

Semi-Annual Report March 31, 2023

# Allspring Discovery SMID Cap Growth Fund

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Andrew Owen President Allspring Funds

# Dear Shareholder:

We are pleased to offer you this semi-annual report for the Allspring Discovery SMID Cap Growth Fund for the six-month period that ended March 31, 2023. Globally, stocks and bonds rebounded strongly despite ongoing volatility. While navigating persistently high inflation and the impact of ongoing aggressive central bank rate hikes, markets rallied on signs of declining inflation, anticipation of an end to the central bank monetary tightening cycle, and the stimulating impact of China removing its strict COVID-19 lockdowns in December. For the six-month period, domestic U.S. and global stocks and bonds had strong results. After suffering deep and broad losses through 2022, recent fixed income performance benefited from a base of higher yields that can now generate higher income.

For the period, U.S. stocks, based on the S&P 500 Index,<sup>1</sup> returned 15.62%. International stocks, as measured by the MSCI ACWI ex USA Index (Net),<sup>2</sup> returned 22.13%, while the MSCI EM Index (Net) (USD)<sup>3</sup> returned 14.04%. Among bond indexes, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index<sup>4</sup> returned 4.89%, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex-USD Index (unhedged)<sup>5</sup> returned 10.07%, the Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index<sup>6</sup> gained 7.00%, and the ICE BofA U.S. High Yield Index<sup>7</sup> returned 7.89%.

## Despite high inflation and central bank rate hikes, markets rally.

Equities had a reprieve in October. Value stocks and small caps fared best. Globally, developed markets outpaced emerging market equities, which were hurt by weakness among Chinese stocks. Central banks continued to try to curtail high inflation with aggressive interest rate hikes. Geopolitical risks persisted, including the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war and economic, financial market, and political turmoil in the U.K. Concerns over Europe's energy crisis eased thanks to unseasonably warm weather and plentiful gas on hand. The U.S. labor market continued its resilience against rising prices as unemployment remained near a record low.

Stocks and bonds rallied in November. Economic news was encouraging, driven by U.S. labor market strength. Although central banks kept raising rates, hopes rose for an easing in the pace of rate hikes and a possible end to central bank monetary tightening in 2023. Although inflation remained at record highs in the eurozone, we began to see signs of a possible decline in inflationary pressures as U.S. inflation moderated, with a 7.1% annual price rise in November and a monthly price increase of just 0.1%. China's economic data remained weak, reflecting its zero-COVID-19 policy.

- <sup>2</sup> The Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) All Country World Index (ACWI) ex USA Index (Net) is a free-float-adjusted marketcapitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets, excluding the U.S. Source: MSCI. MSCI makes no express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any MSCI data contained herein. The MSCI data may not be further redistributed or used as a basis for other indexes or any securities or financial products. This report is not approved, reviewed, or produced by MSCI. You cannot invest directly in an index.
- <sup>3</sup> The MSCI Emerging Markets (EM) Index (Net) (USD) is a free-float-adjusted market-capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure equity market performance of emerging markets. You cannot invest directly in an index.
- <sup>4</sup> The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index is a broad-based benchmark that measures the investment-grade, U.S.-dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market, including Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, mortgage-backed securities (agency fixed-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage pass-throughs), asset-backed securities, and commercial mortgage-backed securities. You cannot invest directly in an index.
- <sup>5</sup> The Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex-USD Index (unhedged) is an unmanaged index that provides a broad-based measure of the global investment-grade fixed-income markets excluding the U.S.-dollar-denominated debt market. You cannot invest directly in an index.
- <sup>6</sup> The Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index is an unmanaged index composed of long-term tax-exempt bonds with a minimum credit rating of Baa. You cannot invest directly in an index.
- <sup>7</sup> The ICE BofA U.S. High Yield Index is a market-capitalization-weighted index of domestic and Yankee high-yield bonds. The index tracks the performance of high-yield securities traded in the U.S. bond market. You cannot invest directly in an index. Copyright 2023. ICE Data Indices, LLC. All rights reserved.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The S&P 500 Index consists of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity, and industry group representation. It is a market-value-weighted index with each stock's weight in the index proportionate to its market value. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Financial markets cooled in December, with U.S. equities posting negative overall results in response to a weakening U.S. dollar. Fixed income securities ended one of their worst years ever with flat overall monthly returns as markets weighed the hopes for an end to the monetary tightening cycle with the reality that central banks had not completed their jobs yet. U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI)<sup>1</sup> data showed a strong consistent trend downward, which brought down the 12-month CPI to 6.5% in December from 9.1% in June. Other countries and regions reported still-high but declining inflation rates as the year winded down.

The year 2023 began with a rally across global equities and fixed income securities. Investor optimism rose in response to data indicating declining inflation rates and the reopening of China's economy with the abrupt end to its zero-COVID-19 policy. The U.S. reported surprisingly strong job gains—employers added more than 500,000 jobs—and unemployment fell to 3.4%, the lowest level since 1969. Meanwhile, wage growth, seen as a potential contributor to ongoing high inflation, continued to moderate. All eyes remained fixed on the Federal Reserve (Fed) and on how many more rate hikes remain in this tightening cycle. The 0.25% federal funds rate hike announced in January was the Fed's smallest rate increase since March 2022.

Financial markets declined in February as investors responded unfavorably to resilient economic data. The takeaway: Central banks will likely continue their monetary tightening cycle for longer than markets had priced in. In this environment—where strong economic data is seen as bad news—the resilient U.S. labor market was seen as a negative while the inflation rate has not been falling quickly enough for the Fed, which raised interest rates by 0.25% in early February. Meanwhile, the Bank of England and the European Central Bank both raised rates by 0.50%. At this stage in the economic cycle, the overriding question remained: "What will central banks do?" In February, the answer appeared to be: "Move rates higher for longer."

The collapse of Silicon Valley Bank in March, the second-largest banking failure in U.S. history, led to a classic bank run that spread to Europe, where Switzerland's Credit Suisse was taken over by its rival, UBS. The sudden banking industry uncertainty led some clients of regional banks to transfer deposits to a handful of U.S. banking giants while bank shareholders sold stock. The banking industry turmoil could make the job of central banks more challenging as they weigh inflationary concerns against potential economic weakening. Meanwhile, recent data pointed to economic strength in the U.S., Europe, and China. The U.S. labor market remained resilient. The euro-area composite Purchasing Managers' Index<sup>2</sup> rose to 53.70, indicating expansion, for March. And China's economy continued to rebound after the removal of its COVID-19 lockdown. Inflation rates in the U.S., the U.K., and Europe all remained higher than central bank targets, leading to additional rate hikes in March.

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<sup>1</sup> The U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services. You cannot invest directly in an index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) is an index of the prevailing direction of economic trends in the manufacturing and service sectors. You cannot invest directly in an index.

For further information about your fund, contact your investment professional, visit our website at allspringglobal.com, or call us directly at 1-800-222-8222.

