A misty, early morning landscape featuring a large dam in the foreground. The dam is a long, low wall made of dark material, possibly gravel or stone, stretching across the frame. Beyond the dam, a body of water is visible, partially obscured by a thick layer of fog. In the background, a line of green trees is visible under a pale, overcast sky. The overall mood is serene and quiet.

Payson Total Return Fund

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PAYSON TOTAL RETURN FUND

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

An investment in the Fund is subject to risk, including the possible loss of principal. Other Fund risks include equity risk, convertible securities risk, debt securities risk, exchange-traded funds risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, inflation indexed security risk, government securities risk, value investment risk, mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities risk, and foreign investments risk. Foreign investing involves certain risks and increased volatility not associated with investing solely in the U.S., including currency fluctuations, economic or financial instability, lack of timely or reliable financial information or unfavorable political or legal developments. Mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities risks include extension risk and prepayment risk. In addition, the Fund invests in midcap companies, which pose greater risks than those associated with larger, more established companies. There is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

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A MESSAGE TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS (UNAUDITED)

MARCH 31, 2020

Dear Payson Total Return Fund Shareholder,

Much like the prior fiscal year's results, the Payson Total Return Fund (the "Fund") experienced positive returns throughout much of the 2020 fiscal year ending March 31, 2020 only to give up all the return and then some in the final quarter. The Fund did manage to outperform the S & P 500 Index (the "Index") this past fiscal year however generating total returns of -5.48% versus the Index's total return of -6.99% for the same period. Although the managers of the Fund were disappointed in a negative return for the year, they were pleased to generate returns in excess of the Index and believe it reflects a continued commitment to managing a portfolio of common stocks that collectively possess better fundamental operating characteristics vis a vis the Index. The Fund seeks to invest in companies with above average and sustainable returns on capital versus the Index. The managers believe this factor largely explains the outperformance versus the Index and reflects confidence that the companies represented in the Fund have potential competitive advantages versus their peers. In turn, these companies, which have historically generated positive cash flows, may ultimately inure to the benefit of shareholders through stock repurchases and dividend growth. Naturally, through this selection process, the managers underweight and overweight economic sectors relative to the benchmark in an effort to ensure the characteristics they are seeking are superior to that of the Index. For example, for some time, the managers have largely avoided exposure to the energy sector as they find it capital intensive, highly leveraged and challenged to earn returns on capital in excess of the sector's cost of capital. The opposite can be said of many companies within the technology sector, the largest sector in the Index and even a bigger sector within the Fund. Here companies are currently enjoying strong sales, producing high profit margins, generating significant cash flow and in many cases rewarding shareholders through stock repurchases and rising dividends.

As the 2019 calendar year was concluding, the Fund managers generally felt the economy was in good shape with inflation and interest rates remaining low, historically strong employment levels with wages gradually rising. Consumer demand was picking up pace and the prospects for capital investment seemed to be improving as well. As we are all now painfully aware, the final quarter of the fiscal year (1st Quarter of 2020) the Covid-19 pandemic emerged and rapidly spread worldwide negatively impacting global economic growth. Corporate revenue and earnings are now collapsing as companies big and small are experiencing a fall in demand with consumers retrenching in an effort to stem the spread of the virus. Central Banks around the world led by the Federal Reserve have taken immediate and significant action to lessen the economic impact. Too, the US government has also launched several fiscal financial responses to mitigate the economic fallout. As a result, stocks around the world are experiencing record volatility falling dramatically at the outset only to experience a breathtaking recovery in response to the government's actions.

As mentioned earlier, the managers believe their focus on the underlying characteristics of the portfolio help explain how the Fund has performed favorably compared to the Index even throughout the downturn. Although the Fund has maintained a significant exposure to technology stocks, the portfolio has also had a higher commitment to the health care sector relative to the Index and that too has contributed positively to the Fund's results. The managers choice to underweight consumer staples stocks proved to be a drag on

