

DWS STRATEGIC MUNICIPAL INCOME TRUST  
Form N-Q  
April 26, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-Q  
QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

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Investment Company Act file number: 811-05767

DWS Strategic Municipal Income Trust  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

345 Park Avenue  
New York, NY 10154  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Paul Schubert  
60 Wall Street  
New York, NY 10005  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 250-3220

Date of fiscal year end: 11/30

Date of reporting period: 2/29/2012

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

**Investment Portfolio** as of February 29, 2012 (Unaudited)

DWS Strategic Municipal Income Trust

	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Municipal Bonds and Notes 140.3%		
Arizona 2.2%		
Arizona, Project Revenue, Health Facilities Authority, The New Foundation Project, 8.25%, 3/1/2019	1,405,000	1,415,299
Maricopa County, AZ, Pollution Control Corp. Revenue, El Paso Electric Co. Project, Series B, 7.25%, 4/1/2040	1,570,000	1,867,766

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		3,283,065
California 13.7%		
California, Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue, Catholic Healthcare West, Series A, 6.0%, 7/1/2034	1,000,000	1,161,570
California, M-S-R Energy Authority, Series B, 7.0%, 11/1/2034	1,310,000	1,696,620
California, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, Enterprise Casino Revenue, Series B, 144A, 6.5%, 3/1/2028	1,000,000	985,550
California, South Bayside Waste Management Authority, Solid Waste Enterprise, Shoreway Environmental, Series A, 6.25%, 9/1/2029	1,425,000	1,605,049
California, Special Assessment Revenue, Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Series 2003-A-1, Prerefunded, 6.75%, 6/1/2039	4,000,000	4,319,600
California, State General Obligation:		
5.5%, 3/1/2040	1,000,000	1,110,200
5.75%, 4/1/2031	1,000,000	1,167,110
6.0%, 4/1/2038	1,000,000	1,160,140
6.5%, 4/1/2033	1,950,000	2,401,757
California, State Public Works Board Lease Revenue, Capital Projects, Series I-1, 6.375%, 11/1/2034	1,000,000	1,175,000
California, State Public Works Board Lease Revenue, Riverside Campus Project, Series B, 6.125%, 4/1/2028	2,000,000	2,327,000
Sacramento County, CA, Sales & Special Tax Revenue, Bradshaw Road Project, 7.2%, 9/2/2015	545,000	554,706
San Buenaventura, CA, Community Memorial Health Systems, 7.5%, 12/1/2041	500,000	563,780
		20,228,082
Colorado 0.6%		
Colorado, Public Energy Authority, Natural Gas Purchased Revenue, 6.25%, 11/15/2028, GTY: Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.	635,000	742,798
Colorado, State Housing Finance Authority, Single Family Mortgage Revenue, "I", Series A-3, AMT, 0.14% **, 5/1/2038, LOC: Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac	200,000	200,000
		942,798
Connecticut 3.5%		
Connecticut, Harbor Point Infrastructure Improvement District, Special Obligation Revenue, Harbor Point Project, Series A, 7.875%, 4/1/2039	2,000,000	2,226,960
Greenwich, CT, Multi-Family Housing Revenue, 6.35%, 9/1/2027	2,000,000	1,945,120
Mashantucket, CT, Mashantucket Western Pequot Tribe, Special Revenue, Series A, 144A, 6.5%, 9/1/2031 *	705,000	274,294
Mashantucket, CT, Sports Expo & Entertainment Revenue, Mashantucket Western Pequot Tribe:		
Series B, 144A, Zero Coupon, 9/1/2017 *	2,000,000	488,000
Series B, 144A, Zero Coupon, 9/1/2018 *	1,000,000	229,800
		5,164,174