#### Don't let short-term uncertainty derail long-term investment goals.

Periods of investment uncertainty can present challenges, but experience has taught us that maintaining long-term investment goals can be an effective way to plan for the future. To help you create a sound strategy based on your personal goals and risk tolerance, Allspring Funds offers more than 100 mutual funds spanning a wide range of asset classes and investment styles. Although diversification cannot guarantee an investment profit or prevent losses, we believe it can be an effective way to manage investment risk and potentially smooth out overall portfolio performance. We encourage investors to know their investments and to understand that appropriate levels of risk-taking may unlock opportunities.

Thank you for choosing to invest with Allspring Funds. We appreciate your confidence in us and remain committed to helping you meet your financial needs.

Sincerely,

Andrew Owen President Allspring Funds

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Investment objective	The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Manager	Allspring Funds Management, LLC
Subadviser	Allspring Global Investments, LLC
Portfolio managers	Michael T. Smith, CFA, Christopher J. Warner, CFA

#### Average annual total returns (%) as of March 31, 2023

		Including sales charge		Excluding sales charge			e Expense ratios <sup>1</sup> (%)		
	Inception date	1 year	5 year	10 year	1 year	5 year	10 year	Gross	Net <sup>2</sup>
Class A (WFDAX)	7-31-2007	-19.83	4.61	8.39	-14.94	5.85	9.03	1.21	1.21
Class C (WDSCX)	7-31-2007	-16.62	5.07	8.38	-15.62	5.07	8.38	1.96	1.96
Class R6 (WFDRX) <sup>3</sup>	6-28-2013	-	-	_	-14.61	6.30	9.50	0.78	0.78
Administrator Class (WFDDX)	4-8-2005	_	-	-	-14.86	5.94	9.14	1.13	1.13
Institutional Class (WFDSX)	8-31-2006	-	-	-	-14.70	6.19	9.40	0.88	0.88
Russell 2500™ Growth Index <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-10.35	6.82	10.05	-	-

Figures quoted represent past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and do not reflect taxes that a shareholder may pay on an investment in a fund. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance shown without sales charges would be lower if sales charges were reflected. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted, which assumes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Current month-end performance is available on the Fund's website, **allspringglobal.com**.

Index returns do not include transaction costs associated with buying and selling securities, any mutual fund fees or expenses, or any taxes. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

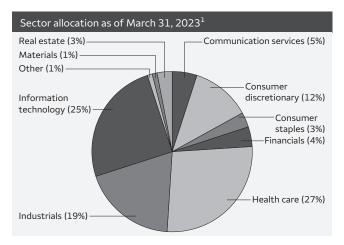
For Class A shares, the maximum front-end sales charge is 5.75%. For Class C shares, the maximum contingent deferred sales charge is 1.00%. Performance including a contingent deferred sales charge assumes the sales charge for the corresponding time period. Class R6, Administrator Class and Institutional Class shares are sold without a front-end sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge.

- <sup>1</sup> Reflects the expense ratios as stated in the most recent prospectuses. The expense ratios shown are subject to change and may differ from the annualized expense ratios shown in the financial highlights of this report.
- <sup>2</sup> The manager has contractually committed through January 31, 2024, to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to cap total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers at 1.22% for Class A, 1.97% for Class C, 0.79% for Class R6, 1.14% for Administrator Class, and 0.89% for Institutional Class. Brokerage commissions, stamp duty fees, interest, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses (if any), and extraordinary expenses are excluded from the expense caps. Prior to or after the commitment expiration date, the caps may be increased or the commitment to maintain the caps may be terminated only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Without these caps, the Fund's returns would have been lower. The expense ratio paid by an investor is the net expense ratio (the total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers) as stated in the prospectuses.
- <sup>3</sup> Historical performance shown for the Class R6 shares prior to their inception reflects the performance of the Institutional Class shares, and includes the higher expenses applicable to the Institutional Class shares. If these expenses had not been included, returns for the Class R6 shares would be higher.
- <sup>4</sup> The Russell 2500<sup>®</sup> Growth Index measures the performance of those Russell 2500 companies with higher price/book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Stock values fluctuate in response to the activities of individual companies and general market and economic conditions. Smaller-company stocks tend to be more volatile and less liquid than those of larger companies. Certain investment strategies tend to increase the total risk of an investment (relative to the broader market). This fund is exposed to foreign investment risk. Consult the Fund's prospectus for additional information on these and other risks.

Ten largest holdings (%) as of March 31, $2023^1$	
Teledyne Technologies Incorporated	3.10
WNS Holdings Limited ADR	2.55
Casella Waste Systems Incorporated Class A	2.42
MarketAxess Holdings Incorporated	2.41
MercadoLibre Incorporated	2.41
Rexford Industrial Realty Incorporated	2.28
Novanta Incorporated	2.21
Axon Enterprise Incorporated	2.18
Bio-Techne Corporation	1.98
Tetra Tech Incorporated	1.93

<sup>1</sup> Figures represent the percentage of the Fund's net assets. Holdings are subject to change and may have changed since the date specified.



<sup>1</sup> Figures represent the percentage of the Fund's long-term investments. Allocations are subject to change and may have changed since the date specified.

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including sales charges (loads) on purchase payments and contingent deferred sales charges (if any) on redemptions and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution (12b-1) and/or shareholder servicing 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 six-month period and held for the entire period from October 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

#### Actual expenses

The "Actual" 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 "Actual" line under the heading entitled "Expenses paid during period" for your applicable class of shares to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

#### Hypothetical example for comparison purposes

The "Hypothetical" 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 the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as sales charges (loads) and contingent deferred sales charges. Therefore, the "Hypothetical" 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. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	Beginning account value 10-1-2022	Ending account value 3-31-2023	Expenses paid during the period <sup>1</sup>	Annualized net expense ratio
<b>Class A</b> Actual Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,131.08 \$1,018.85	\$ 6.48 \$ 6.14	1.22% 1.22%
<b>Class C</b> Actual Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,127.04 \$1,015.11	\$10.45 \$ 9.90	1.97% 1.97%
<b>Class R6</b> Actual Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,133.64 \$1,020.99	\$ 4.20 \$ 3.98	0.79% 0.79%
<b>Administrator Class</b> Actual Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,131.51 \$1,019.40	\$ 5.90 \$ 5.59	1.11% 1.11%
<b>Institutional Class</b> Actual Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,133.12 \$1,020.49	\$ 4.73 \$ 4.48	0.89% 0.89%

<sup>1</sup> Expenses paid is equal to the annualized net expense ratio of each class multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 182 divided by 365 (to reflect the one-half-year period).

