

# Mesirow Financial Small Cap Value Sustainability Fund

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AS OF 3.31.21

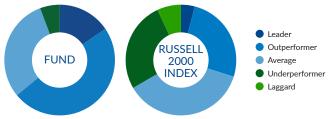
#### **OBJECTIVE**

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

#### **POTENTIAL ADVANTAGES**

- Favorable risk-adjusted return profile enhanced by incorporating ESG factors to evaluate prospective profitability, risk, and growth opportunities
- Appreciation potential from catalyst-driven earnings and cash flow growth

## COMPOSITE SUSTAINABILITY SCORE DISTRIBUTION (%)



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 and growth analysis

Develop proprietary, company-specific ESG 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 (%)	1 Year (%)	Since Inception (%)
Institutional Class	16.91	85.27	19.17
Investor Class	16.93	85.94	19.36
Russell 2000 Value	21.17	97.05	21.01

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

#### **VEHICLES**

- Mutual Fund
- Separately Managed Account
- Collective Investment Trust

#### **FUND FACTS**

Inception date: 12.19.2018 Expense Ratios<sup>2</sup> Net Institutional 3.64% 0.98% Investor 1.23% Minimum Investment Institutional \$100,000 Investor \$5,000 NAV//25 of 2 21 2021\

NAV (as 01 3.31.2021)	
Institutional	\$13.76
Investor	\$13.81

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 return would be lower than shown.

<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.

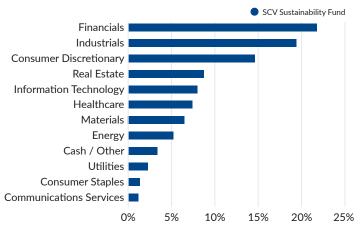
#### **FUND CHARACTERISTICS**

	<b>SCV Sustainability Fund</b>	R2000 Value
Number of holdings	84	1,507
Forward price/earnings (median)	15.7x	17.5x
Year 2 EPS growth	16.5%	11.0%
5-year return-on-equity	8.3%	7.2%
Weighted median market cap	\$3.6 B	\$2.7 B
% of portfolio in top 10	15.4%	5.6%

#### FUND MARKET CAP DISTRIBUTION

Market cap (%)	SCV Sustainability Fund	R2000 Value
< \$1,000 million	3.3	15.9
\$1,000 - \$2,000 million	17.0	21.6
\$2,000 - \$3,000 million	16.2	19.8
\$3,000 - \$5,000 million	36.7	28.6
> \$5,000 million	23.3	14.0

#### **FUND SECTOR WEIGHTS**



#### **FUND TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

	Allocation (%)
Wintrust Financial Corp	1.64%
Alexander & Baldwin Inc	1.64%
Liquidity Services Inc	1.58%
Ryder System Inc	1.57%
Steven Madden Ltd	1.57%
Enterprise Financial Service	1.56%
Physicians Realty Trust	1.54%
Redwood Trust Inc	1.53%
Bancorpsouth Bank	1.49%
Marriott Vacations World	1.47%

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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#### MESIROW EQUITY MANAGEMENT

An institutional asset manager focused exclusively on investing in small cap value and small-mid cap value equities.



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