



# SAGICOR (EQUITY) FUND

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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ASSET MANAGEMENT

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

This Fund seeks to balance risk and return with the aim of maximizing long-term capital appreciation through investing in a diversified portfolio mix of local, regional and international equities, domestic real estate, mortgages and fixed income instruments.

**Fund Inception Date:** April 09<sup>th</sup>, 1969

**Fund Manager:** Sagicor Asset Management Inc.

**Management Fee:** 0.75% per annum

### Fund Statistics:

**Net Asset Value:**

**\$683,149,278.63 BDS**

**Net Asset Value/Share:**

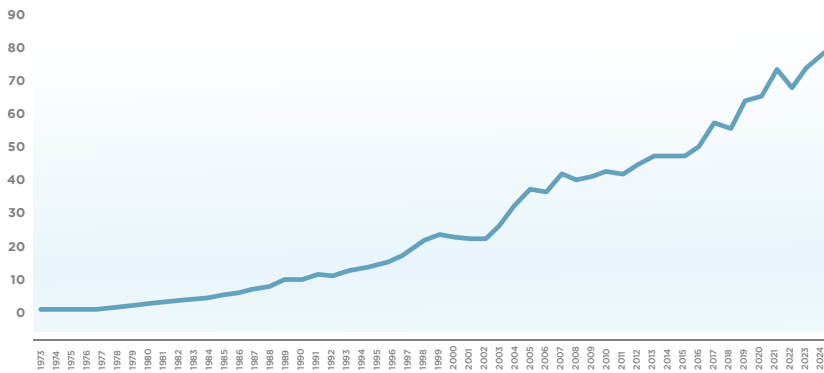
**\$80.96 BDS**

### Fund Performance (%)

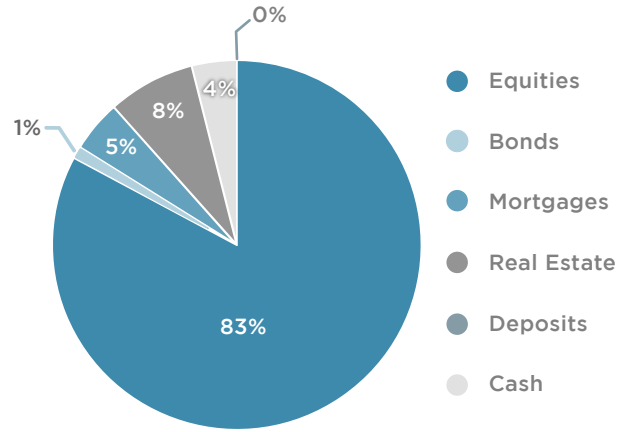
YTD	3-YR	5-YR	Since Inception
4.6%	4.0%	5.6%	7.5%

*\*Average annual calendar year performance*

### Fund Inception Return as at June 30, 2025



### Portfolio Asset Allocation



The initial shock from the Trump administration's 'Liberation Day' tariff announcement roiled equity markets at the beginning of the quarter. This sparked the VIX Index, a measure of equity volatility, to spike to above 50 within one week of the larger than expected reciprocal tariffs announcement, where levels above 21 is considered elevated. However, following declines in the U.S. dollar and U.S. Treasury bonds, an unprecedented development, the U.S. administration walked back its tariff rhetoric and announced a 90 day pause to the implementation of trade levies. Improved investor sentiment combined with benign inflation and stable economic data drove equity markets into a V-shaped recovery.

In the U.S., mid-cap growth stocks outperformed their value style counterparts with the Russell Mid Cap Growth Index returning 18.2% (QTD) while the Russell Mid Cap Value Index returned 5.4% (QTD). In the large-cap space, 6 of the 7 'Magnificent 7' stocks recorded positive earnings surprises and led to the collective return of 20.4% (QTD) of the 'Mag 7' Index. This was reflected in the sectoral performance of the U.S. equity market as the Technology and Communication Services sectors were both up 23.7% (QTD) and 18.5% (QTD), respectively. Overall, the S&P 500 Index ended the second quarter at a new all-time high and returned 10.9% (QTD) and 6.2% (YTD).