Common stocks: 97.00%	Shares	Value
Communication services: 5.35%		
Entertainment: 3.04%	220.200	2462402
Liberty Media Corporation † Warner Music Group Corporation Class A	329,200 \$ 504,700	24,634,030 16,841,839
Warner Music Group Corporation Class A	504,700 _	10,041,03
	-	41,475,87
Interactive media & services: 2.31%		
IAC/InterActiveCorp †	326,115	16,827,53
ZoomInfo Technologies Incorporated †	596,457 _	14,738,45
		31,565,98
Consumer discretionary: 12.40%	-	
Broadline retail: 3.85%		
Global-E Online Limited †	609,643	19,648,79
MercadoLibre Incorporated †	24,932	32,861,87
	-	52,510,66
Diversified consumer services: 0.67%		
Mister Car Wash Incorporated †	1,052,066 _	9,068,80
Hotels, restaurants & leisure: 5.52%		
Chipotle Mexican Grill Incorporated †	13,021	22,243,64
Hyatt Hotels Corporation Class A †	112,800	12,609,91
MGM Resorts International	404,200	17,954,56
Wingstop Incorporated	122,600 _	22,506,90
	-	75,315,02
Leisure products: 1.20%		
Callaway Golf Company †	760,191 _	16,435,329
Textiles, apparel & luxury goods: 1.16%		
On Holding AG Class A †	511,400	15,868,742
Consumer staples: 2.55%		
Personal care products: 2.55%		
Bellring Brands Incorporated †	615,100	20,913,400
Coty Incorporated Class A †	1,152,800	13,902,76
	-	34,816,16
Financials: 4.32%		
Capital markets: 3.77%		
MarketAxess Holdings Incorporated	84,010	32,872,27
Morningstar Incorporated	91,100	18,496,03
		51,368,30 <sup>°</sup>
Insurance: 0.55%	-	
Goosehead Insurance Incorporated Class A †	143,546	7,493,10
Health care: 20.89%		
Biotechnology: 4.97%		
Ascendis Pharma AS ADR †	97,247	10,426,82

	Shares	Value
Biotechnology (continued)		
Exact Sciences Corporation †	264,100	\$ 17,908,62
Mirati Therapeutics Incorporated †	94,184	3,501,76
Natera Incorporated †	233,700	12,975,024
Sarepta Therapeutics Incorporated †	107,200	14,775,376
Zentalis Pharmaceuticals Incorporated †	143,226	2,463,48
		67,854,82
Health care equipment & supplies: 8.54%		10 500 050
DexCom Incorporated †	116,456	13,529,858
ICU Medical Incorporated †	111,500	18,393,040
Inari Medical Incorporated †	215,740	13,319,788
Inspire Medical Systems Incorporated †	93,100	21,791,917
iRhythm Technologies Incorporated †	148,000	18,356,440
Shockwave Medical Incorporated †	97,865	21,220,068
TransMedics Group Incorporated †	130,300	9,867,619
		116,478,730
Health care providers & services: 3.12%	225.200	10,000,000
HealthEquity Incorporated †	325,300	19,098,363
Option Care Health Incorporated †	737,709	23,437,015
	-	42,535,378
Life sciences tools & services: 4.26% Bio-Rad Laboratories Incorporated Class A †	39,833	19,080,804
Bio-Techne Corporation	363,600	26,975,484
Waters Corporation †	39,000	12,075,570
		58,131,858
Industrials: 22.19%		
Aerospace & defense: 2.18%		
Axon Enterprise Incorporated †	132,458	29,783,183
Building products: 2.08%		
Advanced Drainage Systems Incorporated	155,076	13,058,956
Trex Company Incorporated †	313,668	15,266,222
	-	28,325,178
Commercial services & supplies: 6.45%		
Casella Waste Systems Incorporated Class A †	399,583	33,029,53
Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers Incorporated	170,400	9,591,816
Rollins Incorporated	507,200	19,035,216
Tetra Tech Incorporated	179,000	26,296,890
		87,953,453
Ground transportation: 2.79%	00100	1720000
J.B. Hunt Transport Services Incorporated	99,100	17,388,086
Saia Incorporated †	75,948	20,663,932
	-	38,052,018
Machinery: 1.49% RBC Bearings Incorporated †	87,600	20,387,14
		20,307,140

	Shares	Value
	Shares	Value
Professional services: 3.95%		
FTI Consulting Incorporated †	96,600	\$ 19,064,010
WNS Holdings Limited ADR †	374,023	34,847,723
		53,911,733
Trading companies & distributors: 3.25%		
SiteOne Landscape Supply Incorporated †	153,257	20,976,286
Watsco Incorporated	73,500	23,384,760
		44,361,046
		44,301,040
Information technology: 24.27%		
Electronic equipment, instruments & components: 6.22%		
Novanta Incorporated †	189,894	30,210,236
Teledyne Technologies Incorporated †	94,472	42,262,988
Zebra Technologies Corporation Class A †	39,000	12,402,000
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		84,875,224
IT services: 3.51%		
Globant SA †	140,445	23,034,384
MongoDB Incorporated †	65,263	15,214,111
StoneCo Limited Class A †	1,007,295	9,609,594
Stone Co Limited Class A j	1,007,293	9,009,394
		47,858,089
Semiconductors & semiconductor equipment: 4.52%		
Entegris Incorporated	213,900	17,541,939
Impinj Incorporated †	183,300	24,840,816
Monolithic Power Systems Incorporated	24,800	12,413,392
Wolfspeed Incorporated †	106,500	6,917,175
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		61,713,322
Software: 10.02%		
BILL Holdings Incorporated †	171,714	13,932,874
CCC Intelligent Solutions †	1,912,700	17,156,919
Confluent Incorporated Class A †	704,600	16,959,722
Fair Isaac Corporation †	34,300	24,102,267
HubSpot Incorporated †	43,400	18,607,750
Olo Incorporated Class A †	1,219,751	9,953,168
Tyler Technologies Incorporated †	61,900	21,952,216
Zscaler Incorporated †	119,600	13,972,868
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		136,637,784
Materials: 1.04%		
Materials. 1.04%		
Metals & mining: 1.04%		
Allegheny Technologies Incorporated †	359,700	14,193,762
Real estate: 3.99%		
Real estate. 5.55%		
Industrial REITs: 2.28%		
Rexford Industrial Realty Incorporated	522,365	31,159,072
Residential REITs: 1.71%		
Equity Lifestyle Properties Incorporated	347,196	23,307,267
Total Common stocks (Cost \$1,155,549,030)		1,323,437,079

		Yield	Shares	Value
Short-term investments: 3.32%				
Investment companies: 3.32%				
Allspring Government Money Market Fund Select Class $lacksquare$		4.69%	45,324,645	\$ 45,324,645
Total Short-term investments (Cost \$45,324,645)				45,324,645
Total investments in securities (Cost \$1,200,873,675)	100.32%			1,368,761,724
Other assets and liabilities, net	(0.32)			(4,428,503)
Total net assets	100.00%			\$1,364,333,221

† Non-income-earning security

The issuer of the security is an affiliated person of the Fund as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940.

 $\infty\,$  The rate represents the 7-day annualized yield at period end.

#### Abbreviations:

ADR American depositary receipt

REIT Real estate investment trust

#### Investments in affiliates

An affiliated investment is an investment in which the Fund owns at least 5% of the outstanding voting shares of the issuer or as a result of other relationships, such as the Fund and the issuer having the same investment manager. Transactions with issuers that were affiliates of the Fund at the end of the period were as follows:

<b>Short-term investments</b> Allspring Government Money Market Fund Select Class	Value, beginning of period \$50,223,365	Purchases \$249,830,081	Sales proceeds \$(254,728,801)	Net realized gains (losses)	Net change in unrealized gains (losses)	Value, end of period \$45,324,645	Shares, end of period 45,324,645	Income from affiliated securities \$721,288
Investments in affiliates no longer held at end of period Securities Lending Cash Investments LLC	11,862,800	55,209,354	(67,072,172)	18	0	0	0	141,018#
				\$18	\$0	\$45,324,645		\$862,306

<sup>#</sup> Amount shown represents income before fees and rebates.

