**Market Environment**
The first quarter of 2021 was a notable improvement over this time last year in many ways. Global equity markets were up, as opposed to the 20% plus decline we saw over the same period last year. Risk markets were lifted by declining COVID-19 cases, additional fiscal stimulus from governments, and continued easy money policies from global central bankers. The U.S. passed another major stimulus package in the form of the $1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan.

The MSCI All Country World Index gained 4.6% in the first quarter. US markets led the quarterly rally due in large part to the relative success of the American vaccination effort. In the US, the S&P 500 was up 6.2%, the MSCI EAFE index was up 3.5% and the MSCI Emerging Markets index was up 2.3%.

**Investment Pool**
The Investment Pool (Pool) returned 4.6% for the first quarter, outperforming the Target Benchmark by 1.2%. The Pool benefited from strong performance from venture capital managers, and strong stock selection from equity managers. The Pool continues to employ a long-term diversified investment strategy to generate attractive returns over the longer term.

**American Funds**
The American Funds Program returned 3.1% in the fourth quarter, underperforming its benchmark by 0.1%. The program’s longer-term relative performance continues to be strong, outperforming its benchmark in the 1, 3, 5, and 10 year periods. The program invests in three American Funds: American Balanced Fund, EuroPacific Growth Fund, and Small Cap World Fund.

**Conservative Fund**
The Conservative Fund continues to provide returns in line with a fund constructed to preserve principal and maintain a high degree of liquidity.

**Summary**
The Foundation offers a diverse set of investment options, designed to meet the varied needs of our donor advisors. Our investment strategy is based on the principles of discipline, balance, diversification, and a longer view that is risk-aware but opportunistic. We are confident that these principles will continue to serve us well as we steward philanthropic capital.
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Portfolio  Asset Allocation  Performance

Investment Pool
- Fixed Income: 26%
- US Equities: 39%
- Non US Equities: 22%
- Alternatives: 9%
- Money Market: 4%

American Funds
- Fixed Income: 25%
- US Equities: 42%
- Non US Equities: 8%
- Money Market: 25%

Conservative Fund
- Money Market: 96%
- Certificate of Deposits: 4%

Performance

Q1 2021  1 yr  3 yrs  5 yrs  10 yrs

- Investment Pool*: 4.6 3.4 2.2 0.0 n/a
- Benchmark**: 38.0 36.4 8.5 10.110.2 10.211.0 10.3 8.0 7.8 7.6
- American Funds: 39.1 38.4 11.3 11.3 11.6 11.2 9.8 9.1
- Benchmark***: 0.0 0.7 1.6 1.2 n/a

*Preliminary. **The benchmark is a weighted average of market indices using the Foundation’s strategic asset allocation through time.
***The benchmark is a weighted average of the underlying mutual fund benchmarks that comprise the American Funds program.

Note: Please see Benchmark Information for additional information.

Past performance is not indicative of future results.