# Cornerstone Growth Fund

1Q2023 Domestic Equity

#### WHY INVEST

- Quantitatively-driven, repeatable investment process
- Combines growth investing with a valuation overlay
- Focus on undervalued companies that have proven earnings and stock price growth

# INVESTMENT CRITERIA

The Fund utilizes a quantitative formula to identify 50 common stocks with the highest one-year price appreciation that also have:

- Market capitalization > \$175 million
- Price-to-sales ratio below 1.5
- Annual earnings higher than the previous year
- Positive stock price appreciation over the past three- and six-month periods

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



**Neil J. Hennessy** 22 Years on Fund



**Ryan C. Kelley, CFA** 6 Years on Fund



**L. Joshua Wein, CAIA** 4 Years on Fund

# **FUND FACTS**

	Inv	Inst
Ticker	HFCGX	HICGX
CUSIP	425888104	425888500
Inception Date	11/1/96	3/3/08
Gross Expense Ratio	1.33%	1.01%
Morningstar Category		Small Blend
Total Fund Assets		\$162 Million

#### **OVERVIEW**

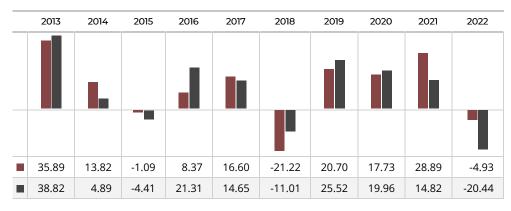
Quantitatively managed, the Fund maintains a concentrated portfolio, which seeks growth at a reasonable price.

# AVERAGE ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURN (%)

	QTR	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	Incep. (11/1/96)
Investor Class - HFCGX	-1.66	-1.66	-1.29	32.69	6.95	8.67	8.76
Institutional Class - HICGX <sup>1</sup>	-1.55	-1.55	-0.96	33.11	7.30	9.00	8.95
Russell 2000 <sup>®</sup> Index	2.74	2.74	-11.61	17.51	4.71	8.04	7.94
S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> Index	7.50	7.50	-7.73	18.60	11.19	12.24	8.91

#### CALENDAR YEAR TOTAL RETURNS (%)

■ Investor Class - HFCGX ■ Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index



#### RETURNS-BASED STATISTICS

HECGX Relative to Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index

	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR
Alpha	13.26	2.77	1.16
Beta	0.98	1.04	0.97
Upside Capture	124.21	106.28	94.86
Downside Capture	87.42	99.90	90.68

#### SHARPE RATIO

	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR
Investor Class - HFCGX	1.22	0.33	0.46
Institutional Class - HICGX	1.23	0.34	0.48
Russell 2000 <sup>®</sup> Index	0.77	0.25	0.45
Small Blend Category Average	0.93	0.27	0.44

Sharpe Ratio is a measure of risk-adjusted return, reflecting the average return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility.

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Represents the performance of the Institutional Class shares after 3/03/08 (inception of the share class) and Investor Class for periods prior to that date.

# Hennessy Cornerstone Growth Fund (HFCGX/HICGX) as of March 31, 2023



#### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Number of Holdings	50
Active Share vs. Russell 2000 <sup>®</sup> Index	96%
Portfolio Turnover	100%
Median Market Cap	\$4.3 Billion
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Median Price/Earnings	10.1x
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Portfolio Turnover, Price/Earnings, and Price/Sales shown reflects the trailing 12-month period.

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

Green Brick Partners, Inc.	2.2
Academy Sports & Outdoors, Inc.	2.2
Super Micro Computer, Inc.	2.2
Jabil, Inc.	2.1
Materion Corp.	2.1
Marathon Petroleum Corp.	2.1
Valero Energy Corp.	2.1
CVR Energy, Inc.	2.1
Clean Harbors, Inc.	2.1
Par Pacific Holdings, Inc.	2.1
Total as % of Net Assets	21.2

# **SECTOR WEIGHTING (%)**

	Fund	Index*	Diff
Industrials	30.1	17.0	+13.1
Energy	25.4	6.5	+18.9
Consumer Discretionary	15.8	11.4	+4.4
Materials	13.7	4.6	+9.2
Information Technology	6.3	12.4	-6.1
Financials	3.9	16.0	-12.1
Real Estate	1.9	6.3	-4.5
Utilities	0.0	3.3	-3.3
Health Care	0.0	16.0	-16.0
Consumer Staples	0.0	3.8	-3.8
Communication Services	0.0	2.8	-2.8
Cash & Other	2.9		

<sup>\*</sup> Russell 2000® Index



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Each Morningstar category average represents a universe of funds with similar objectives.

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