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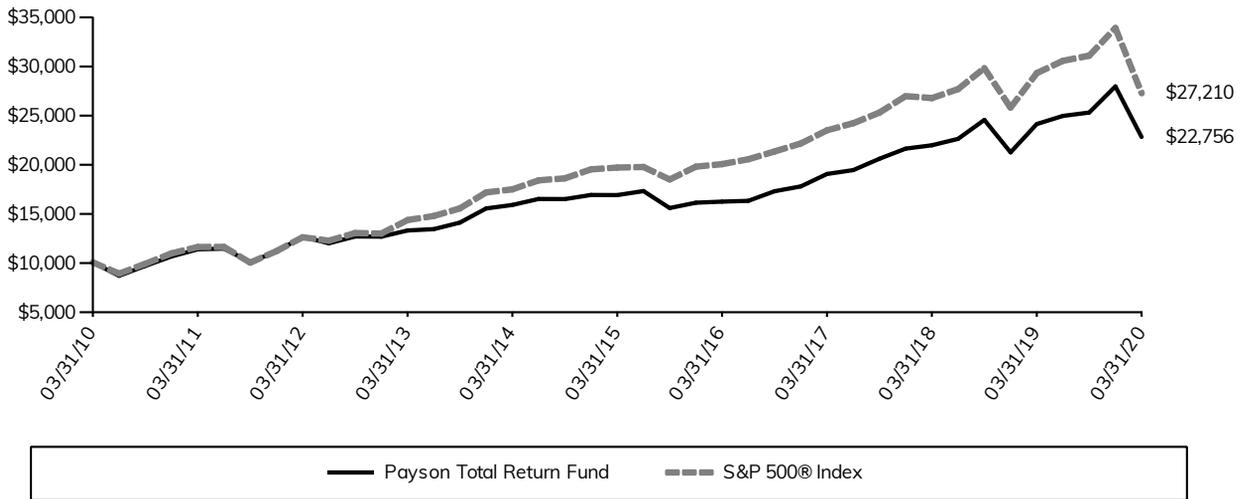
results as investors typically flock to this sector during periods of market duress. The top five contributors to the Fund's performance this past year based on their weights in the portfolio relative to the Index were Amgen Inc., S & P Global Inc., Apple Inc., Visa Inc. Class A, and Intel Corp. The five stocks that detracted from the Fund's return based on their weights in the portfolio relative to the Index include Fortive Corp., Aflac Inc., Aptiv PLC, Microsoft Corp., and Cisco Systems Inc.

There is no doubt the Covid -19 pandemic has shaken the entire globe's economic foundation and with that comes significant uncertainty about the ultimate outcome. Nevertheless, between medical science actively researching vaccines, Central Banks and Governments extending monetary and fiscal assistance, and companies and consumers adapting, the Fund managers believe overall volatility in the market will abate and growth will eventually return. In the meantime, the managers will take advantage of the market volatility actively seeking opportunities as they present themselves while focusing on improving the portfolio's underlying characteristics.

PAYSON TOTAL RETURN FUND
PERFORMANCE CHART AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
MARCH 31, 2020

The following chart reflects the change in the value of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment, including reinvested dividends and distributions, in Payson Total Return Fund (the "Fund") compared with the performance of the benchmark, S&P 500 Index (the "S&P 500"), over the past ten fiscal years. The S&P 500 is a broad-based measurement of the U.S. stock market based on the performance of 500 widely held large capitalization common stocks. The total return of the index includes the reinvestment of dividends and income. The total return of the Fund includes operating expenses that reduce returns, while the total return of the index does not include expenses. The Fund is professionally managed, while the index is unmanaged and is not available for investment.

**Comparison of Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment
 Payson Total Return Fund vs. S&P 500 Index**



Average Annual Total Returns Periods Ended March 31, 2020	One Year	Five Year	Ten Year
Payson Total Return Fund	-5.48%	6.20%	8.57%
S&P 500® Index	-6.98%	6.73%	10.53%

Performance data quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than original cost. As stated in the Fund's prospectus, the annual operating expense ratio (gross) is 0.89%. The performance table and graph do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares. Returns greater than one year are annualized. For the most recent month-end performance, please call (800) 805-8258.