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Florida 9.7%

Florida, Capital Region Community Development District, Capital Improvement Revenue, Series A, 7.0%, 5/1/2039	490,000	442,911
Florida, Middle Village Community Development District, Special Assessment, Series A, 6.0%, 5/1/2035	1,000,000	895,480
Florida, Tolomato Community Development District, Special Assessment:		
5.4%, 5/1/2037	1,860,000	1,556,987
6.55%, 5/1/2027	850,000	363,061
Florida, Village Community Development District No. 9, Special Assessment Revenue, 5.5%, 5/1/2042	175,000	177,476
Hillsborough County, FL, Industrial Development Authority Revenue, Health Facilities, University Community Hospital, Series A, Prerefunded, 5.625%, 8/15/2029	1,875,000	2,414,231
Martin County, FL, Health Facilities Authority, Martin Memorial Medical Center, 5.5%, 11/15/2042	335,000	346,303
Miami Beach, FL, Health Facilities Authority Hospital Revenue, Mount Sinai Medical Center, 144A, 6.75%, 11/15/2029	1,600,000	1,675,376
Miami-Dade County, FL, Aviation Revenue, Series A, 5.5%, 10/1/2041	3,000,000	3,326,100
Orlando & Orange County, FL, Expressway Authority Revenue, Series C, 5.0%, 7/1/2035	1,080,000	1,173,031
Orlando, FL, Greater Aviation Authority, Airport Facilities Revenue, Jet Blue Airways Corp., AMT, 6.5%, 11/15/2036	1,000,000	1,000,830
Orlando, FL, Special Assessment Revenue, Conroy Road Interchange Project, Series A, 5.8%, 5/1/2026	960,000	960,240
		14,332,026

Georgia 6.4%

Americus-Sumter County, GA, Hospital & Healthcare Revenue, Hospital Authority, South Georgia Methodist, Series A, 6.375%, 5/15/2029	1,250,000	1,218,537
Atlanta, GA, Tax Allocation, Beltline Project, Series B, 7.375%, 1/1/2031	1,000,000	1,093,660
Atlanta, GA, Water & Wastewater Revenue, Series A, 6.25%, 11/1/2034	2,000,000	2,364,200
DeKalb County, GA, Water & Sewer Revenue, Series A, 5.25%, 10/1/2036	1,000,000	1,121,990
Gainesville & Hall County, GA, Development Authority Retirement Community Revenue, ACTS Retirement Life Community, Series A-2, 6.625%, 11/15/2039	1,000,000	1,113,310
Georgia, Main Street Natural Gas, Inc., Gas Project Revenue, Series A, 5.5%, 9/15/2024	1,220,000	1,331,984
Georgia, Medical Center Hospital Authority Revenue, Anticipation Certificates, Columbus Regional Healthcare System, 6.5%, 8/1/2038, INS: AGC	1,000,000	1,143,060
		9,386,741

Guam 2.1%

Guam, Government General Obligation, Series A, 7.0%, 11/15/2039	1,000,000	1,088,540
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Guam, Government Waterworks Authority, Water & Wastewater System Revenue, 6.0%, 7/1/2025	1,000,000	1,023,230
Guam, Power Authority Revenue, Series A, 5.5%, 10/1/2030	1,000,000	1,021,910
		3,133,680
Hawaii 0.4%		
Hawaii, State Department of Budget & Finance, Special Purpose Revenue, Hawaiian Electric Co., Inc., 6.5%, 7/1/2039, GTY: Hawaiian Electric Co., Inc.	500,000	556,920
Idaho 0.3%		
Idaho, Health Facilities Authority Revenue, St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, 6.75%, 11/1/2037	305,000	356,295
Illinois 9.7%		
Chicago, IL, General Obligation, Series A, 5.25%, 1/1/2035	1,000,000	1,092,630
Chicago, IL, O'Hare International Airport Revenue, Series B, 6.0%, 1/1/2041	2,000,000	2,334,960
Illinois, Finance Authority Revenue, Elmhurst Memorial Healthcare, Series A, 5.625%, 1/1/2037	3,000,000	3,120,660
Illinois, Finance Authority Revenue, Friendship Village of Schaumburg, Series A, 5.625%, 2/15/2037	2,000,000	1,729,100
Illinois, Finance Authority Revenue, Park Place of Elmhurst, Series A, 8.0%, 5/15/2030	1,000,000	1,022,090
Illinois, Finance Authority Revenue, Roosevelt University Project, 6.5%, 4/1/2044	1,000,000	1,089,100
Illinois, Finance Authority Revenue, The Admiral at Lake Project, Series A, 8.0%, 5/15/2040	1,000,000	1,021,480
Illinois, Finance Authority Revenue, Three Crowns Park Plaza, Series A, 5.875%, 2/15/2038	1,000,000	965,160
Illinois, Railsplitter Tobacco Settlement Authority, 6.0%, 6/1/2028	365,000	409,125
Illinois, State Finance Authority Revenue, Trinity Health Corp., Series L, 5.0%, 12/1/2030	1,000,000	1,086,370
Illinois, Upper River Valley Development Authority, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue, Waste Recovery Project, AMT, 5.9%, 2/1/2014, GTY: GreenGold Ray Energies, Inc.	425,000	432,361
		14,303,036
Indiana 1.8%		
Indiana, Finance Authority Hospital Revenue, Deaconess Hospital Obligation, Series A, 6.75%, 3/1/2039	525,000	609,840
Indiana, State Finance Authority, Hospital Revenue, Indiana University Health, Series D, 0.1% **, 3/1/2033, LOC: Northern Trust Co.	995,000	995,000
Vigo County, IN, Hospital Authority Revenue, Union Hospital, Inc., 144A, 5.7%, 9/1/2037	1,000,000	969,690
		2,574,530
Iowa 1.4%		
Cedar Rapids, IA, First Mortgage Revenue, Cottage Grove Place, Series A, 5.875%, 7/1/2028	1,670,000	1,054,722
Iowa, Finance Authority Retirement Community Revenue, Edgewater LLC Project, 6.5%, 11/15/2027	1,000,000	949,020