The U.S. dollar continued to show signs of weakening in the second quarter, with the DXY U.S. Dollar Index depreciating by -7% (QTD). This weakening bolstered the performance of non-U.S. equity markets. In addition, easing trade tensions between the U.S. and China proved to be beneficial for Emerging Market equities. Against this background, the MSCI EAFE and MSCI Emerging Market Indices advanced by 12.0% (QTD) and 12.2% (QTD), respectively on a total return basis. Contrastingly, local and regional equities dragged the performance of the fund this quarter with the Barbados Stock Exchange Index, Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange All Composite Index and Jamaica Stock Exchange Index all down by -2.9% (QTD), -2.1% (QTD), and -3.9% (QTD), respectively. Specifically, the Fund's holdings in Goddard Enterprises Ltd and CIBC Caribbean fell by -4.8% (QTD) and -2.9% (QTD), respectively.

The Sagicor (Equity) Fund continued its upward trajectory and advanced by 5.2% (QTD) and 4.6% (YTD). The Fund's net asset value increased to \$80.96 as at June 30, 2025 from \$76.95 as at March 31, 2025. Total net assets were reported at \$683.1 million at the end of June 2025, compared to \$656.7 million as at March 31, 2025.

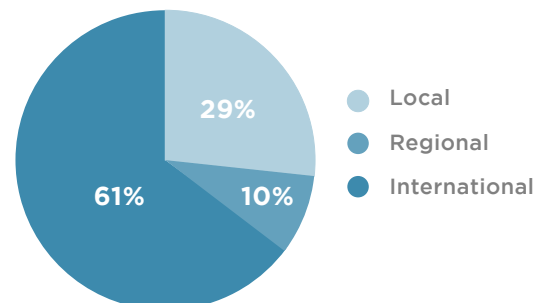
### Top 10 Holdings (%)

Goddard Enterprises Ltd	8%
Massy Holdings Ltd	5%
Pictet - PTR Atlas Fund	4%
CIBC Caribbean Bank Limited	4%
Merian Global Equity Absolute Return	3%
Man AHL Target Fund	3%
Royal Bank of Canada	3%
KKR K-PEC iCapital Offshore Access Fund	2%
Ares Private Market Fund	2%
JPM Global Select Equity USD Fund	2%
<b>Total of Top 10 Holdings</b>	<b>36%</b>

### Sector Analysis of International Holdings

Information Technology	27%
Financials	17%
Consumer Staples	5%
Health Care	10%
Communication Services	7%
Consumer Discretionary	12%
Energy	2%
Industrials	13%
Materials	4%
Real Estate	1%
Utilities	2%
<b>Total International Equity Holdings</b>	<b>100%</b>

### Geographic Breakdown



## Commentary

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**Sagicor (Equity) Fund**

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

This Fund seeks to achieve consistent long-term returns primarily from its investment in a diverse mix of local, regional and international sovereign and corporate bonds. The Fund is further diversified through its domestic mortgage holdings, regional & international equities and term deposits.