Assets	
Investments in unaffiliated securities, at value (cost \$1,155,549,030)	\$1,323,437,079
Investments in affiliated securities, at value (cost \$45,324,645)	45,324,645
Receivable for Fund shares sold.	1,318,899
Receivable for dividends	538,495
Prepaid expenses and other assets	51,288
Total assets	1,370,670,406
Liabilities	
Payable for investments purchased	3,400,477
Payable for Fund shares redeemed	1,594,073
Management fee payable	901,031
Administration fees payable	156,084
Trustees' fees and expenses payable	5,366
Distribution fee payable	2,373
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	277,781
Total liabilities	6,337,185
Total net assets	\$1,364,333,221
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Net assets consist of	
Paid-in capital	\$1,268,234,714
Total distributable earnings	96,098,507
Total net assets.	\$1,364,333,221
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Computation of net asset value and offering price per share	
Net assets – Class A	\$ 431,486,941
Shares outstanding – Class A <sup>1</sup>	19,598,590
Net asset value per share – Class A	\$22.02
Maximum offering price per share – Class A <sup>2</sup>	\$23.36
Net assets – Class C	\$ 3,613,454
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup>	228,577
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C	228,577 \$15.81
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup>	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class R6	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250 \$26.48
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class R6 Net assets – Administrator Class	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250 \$26.48 \$ 55,779,501
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class R6 Net assets – Administrator Class Shares outstanding – Administrator Class <sup>1</sup> .	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250 \$26.48 \$ 55,779,501 2,364,362
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class R6 Net assets – Administrator Class Shares outstanding – Administrator Class <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Administrator Class	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250 \$26.48 \$ 55,779,501 2,364,362 \$23.59
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class R6 Net assets – Administrator Class Shares outstanding – Administrator Class <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Administrator Class Net asset s – Institutional Class	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250 \$26.48 \$ 55,779,501 2,364,362 \$23.59 \$ 508,038,516
Shares outstanding – Class C <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class C Net assets – Class R6 Shares outstanding – Class R6 <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Class R6 Net assets – Administrator Class Shares outstanding – Administrator Class <sup>1</sup> Net asset value per share – Administrator Class	228,577 \$15.81 \$ 365,414,809 13,800,250 \$26.48 \$ 55,779,501 2,364,362 \$23.59

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has an unlimited number of authorized shares.

<sup>2</sup> Maximum offering price is computed as 100/94.25 of net asset value. On investments of \$50,000 or more, the offering price is reduced.

Investment income	
Dividends (net of foreign withholdings taxes of \$36,947)	\$ 2,039,421
Income from affiliated securities	740,025
Total investment income	2,779,446
Expenses	
Management fee Administration fees	5,166,825
Class A	440,166
Class C	3,756
Class R6	54,343
Administrator Class	43,112
Institutional Class	336,695
Shareholder servicing fees	
Class A	523,426
Class C	4,456
Administrator Class	68,971
Distribution fee	
Class C	13,344
Custody and accounting fees	38,746
Professional fees	19,798
Registration fees	38,102
Shareholder report expenses	201
Trustees' fees and expenses	11,088
Other fees and expenses	9,624
Total expenses	6,772,653
Less: Fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements	-,
Class A.	(24,544)
Class C	(129)
Class R6	(21,380)
Administrator Class	(595)
Institutional Class	(30,307)
Net expenses.	6,695,698
Net investment loss	(3,916,252)
	(3,910,232)
Realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments	
Net realized gains (losses) on	
Unaffiliated securities	(37,812,309)
Affiliated securities	18
Net realized losses on investments	(37,812,291)
Net change in unrealized gains (losses) on investments	211,943,758
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments	174,131,467
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$170,215,215

	Six months ended March 31, 2023 (unaudited)			r ended ber 30, 2022
Operations				
Net investment loss		\$ (3,916,252)		\$ (17,116,503)
Net realized gains (losses) on investments		(37,812,291)		74,988,101
Net change in unrealized gains (losses) on investments		211,943,758		(1,160,043,505)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		170,215,215		(1,102,171,907)
Distributions to shareholders from				
Net investment income and net realized gains				
Class A		(5,764,741)		(226,994,997)
Class C		(68,656)		(5,111,680)
Class R6		(4,198,420)		(165,661,046)
Administrator Class		(911,280)		(56,057,581)
Institutional Class		(6,049,430)		(256,462,316)
Total distributions to shareholders		(16,992,527)		(710,287,620)
Capital share transactions	Shares		Shares	
Proceeds from shares sold				
Class A.	618,649	13,113,421	1,603,151	44,784,508
Class C	9,007	135,098	35,937	788,463
Class R6	1,599,866	39,863,599	5,128,157	167,424,619
Administrator Class	143,374	3,248,107	1,407,092	55,751,355
Institutional Class	2,195,990	54,634,029	5,577,521	182,260,658
		110,994,254		451,009,603
Reinvestment of distributions				
Class A	273,924	5,609,967	6,880,085	220,025,107
Class C	4,404	64,912	216,386	5,043,951
Class R6	162,483	3,997,088	4,131,760	157,667,968
Administrator Class	41,485	910,181	1,638,234	55,994,841
Institutional Class	236,456	5,726,963	6,386,688	240,267,206
		16,309,111		678,999,073
Payment for shares redeemed				
Class A	(2,272,960)	(47,165,093)	(5,937,218)	(162,852,481)
Class C	(38,124)	(566,724)	(466,458)	(10,122,285)
Class R6	(2,908,645)	(72,434,901)	(8,590,366)	(304,144,512)
Administrator Class	(1,169,741)	(26,864,626)	(3,489,704)	(108,890,307)
Institutional Class	(5,172,887)	(128,173,771)	(10,124,985)	(316,152,662)
		(275,205,115)		(902,162,247)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from capital share				
transactions		(147,901,750)		227,846,429
Total increase (decrease) in net assets		5,320,938		(1,584,613,098)
Net assets				
Beginning of period		1,359,012,283		2,943,625,381
End of period		\$1,364,333,221		\$ 1,359,012,283

	Six months ended March 31, 2023		Year ended September 30			
Class A	(unaudited)	2022	2021	2021 2020		2018
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$19.73	\$47.48	\$39.95	\$33.24	\$38.03	\$36.47
Net investment loss Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on	(0.08) <sup>1</sup>	(0.30)1	(0.53)	(0.31)	(0.26)	(0.26)
investments	2.66	(14.84)	10.51	11.37	0.53	7.85
Total from investment operations	2.58	(15.14)	9.98	11.06	0.27	7.59
Distributions to shareholders from Net realized gains	(0.29)	(12.61)	(2.45)	(4.35)	(5.06)	(6.03)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.02	\$19.73	\$47.48	\$39.95	\$33.24	\$38.03
Total return <sup>2</sup>	13.11%	(42.03)%	25.48%	37.49%	3.81%	23.86%
Ratios to average net assets (annualized)						
Gross expenses	1.23%	1.21%	1.19%	1.21%	1.21%	1.20%
Net expenses	1.22%	1.19%	1.18%	1.19%	1.20%	1.20%
Net investment loss	(0.81)%	(1.08)%	(1.08)%	(0.91)%	(0.77)%	(0.69)%
Supplemental data						
Portfolio turnover rate	30%	58%	51%	53%	71%	67%
Net assets, end of period (000s omitted)	\$431,487	\$414,018	\$875,257	\$762,758	\$627,336	\$676,930