PAYSON TOTAL RETURN FUND
SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS
MARCH 31, 2020

<u>Shares</u>	<u>Security Description</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Security Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
Common Stock - 100.0%			Information Technology - 41.2%		
Consumer Discretionary - 9.4%			17,804	Accenture PLC, Class A	\$ 2,906,681
2,615	Amazon.com, Inc. (a)	\$ 5,098,518	4,875	Alphabet, Inc., Class A (a)	5,664,506
12,831	The Home Depot, Inc.	2,395,676	19,027	Apple, Inc.	4,838,376
49,546	The TJX Cos., Inc.	2,368,794	11,300	Broadcom, Inc.	2,679,230
		<u>9,862,988</u>	23,075	CDW Corp.	2,152,205
Consumer Staples - 2.8%			66,853	Cisco Systems, Inc.	2,627,991
10,325	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	<u>2,928,170</u>	18,250	Facebook, Inc., Class A (a)	3,044,100
Financial - 20.0%			19,860	Fidelity National Information Services, Inc.	2,415,770
44,976	Aflac, Inc.	1,539,978	26,700	IBM	2,961,831
24,040	American Express Co.	2,058,065	88,808	Intel Corp.	4,806,289
35,000	Bank of America Corp.	743,050	6,350	Lam Research Corp.	1,524,000
14,139	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., Class B (a)	2,585,033	7,300	Leidos Holdings, Inc.	669,045
22,516	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	2,027,116	27,260	Microsoft Corp.	4,299,175
18,420	Mastercard, Inc., Class A	4,449,535	7,000	Raytheon Co.	918,050
11,500	S&P Global, Inc.	2,818,075	15,590	Texas Instruments, Inc.	1,557,909
29,100	Visa, Inc., Class A	4,688,592			<u>43,065,158</u>
		<u>20,909,444</u>		Total Common Stock (Cost \$74,016,765)	104,455,040
Health Care - 17.4%				Investments, at value - 100.0% (Cost \$74,016,765)	\$ 104,455,040
27,500	AbbVie, Inc.	2,095,225		Other Assets & Liabilities, Net - 0.0%	<u>20,012</u>
20,457	Amgen, Inc.	4,147,248		Net Assets - 100.0%	<u>\$ 104,475,052</u>
23,621	Danaher Corp.	3,269,383			
26,780	Johnson & Johnson	3,511,661	PLC	Public Limited Company	
24,845	Merck & Co., Inc.	1,911,574	(a)	Non-income producing security.	
4,500	Teleflex, Inc.	1,317,870			
7,476	UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	1,864,365		The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of March 31, 2020.	
		<u>18,117,326</u>			
Industrials - 9.2%				The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. For more information on valuation inputs, and their aggregation into the levels used in the table below, please refer to the Security Valuation section in Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.	
22,000	AMETEK, Inc.	1,584,440			
40,000	Colfax Corp. (a)	792,000			
9,600	Cummins, Inc.	1,299,072			
12,177	General Dynamics Corp.	1,611,139			
7,300	Honeywell International, Inc.	976,667			
6,500	L3Harris Technologies, Inc.	1,170,780			
3,900	Parker-Hannifin Corp.	505,947			
17,300	United Technologies Corp.	1,631,909			
		<u>9,571,954</u>			

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS
MARCH 31, 2020

<u>Valuation Inputs</u>	<u>Investments in Securities</u>
Level 1 - Quoted Prices	\$ 104,455,040
Level 2 - Other Significant Observable Inputs	-
Level 3 - Significant Unobservable Inputs	-
Total	<u>\$ 104,455,040</u>

The Level 1 value displayed in this table is Common Stock. Refer to this Schedule of Investments for a further breakout of each security by industry.

PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (Unaudited)

% of Total Investments

Consumer Discretionary	9.4%
Consumer Staples	2.8%
Financial	20.0%
Health Care	17.4%
Industrials	9.2%
Information Technology	41.2%
	<u>100.0%</u>

PAYSON TOTAL RETURN FUND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
MARCH 31, 2020

ASSETS

Investments, at value (Cost \$74,016,765)	\$	104,455,040
Cash		255,343
Receivables:		
Dividends and interest		26,150
Prepaid expenses		9,111
Total Assets		<u>104,745,644</u>

LIABILITIES

Payables:		
Fund shares redeemed		13,558
Distributions payable		153,613
Accrued Liabilities:		
Investment adviser fees		54,560
Fund services fees		15,046
Other expenses		33,815
Total Liabilities		<u>270,592</u>

NET ASSETS \$ 104,475,052

COMPONENTS OF NET ASSETS

Paid-in capital	\$	74,154,052
Distributable earnings		<u>30,321,000</u>
NET ASSETS	\$	<u>104,475,052</u>

SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST AT NO PAR VALUE (UNLIMITED SHARES AUTHORIZED) 5,750,992

NET ASSET VALUE, OFFERING AND REDEMPTION PRICE PER SHARE \$ 18.17

PAYSON TOTAL RETURN FUND

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2020

INVESTMENT INCOME

Dividend income (Net of foreign withholding taxes of \$18)	\$	1,872,286
Interest income		7,600
Total Investment Income		<u>1,879,886</u>