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		2,003,742
Kansas 0.8%		
Lenexa, KS, Health Care Facility Revenue, Lakeview Village, Inc. Project, 7.25%, 5/15/2039	300,000	313,977
Wyandotte County, KS, Unified Government Special Obligation Revenue, Sales Tax, Series B, 5.0%, 12/1/2020	815,000	867,380
		1,181,357
Kentucky 4.2%		
Kentucky, Economic Development Finance Authority, Hospital Facilities Revenue, Owensboro Medical Health Systems, Series A, 6.5%, 3/1/2045	2,000,000	2,265,000
Kentucky, Economic Development Finance Authority, Louisville Arena Project Revenue, Series A-1, 6.0%, 12/1/2033, INS: AGC	365,000	405,982
Louisville & Jefferson County, KY, Metropolitan Government Health Systems Revenue, Norton Healthcare, Inc., 5.0%, 10/1/2030	3,425,000	3,533,093
		6,204,075
Louisiana 4.0%		
Louisiana, Local Government Environmental Facilities, Community Development Authority Revenue, 6.75%, 11/1/2032	1,000,000	1,099,380
Louisiana, St. John Baptist Parish Revenue, Marathon Oil Corp., Series A, 5.125%, 6/1/2037	1,500,000	1,555,350
Morehouse Parish, LA, Pollution Control Revenue, International Paper Co. Project, Series A, 5.25%, 11/15/2013	3,000,000	3,168,000
		5,822,730
Maine 0.7%		
Maine, Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Maine General Medical Center, 6.75%, 7/1/2036	1,000,000	1,093,300
Maryland 4.3%		
Maryland, Economic Development Corp., Pollution Control Revenue, Potomac Electric Power Co., 6.2%, 9/1/2022	1,500,000	1,845,105
Maryland, State Economic Development Corp. Revenue, Senior Lien Project, Chesapeake Bay:		
Series A, 5.0%, 12/1/2031	1,000,000	650,910
Series B, 5.25%, 12/1/2031	1,000,000	679,300
Maryland, State Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Anne Arundel Health Systems, Series A, 6.75%, 7/1/2039	500,000	600,150
Maryland, State Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Washington County Hospital:		
5.75%, 1/1/2033	1,000,000	1,057,450
6.0%, 1/1/2028	1,385,000	1,511,686
		6,344,601
Massachusetts 5.1%		
Massachusetts, Development Finance Agency, Senior Living Facility Revenue, Groves-Lincoln:		
Series A, 7.75%, 6/1/2039	250,000	249,390
Series A, 7.875%, 6/1/2044	250,000	250,090

