



NORTH STAR

Mutual Funds

2018 North Star Mutual Fund Overview

2018 was the year of twists and turns with the market hitting record highs in September to finishing with elevated volatility and retreating stock prices by the end of the year. Overall assets in the North Star Funds totaled \$240.7 million as of 12/31/18. The North Star strategies maintained a disciplined focus of investing primarily in domestic companies that generate high free cash flow and offer what we believe to be compelling valuations. Since we launched our mutual funds, the management structure of the firm and the portfolio managers of each fund has remained the same. Thank you for your continued support and trust in North Star.

North Star Micro Cap Fund NSMVX

- This Fund seeks to achieve capital appreciation by investing in micro-cap companies, defined as companies with market capitalizations under \$500 million.
- 9.47% Average Annual return since inception in 1997 vs. 5.65% Morningstar Small Value Index.

North Star Dividend Fund NSDVX

- This Fund seeks to achieve dividend income by investing in a diversified portfolio of dividend paying securities with market capitalizations under \$1 billion which offer dividend yields in excess of 3%.
- Rated 5 Stars by Morningstar out of 327 funds in the Small Value Category for the 5 year period ending 12/30/18 based on risk adjusted returns.
- 10.08% average annual return since inception in 2010 vs. 7.22% Morningstar Small Value Index.

North Star Opportunity Fund NSOIX

- This Fund seeks to achieve capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio from "Micro to Macro" securities – small and micro cap companies to the largest global corporations.
- 4.45% Average Annual return since inception in 2006 vs. 4.15% Morningstar Avg-Moderate Allocation.

North Star Bond Fund NSBDX

- The primary objective of the North Star Bond Fund is to generate income, with preservation of capital as a secondary objective. The fund invests in a diversified portfolio of bonds and other fixed income securities.
- 1.28% Average Annual return since inception in 2014 vs. 1.58% Morningstar Non-Traditional Bond Category.

Standard Performance as of 12/31/18

	1-yr	5-yr	10-yr	Since Inception		1-yr	3-yr	10-yr	Since Inception
NSDVX	-12.33%	4.65%	-	10.08%	NSBDX	-3.50%	2.24%	-	1.28%
The Fund's total annual operating expense ratio is 1.42% inception date 2/01/2010					The Fund's total annual operating expense ratio is 1.72% inception date 12/19/2014				
	1-yr	5-yr	10-yr	Since Inception		1-yr	5-yr	10-yr	Since Inception
NSMVX	-13.44%	1.32%	11.89%	9.47%	NSOIX class I	-10.17%	2.12%	11.24%	4.45%
The Fund's total annual operating expense ratio is 1.41% inception date 12/31/1997					The Fund's total annual operating expense ratio is 1.44% class I Class I inception date 12/31/2006				

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The Dividend Fund is the successor to the North Star Dividend Fund, L.P. (the "Predecessor Dividend Fund"), which transferred its assets to the Dividend Fund in connection with the Dividend Fund's commencement of operations on May 31, 2013. The Predecessor Dividend Fund was managed by the same adviser who currently manages the Dividend Fund, and had substantially similar investment objectives and strategies to those of the Dividend Fund. The performance includes the performance of the Predecessor Dividend Fund prior to the commencement of the Dividend Fund's operations. The Predecessor Dividend Fund's performance has been adjusted to reflect the annual deduction of fees and expenses applicable to the Class I Shares. The Predecessor Dividend Fund was not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. If the Predecessor Dividend Fund had been registered under the 1940 Act, its performance may have been different.

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Mutual Funds have investment risks including loss of principal. There is no guarantee the fund will meet its objective. In general, the price of a fixed income security falls when interest rates rise. There is a risk that issuers and counterparties will not make payments on securities and other investments held by the Fund, resulting in losses to the Fund. The Fund may invest in high yield securities, also known as "junk bonds". High yield securities provide greater income and opportunity for gain, but entail greater risk of loss of principal. Foreign common stocks and currency strategies will subject the Fund to currency trading risks that include market risk, credit risk and country risk. Municipal securities are subject to credit risk where a municipal security might not make interest and principal payments as they come due. The Advisor follows an investing style that favors value investments. At times when the value investing style is out of favor, the Fund may underperform other funds that use different investing styles. Investments in lesser-known, small and medium capitalization companies may be more vulnerable than larger, more established organizations. As with any investment, there are risks associated with REITs. Investments in lesser-known, small and medium capitalization companies may be more vulnerable than larger, more established organizations. The Advisor does not attempt to keep the portfolio structure or fund performance consistent with any market index. Increased portfolio turnover may result in higher brokerage commissions, and other transaction costs may result in taxable capital gains. Investors cannot directly invest in an index; unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges.

Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the North Star Funds. No-Load Mutual funds are sold without sales charge; however, they have ongoing expenses, such as management fees. This and other important information about each of the Funds are contained in the prospectus, which can be obtained at www.nsinvestfunds.com or by calling (855)580-0900. The prospectus should be read carefully before investing. The North Star Funds are distributed by Northern Lights Distributors, LLC member FINRA/SIPC.4308-NLD-2/20/2019