<sup>1</sup> Calculated based upon average shares outstanding

<sup>2</sup> Total return calculations do not include any sales charges. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

	Six months ended March 31, 2023		Year en	ded Septen	nber 30	
Class C	(unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$14.30	\$38.31	\$32.88	\$28.27	\$33.46	\$32.99
Net investment loss	(0.12) <sup>1</sup>	(0.42) <sup>1</sup>	(0.70) <sup>1</sup>	(0.45) <sup>1</sup>	(0.41) <sup>1</sup>	(0.46)
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments	1.92	(10.98)	8.58	9.41	0.28	6.96
Total from investment operations	1.80	(11.40)	7.88	8.96	(0.13)	6.50
Distributions to shareholders from						
Net realized gains	(0.29)	(12.61)	(2.45)	(4.35)	(5.06)	(6.03)
Net asset value, end of period	\$15.81	\$14.30	\$38.31	\$32.88	\$28.27	\$33.46
Total return <sup>2</sup>	12.70%	(42.48)%	24.52%	36.54%	3.01%	22.94%
Ratios to average net assets (annualized)						
Gross expenses	1.98%	1.94%	1.94%	1.96%	1.95%	1.95%
Net expenses	1.97%	1.94%	1.94%	1.96%	1.95%	1.95%
Net investment loss	(1.56)%	(1.84)%	(1.84)%	(1.66)%	(1.51)%	(1.45)%
Supplemental data						
Portfolio turnover rate	30%	58%	51%	53%	71%	67%
Net assets, end of period (000s omitted)	\$3,613	\$3,622	\$17,909	\$28,509	\$30,982	\$40,860

 $^{\rm 1}$  Calculated based upon average shares outstanding

<sup>2</sup> Total return calculations do not include any sales charges. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

	Six months ended March 31, 2023		Year en	Year ended September 30		
Class R6	(unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$23.63	\$54.02	\$44.98	\$36.76	\$41.26	\$38.93
Net investment loss Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on	(0.02)	(0.22) <sup>1</sup>	(0.35) <sup>1</sup>	(0.18)1	(0.12) <sup>1</sup>	(0.10) <sup>1</sup>
investments	3.16	(17.56)	11.84	12.75	0.68	8.46
Total from investment operations	3.14	(17.78)	11.49	12.57	0.56	8.36
Distributions to shareholders from Net realized gains	(0.29)	(12.61)	(2.45)	(4.35)	(5.06)	(6.03)
Net asset value, end of period	\$26.48	\$23.63	\$54.02	\$44.98	\$36.76	\$41.26
Total return <sup>2</sup>	13.36%	(41.80)%	26.01%	38.06%	4.26%	24.39%
Ratios to average net assets (annualized)						
Gross expenses	0.80%	0.78%	0.76%	0.78%	0.77%	0.78%
Net expenses	0.79%	0.78%	0.76%	0.78%	0.77%	0.78%
Net investment loss	(0.38)%	(0.66)%	(0.66)%	(0.50)%	(0.33)%	(0.26)%
Supplemental data						
Portfolio turnover rate	30%	58%	51%	53%	71%	67%
Net assets, end of period (000s omitted)	\$365,415	\$353,183	\$771,279	\$597,851	\$405,610	\$530,879

 $^{\rm 1}$  Calculated based upon average shares outstanding

 $^{\rm 2}\,$  Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

	Six months ended March 31, 2023		Year er	Year ended September 30		
Administrator Class	(unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$21.12	\$49.83	\$41.79	\$34.55	\$39.27	\$37.44
Net investment loss Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on	(0.08) <sup>1</sup>	(0.30) <sup>1</sup>	(0.49) <sup>1</sup>	(0.29) <sup>1</sup>	(0.23) <sup>1</sup>	(0.23)
investments	2.84	(15.80)	10.98	11.88	0.57	8.09
Total from investment operations	2.76	(16.10)	10.49	11.59	0.34	7.86
Distributions to shareholders from Net realized gains	(0.29)	(12.61)	(2.45)	(4.35)	(5.06)	(6.03)
Net asset value, end of period	\$23.59	\$21.12	\$49.83	\$41.79	\$34.55	\$39.27
Total return <sup>2</sup>	13.15%	(41.98)%	25.58%	37.61%	3.88%	23.97%
Ratios to average net assets (annualized)						
Gross expenses	1.11%	1.09%	1.11%	1.13%	1.13%	1.12%
Net expenses	1.11%	1.09%	1.11%	1.13%	1.13%	1.12%
Net investment loss	(0.71)%	(0.98)%	(1.01)%	(0.84)%	(0.70)%	(0.62)%
Supplemental data						
Portfolio turnover rate	30%	58%	51%	53%	71%	67%
Net assets, end of period (000s omitted)	\$55,780	\$70,724	\$189,022	\$374,366	\$333,814	\$353,042

 $^{\rm 1}$  Calculated based upon average shares outstanding

 $^{2}\,$  Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

	Six months ended March 31, 2023	Vor and ad Contambor 30				
Institutional Class	(unaudited)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$23.27	\$53.45	\$44.57	\$36.50	\$41.05	\$38.79
Net investment loss Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on	(0.06) <sup>1</sup>	(0.25) <sup>1</sup>	(0.40) <sup>1</sup>	(0.21) <sup>1</sup>	(0.15) <sup>1</sup>	(0.18)
investments	3.14	(17.32)	11.73	12.63	0.66	8.47
Total from investment operations	3.08	(17.57)	11.33	12.42	0.51	8.29
Distributions to shareholders from Net realized gains	(0.29)	(12.61)	(2.45)	(4.35)	(5.06)	(6.03)
Net asset value, end of period	\$26.06	\$23.27	\$53.45	\$44.57	\$36.50	\$41.05
Total return <sup>2</sup>	13.31%	(41.88)%	25.91%	37.91%	4.15%	24.25%
Ratios to average net assets (annualized)						
Gross expenses	0.90%	0.88%	0.86%	0.88%	0.87%	0.87%
Net expenses	0.89%	0.88%	0.86%	0.88%	0.87%	0.87%
Net investment loss	(0.49)%	(0.76)%	(0.76)%	(0.58)%	(0.42)%	(0.36)%
Supplemental data						
Portfolio turnover rate	30%	58%	51%	53%	71%	67%
Net assets, end of period (000s omitted)	\$508,039	\$517,465	\$1,090,159	\$908,157	\$1,096,888	\$1,352,027

<sup>1</sup> Calculated based upon average shares outstanding

 $^{\rm 2}\,$  Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

## 1. ORGANIZATION

Allspring Funds Trust (the "Trust"), a Delaware statutory trust organized on March 10, 1999, is an open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). As an investment company, the Trust follows the accounting and reporting guidance in Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946, *Financial Services – Investment Companies*. These financial statements report on the Allspring Discovery SMID Cap Growth Fund (the "Fund") which is a diversified series of the Trust.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistently followed in the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund, are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles which require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Securities valuation

All investments are valued each business day as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (generally 4 p.m. Eastern Time), although the Fund may deviate from this calculation time under unusual or unexpected circumstances.