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Massachusetts, Hospital & Healthcare Revenue, Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Civic Investments, Series A, Prerefunded, 9.0%, 12/15/2015, GTY: Harvard Pilgrim Health Care	1,200,000	1,294,572
Massachusetts, Industrial Development Revenue, Development Finance Agency, Series A, 7.1%, 7/1/2032	1,760,000	1,590,512
Massachusetts, Project Revenue, Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Jordan Hospital, Series E, 6.75%, 10/1/2033	1,790,000	1,824,565
Massachusetts, State Development Finance Agency Revenue, Linden Ponds, Inc. Facility:		
Series B, 11/15/2056 *	505,485	2,674
Series A-2, 5.5%, 11/15/2046	101,629	62,474
Series A-1, 6.25%, 11/15/2039	1,903,948	1,401,134
Massachusetts, State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Milford Regional Medical Center, Series E, 5.0%, 7/15/2037	950,000	894,653
		7,570,064
Michigan 5.8%		
Detroit, MI, Water Supply Systems Revenue, Series A, 5.75%, 7/1/2037	1,000,000	1,110,090
Kalamazoo, MI, Economic Development Corp. Revenue, Limited Obligation, Heritage Community, 5.5%, 5/15/2036	1,000,000	857,110
Kentwood, MI, Economic Development, Limited Obligation, Holland Home, Series A, 5.375%, 11/15/2036	2,000,000	1,734,800
Michigan, State Building Authority Revenue, Facilities Program, Series I-A, 5.5%, 10/15/2045	2,000,000	2,252,140
Royal Oak, MI, Hospital Finance Authority Revenue, William Beaumont Hospital, 8.25%, 9/1/2039	1,000,000	1,261,930
Tawas City, MI, Hospital Finance Authority, St. Joseph Health Services:		
Series A, ETM, 5.6%, 2/15/2013	50,000	50,994
Series A, ETM, 5.75%, 2/15/2023	1,300,000	1,305,967
		8,573,031
Minnesota 0.8%		
Minneapolis, MN, Health Care Systems Revenue, Fairview Health Services, Series A, 6.75%, 11/15/2032	1,000,000	1,175,500
Mississippi 1.2%		
Lowndes County, MS, Solid Waste Disposal & Pollution Control Revenue, Weyerhaeuser Co. Project, Series A, 6.8%, 4/1/2022	250,000	279,393
Mississippi, Business Finance Corp., Pollution Control Revenue, Systems Energy Resources, Inc. Project, 5.875%, 4/1/2022	1,000,000	1,003,000
Warren County, MS, Gulf Opportunity Zone, International Paper Co., Series A, 6.5%, 9/1/2032	435,000	482,045
		1,764,438
Missouri 1.6%		
Missouri, State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Lutheran Senior Services, Series C, 5.0%, 2/1/2042	2,000,000	1,900,320
St. Louis, MO, Lambert-St. Louis International Airport Revenue, Series A-1, 6.625%, 7/1/2034	415,000	482,948

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		2,383,268
Nevada 5.4%		
Clark County, NV, School District, Series A, 5.0%, 6/15/2022, INS: FGIC, NATL	5,140,000	5,920,509
Henderson, NV, Health Care Facility Revenue, Catholic Healthcare West, Series B, 5.25%, 7/1/2031	2,000,000	2,094,040
Nevada, Director State Department of Business & Industry, Las Vegas Monorail Project, Second Tier, 7.375%, 1/1/2030 *	2,000,000	2,400
		8,016,949
New Hampshire 2.2%		
New Hampshire, Hospital & Healthcare Revenue, Rivermead at Peterborough Retirement Community, 5.75%, 7/1/2028	1,500,000	1,479,570
New Hampshire, State Business Finance Authority, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue, Waste Management, Inc. Project, AMT, 5.2%, 5/1/2027	1,750,000	1,816,640
		3,296,210
New Jersey 4.1%		
New Jersey, Economic Development Authority Revenue, Cigarette Tax, 5.75%, 6/15/2034	290,000	300,518
New Jersey, Health Care Facilities Financing Authority Revenue, St. Joseph's Health Care System, 6.625%, 7/1/2038	715,000	763,792
New Jersey, State Transportation Trust Fund Authority, Series B, 5.5%, 6/15/2031	1,500,000	1,762,875
New Jersey, Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Series 1A, 4.75%, 6/1/2034	4,280,000	3,240,645
		6,067,830
New York 9.4%		
New York & New Jersey Port Authority, One Hundred Forty-Seventh, AMT, 5.0%, 10/15/2023, INS: FGIC, NATL	8,260,000	9,157,945
New York & New Jersey, Port Authority, Special Obligation Revenue, JFK International Air Terminal LLC, 6.0%, 12/1/2042	680,000	760,811
New York City, NY, Industrial Development Agency Revenue, Liberty-7, World Trade Center, Series A, 6.25%, 3/1/2015	2,000,000	2,005,280
New York City, NY, Industrial Development Agency, Special Facility Revenue, American Airlines, JFK International Airport, AMT, 8.0%, 8/1/2028, GTY: AMR Corp.	2,000,000	1,896,760
		13,820,796
North Carolina 1.5%		
North Carolina, Electric Revenue, Municipal Power Agency, Series C, 5.375%, 1/1/2017	1,000,000	1,035,710
North Carolina, Medical Care Commission, Health Care Facilities Revenue, University Health Systems, Series D, 6.25%, 12/1/2033	1,000,000	1,159,870
		2,195,580
Pennsylvania 3.0%		
	2,000,000	2,334,240

