



STERLING
CAPITAL FUNDS

DIVERSIFIED INCOME FUND

A Shares (BCGAX)
Inception 01.29.1998

C Shares (BCCCX)
Inception 02.01.2001

Inst'l Shares (BMGTX)
Inception 10.02.1997

03.31.2019

FUND FACTS

Investment Objective:

Seeks income and capital appreciation by investing in a broad range of income generating asset classes and strategies.

Total Net Assets \$17,430,166
Number of Holdings 17

TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO

A Shares (BCGAX) 1.44%
C Shares (BCCCX) 2.19%
Inst'l Shares (BMGTX) 1.19%

RISK/RETURN STATISTICS VS. 40% MSCI WORLD / 60% BLOOMBERG BARCLAYS AGGREGATE INDEX

10-Year

Alpha -0.32
Beta 1.02
R Squared 91.15
Standard Deviation 5.94
Sharpe Ratio 1.14
Capture Ratio Up 98.27
Capture Ratio Down 100.23

The composition of the fund's holdings is subject to change.

30-DAY SEC YIELD

A Shares (BCGAX) 3.72%
Inst'l Shares (BMGTX) 4.19%

SEC Yield is an annualization of the fund's total net investment income per share for the 30-day period ended on the last day of the month.

Philosophy and Process

The strategy is based on our belief that a diversified, opportunistic approach across multiple income-generating asset classes and strategies can produce a high income portfolio with a moderate long-term risk/return profile. Expanding the opportunity set to include non-traditional investments such as insurance-linked securities and option strategies has the potential to enhance income and also lead to additional sources of alpha. The portfolio management team will make allocation decisions according to their outlook for the economy, financial markets and relative market valuation of the underlying funds. The fund uses a cost-effective blend of active and passive management to help achieve its objectives.

The fund will invest 25% to 55% of its total assets in underlying funds which invest mainly in equity securities, 45% to 75% of its total assets in underlying funds which invest mainly in fixed income securities [including investment grade and high yield ("junk") bonds and floating rate securities]. The fund will invest in underlying funds which invest in securities of U.S., international and emerging market issuers. The fund may invest in underlying funds that engage in long/short equity strategies and that invest in derivatives.

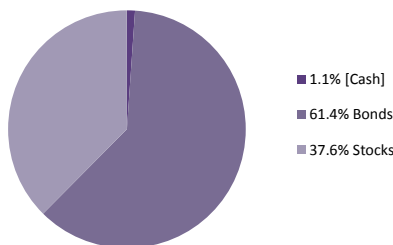
| Fund Performance 03.31.2019 | QTR | YTD | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years | Since Inception |
|--|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------|
| A Shares with 5.75% Charge | -0.50% | -0.50% | -3.26% | 2.16% | 2.16% | 6.28% | 3.86% |
| A Shares without Sales Charge | 5.62% | 5.62% | 2.60% | 4.21% | 3.39% | 6.92% | 4.14% |
| Institutional Shares | 5.61% | 5.61% | 2.83% | 4.45% | 3.64% | 7.17% | 4.41% |
| 40% MSCI World / 60% Bloomberg Barclays Aggregate Index | 6.72% | 6.72% | 4.55% | 5.55% | 4.50% | 7.39% | 5.49% |
| Lipper Mixed-Asset Target Allocation Conservative Median | 6.07% | 6.07% | 2.82% | 4.77% | 3.32% | 7.06% | -- |

| Year-End Returns | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|---|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| A Shares without Sales Charge | 11.28% | 0.23% | 9.21% | 7.45% | 6.52% | -2.01% | 8.49% | 6.39% | -4.85% |
| Institutional Shares | 11.56% | 0.46% | 9.49% | 7.63% | 6.91% | -1.74% | 8.66% | 6.77% | -4.64% |
| 40% MSCI World / 60% Bloomberg Barclays Aggregate Index | 9.18% | 2.67% | 8.96% | 8.72% | 5.63% | 0.22% | 4.73% | 10.75% | -3.33% |

Past performance does not guarantee future results. The performance data quoted represents past performance and current returns may be lower or higher. 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 the original cost. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month end and information on other share classes, please visit www.sterlingcapital.com. Performance for periods greater than one year is annualized.

Performance for Class A Shares for periods prior to inception is based on the performance of Institutional Shares of the Fund. Class A Shares and Institutional Shares of the Fund would have substantially similar performance because the Shares are invested in the same portfolio of securities and the performance would differ only to the extent that the Classes have different expenses.

Asset Allocation



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Portfolio Allocation*

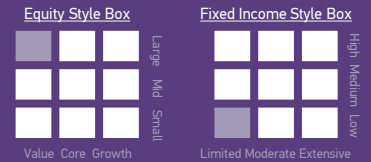
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| Dividend-Focused Equity | 23.2% |
| U.S. High Yield | 17.1% |
| Floating Rate Securities | 10.5% |
| Emerging Markets Debt | 10.8% |
| Insurance-Linked Securities | 9.1% |
| Option Strategies | 8.8% |
| MLPs | 5.5% |
| Preferred Securities | 4.3% |
| U.S. MBS | 4.8% |
| U.S. Long Treasury | 2.4% |
| U.S. Intermediate Treasury | 2.4% |
| [Cash] | 1.1% |

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. For a prospectus or summary prospectus with this and other information about the fund, please call (888) 228-1872 or visit our website at www.sterlingcapital.com. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.