**Fund Inception Date:** April 09<sup>th</sup>, 1969

**Fund Manager:** Sagicor Asset Management Inc.

**Management Fee:** 0.50% per annum

### Fund Statistics:

**Net Asset Value:**

**\$467,195,759.64 BDS**

**Net Asset Value/Share: \$33.03 BDS**

**Number of Holdings: 294**

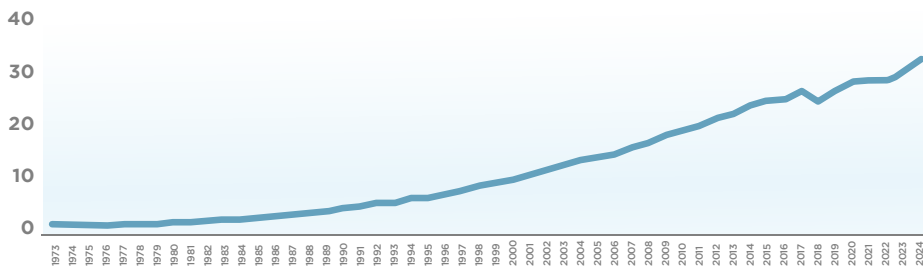
**Yield to Maturity: 6.0%**

### Fund Performance (%)

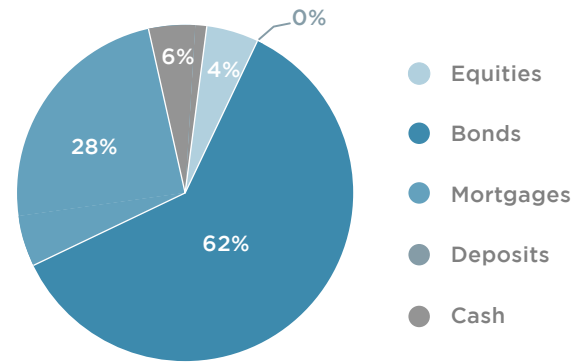
YTD	3-YR	5-YR	Since Inception
3.2%	2.5%	4.3%	6.9%

*\*Average annual calendar year performance*

### Fund Inception Return as at June 30, 2025



### Portfolio Asset Allocation



The International Fixed Income Market also benefited from the depreciation of the U.S. dollar as the cash flows from non-U.S. bonds when converted to USD rose. This resulted in Global Inflation Linked bonds and Global Investment Grade bonds being the top performing segments of the Fixed Income Market with returns of 4.7% (QTD) and 4.4% (QTD), respectively. On an aggregate basis, the Global Bond Market outperformed the U.S. Fixed Income Market during the quarter as the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index returned 4.5% (QTD) and the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index returned 1.2% (QTD).

On May 16, Moody's downgrade of the United States' credit rating from Aaa to Aa1 reignited concerns related to the size of the country's fiscal deficit and the long-term sustainability of the government's borrowing levels. This mid-May rating change sparked a sell-off in long-dated Treasuries with the 30-year U.S. Treasury yield reaching a quarter high of 5.08% after ending March at 4.59%. By the end of the first half of the year, the 30-year U.S. Treasury yield stood at 4.78%, relatively in line with where it commenced the year. The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield ended the quarter at 4.24%, relatively in line with where it started the quarter. The short-end of the yield curve fell by 17 basis points and ended the quarter at 3.72%.

As bond investors digested the fiscal implications of the 'One Big Beautiful Bill' which adds over USD \$3 trillion to the Federal debt over the next 10 years led to a steepening of the U.S. yield curve. The Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index returned 3.5% (QTD) as U.S. high yield bonds outpaced U.S. investment grade segment after a narrowing of spreads versus benchmark U.S. Treasuries post the 'Liberation Day' sell-off.

Against this background, Sagicor (Bonds) Fund's net asset value increased to BBD \$33.03 as at June 30, 2025 compared to BBD \$32.48 as at March 31, 2025. As at June 30, 2025, the fund grew by 1.7% (QTD) and 3.2% (YTD). Total net assets were reported at BBD \$467.2 million at the end of June 2025, compared to BBD \$464.8 million as at March 31, 2025.

### Top 10 Holdings (%)

Gov't of Barbados Series D 4.25% Due 08/31/2053	23%
Gov't of Bermuda 3.717% Due 01/25/27	8%
Gov't of Trinidad & Tobago 4.5% Due 08/04/26	4%
Gov't of Trinidad & Tobago 5.875% Due 05/17/27	3%
U.S Treasury Bill Due 08/26/2025	2%
Trinidad Generation Unlimited 7.75% Due 06/16/33	2%
Gov't of St. Lucia 6.25% Due 11/13/2031	2%
Natural Gas Company of Trinidad & Tobago 6.05% Due 01/15/36	2%
Franklin Templeton Brandywine Global Income Optimser Fund	2%
Gov't of Bermuda 4.75% Due 02/15/2029	1%
<b>Total of Top 10 Holdings</b>	<b>49%</b>

### Fixed Income Credit Quality (%)

AAA,AA	9%
A	20%
BBB	22%
BB	5%
B	42%
CCC, CC	0%
C	0%
D	0%

### Geographic Breakdown