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Butler County, PA, Hospital Authority Revenue, Butler Health Systems Project, 7.25%, 7/1/2039		
Montgomery County, PA, Industrial Development Authority Revenue, Whitmarsh Continuing Care, 6.25%, 2/1/2035	600,000	554,082
Philadelphia, Redevelopment Authority Revenue, First Lien Mortgage, Series A, 6.5%, 1/1/2029	549,400	550,274
Westmoreland County, PA, Industrial Development Authority Revenue, Retirement Community-Redstone, Series A, 5.875%, 1/1/2032	1,000,000	950,520
		4,389,116
Puerto Rico 7.3%		
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Aqueduct & Sewer Authority Revenue, Series A, 6.0%, 7/1/2038	4,000,000	4,314,840
Puerto Rico, Public Buildings Authority Revenue, Series Q, 5.625%, 7/1/2039	1,000,000	1,071,200
Puerto Rico, Sales Tax Financing Corp., Sales Tax Revenue: Series A, 5.375%, 8/1/2039	1,000,000	1,082,310
Series A, 6.5%, 8/1/2044	2,000,000	2,355,520
Puerto Rico, Sales Tax Financing Corp., Sales Tax Revenue, Convertible Capital Appreciation, Series A, Step-up Coupon, 0% to 8/1/2016, 6.75% to 8/1/2032	2,000,000	1,958,160
		10,782,030
South Carolina 1.8%		
Hardeeville, SC, Assessment Revenue, Anderson Tract Municipal Improvement District, Series A, 7.75%, 11/1/2039	983,000	877,269
South Carolina, Jobs Economic Development Authority Revenue, Bon Secours Health System, Series B, 5.625%, 11/15/2030	1,585,000	1,595,619
South Carolina, Jobs Economic Development Authority, Hospital Facilities Revenue, Palmetto Health Alliance, Series C, Prerefunded, 7.0%, 8/1/2030	170,000	186,036
		2,658,924
South Dakota 1.4%		
South Dakota, Hospital & Healthcare Revenue, Sioux Valley Hospital, Series E, 5.375%, 11/1/2024	2,000,000	2,106,340
Tennessee 3.0%		
Clarksville, TN, Natural Gas Acquisition Corp., Gas Revenue: 5.0%, 12/15/2017	500,000	541,005
5.0%, 12/15/2018	540,000	584,177
Johnson City, TN, Health & Educational Facilities Board Hospital Revenue, Mountain States Health Alliance, Series A, 7.75%, 7/1/2038	1,000,000	1,194,280
Johnson City, TN, Hospital & Healthcare Revenue, Health & Educational Facilities Board Hospital, Series A, Prerefunded, 7.5%, 7/1/2033	2,000,000	2,098,360
		4,417,822
Texas 12.6%		
	2,410,000	2,061,900