EXPENSES

Investment adviser fees		706,775
Fund services fees		187,051
Custodian fees		12,384
Registration fees		17,184
Professional fees		41,399
Trustees' fees and expenses		6,324
Other expenses		41,191
Total Expenses		<u>1,012,308</u>

NET INVESTMENT INCOME867,578**NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS)**

Net realized gain on investments		452,524
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments		(7,489,749)

NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSS(7,037,225)**DECREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS**\$ (6,169,647)

PAYSON TOTAL RETURN FUND
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	For the Years Ended March 31,	
	2020	2019
OPERATIONS		
Net investment income	\$ 867,578	\$ 722,197
Net realized gain	452,524	239,355
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(7,489,749)	8,717,251
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	<u>(6,169,647)</u>	<u>9,678,803</u>
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS		
Total Distributions Paid	<u>(867,572)</u>	<u>(718,980)</u>
CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Sale of shares	18,427,705	12,810,743
Reinvestment of distributions	377,018	307,206
Redemption of shares	(16,202,815)	(8,656,484)
Increase in Net Assets from Capital Share Transactions	<u>2,601,908</u>	<u>4,461,465</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	<u>(4,435,311)</u>	<u>13,421,288</u>
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of Year	<u>108,910,363</u>	<u>95,489,075</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ 104,475,052</u>	<u>\$ 108,910,363</u>
SHARE TRANSACTIONS		
Sale of shares	889,432	693,817
Reinvestment of distributions	18,985	16,559
Redemption of shares	(779,474)	(463,798)
Increase in Shares	<u>128,943</u>	<u>246,578</u>

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

These financial highlights reflect selected data for a share outstanding throughout each year.

	For the Years Ended March 31,				
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
NET ASSET VALUE, Beginning of Year	\$ 19.37	\$ 17.76	\$ 16.14	\$ 13.94	\$ 15.21
INVESTMENT OPERATIONS					
Net investment income (a)	0.15	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.16
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(1.20)	1.61	2.33	2.25	(0.76)
Total from Investment Operations	(1.05)	1.74	2.47	2.41	(0.60)
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS FROM					
Net investment income	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.12)	(0.21)	(0.16)
Net realized gain	-	-	(0.73)	-	(0.51)
Total Distributions to Shareholders	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.85)	(0.21)	(0.67)
NET ASSET VALUE, End of Year	\$ 18.17	\$ 19.37	\$ 17.76	\$ 16.14	\$ 13.94
TOTAL RETURN	(5.48)%	9.83%	15.39%	17.41%	(3.94)%
RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTARY DATA					
Net Assets at End of Year (000s omitted)	\$ 104,475	\$ 108,910	\$ 95,489	\$ 78,888	\$ 74,514
Ratios to Average Net Assets:					
Net investment income	0.74%	0.71%	0.82%	1.10%	1.11%
Net expenses	0.86%	0.89%	0.94%	0.98%	0.97%
PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATE	25%	27%	38%	30%	55%

(a) Calculated based on average shares outstanding during each year.

Note 1. Organization

The Payson Total Return Fund (the “Fund”) is a diversified portfolio of Forum Funds (the “Trust”). The Trust is a Delaware statutory trust that is registered as an open-end, management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Act”). Under its Trust Instrument, the Trust is authorized to issue an unlimited number of the Fund’s shares of beneficial interest without par value. The Fund commenced operations on November 25, 1991. The Fund seeks a combination of high current income and capital appreciation.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Fund is an investment company and follows accounting and reporting guidance under Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 946, “Financial Services – Investment Companies.” These financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”), which require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets from operations during the fiscal period. Actual amounts could differ from those estimates. The following summarizes the significant accounting policies of the Fund:

Security Valuation – Securities are valued at market prices using the last quoted trade or official closing price from the principal exchange where the security is traded, as provided by independent pricing services on each Fund business day. In the absence of a last trade, securities are valued at the mean of the last bid and ask price provided by the pricing service.