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Morningstar Style Box



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Portfolio Management

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Co-Portfolio Manager

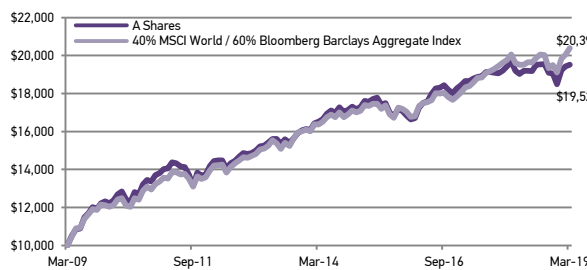
Shane joined Sterling Capital Management in 2013. He has investment experience since 2002. Shane is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington where he received his BS in Finance. He received his MBA from San Francisco-Golden Gate University.

Brandon Carl, CFA®

Director
Co-Portfolio Manager

Brandon joined BB&T Asset Management in 2001 and Sterling Capital Management through merger in October 2010. He has investment experience since 2001. Brandon is a graduate of the University of South Carolina where he received his BS in Finance and Management. He is a CFA® charterholder.

Growth of \$10,000



Top Five Holdings

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|----|--|--------|
| 1. | Ashmore Emerging Markets Short Duration | 10.80% |
| 2. | Loomis Sayles Senior Floating Rate | 10.50% |
| 3. | Stone Ridge High Yield Reinsurance Risk | 9.10% |
| 4. | Madison Covered Call & Equity, Income Fu | 8.80% |
| 5. | Federated Inst Hi Yld Bnd-ls | 7.10% |

Allocations are based on the current weight to funds in the cited category. The composition of the fund's holdings is subject to change.

The Growth of \$10,000 chart is hypothetical based upon the performance of A Shares without sales charge for the period ended 03.31.2019. It includes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains.

Lipper Mixed-Asset Target Allocation Conservative Category Based on Total Return as of 03.31.2019

| | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Lipper Ranking / Number of Funds in Category | 164/341 | 190/319 | 99/278 | 94/208 |
| Lipper Quartile (Percentile) | 2nd (48%) | 3rd (60%) | 2nd (36%) | 2nd (45%) |

Morningstar Allocation -- 30% - 50% Equity Category Based on Risk-Adjusted Returns as of 03.31.2019

| | Overall Rating | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years |
|---|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Institutional Shares Morningstar Rating™ | ★★★ | -- | ★★ | ★★★ | ★★★ |
| Morningstar Ranking / Number of Funds in Category | 488 | 314 / 558 | 421 / 488 | 218 / 386 | 183 / 268 |
| Morningstar Quartile (Percentile) | | 3rd (60%) | 4th (87%) | 3rd (60%) | 3rd (68%) |

Firm Overview

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Investment Considerations

The fund is primarily concentrated in underlying funds and is therefore subject to the same risks the funds are invested in and may entail higher expenses. The fund is also subject to valuation risk which is the risk the fund has valued certain securities that won't appreciate as anticipated or remain undervalued for a long period of time.

The underlying funds may be invested in equity securities including more aggressive investments that engage in short selling, options, exchange-traded funds (ETFs), Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs - affected by the natural resources sector of the economy and regulation) and real estate investment trusts (REITs - affected by economic factors related to the real estate industry). The fund's volatility may be amplified by its use of short sales and derivatives. Investments in fixed income and debt type securities are subject to credit risk, call risk, prepayment and interest rate risk so that as interest rates rise the value of bond prices will decline. Investing in high-yield debt (junk) securities involve greater risks and less liquidity than investment grade bonds.

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Ratings and Rankings would have been lower for Class A shares due to fees and expenses.

Lipper and Morningstar rankings are based on total return, including the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains but do not include sales charges for the periods indicated. Rankings shown are for Class I Shares and may be lower for Class A Shares due to higher fees and expenses. Mutual funds are assigned a rank within a universe of funds, relative to a peer group and similar in investment objective as determined by Lipper and Morningstar. The lower the number rank, the better the fund performed compared to other funds in the classification group. Lipper and Morningstar also calculate a percentile measure for each fund ranging from 1% (best) to 100% (worst).

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Technical Terms: **Alpha**- Alpha measures performance on a risk-adjusted basis by comparing it to the benchmark index. **Beta**- Beta attempts to measure the relative risk. A Beta rating above 1.0 indicates greater volatility than the market. A Beta rating below 1.0 indicates lower volatility than the market. **R-Squared**- A statistical measure that represents what amount of a fund's movements can be explained by movements in its benchmark index. A high R-Squared (between 85 and 100) indicates the fund's performance patterns have been in line with the index. **Standard Deviation**- A statistical measurement showing how widely the returns varied over a certain period of time. When a fund has a high standard deviation, the predicted range of performance implies greater volatility. **Sharpe Ratio**- The measurement of a fund's excess return. This helps determine if a fund's returns are due to sound investment decisions or excess risk. The greater a fund's Sharpe ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been. **Upside/Downside Capture Ratio**- The measurement of a fund's cumulative return divided by its benchmark's cumulative return during positive and negative market periods.

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