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Abilene, TX, Senior Care Revenue, Health Facilities Development, Sears Methodist Retirement Facilities, Series A, 5.9%, 11/15/2025		
Austin, TX, Austin-Bergstrom Landhost Enterprises, Inc., Airport Hotel Project, Series A, 3.375%, 4/1/2027 (a)	1,960,000	1,082,939
Brazos River, TX, Harbor Navigation District, Brazoria County Environmental Health, Dow Chemical Co. Project:		
Series B-2, 4.95%, 5/15/2033	1,000,000	1,024,290
Series A-3, AMT, 5.125%, 5/15/2033	1,000,000	1,009,820
Central Texas, Regional Mobility Authority Revenue, Senior Lien, 6.0%, 1/1/2041	545,000	586,333
Houston, TX, Transportation/Tolls Revenue, Special Facilities, Continental Airlines, Inc., Series E, AMT, 6.75%, 7/1/2029	2,000,000	2,008,320
Matagorda County, TX, Navigation District No. 1, Pollution Control Revenue, AEP Texas Central Co. Project, Series A, 4.4%, 5/1/2030, INS: AMBAC	2,250,000	2,251,845
North Texas, Tollway Authority Revenue, Toll Second Tier, Series F, 5.75%, 1/1/2033	2,000,000	2,175,640
San Antonio, TX, Convention Center Hotel Finance Corp., Contract Revenue, Empowerment Zone, Series A, AMT, 5.0%, 7/15/2039, INS: AMBAC	1,000,000	957,550
Tarrant County, TX, Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corp., Retirement Facility, Mirador Project, Series A, 8.25%, 11/15/2044	570,000	591,050
Texas, Industrial Development Revenue, Waste Disposal Authority, Series A, AMT, 6.1%, 8/1/2024	1,000,000	1,017,950
Texas, Love Field Airport Modernization Corp., Special Facilities Revenue, Southwest Airlines Co. Project, 5.25%, 11/1/2040	1,055,000	1,095,100
Texas, SA Energy Acquisition Public Facility Corp., Gas Supply Revenue, 5.5%, 8/1/2020	2,000,000	2,212,440
Travis County, TX, Health Facilities Development Corp. Revenue, Westminster Manor Health, 7.125%, 11/1/2040	510,000	558,032
		18,633,209
Virgin Islands 1.9%		
Virgin Islands, Sales & Special Tax Revenue, Public Finance Authority, Series A, 6.375%, 10/1/2019	2,740,000	2,747,425
Virginia 1.1%		
Washington County, VA, Industrial Development Authority, Hospital Facility Revenue, Mountain States Health Alliance, Series C, 7.75%, 7/1/2038	1,370,000	1,651,425
Washington 2.4%		
Washington, State Health Care Facilities Authority Revenue, Series C, 5.375%, 8/15/2028, INS: Radian	595,000	616,599
Washington, State Health Care Facilities Authority Revenue, Virginia Mason Medical Center, Series A, 6.125%, 8/15/2037	2,000,000	2,121,500
Washington, State Health Care Facilities Authority, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Series C, 0.13% **, 1/1/2041, LOC: Bank of America NA	800,000	800,000
		3,538,099
Wisconsin 2.9%		
	1,000,000	1,035,540

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Wisconsin, Hospital & Healthcare Revenue, Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Aurora Health Care, Inc., 6.875%, 4/15/2030		
Wisconsin, State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Prohealth Care, Inc. Obligation Group, 6.625%, 2/15/2039	1,110,000	1,262,736
Wisconsin, State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, Thedacare, Inc., Series A, 5.5%, 12/15/2038	1,765,000	1,894,833
		4,193,109
Total Municipal Bonds and Notes (Cost \$188,338,086)		206,892,317

Municipal Inverse Floating Rate Notes (b) 12.1%

California 3.1%

San Diego County, CA, Water Authority Revenue, Certificates of Participation, Series 2008-A, 5.0%, 5/1/2027, INS: AGMC (c)	2,121,349	2,378,277
San Diego County, CA, Water Authority Revenue, Certificates of Participation, Series 2008-A, 5.0%, 5/1/2028, INS: AGMC (c)	1,930,312	2,164,102
Trust: San Diego County, CA, Water Utility Improvements, Certificates of Participation, Series 2008-1104, 144A, 9.203%, 5/1/2027, Leverage Factor at purchase date: 2 to 1		4,542,379

New York 4.4%

New York, State Dormitory Authority, State Personal Income Tax Revenue, Series A, 5.0%, 3/15/2023 (c)	5,535,000	6,522,076
Trust: New York, State Dormitory Authority Revenue, Secondary Issues, Series 1955-2, 144A, 17.974%, 3/15/2023, Leverage Factor at purchase date: 4 to 1		

Tennessee 4.6%

Nashville & Davidson County, TN, Metropolitan Government, 5.0%, 1/1/2024 (c)	5,918,585	6,823,753
Trust: Nashville & Davidson County, TN, Metropolitan Government, Series 2631-1, 144A, 17.986%, 1/1/2024, Leverage Factor at purchase date: 4 to 1		

Total Municipal Inverse Floating Rate Notes (Cost \$15,871,835)		17,888,208
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	% of Net Assets	Value (\$)
Total Investment Portfolio (Cost \$204,209,921) †	152.4	224,780,525
Other Assets and Liabilities, Net	(4.9)	(7,287,738)
Preferred Shares, at Redemption Value	(47.5)	(70,000,000)
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders	100.0	147,492,787

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For information on the Fund's policies regarding the valuation of investments and other significant accounting policies, please refer to the Fund's most recent semi-annual or annual financial statements.

