

# Mesirow Financial Small Cap Value Sustainability Fund

INSTITUTIONAL CLASS MSVIX 00774Q767 | INVESTOR CLASS MSVVX 00774Q759

AS OF 12.31.20

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Long-term capital appreciation with less volatility than the U.S. small cap market

## POTENTIAL ADVANTAGES

- Portfolio of attractively priced small cap value stocks
- Appreciation potential from catalyst-driven earnings and cash flow growth
- Favorable risk-adjusted return and positive social and environment impact



Based on a custom weighted average of ESG factors. 1 ESG factor scoring comprises 16 categories indicating relative governance, disclosure and/or transparency.

## **INVESTMENT PROCESS**

Link ESG factors to company performance, risk, profitability company-specific ESG and growth analysis

Develop proprietary, scores using third-party data sources; track and monitor over time

Select stocks based on resulting list of favorable investments; Proactively communicate with company management to deepen awareness of ESG factors

# **Portfolio**

Companies with strong governance, high-quality characteristics and positive community impact

#### **INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE (%)**

	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1 Year (%)	Since Inception (%)
Institutional Class	30.92	6.70	6.70	12.76
Investor Class	31.07	7.06	7.06	12.95
Russell 2000 Value	33.36	4.63	4.63	12.69

The Fund began investing activities on 12.19.2018. Indices are unmanaged and direct investment is not possible.

# **FUND FACTS**

Expense Ratios<sup>2</sup>

Investor

Inception date: 12.19.2018

Institutional	3.64%	0.98%
Investor	3.89%	1.23%
Minimum Invest	ment	
Institutional		\$100,000
Investor		\$5,000
NAV (as of 12.31	L.2020)	
Institutional		\$11.77

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## **VEHICLES**

- Mutual Fund
- Separately Managed Account
- Collective Investment Trust

The performance date quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost and current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance current to the most-recent month-end may be obtained at mesirow.com/mutual-funds or by calling 1.833.MESIROW. There is a 1% redemption fee applicable if shares are redeemed within 90 days of purchase. Investment performance does not reflect the redemption fee; if it was reflected, the total

<sup>1.</sup> Composite sustainability scores are weighted as follows: 40% governance, 30% environmental and 30% social. | 2. The Advisor has contractually agreed to limit fees and expenses until January 31, 2022. There is a 1% redemption fee applicable if shares are redeemed within 90 days of purchase.

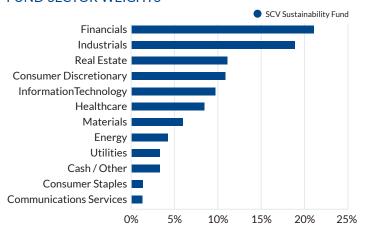
#### **FUND CHARACTERISTICS**

	<b>SCV Sustainability Fund</b>	R2000 Value
Number of holdings	82	1,486
Forward price/earnings (median)	16.2x	18.3x
Year 2 EPS growth	18.7%	13.2%
5-year return-on-equity	8.5%	7.4%
Weighted median market cap	\$3.3 B	\$2.2 B
% of portfolio in top 10	14.7%	5.0%

#### FUND MARKET CAP DISTRIBUTION

Market cap (%)	SCV Sustainability Fund	R2000 Value
< \$1,000 million	7.4	21.2
\$1,000 - \$2,000 million	12.8	24.3
\$2,000 - \$3,000 million	23.1	22.7
\$3,000 - \$5,000 million	37.1	24.4
> \$5,000 million	16.2	7.2

## **FUND SECTOR WEIGHTS**



## **FUND TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

	Allocation (%)
QTS Realty Trust Inc - CL A	1.54%
Alexander and Baldwin Inc	1.54%
Hillenbrand Inc	1.50%
Kontoor Brands Inc	1.49%
Ryder System Inc	1.47%
Marriott Vacations World	1.47%
SPX Flow Inc	1.45%
Zumiez Inc	1.45%
United Therapeutics Corp	1.42%
Webster Financial Corp	1.42%

Holdings are subject to change. Cash is not included in top 10 holdings.

# **About Mesirow**

Mesirow is an independent, employee-owned financial services firm founded in 1937. Headquartered in Chicago, with locations around the world, we serve clients through a personal, custom approach to reaching financial goals and acting as a force for social good. With capabilities spanning Global Investment Management, Capital Markets & Investment Banking, and Advisory Services, we invest in what matters: our clients, our communities and our culture.

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