The Fund values its investments at fair value pursuant to procedures adopted by the Trust’s Board of Trustees (the “Board”) if (1) market quotations are not readily available or (2) the Adviser, as defined in Note 4, believes that the values available are unreliable. The Trust’s Valuation Committee, as defined in the Fund’s registration statement, performs certain functions as they relate to the administration and oversight of the Fund’s valuation procedures. Under these procedures, the Valuation Committee convenes on a regular and ad hoc basis to review such investments and considers a number of factors, including valuation methodologies and significant unobservable inputs, when arriving at fair value.

The Valuation Committee may work with the Adviser to provide valuation inputs. In determining fair valuations, inputs may include market-based analytics that may consider related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, book values and other relevant investment information. Adviser inputs may include an income-based approach in which the anticipated future cash flows of the investment are discounted in determining fair value. Discounts may also be applied based on the nature or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the investments. The Valuation Committee performs regular reviews of valuation methodologies, key inputs and assumptions, disposition analysis and market activity.

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Fair valuation is based on subjective factors and, as a result, the fair value price of an investment may differ from the security's market price and may not be the price at which the asset may be sold. Fair valuation could result in a different net asset value ("NAV") than a NAV determined by using market quotes.

GAAP has a three-tier fair value hierarchy. The basis of the tiers is dependent upon the various "inputs" used to determine the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 - Prices determined using significant other observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.). Short-term securities with maturities of sixty days or less are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value, and are categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy. Municipal securities, long-term U.S. government obligations and corporate debt securities are valued in accordance with the evaluated price supplied by a pricing service and generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy. Other securities that are categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy include, but are not limited to, warrants that do not trade on an exchange, securities valued at the mean between the last reported bid and ask quotation and international equity securities valued by an independent third party with adjustments for changes in value between the time of the securities' respective local market closes and the close of the U.S. market.

Level 3 - Significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The aggregate value by input level, as of March 31, 2020, for the Fund's investments is included at the end of the Fund's Schedule of Investments.

Security Transactions, Investment Income and Realized Gain and Loss – Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Non-cash dividend income is recorded at the fair market value of the securities received. Foreign dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or as soon as possible after determining the existence of a dividend declaration after exercising reasonable due diligence. Income and capital gains on some foreign securities may be subject to foreign withholding taxes, which are accrued as applicable. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Premium is amortized and discount is accreted using the effective interest method. Identified cost of investments sold is used to determine the gain and loss for both financial statement and federal income tax purposes.

Distributions to Shareholders – Distributions to shareholders of net investment income, if any, are declared and paid quarterly. Distributions to shareholders of net capital gains and net foreign currency gains, if any, are declared and paid at least annually. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Distributions are based on amounts calculated in accordance with applicable federal income tax regulations,

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which may differ from GAAP. These differences are due primarily to differing treatments of income and gain on various investment securities held by the Fund, timing differences and differing characterizations of distributions made by the Fund.

Federal Taxes – The Fund intends to continue to qualify each year as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of Chapter 1, Subtitle A, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (“Code”), and to distribute all of its taxable income to shareholders. In addition, by distributing in each calendar year substantially all of its net investment income and capital gains, if any, the Fund will not be subject to a federal excise tax. Therefore, no federal income or excise tax provision is required. The Fund files a U.S. federal income and excise tax return as required. The Fund’s federal income tax returns are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service for a period of three fiscal years after they are filed. As of March 31, 2020, there are no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement recognition, de-recognition or disclosure.

Income and Expense Allocation – The Trust accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each of its investment portfolios. Expenses that are directly attributable to more than one investment portfolio are allocated among the respective investment portfolios in an equitable manner.

Commitments and Contingencies – In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that provide general indemnifications by the Fund to the counterparty to the contract. The Fund’s maximum exposure under these arrangements is dependent on future claims that may be made against the Fund and, therefore, cannot be estimated; however, based on experience, the risk of loss from such claims is considered remote. The Fund has determined that none of these arrangements requires disclosure on the Fund’s balance sheet.

Note 3. Cash – Concentration in Uninsured Account

For cash management purposes, the Fund may concentrate cash with the Fund’s custodian. This typically results in cash balances exceeding the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”) insurance limits. As of March 31, 2020, the Fund had \$5,343 at MUFG Union Bank, N.A. that exceeded the FDIC insurance limit.

Note 4. Fees and Expenses

Investment Adviser – H.M. Payson & Co. (the “Adviser”) is the investment adviser to the Fund. Pursuant to an investment advisory agreement, the Adviser receives an advisory fee, payable monthly, from the Fund at an annual rate of 0.60% of the Fund’s average daily net assets.

