# GROW

# U.S. Small Cap Growth

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### **Investment Philosophy**

To invest in rapidly growing companies with unique products and services that address large market opportunities. We look for companies with above average revenue growth, high profitability potential, and responsible management teams.

### **Investment Process**

- 1. Early-stage idea generation & custom screening models
- 2. Disciplined, fundamental, bottom-up research approach
- 3. Portfolio comprised of small cap growth companies
- 4. Risk managed through diversification & position sizing

Investment Objective	•	Portfolio Managers		Benchmark	
To delivery consistent alpha by investing in U.S. based companies that		Carl Wiese, CFA Chief Investment Officer, Portfolio Manager		Russell 2000 Growth Index Inception Date	
•	correspond to the market capitalization range of the Russell 2000 Index.		Mike Collins Portfolio Manager		
				Firm AUM \$70 Million	
Strong inception- to-date alpha	Benchmark-like volatility	Favorable upside and downside capture ratios	Excess return correlations	Consistent exposure	

### Performance

	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	ITD
GROW U.S. Small Cap (Net)	5.78%	26.44%	26.44%	5.60%	12.84%	14.41%
Russell 2000 Growth Index	1.70%	15.15%	15.15%	0.21%	6.85%	10.19%

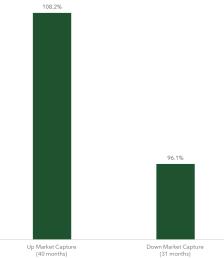
Performance metrics are calculated as of December 31st, 2024. All metrics are calculated net of fees. Inception to date beginning January 1st, 2019. GROW Funds LLC claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS). Source: GROW Funds LLC

### **Risk Statistics**

	GROW U.S. Small Cap	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Excess Return (Net)	4.22%	-
Alpha	4.75%	-
Tracking Error	11.12%	-
Standard Deviation	24.60%	23.99%
R-Squared	0.80	1.00
Beta	0.97	1.00
Information Ratio	0.38	-
Sharpe Ratio	0.48	0.32

Risk Statistics are annualized for the period beginning January 1, 2019, and calculated net of fees. Source: GROW Funds LLC





Market capture is calculated versus the Russell 2000 Growth Index for the inception to date period beginning January 1, 2019, net of fees. Source: GROW Funds LLC

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### **Characteristics**

	GROW Small Cap	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Number of holdings	17	1,103
% of Portfolio in the Top 3	27.3%	2.7%
Market Cap (Wtd Avg. \$M)	1,305	4,404
Active Share	97%	-
Portfolio Turnover (TTM)	117%	-
% of Stocks with Positive Sales Surprise	71%	57%
% of Stocks with Upward Sales Revisions	50%	42%
Revenue Growth 2025 (Wtd Avg.)	17.7%	7.8%
Earnings Growth 2025 (Wtd Avg.)	53.1%	71.9%
Price/Earnings 2025 (Avg.)	34.6x	39.8x
Enterprise Value/Sales 2025 (Wtd Avg.)	2.4x	2.1x

P/E 2024 excludes non-earners. Above metrics based on model account. Source: FactSet, iShares Russell 2000 Growth ETF, GROW Funds LLC

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### Health Care Industrials Consumer Staples Information Technology Materials Financials Utilities Consumer Discretionary Energy Communication Real Estate Cash

Portfolio weights are subject to change. Source: FactSet, GICS

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\* Inception date for the strategy is January 1, 2019.

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Net returns are presented net of brokerage commissions and include the reinvestment of income from interest and dividends as well as capital gains. The returns do not reflect the deduction of taxes a typical investor may accrue or custodial fees. Net returns are net of the maximum annual management fee of 1%. Performance is calculated in US dollars.

The Russell 2000 Growth Index (R2KGI) measures the performance of those Russell 2000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The Russell 2000 Growth Index has been chosen as a benchmark to the GROW Funds US Small Cap composite because the Advisor believes that it is the most appropriate broad-based securities index to be used for comparative purposes given the investment growth-oriented strategy of the portfolio.

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Sector Weights (%)