Equity securities that are listed on a foreign or domestic exchange or market are valued at the official closing price or, if none, the last sales price.

Investments in registered open-end investment companies (other than those listed on a foreign or domestic exchange or market) are valued at net asset value. Interests in non-registered investment companies that are redeemable at net asset value are fair valued normally at net asset value.

Investments which are not valued using the methods discussed above are valued at their fair value, as determined in good faith by Allspring Funds Management, LLC ("Allspring Funds Management"), which was named the valuation designee by the Board of Trustees. As the valuation designee, Allspring Funds Management is responsible for day-to-day valuation activities for the Allspring Funds. In connection with these responsibilities, Allspring Funds Management has established a Valuation Committee and has delegated to it the authority to take any actions regarding the valuation of portfolio securities that the Valuation Committee deems necessary or appropriate, including determining the fair value of portfolio securities. On a quarterly basis, the Board of Trustees receives reports of valuation actions taken by the Valuation Committee. On at least an annual basis, the Board of Trustees receives an assessment of the adequacy and effectiveness of Allspring Funds Management's process for determining the fair value of the portfolio of investments.

#### Securities lending

During the period, the Fund participated in a program to lend its securities from time to time in order to earn additional income in the form of fees or interest on securities received as collateral or the investment of any cash received as collateral. When securities were on loan, the Fund received interest or dividends on those securities. Cash collateral received in connection with its securities lending transactions was invested in Securities Lending Cash Investments, LLC (the "Securities Lending Fund"), an affiliated non-registered investment company. Effective at the close of business on March 29, 2023, the Fund is no longer participating in the securities lending program and the Securities Lending Fund was liquidated. Securities Lending Fund was managed by Allspring Funds Management and was subadvised by Allspring Global Investments, LLC ("Allspring Investments"), an affiliate of Allspring Funds Management and wholly owned subsidiary of Allspring Global Investments Holdings, LLC. Allspring Funds Management received an advisory fee starting at 0.05% and declining to 0.01% as the average daily net assets of the Securities Lending Fund increased. All of the fees received by Allspring Funds Management were paid to Allspring Investments for its services as subadviser.

Investments in Securities Lending Fund were valued at the evaluated bid price provided by an independent pricing service. Income earned from investment in the Securities Lending Fund (net of fees and rebates), if any, is included in income from affiliated securities on the Statement of Operations.

In a securities lending transaction, the net asset value of the Fund is affected by an increase or decrease in the value of the securities loaned and by an increase or decrease in the value of the instrument in which collateral is invested. The amount of securities lending activity undertaken by the Fund fluctuates from time to time. The Fund has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand. In the event of default or bankruptcy by the borrower, the Fund may be prevented from recovering the loaned securities or gaining access to the collateral or may experience delays or costs in doing so. In such an event, the terms of the agreement allow the unaffiliated securities lending agent to use the

collateral to purchase replacement securities on behalf of the Fund or pay the Fund the market value of the loaned securities. The Fund bears the risk of loss with respect to depreciation of its investment of the cash collateral.

#### Security transactions and income recognition

Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gains or losses are recorded on the basis of identified cost.

Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date. Dividend income is recorded net of foreign taxes withheld where recovery of such taxes is not assured.

#### Distributions to shareholders

Distributions to shareholders from net investment income and any net realized gains are recorded on the ex-dividend date and paid at least annually. Such distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations and may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Dividend sources are estimated at the time of declaration. The tax character of distributions is determined as of the Fund's fiscal year end. Therefore, a portion of the Fund's distributions made prior to the Fund's fiscal year end may be categorized as a tax return of capital at year end.

#### Federal and other taxes

The Fund intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company by distributing substantially all of its investment company taxable income and any net realized capital gains (after reduction for capital loss carryforwards) sufficient to relieve it from all, or substantially all, federal income taxes. Accordingly, no provision for federal income taxes was required.

The Fund's income and federal excise tax returns and all financial records supporting those returns for the prior three fiscal years are subject to examination by the federal and Delaware revenue authorities. Management has analyzed the Fund's tax positions taken on federal, state, and foreign tax returns, as applicable, for all open tax years and does not believe that there are any uncertain tax positions that require recognition of a tax liability.

As of March 31, 2023, the aggregate cost of all investments for federal income tax purposes was \$1,234,848,698 and the unrealized gains (losses) consisted of:

Gross unrealized gains	\$ 606,737,637
Gross unrealized losses	(472,824,611)
Net unrealized gains	\$ 133,913,026

As of September 30, 2022, the Fund had a qualified late-year ordinary loss of \$10,593,725 which was recognized on the first day of the current fiscal year.

#### **Class allocations**

The separate classes of shares offered by the Fund differ principally in applicable sales charges, distribution, shareholder servicing, and administration fees. Class specific expenses are charged directly to that share class. Investment income, common fund-level expenses, and realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments are allocated daily to each class of shares based on the relative proportion of net assets of each class.

#### 3. FAIR VALUATION MEASUREMENTS

Fair value measurements of investments are determined within a framework that has established a fair value hierarchy based upon the various data inputs utilized in determining the value of the Fund's investments. The three-level hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The Fund's investments are classified within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The inputs are summarized into three broad levels as follows:

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical securities
- Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing investments in securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a summary of the inputs used in valuing the Fund's assets and liabilities as of March 31, 2023:

	Quoted prices	Other significant observable inputs	Significant unobservable inputs	
	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Total
Assets				
Investments in:				
Common stocks				
Communication services	\$ 73,041,861	\$0	\$O	\$ 73,041,861
Consumer discretionary	169,198,574	0	0	169,198,574
Consumer staples	34,816,168	0	0	34,816,168
Financials	58,861,408	0	0	58,861,408
Health care	285,000,791	0	0	285,000,791
Industrials	302,773,757	0	0	302,773,757
Information technology	331,084,419	0	0	331,084,419
Materials	14,193,762	0	0	14,193,762
Real estate	54,466,339	0	0	54,466,339
Short-term investments				
Investment companies	45,324,645	0	0	45,324,645
Total assets	\$1,368,761,724	\$0	\$0	\$1,368,761,724

Additional sector, industry or geographic detail, if any, is included in the Portfolio of Investments.

For the six months ended March 31, 2023, the Fund did not have any transfers into/out of Level 3.

