# Commerce MidCap Growth Fund

12/31/24



TICKER SYMBOL CFAGX CUSIP 200626505

**INCEPTION DATE** 12/12/94

## **FUND OBJECTIVE**

Seeks capital appreciation. The Fund pursues this objective through investment in equity investments of mid-cap issuers that show the potential for above-average growth in earnings.

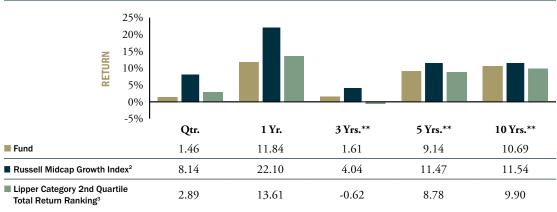
#### **MIDCAP GROWTH FUND UPDATE**

The mid cap growth market continued it's 2024 rally in the fourth quarter. Many investors focused on the positive implications of the two rate cuts in November and December by the Federal Reserve. Also, following the election, the tone for increased economic growth with less regulation in 2025 was viewed as a positive for forward earnings. The Commerce MidCap Growth Fund's return of 1.46% underperformed the Russell Mid Cap Growth Index return of 8.14%.

Stock selection was the primary detractor from the Fund's performance this quarter. The Fund's strongest stocks were Apollo Global Management Inc (1.18%), Exelixis, Inc. (1.19%), and Texas Pacific Land Corporation (1.06%), returning 32.60%, 28.32%, and 25.14%, respectively. The Fund's top detractors were Crocs, Inc. (0.00%), Universal Display Corporation (0.00%), and Mettler-Toledo Internation Inc (0.00%), returning -22.85%, -22.44%, and -14.85%, respectively.

The Fund's sector allocation detracted from the Fund's performance. The Fund's 3.44% underweight in the Consumer Discretionary sector, which returned 3.77%, added to performance as it was one of the weaker performing sectors. The Index had a 14.82% weight in the Consumer Discretionary sector. However, The Fund's 1.28% overweight in the Materials sector, which returned -11.21%, detracted from performance as it was the worst performing sector. The Index had a 1.26% weight in the Materials sector.

## **TOTAL RETURNS (%) AS OF 12/31/24**



Lipper Category: Mid-Cap Growth Funds

\*\* Returns for periods over one year are annualized. The returns represent past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The Fund's investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted above. To obtain the most recent month-end returns, please visit our website at https://commercefunds.com/fund-information/fund-performance.

SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION <sup>4</sup> (	%)				
Sector <sup>7</sup>	Fund	Index*	Sector <sup>7</sup>	Fund	Index*
Communication Services	3.83%	4.54%	Industrials	16.71%	17.30%
Consumer Discretionary	10.93%	14.77%	Information Technology	29.17%	27.50%
Consumer Staples	3.65%	2.27%	Materials	2.30%	1.13%
Energy	3.56%	4.04%	Real Estate	1.20%	1.26%
Financials	13.21%	12.71%	Utilities	1.20%	1.79%
Health Care	11.03%	12.52%	Unassigned	3.21%	0.17%

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION** 

Total Fund Assets \$202,228,206 Net Asset Value<sup>1</sup> \$44.15

**EXPENSE RATIO<sup>5</sup>** 

Current (net) 0.80%
Before Waiver (gross) 0.80%

#### MANAGER TEAM

The Fund is managed by the Equity Strategy Team, a group of senior-level investment professionals who average 38 years of experience.

#### ASSET ALLOCATION

Equities 99.2% Cash 0.8%

## **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

Weighted Avg. \$35.6 Mkt. Capitalization Billion Price/Earnings Ratio<sup>6</sup> 28.5x Number of Holdings 78

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS<sup>4</sup>

1	Palantir Technologies Inc	3.8%
2	iShares Russell MidCap Growth	3.2%
3	Applovin Corporation	2.5%
4	The Trade Desk Inc	1.4%
5	Teradyne Inc	1.3%
6	Allstate Corporation	1.3%
7	Cheniere Energy Inc	1.3%
8	Deckers Outdoor Corporation	1.3%
9	Paychex Inc	1.3%
10	Incyte Corporation	1.3%

# LIPPER TOTAL RETURN RANKINGS\*\*\*

Lipper Mid-Cap Growth Funds as of 12/31/24

1 Year 231 out of 362 5 Years 145 out of 314 10 Years 77 out of 255

# MORNINGSTAR RISK ADJUSTED RATINGS\*\*\*\*

Mid-Cap Growth Funds Category as of 12/31/24

Overall \*\*\* out of 479

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3-Year \*\*\* out of 479 funds

5-Year \*\*\* out of 440 funds

10-Year \*\*\* out of 358 funds

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### **NOTES**

- 1. The Net Asset Value represents the assets of the Fund (ex dividend) divided by the total number of shares.
- 2. The Russell MidCap Growth Index is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of those Russell Midcap companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees, expenses or taxes. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index.
- 3. The Lipper Category 2nd Quartile Total Return Ranking represents the lowest performing fund in the second quartile within the respective Lipper investment category.
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- 5. The total annual operating expenses of the Funds, both current (net of any fee waivers or expense limitations) and before waivers (gross of any fee waivers or expense limitations), are as set forth above. In the case of the Value, Growth, MidCap Value, Bond, Short-Term Government, National Tax-Free Intermediate, Missouri Tax-Free Intermediate and Kansas Tax-Free Intermediate Funds, the Adviser has contractually agreed to limit each Fund's total annual operating expenses (excluding interest, taxes and extraordinary expenses) until March 1, 2025. After that date, the Adviser or a Fund may terminate the contractual arrangement. A Fund's total annual operating expenses may increase without shareholder approval. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.
- 6. The price-earnings ratio (PE Ratio) is the market value per share of a company, divided by its earnings per share (EPS). The PE Ratio is used as a measure of valuation of a company's stock price.
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A basis point (bp) is equal to 1/100th of 1%, or 0.01% (0.0001). For example: 1% change = 100 basis points, and 0.01% = 1 basis point.

### **FOOTNOTES**

The Fund invests in mid-capitalization securities. The securities of mid-capitalization companies involve greater risks than those associated with larger, more established companies and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements.

- \* Russell Midcap Growth Index
- \*\* The Total Returns are average annual total returns or cumulative total returns (only if the performance period is one year or less) as of the most recent calendar quarter-end. They are net of expenses and assume reinvestment of all distributions at net asset value. Because the Fund is not subject to a sales charge, such a charge is not applied to their Total Returns.
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