The following table represents bonds that are in default:

Security	Coupon	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Acquisition Cost (\$)	Value (\$)
Austin, TX, Austin-Bergstrom Landhost Enterprises, Inc., Airport Hotel Project, Series A (a)	3.375 %	4/1/2027	1,960,000	1,960,000	1,082,939
Mashantucket, CT, Sports Expo & Entertainment Revenue, Mashantucket Western Pequot Tribe, Series B, 144A *	0.0 %	9/1/2017	2,000,000	930,679	488,000
Mashantucket, CT, Mashantucket Western Pequot Tribe, Special Revenue, Series A, 144A *	6.5 %	9/1/2031	705,000	735,378	274,294
Mashantucket, CT, Sports Expo & Entertainment Revenue, Mashantucket Western Pequot Tribe, Series B, 144A *	0.0 %	9/1/2018	1,000,000	436,601	229,800
Nevada, Director State Department of Business & Industry, Las Vegas Monorail Project, Second Tier *	7.375 %	1/1/2030	2,000,000	1,933,273	2,400
New York City, NY, Industrial Development Agency, Special Facility Revenue, American Airlines, JFK International Airport, AMT	8.0 %	8/1/2028	2,000,000	1,980,000 7,975,931	1,896,760 3,974,193

- \* Non-income producing security. Issuer has defaulted on the payment of principal or interest.
- \*\* Variable rate demand notes are securities whose interest rates are reset periodically at market levels. These securities are payable on demand and are shown at their current rates as of February 29, 2012.
- † The cost for federal income tax purposes was \$203,333,710. At February 29, 2012, net unrealized appreciation for all securities based on tax cost was \$21,446,815. This consisted of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of value over tax cost of \$27,966,329 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of tax cost over value of \$6,519,514.
- (a) Partial interest paying security. The rate shown represents 50% of the original coupon rate.
- (b) Securities represent the underlying municipal obligations of inverse floating rate obligations held by the Fund.
- (c) Security forms part of the below tender option bond trust. Principal Amount and Value shown take into account the leverage factor.

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144A: Security exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.

AGC: Assured Guaranty Corp.

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AMBAC: Ambac Financial Group, Inc.

AMT: Subject to alternative minimum tax.

ETM: Bonds bearing the description ETM (escrow to maturity) are collateralized usually by U.S. Treasury securities which are held in escrow and used to pay principal and interest on bonds so designated.

FGIC: Financial Guaranty Insurance Co.

GTY: Guaranty Agreement

INS: Insured

LOC: Letter of Credit

NATL: National Public Finance Guarantee Corp.

Prerefunded: Bonds which are prerefunded are collateralized usually by U.S. Treasury securities which are held in escrow and used to pay principal and interest on tax-exempt issues and to retire the bonds in full at the earliest refunding date.

Radian: Radian Asset Assurance, Inc.

### Fair Value Measurements

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in three broad levels. Level 1 includes quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. Level 2 includes other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, and credit risk). Level 3 includes significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments). The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of February 29, 2012 in valuing the Fund's investments.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Municipal Investments(d)	\$—	\$224,780,525	\$—	\$224,780,525
Total	\$—	\$224,780,525	\$—	\$224,780,525

There have been no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements during the period ended February 29, 2012.

(d) See Investment Portfolio for additional detailed categorizations.

### ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) The Chief Executive and Financial Officers concluded that the Registrant's Disclosure Controls and Procedures are effective based on the evaluation of the Disclosure Controls and Procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report.

(b) There have been no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter

that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal controls over financial reporting.

ITEM 3. EXHIBITS

Certification pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)) is filed and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.CERT.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Registrant: DWS Strategic Municipal Income Trust

By: /s/W. Douglas Beck  
W. Douglas Beck  
President

Date: April 20, 2012

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/W. Douglas Beck  
W. Douglas Beck  
President

Date: April 20, 2012

By: /s/Paul Schubert  
Paul Schubert  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: April 20, 2012