#### 4. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

#### Management fee

Allspring Funds Management, a wholly owned subsidiary of Allspring Global Investments Holdings, LLC, a holding company indirectly owned by certain private funds of GTCR LLC and Reverence Capital Partners, L.P., is the manager of the Fund and provides advisory and fund-level administrative services under an investment management agreement. Under the investment management agreement, Allspring Funds Management is responsible for, among other services, implementing the investment objectives and strategies of the Fund, supervising the subadviser and providing fund-level administrative services in connection with the Fund's operations. As compensation for its services under the investment management agreement, Allspring Funds Management fee at the following annual rate based on the Fund's average daily net assets:

Average daily net assets	Management fee
First \$500 million	0.800%
Next \$500 million	0.750
Next \$1 billion	0.700
Next \$2 billion	0.675
Next \$1 billion	0.650
Next \$5 billion	0.640
Over \$10 billion	0.630

For the six months ended March 31, 2023, the management fee was equivalent to an annual rate of 0.75% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

Allspring Funds Management has retained the services of a subadviser to provide daily portfolio management to the Fund. The fee for subadvisory services is borne by Allspring Funds Management. Allspring Investments is the subadviser to the Fund and is entitled to receive a fee from Allspring Funds Management at an annual rate starting at 0.45% and declining to 0.35% as the average daily net assets of the Fund increase.

#### Administration fees

Under a class-level administration agreement, Allspring Funds Management provides class-level administrative services to the Fund, which includes paying fees and expenses for services provided by the transfer agent, sub-transfer agents, omnibus

account servicers and record-keepers. As compensation for its services under the class-level administration agreement, Allspring Funds Management receives an annual fee which is calculated based on the average daily net assets of each class as follows:

	Class-level administration fee
Class A	0.21%
Class C	0.21
Class R6	0.03
Administrator Class	0.13
Institutional Class	0.13

#### Waivers and/or expense reimbursements

Allspring Funds Management has contractually committed to waive and/or reimburse management and administration fees to the extent necessary to maintain certain net operating expense ratios for the Fund. When each class of the Fund has exceeded its expense cap, Allspring Funds Management will waive fees and/or reimburse expenses from fund-level expenses on a proportionate basis and then from class specific expenses. When only certain classes exceed their expense caps, waivers and/or reimbursements are applied against class specific expenses before fund-level expenses. Allspring Funds Management has contractually committed through January 31, 2024 to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to cap expenses. Prior to or after the commitment expiration date, the caps may be increased or the commitment to maintain the caps may be terminated only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. As of March 31, 2023, the contractual expense caps are as follows:

	Expense ratio caps
Class A	1.22%
Class C	1.97
Class R6	0.79
Administrator Class	1.14
Institutional Class	0.89

#### Distribution fee

The Trust has adopted a distribution plan for Class C shares pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act. A distribution fee is charged to Class C shares and paid to Allspring Funds Distributor, LLC ("Allspring Funds Distributor"), the principal underwriter, an affiliate of Allspring Funds Management, at an annual rate up to 0.75% of the average daily net assets of Class C shares.

In addition, Allspring Funds Distributor is entitled to receive the front-end sales charge from the purchase of Class A shares and a contingent deferred sales charge on the redemption of certain Class A shares. Allspring Funds Distributor is also entitled to receive the contingent deferred sales charges from redemptions of Class C shares. For the six months ended March 31, 2023, Allspring Funds Distributor received \$708 from the sale of Class A shares. No contingent deferred sales charges were incurred by Class A and Class C shares for the six months ended March 31, 2023.

#### Shareholder servicing fees

The Trust has entered into contracts with one or more shareholder servicing agents, whereby Class A, Class C and Administrator Class are charged a fee at an annual rate up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets of each respective class. A portion of these total shareholder servicing fees were paid to affiliates of the Fund.

#### Interfund transactions

The Fund may purchase or sell portfolio investment securities to certain affiliates pursuant to Rule 17a-7 under the 1940 Act and under procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees. The procedures have been designed to ensure that these interfund transactions, which do not incur broker commissions, are effected at current market prices.

#### 5. INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of investments, excluding U.S. government obligations (if any) and short-term securities, for the six months ended March 31, 2023 were \$402,203,216 and \$563,019,884, respectively.

# 6. BANK BORROWINGS

The Trust (excluding the money market funds), Allspring Master Trust and Allspring Variable Trust are parties to a \$350,000,000 revolving credit agreement whereby the Fund is permitted to use bank borrowings for temporary or emergency purposes, such as to fund shareholder redemption requests. Interest under the credit agreement is charged to the Fund based on a borrowing rate equal to the higher of the Federal Funds rate or the overnight bank funding rate in effect on that day plus a spread. In addition, an annual commitment fee based on the unused balance is allocated to each participating fund.

For the six months ended March 31, 2023, there were no borrowings by the Fund under the agreement.

#### 7. CONCENTRATION RISKS

As of the end of the period, the Fund concentrated its portfolio of investments in the health care and information technology sectors. A fund that invests a substantial portion of its assets in any sector may be more affected by changes in that sector than would be a fund whose investments are not heavily weighted in any sector.

#### 8. INDEMNIFICATION

Under the Fund's organizational documents, the officers and Trustees have been granted certain indemnification rights against certain liabilities that may arise out of performance of their duties to the Fund. The Fund has entered into a separate agreement with each Trustee that converts indemnification rights currently existing under the Fund's organizational documents into contractual rights that cannot be changed in the future without the consent of the Trustee. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund may enter into contracts with service providers that contain a variety of indemnification clauses. 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.

#### 9. REDEMPTIONS IN-KIND

During the year ended September 30, 2022, the Fund redeemed assets through in-kind redemptions for shareholders in Class R6. The redemption transactions are reflected on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets. The date of the redemption transaction, value of securities issued from the redemption, cash paid, realized gains (losses) and the percentage of the Fund redeemed by the shareholder was as follows:

Date	Value of securities issued	Cash	Realized gains (losses)	% of the Fund
12-17-2021	\$61,696,045	\$1,402,107	\$22,077,191	2.43%

# PROXY VOTING INFORMATION

A description of the policies and procedures used to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available without charge, upon request, by calling **1-800-222-8222**, visiting our website at **allspringglobal.com**, or visiting the SEC website at sec.gov. Information regarding how the proxies related to portfolio securities were voted during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available on the website at **allspringglobal.com** or by visiting the SEC website at sec.gov.

# QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS INFORMATION

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit to its reports on Form N-PORT. Shareholders may view the filed Form N-PORT by visiting the SEC website at sec.gov.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

Each of the Trustees and Officers listed in the table below acts in identical capacities for each fund in the Allspring family of funds, which consists of 127 mutual funds comprising the Allspring Funds Trust, Allspring Variable Trust, Allspring Master Trust and four closed-end funds (collectively the "Fund Complex"). This table should be read in conjunction with the Prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information<sup>1</sup>. The mailing address of each Trustee and Officer is 1415 Vantage Park Drive, 3rd Floor, Charlotte, NC 28203. Each Trustee and Officer serves an indefinite term, however, each Trustee serves such term until reaching the mandatory retirement age established by the Trustees.

