2004 will be available (1) without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-446-1013 and (2) on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available without charge, upon request, by telephoning the Fund (toll-free) at 1-800-446-1013 and by visiting the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

This report is transmitted to the shareholders of Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc. for their information. This is not a prospectus, circular or representation intended for use in the purchase of shares of the Fund or any securities mentioned in this report.

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ANDREW BEAGLEY\*  
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ITEM 2. CODE OF ETHICS.

Not Applicable.

ITEM 3. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT.

Not Applicable.

ITEM 4. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES.

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. AUDIT COMMITTEE OF LISTED REGISTRANTS.

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. [RESERVED]

ITEM 7. DISCLOSURE OF PROXY VOTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR CLOSED-END  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

The Board of Directors of the Fund has delegated the authority to



develop policies and procedures relating to proxy voting to the Manager. The Manager is part of Citigroup Asset Management ("CAM"), a group of investment adviser affiliates of Citigroup, Inc. ("Citigroup"). Along with the other investment advisers that comprise CAM, the Manager has adopted a set of proxy voting policies and procedures (the "Policies") to ensure that the Manager votes proxies relating to equity securities in the best interest of clients.

In voting proxies, the Manager is guided by general fiduciary principles and seeks to act prudently and solely in the best interest of clients. The Manager attempts to consider all factors that could affect the value of the investment and will vote proxies in the manner that it believes will be consistent with efforts to maximize shareholder values. The Manager may utilize an external service provider to provide it with information and/or a recommendation with regard to proxy votes. However, such recommendations do not relieve the Manager of its responsibility for the proxy vote.

In the case of a proxy issue for which there is a stated position in the Policies, CAM generally votes in accordance with such stated position. In the case of a proxy issue for which there is a list of factors set forth in the Policies that CAM considers in voting on such issue, CAM votes on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the general principles set forth above and considering such enumerated factors. In the case of a proxy issue for which there is no stated position or list of factors that CAM considers in voting on such issue, CAM votes on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the general principles set forth above. Issues for which there is a stated position set forth in the Policies or for which there is a list of factors set forth in the Policies that CAM considers in voting on such issues fall into a variety of categories, including election of directors, ratification of auditors, proxy and tender offer defenses, capital structure issues, executive and director

compensation, mergers and corporate restructurings, and social and environmental issues. The stated position on an issue set forth in the Policies can always be superseded, subject to the duty to act solely in the best interest of the beneficial owners of accounts, by the investment management professionals responsible for the account whose shares are being voted. Issues applicable to a particular industry may cause CAM to abandon a policy that would have otherwise applied to issuers generally. As a result of the independent investment advisory services provided by distinct CAM business units, there may be occasions when different business units or different portfolio managers within the same business unit vote differently on the same issue.

In furtherance of the Manager's goal to vote proxies in the best interest of clients, the Manager follows procedures designed to identify and address material conflicts that may arise between the Manager's interests and those of its clients before voting proxies on behalf of such clients. To seek to identify conflicts of interest, CAM periodically notifies CAM employees (including employees of the Manager) in writing that they are under an obligation (i) to be aware of the potential for conflicts of interest with respect to voting proxies on behalf of client accounts both as a result of their personal relationships and due to special circumstances that may arise during the conduct of CAM's and the Manager's business, and (ii) to bring conflicts of interest of which they become aware to the attention of compliance personnel. The Manager also maintains and considers a list of significant relationships that could present a conflict of interest

for the Manager in voting proxies. The Manager is also sensitive to the fact that a significant, publicized relationship between an issuer and a non-CAM affiliate might appear to the public to influence the manner in which the Manager decides to vote a proxy with respect to such issuer. Absent special circumstances or a significant, publicized non-CAM affiliate relationship that CAM or the Manager for prudential reasons treats as a potential conflict of interest because such relationship might appear to the public to influence the manner in which the Manager decides to vote a proxy, the Manager generally takes the position that non-CAM relationships between Citigroup and an issuer (e.g. investment banking or banking) do not present a conflict of interest for the Manager in voting proxies with respect to such issuer. Such position is based on the fact that the Manager is operated as an independent business unit from other Citigroup business units as well as on the existence of information barriers between the Manager and certain other Citigroup business units.

CAM maintains a Proxy Voting Committee, of which the Manager personnel are members, to review and address conflicts of interest brought to its attention by compliance personnel. A proxy issue that will be voted in accordance with a stated position on an issue or in accordance with the recommendation of an independent third party is not brought to the attention of the Proxy Voting Committee for a conflict of interest review because the Manager's position is that to the extent a conflict of interest issue exists, it is resolved by voting in accordance with a pre-determined policy or in accordance with the recommendation of an independent third party. With respect to a conflict of interest brought to its attention, the

Proxy Voting Committee first determines whether such conflict of interest is material. A conflict of interest is considered material to the extent that it is determined that such conflict is likely to influence, or appear to influence, the Manager's decision-making in voting proxies. If it is determined by the Proxy Voting Committee that a conflict of interest is not material, the Manager may vote proxies notwithstanding the existence of the conflict.

If it is determined by the Proxy Voting Committee that a conflict of interest is material, the Proxy Voting Committee is responsible for determining an appropriate method to resolve such conflict of interest before the proxy affected by the conflict of interest is voted. Such determination is based on the particular facts and circumstances, including the importance of the proxy issue and the nature of the conflict of interest. Methods of resolving a material conflict of interest may include, but are not limited to, disclosing the conflict to clients and obtaining their consent before voting, or suggesting to clients that they engage another party to vote the proxy on their behalf.

ITEM 8. [RESERVED]

ITEM 9. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS.

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-

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3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act")) are effective as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the disclosure controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act and 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

- (b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal half-year (the registrant's second fiscal half-year in the case of an annual report) that have materially affected, or are likely to materially affect the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 11. EXHIBITS.

- (a) Not applicable.  
(b) Attached hereto.

Exhibit 99.CERT                      Certifications pursuant to section 302  
of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Exhibit 99.906CERT                      Certifications pursuant to Section 906  
of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, there unto duly authorized.

Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc.

By:            /s/ R. Jay Gerken  
                R. Jay Gerken  
                Chief Executive Officer of  
                Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc.

Date:         September 8, 2004

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By:            /s/ R. Jay Gerken  
                R. Jay Gerken  
                Chief Executive Officer of  
                Salomon Brothers Municipal Partners Fund Inc.

Date:         September 8, 2004

By:            /s/ Frances M. Guggino  
                Frances M. Guggino  
                Chief Financial Officer of

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Date: September 8, 2004