Distribution – Foreside Fund Services, LLC serves as the Fund’s distributor (the “Distributor”). The Fund does not have a distribution (12b-1) plan; accordingly, the Distributor does not receive compensation from the Fund for its distribution services. The Adviser compensates the Distributor directly for its services. The Distributor is not affiliated with the Adviser or Atlantic Fund Administration, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Apex US Holdings, LLC (d/b/a Apex Fund Services) (“Apex”) or their affiliates.

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Other Service Providers – Apex provides fund accounting, fund administration, compliance and transfer agency services to the Fund. The fees related to these services are included in Fund services fees within the Statement of Operations. Apex also provides certain shareholder report production and EDGAR conversion and filing services. Pursuant to an Apex services agreement, the Fund pays Apex customary fees for its services. Apex provides a Principal Executive Officer, a Principal Financial Officer, a Chief Compliance Officer and an Anti-Money Laundering Officer to the Fund, as well as certain additional compliance support functions.

Trustees and Officers – The Trust pays each independent Trustee an annual retainer of \$31,000 for services to the Trust (\$41,000 for the Chairman). The Audit Committee Chairman receives an additional \$2,000 annually. The Trustees and Chairman may receive additional fees for special Board meetings. Each Trustee is also reimbursed for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with his or her duties as a Trustee, including travel and related expenses incurred in attending Board meetings. The amount of Trustees' fees attributable to the Fund is disclosed in the Statement of Operations. Certain officers of the Trust are also officers or employees of the above named service providers, and during their terms of office received no compensation from the Fund.

Note 5. Security Transactions

The cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities (including maturities), other than short-term investments, during the year ended March 31, 2020 were \$32,208,335 and \$28,348,306, respectively.

Note 6. Federal Income Tax

As of March 31, 2020, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes is \$74,016,765 and the components of net appreciation were as follows:

Gross Unrealized Appreciation	\$	34,460,892
Gross Unrealized Depreciation		(4,022,617)
Net Unrealized Appreciation	\$	<u>30,438,275</u>

Distributions paid during the fiscal years ended as noted were characterized for tax purposes as follows:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Ordinary Income	\$ 819,539	\$ 665,961

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As of March 31, 2020, distributable earnings (accumulated loss) on a tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed Ordinary Income	\$	153,582
Capital and Other Losses		(117,244)
Unrealized Appreciation		30,438,275
Other Temporary Differences		(153,613)
Total	\$	<u>30,321,000</u>

The difference between components of distributable earnings on a tax basis and the amounts reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities are primarily due to treatment of distributions payable.

As of March 31, 2020, the Fund had \$117,244 of available short-term capital loss carryforwards that have no expiration date.

Note 7. Subsequent Events

Management is currently evaluating the recent introduction of the COVID-19 virus and its impact on the financial services industry and has concluded that while it is reasonably possible that the virus could have a negative effect on the fair value of the Fund's investments and results of operations, the specific impact is not readily determinable as of the date of these financial statements. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

**To the Board of Trustees of Forum Funds
and the Shareholders of Payson Total Return Fund**

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of Payson Total Return Fund, a series of shares of beneficial interest in Forum Funds (the “**Fund**”), including the schedule of investments, as of March 31, 2020, and the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended and the financial highlights for each of the years in the five-year period then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “**financial statements**”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of March 31, 2020, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended and its financial highlights for each of the years in the five-year period then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“**PCAOB**”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities law and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of March 31, 2020 by correspondence with the custodian. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

BBD, LLP

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We have served as the auditor of one or more of the Funds in Forum Funds since 2009.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

May XX, 2020

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Proxy Voting Information

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to securities held in the Fund's portfolio is available, without charge and upon request, by calling (800) 805-8258 and on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. The Fund's proxy voting record for the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30 is available, without charge and upon request, by calling (800) 805-8258 and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

Availability of Quarterly Portfolio Schedules

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-PORT. Forms N-PORT are available free of charge on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.

Shareholder Expense Example

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur ongoing costs, including management fees and other Fund expenses. This example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds.

The example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the entire period from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

Actual Expenses – The first line of the table below provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first line under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during the period.

Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes – The second line of the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only. Therefore, the second line of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds.

