

<b>TSX Symbol</b>	<b>BLB.UN</b>
<b>Current Monthly Distribution</b>	<b>\$0.041666</b>
<b>Current Annual Distribution</b>	<b>\$0.50</b>
<b>Cash Distributions Since Inception</b>	<b>\$4.81</b>
<b>Inception Date</b>	<b>April 20, 2012</b>
<b>Management Fee</b>	<b>1.25% p.a.</b>

## MARKET COMMENTARY (January 3, 2022)

Pandemic aside, a hot topic this year has been the impact of inflation on the markets. In its most recent announcement, the BoC appears to acknowledge that inflation is no longer “transient”. We believe we will see a period of sustained inflation, though nothing like at the levels seen in the 1980s. This, combined with reasonable economic performance, bodes well for equities which have some degree of inflation protection, unlike bonds whose rates are fixed and remain static in an inflationary environment. This is particularly true for dividend paying equities which not only benefit from stronger earnings due to increased pricing but may also be in a position to increase the amount they pay out to shareholders in the form of dividends, which can result in a higher share price.

In the back half of 2021, earnings continued to exceed expectations despite management concerns over higher input costs, wage pressure and labor shortages. At the same time forward looking estimates have also increased. These lead us to expect that increased amounts will soon be returned to shareholders in the form of dividend hikes and share buy-backs. We continue to review the Fund’s investments and the expected impact inflation of Omicron may have on them. We believe the Fund is well positioned; however, we cannot underestimate the effect that these external forces may have on the overall market.

As the world becomes less shocked by each pandemic variant and wave we expect the market to react in similarly. Vaccination rates globally continue to climb especially with the younger portion of the population now eligible to receive the vaccine. This provides hope that with every new variant there is less impact on the economy. However, there remains tremendous uncertainty which has once again tempered our outlook. Given the economic backdrop, equities and in particular dividend paying equities should perform well in 2022, albeit at lower levels than last year.

## INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

**Investment Objectives.** The Fund’s investment objectives are to provide holders with: (i) an investment in an actively managed portfolio comprised primarily of Canadian equity securities that exhibit low volatility at the time of investment; (ii) monthly cash distributions that have a large component of Canadian eligible dividends; 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.

**Low Volatility and No Leverage.** All securities must have a Beta of less than 1.0 at the time of investment providing clients with increased comfort on their investment. The Fund does not intend to borrow money or employ other forms of leverage to acquire portfolio securities.

**Attractive Monthly Income.** Attractive monthly distributions, targeted at 5.0% p.a. based on an annual distribution of \$0.50 and \$10.00 IPO price.

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

<b>Compound Annual Returns (net of all fees)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>1-Year</b>	<b>3-Year</b>	<b>5-Year</b>	<b>10-Year</b>	<b>Since Inception<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Bloom Select Income Fund</b>	<b>12.4%</b>	<b>12.4%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>5.6%</b>

(1) Returns are net asset value returns for the period ended December 31, 2021 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. 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). (2) Period starting April 20, 2012.

## PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION (December 31, 2021)

<b>Top 10 Holdings</b>	<b>% of Net Asset Value</b>	<b>Top 10 Holdings</b>	<b>% of Net Asset Value</b>
Cash & Cash Equivalents	7.6%	Rogers Communications Inc. Class B	4.6%
Bank of Nova Scotia	5.6%	Intertape Polymer Group Inc.	4.3%
Park Lawn Corporation	4.8%	Enbridge Inc.	4.0%
TD Bank Group	4.7%	Transcontinental Inc., Class A	4.0%
Premium Brands Holdings Corporation	4.7%	Manulife Financial Corporation	4.0%

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