# Independent Trustees

Name and year of birth	Position held and length of service*	Principal occupations during past five years or longer	Current other public company or investment company directorships
William R. Ebsworth (Born 1957)	Trustee, since 2015	Retired. From 1984 to 2013, equities analyst, portfolio manager, research director and chief investment officer at Fidelity Management and Research Company in Boston, Tokyo, and Hong Kong, and retired in 2013 as Chief Investment Officer of Fidelity Strategic Advisers, Inc. where he led a team of investment professionals managing client assets. Prior thereto, Board member of Hong Kong Securities Clearing Co., Hong Kong Options Clearing Corp., the Thailand International Fund, Ltd., Fidelity Investments Life Insurance Company, and Empire Fidelity Investments Life Insurance Company. Audit Committee Chair and Investment Committee Chair of the Vincent Memorial Hospital Foundation (non-profit organization). Mr. Ebsworth is a CFA® charterholder.	N/A
Jane A. Freeman (Born 1953)	Trustee, since 2015; Chair Liaison, since 2018	Retired. From 2012 to 2014 and 1999 to 2008, Chief Financial Officer of Scientific Learning Corporation. From 2008 to 2012, Ms. Freeman provided consulting services related to strategic business projects. Prior to 1999, Portfolio Manager at Rockefeller & Co. and Scudder, Stevens & Clark. Board member of the Harding Loevner Funds from 1996 to 2014, serving as both Lead Independent Director and chair of the Audit Committee. Board member of the Russell Exchange Traded Funds Trust from 2011 to 2012 and the chair of the Audit Committee. Ms. Freeman is also an inactive Chartered Financial Analyst.	N/A
Isaiah Harris, Jr. (Born 1952)	Trustee, since 2009; Audit Committee Chair, since 2019	Retired. Member of the Advisory Board of CEF of East Central Florida. Chairman of the Board of CIGNA Corporation from 2009 to 2021, and Director from 2005 to 2008. From 2003 to 2011, Director of Deluxe Corporation. Prior thereto, President and CEO of BellSouth Advertising and Publishing Corp. from 2005 to 2007, President and CEO of BellSouth Enterprises from 2004 to 2005 and President of BellSouth Consumer Services from 2000 to 2003. Emeritus member of the Iowa State University Foundation Board of Governors. Emeritus Member of the Advisory Board of Iowa State University School of Business. Advisory Board Member, Palm Harbor Academy (private school). Advisory Board Member, Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Mr. Harris is a certified public accountant (inactive status).	N/A
David F. Larcker (Born 1950)	Trustee, since 2009	Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Hoover Institution since 2022. James Irvin Miller Professor of Accounting at the Graduate School of Business (Emeritus), Stanford University, Director of the Corporate Governance Research Initiative and Senior Faculty of The Rock Center for Corporate Governance since 2006. From 2005 to 2008, Professor of Accounting at the Graduate School of Business, Stanford University. Prior thereto, Ernst & Young Professor of Accounting at The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania from 1985 to 2005.	N/A

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Olivia S. Mitchell (Born 1953)	Trustee, since 2006; Nominating and Governance Committee Chair, since 2018	International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans Professor since 1993, Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Director of Wharton's Pension Research Council and Boettner Center on Pensions & Retirement Research, and Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research. Previously taught at Cornell University from 1978 to 1993.	N/A
Timothy J. Penny (Born 1951)	Trustee, since 1996; Chair, since 2018	President and Chief Executive Officer of Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation, a non-profit organization, since 2007. Vice Chair of the Economic Club of Minnesota, since 2007. Co-Chair of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, since 1995. Member of the Board of Trustees of NorthStar Education Finance, Inc., a non-profit organization, from 2007-2022. Senior Fellow of the University of Minnesota Humphrey Institute from 1995 to 2017.	N/A
James G. Polisson (Born 1959)	Trustee, since 2018	Retired. Chief Marketing Officer, Source (ETF) UK Services, Ltd, from 2015 to 2017. From 2012 to 2015, Principal of The Polisson Group, LLC, a management consulting, corporate advisory and principal investing company. Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director at Russell Investments, Global Exchange Traded Funds from 2010 to 2012. Managing Director of Barclays Global Investors from 1998 to 2010 and Global Chief Marketing Officer for iShares and Barclays Global Investors from 2000 to 2010. Trustee of the San Francisco Mechanics' Institute, a non-profit organization, from 2013 to 2015. Board member of the Russell Exchange Traded Fund Trust from 2011 to 2012. Director of Barclays Global Investors Holdings Deutschland GmbH from 2006 to 2009. Mr. Polisson is an attorney and has a retired status with the Massachusetts and District of Columbia Bar Associations.	N/A
Pamela Wheelock (Born 1959)	Trustee, since January 2020; previously Trustee from January 2018 to July 2019	Retired. Executive and Senior Financial leadership positions in the public, private and nonprofit sectors. Interim President and CEO, McKnight Foundation, 2020. Interim Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Human Services, 2019. Chief Operating Officer, Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity, 2017-2019. Vice President for University Services, University of Minnesota, 2012-2016. Interim President and CEO, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, 2011-2012. Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer, Minnesota Wild, 2002-2008. Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Finance, 1999-2002. Chair of the Board of Directors of Destination Medical Center Corporation. Board member of the Minnesota Wild Foundation.	N/A

\* Length of service dates reflect the Trustee's commencement of service with the Trust's predecessor entities, where applicable.

# Officers<sup>2</sup>

Name and year of birth	Position held and length of service	Principal occupations during past five years or longer
Andrew Owen (Born 1960)	President, since 2017	President and Chief Executive Officer of Allspring Funds Management, LLC since 2017 and Head of Global Fund Governance of Allspring Global Investments since 2022. Prior thereto, co-president of Galliard Capital Management, LLC, an affiliate of Allspring Funds Management, LLC, from 2019 to 2022 and Head of Affiliated Managers, Allspring Global Investments, from 2014 to 2019 and Executive Vice President responsible for marketing, investments and product development for Allspring Funds Management, LLC, from 2009 to 2014.
Jeremy DePalma (Born 1974)	Treasurer, since 2012 (for certain funds in the Fund Complex); since 2021 (for the remaining funds in the Fund Complex)	Senior Vice President of Allspring Funds Management, LLC since 2009. Senior Vice President of Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC from 2008 to 2010 and head of the Fund Reporting and Control Team within Fund Administration from 2005 to 2010.
Christopher Baker (Born 1976)	Chief Compliance Officer, since 2022	Global Chief Compliance Officer for Allspring Global Investments since 2022. Prior thereto, Chief Compliance Officer for State Street Global Advisors from 2018 to 2021. Senior Compliance Officer for the State Street divisions of Alternative Investment Solutions, Sector Solutions, and Global Marketing from 2015 to 2018. From 2010 to 2015 Vice President, Global Head of Investment and Marketing Compliance for State Street Global Advisors.
Matthew Prasse (Born 1983)	Chief Legal Officer, since 2022; Secretary, since 2021	Senior Counsel of the Allspring Legal Department since 2021. Senior Counsel of the Wells Fargo Legal Department from 2018 to 2021. Previously, Counsel for Barings LLC from 2015 to 2018. Prior to joining Barings, Associate at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP from 2008 to 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Statement of Additional Information includes additional information about the Trustees and is available, without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-222-8222 or by visiting the website at **allspringglobal.com**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For those Officers with tenures at Allspring Global Investments and/or Allspring Funds Management, LLC that began prior to 2021, such tenures include years of service during which these businesses/entities were known as Wells Fargo Asset Management and Wells Fargo Funds Management, LLC, respectively.



#### For more information

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