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	<u>Beginning Account Value October 1, 2019</u>	<u>Ending Account Value March 31, 2020</u>	<u>Expenses Paid During Period*</u>	<u>Annualized Expense Ratio*</u>
Actual	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 901.60	\$ 4.09	0.86%
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,020.70	\$ 4.34	0.86%

* Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by the number of days in the most recent fiscal half-year (183) divided by 366 to reflect the half-year period.

Federal Tax Status of Dividends Declared during the Fiscal Year

For federal income tax purposes, dividends from short-term capital gains are classified as ordinary income. The Fund designates 100.00% of its income dividend distributed as qualifying for the corporate dividends received deduction (DRD) and 100.00% for the qualified dividend rate (QDI) as defined in Section 1(h)(11) of the Code. The Fund also designates 0.42% as qualified interest income exempt from U.S. tax for foreign shareholders (QII).

Trustees and Officers of the Trust

The Board is responsible for oversight of the management of the Trust's business affairs and of the exercise of all the Trust's powers except those reserved for the shareholders. The following table provides information about each Trustee and certain officers of the Trust. Each Trustee and officer holds office until the person resigns, is removed, or is replaced. Unless otherwise noted, the persons have held their principal occupations for more than five years. The address for all Trustees and officers is Three Canal Plaza, Suite 600, Portland, Maine 04101. The Fund's Statement of Additional Information includes additional information about the Trustees and is available, without charge and upon request, by calling (800) 805-8258.

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Name and Year of Birth	Position with the Trust	Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Series in Fund Complex Overseen By Trustee	Other Directorships Held By Trustee During Past Five Years
Independent Trustees					
David Tucker Born: 1958	Trustee; Chairman of the Board	Since 2011 and Chairman since 2018	Director, Blue Sky Experience (a charitable endeavor) since 2008; Senior Vice President & General Counsel, American Century Companies (an investment management firm) 1998-2008.	1	Trustee, Forum Funds II and U.S. Global Investors Funds
Mark D. Moyer Born: 1959	Trustee; Chairman of the Audit Committee	Since 2018	Chief Financial Officer, Freedom House (a NGO advocating political freedom and democracy) since 2017; independent consultant providing interim CFO services, principally to non-profit organizations, 2011-2017.	1	Trustee, Forum Funds II and U.S. Global Investors Funds
Jennifer Brown-Strabley Born: 1964	Trustee	Since 2018	Principal, Portland Global Advisors (a registered investment adviser), 1996-2010.	1	Trustee, Forum Funds II and U.S. Global Investors Funds
Interested Trustees⁽¹⁾					
Jessica Chase Born: 1970	Trustee	Since 2018	Director, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Senior Vice President, Atlantic Fund Services 2008-2019.	1	Trustee, Forum Funds II and U.S. Global Investors Funds

⁽¹⁾Jessica Chase is currently an interested person of the Trust, as defined in the 1940 Act, due to her affiliation with Apex Fund Services and her role as President of the Trust. Apex Fund Services is a wholly owned subsidiary of Apex US Holdings LLC.

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Officers			
Jessica Chase Born: 1970	President; Principal Executive Officer	Since 2015	Director, Apex Fund Services since 2019. Senior Vice President, Atlantic Fund Services 2008-2019.
Karen Shaw Born: 1972	Treasurer; Principal Financial Officer	Since 2008	Senior Vice President, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Senior Vice President, Atlantic Fund Services 2008-2019.
Zachary Tackett Born: 1988	Vice President; Secretary and Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Officer	Since 2014	Senior Counsel, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Counsel, Atlantic Fund Services 2014-2019.
Michael J. McKeen Born: 1971	Vice President	Since 2009	Senior Vice President, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Senior Vice President, Atlantic Fund Services 2008-2019.
Timothy Bowden Born: 1969	Vice President	Since 2009	Manager, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Manager, Atlantic Fund Services 2008-2019.
Geoffrey Ney Born: 1975	Vice President	Since 2013	Manager, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Manager, Atlantic Fund Services 2013-2019.
Todd Proulx Born: 1978	Vice President	Since 2013	Manager, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Manager, Atlantic Fund Services 2013-2019.
Carlyn Edgar Born: 1963	Vice President	Since 2008	Senior Vice President, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Senior Vice President, Atlantic Fund Services 2008-2019; Chief Compliance Officer, 2008-2016.
Dennis Mason Born: 1967	Chief Compliance Officer	Since 2016	Fund Compliance Officer, Apex Fund Services since 2019; Fund Compliance Officer, Atlantic Fund Services 2013-2019.

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