

TSX Symbol	BUA.UN
Current Monthly Distribution	\$0.05
Current Annual Distribution	\$0.60
Cash Distributions Since Inception	\$2.82
Inception Date	March 21, 2013
Management Fee	1.15% p.a.

## MARKET COMMENTARY (January 3, 2018)

After another record year for the U.S. market, we are expecting single digit returns from U.S. equities in 2018. Trump's presidency continues to produce an uncertain economic environment. The recently passed and widely anticipated Tax Reform was positively received, however; there remains an uncertainty surrounding trade and the future of NAFTA. Despite this, we remain active on seeking additional new investments that are able to prosper in many economic environments while maintaining our patient investment approach.

## INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

**Investment Objectives.** The Fund's investment objectives are to provide holders with: (i) exposure to an actively managed portfolio comprised primarily of publicly traded high dividend paying U.S. common equity securities, including REITs; (ii) stable monthly cash distributions; and (iii) the opportunity for capital appreciation.

**Proven Investment Strategy.** Bloom Investment Counsel, established in 1985 by Paul Bloom, specializes in income oriented equity investments and has over 15 years of experience investing in the high yield equity area.

**Attractive Monthly Income.** Attractive monthly distributions, targeted to be 6.0% p.a. based on an annual distribution of \$0.60 and \$10.00 IPO price.

**Distribution Reinvestment Plan.** Distributions are able to be reinvested in accordance with the DRIP.

Compound Annual Returns (net of all fees) <sup>1</sup>	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>
Bloom U.S. Income & Growth Fund, Class A, C\$	2.7%	2.7%	N/A	N/A	4.2%
S&P 500 Total Return Index	13.8%	14.3%			19.2%
Outperformance <sup>3</sup>	-11.1%	-11.6%			-15.0%
Bloom U.S. Income & Growth Fund, Class U, US\$	3.4%	2.4%	N/A	N/A	4.4%
S&P 500 Total Return Index	21.8%	11.4%			14.3%
Outperformance <sup>3</sup>	-18.4%	-9.0%			-9.9%

(1) Returns are net asset value returns for the period ended December 31, 2017 and are unaudited. Calculated on a total return basis by assuming reinvestment of each cash distribution. For periods less than one year, the returns are not compounded. Investment funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. (2) Period starting March 21, 2013. (3) Outperformance relative to S&P 500 Total Return Index over the same time period. This Index tracks the performance, on a market weight basis and a total return basis, of a broad index of large-capitalization issuers listed on the S&P 500, including common stocks and REITs. Since the Fund is actively managed, the sector weightings differ from those of the Index. In addition, the Fund's portfolio contains predominantly high dividend paying securities, whereas the Index does not necessarily focus on this type of investment. As well, the Fund may invest in issuers that are not included in the Index. For these reasons it is not expected that the Fund's performance will mirror that of the Index. Further, the Index is calculated without the deduction of fees and fund expenses, whereas the performance of the Fund is calculated after deducting all applicable fees and expenses. Investment funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. Commissions, management fees and other expenses may all be associated with investment funds. Please read the Funds' publicly filed documents which are available from SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION (December 31, 2017)

Top 10 Holdings	% of Net Asset Value	Top 10 Holdings	% of Net Asset Value
Intel Corporation	8.2%	First Financial Bancorp	7.2%
Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc.	7.8%	Tronox Limited	7.1%
Weyerhaeuser Company	7.6%	Ship Finance International Limited	7.0%
CatchMark Timber Trust, Inc.	7.6%	Regal Entertainment Group	6.6%
Eli Lilly and Company	7.4%	New York Community Bancorp, Inc.	6.5%

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