

## **SMALL CAP GROWTH CLASS**

As at 12/31/2023

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE:**

Equity Sectors (Morningstar)

To maximize long term capital appreciation, measured in U.S. dollars, through investment in publicly traded equity securities of small rapidly growing companies, or more established companies whose rates of earnings growth are expected to accelerate. Investments may be made in the securities of U.S. and Non-U.S. issuers.

### **Fund Facts Top Ten Holdings** Advisor William Blair Investment Management Portfolio Date: 12/31/2023 NAV (Qtr-End) 34.1603 % Base Currency US Dollar BWX Technologies Inc 2.4 Encompass Health Corp 2.4 Inception Date 1/2/2000 Chart Industries Inc 2.3 Fund Size \$20,483,154 Chemed Corp 2.2 Minimum Subscription \$10,000 Freshpet Inc 2.2 Subscriptions/Redemptions Weekly On Wednesdays elf Beauty Inc. 2.2 Distribution Status Acc Pool Corp 2.1 Annual Management Fee 1.25% Axon Enterprise Inc 2.1 **GVFSSMCG BH** Ticker ID Guidewire Software Inc 2.1 BMG3935X3283 ISIN ID 2.0 Five Below Inc Other 78.1 Total 100.0

### Portfolio Date: 12/31/2023 Healthcare 25.9 Industrials 22.4 Technology 21.3 Consumer Cyclical 7.9 Financial Services 6.7 Consumer Defensive 6.3 Energy 4.2 Utilities 1.7 Basic Materials 1.4 Communication Services 1.2 Real Estate 1.1

Total

# Portfolio Date: 12/31/2023 North America Africa/Middle East Asia dev 0.7 Total Portfolio Date: 12/31/2023

# Equity Market Capitalization Portfolio Date: 12/31/2023 Mid 47.8 Small 45.2 Micro 5.7 Large 1.3 Total 100.0

Equity Country Exposure		
Portfolio Date: 12/31/2023		
		%
	<ul><li>United States</li></ul>	94.6
	<ul><li>Canada</li></ul>	3.1
	• Israel	1.6
,	<ul><li>Taiwan</li></ul>	0.7
	Total	100.0
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	Total	100

Monthly R	Vonthly Returns - Global Voyager Small Cap Growth													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year	
2023	7.88	-0.28	-2.29	-2.46	0.55	7.81	1.55	-2.53	-5.37	-6.77	8.64	10.52	16.53	
2022	-16.74	-0.79	9.29	-10.23	-7.33	-4.84	7.91	-0.71	-8.04	6.27	7.39	-4.80	-23.49	
2021	1.21	7.37	-4.43	6.70	-5.92	3.85	-0.20	0.65	-1.82	3.53	0.79	-2.91	8.16	
2020	3.21	-4.41	-18.80	16.30	6.99	0.89	4.24	5.41	-1.75	1.45	10.86	7.16	30.85	
2019	8.23	3.36	0.20	2.85	-3.55	5.87	2.46	-1.46	-0.51	0.65	4.29	-1.02	22.87	
2018	2.57	-4.77	-1.83	0.80	1.69	0.09	1.98	2.83	-0.54	-7.72	1.01	-8.83	-12.79	
2017	1.65	3.25	-0.90	0.93	0.14	1.10	1.28	-3.17	4.18	1.63	2.25	1.35	14.36	
2016	-7.38	1.57	9.56	3.04	-0.33	-0.80	5.29	0.54	-0.20	-0.82	4.78	1.24	16.69	
2015	-1.25	4.22	0.99	0.47	0.46	2.55	-2.25	-4.97	-2.69	4.18	1.83	-2.93	0.14	
2014	-2.85	4.31	0.96	-2.19	1.87	2.70	-0.62	2.69	-2.57	1.62	3.69	1.12	10.92	
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## Fund Manager Commentary:

The GVF SC portfolio's performance in the fourth quarter was approximately on par with the Russell 2500 Growth Index, influenced by a blend of style factors and stock-specific dynamics. Our top contributors included Twist Bioscience, a synthetic DNA developer and manufacturer, and Carlyle Group, an alternative asset manager. These companies benefited from robust next-generation sequencing revenue, continued market share gains, new customer acquisitions, lower fee-related expenses, higher performance-related earnings, and a lower tax rate. Other significant contributors were Freshpet, TopBuild, and Blueprint Medicines.

On the other hand, our top detractors were Chart Industries, a leading global manufacturer of highly engineered cryogenic equipment, and Whitecap Resources, a Canadian oil-focused E&P company. These companies faced challenges such as project delays that negatively impacted revenues and released 2024 guidance indicating modestly lower production and higher capital expenditures. Additionally, easing oil prices during the quarter due to fading fears of undersupply also contributed to the underperformance.

Looking ahead, the prospect of moderating U.S. inflation and easing Fed policy has bolstered sentiment for a soft landing for the U.S. economy. However, the cumulative effect of the Fed's two-year rate-hiking cycle is still unfolding, and the transition from a near-zero interest rate policy to higher interest rates may lead to slower than expected economic growth. This, coupled with moderation in consumer spending and more limited pricing power for corporations as inflation eases, could pose potential headwinds for topline growth. Despite these challenges, we believe that companies with strong balance sheets, durable business models, sustainable cash flow, and the ability to self-fund growth are likely to be in an advantaged position relative to peers. Our philosophy of identifying durable businesses with attractive risk/reward opportunities should serve us well in a variety of economic environments, as it has historically.

## Investment Growth Time Period: 1/1/2019 to 12/31/2023 180.0 140.0 120.0 100.0 80.0 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Calendar Year Returns						
	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Global Voyager Small Cap Growth	16.53	16.53	-23.49	8.16	30.85	22.87
Russell 2500 Growth TR USD	18.93	18.93	-26.21	5.04	40.47	32.65

Global Voyager Small Cap Growth

Trailing Returns											
	3 Months	6 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years (Annualised)	5 Years (Annualised)	10 Years (Annualised)				
Global Voyager Small Cap Growth	11.95	4.85	16.53	16.53	-1.20	9.17	7.20				
Russell 2500 Growth TR USD	12.59	4.90	18.93	18.93	-2.68	11.43	8.78				

Risk & Re	eward P	Profile								
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US Small Cap Growth Benchmark: Russell 2500 Growth TR USD

William Blair Investment Mgt Appointed as Advisor to the Strategy 24th February 2019

The GVF fund's classification data within this factsheet is calculated by the Morningstar Direct system rather than the fund manager as on factsheets prior to 30 June 2016.

The GVF fund's final NAV for the year 2012 has been updated in Morningstar Direct to 31st December 2012. The calendar year returns for 2012 and 2013 have changed from previous factsheets reflecting the update.

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