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The report shows total returns for periods less than one year and compounded annual rates of return for longer periods. The returns are net of all operating expenses, totaling approximately 0.60% annually, including fees of outside investment managers.

*Lipper Moderate Index is the most appropriate Mixed Asset Target Allocation of the Lipper MATA indices.

**The Blended Real Assets Index is comprised of 1/3 Dow Jones UBS Commodity Index, 1/3 S&P Natural Resource, and 1/3 UBS 50/50 Infrastructure and Utilities.

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TPF FUND PERFORMANCE AS OF 03-31-16

TPF Fund

1st Q 1 Yr 3 Yrs 5 Yrs 10 Yrs

Benchmark

TPF Balanced Fund	-0.1%	-3.5%	4.9%	6.1%	5.7%
Lipper Moderate Index*	1.3%	-2.1%	4.9%	5.6%	4.7%
TPF Large Cap Equity Fund	-3.0%	-2.6%	10.7%	11.0%	7.2%
Lipper Large Cap Core Fund Index	0.8%	-0.7%	10.0%	10.0%	6.0%
TPF Growth Equity Fund	-4.8%	-2.8%	10.7%	11.0%	7.5%
Lipper Large Cap Growth Fund Index	-4.2%	-2.2%	11.8%	10.2%	6.5%
TPF Value Equity Fund	-1.6%	-3.1%	10.7%	11.0%	7.1%
Lipper Large Cap Value Fund Index	0.8%	-2.8%	8.9%	9.0%	5.3%
TPF International Equity Fund	-1.8%	-8.6%	4.0%	5.5%	4.7%
Lipper International Fund Index	-1.6%	-7.6%	2.8%	2.3%	2.5%
TPF Emerging Mkts Equity Fund	8.2%	-9.7%	-5.9%	-1.7%	2.0%
Lipper Emerging Market Fund Index	5.7%	-10.6%	-4.4%	-3.3%	2.6%
TPF Small Cap Equity Fund	1.9%	-2.8%	9.2%	10.1%	7.8%
Lipper Small Cap Fund Index	0.8%	-6.6%	7.0%	7.3%	5.9%
TPF Fixed Income Fund	1.2%	-0.7%	1.1%	3.0%	4.7%
Lipper Core Bond Fund Index	3.0%	1.5%	2.4%	4.1%	4.9%
TPF Money Market Fund	.04%	.13%	.14%	.15%	1.23%
Lipper Inst. Money Market Fund Avg	.05%	.06%	.02%	.02%	1.01%
TPF Real Estate Fund	3.4%	5.3%	6.9%	6.4%	N/A
NCREIF NFRI-ODCE (Net)	3.1%	14.0%	12.8%	12.6%	5.6%
TPF Real Assets Fund	2.9%	-14.0%	-6.6%	N/A	N/A
Blended Real Assets Index **	4.0%	-15.3%	-7.4%	N/A	N/A
TPF Defensive Strategies Fund	0.2%	-1.8%	3.0%	2.5%	N/A
Lipper Long Short Equity Index	-0.2%	-3.8%	2.1%	2.5%	1.2%



Patience at the Plate

The Power of Perseverance

By John Furlow, TPF's Executive VP & COO

As we sat above the third base dugout on this perfect Opening Day, we were discussing the Texas Rangers start to last year's season. In 2015, the Rangers had an April record of 7-14, including losing eight of their last ten games. By mid-May, even some of the diehard fans had written off the season. Hindsight is a wonderful attribute! Fast forward to September, the Rangers roared back into contention for the American League West and eventually won the division title. Patience paid off for the team and the fans as they adopted the catch phrase "Never Ever Quit."

So it has been with the first quarter 2016 in the investment markets. Fears of a global recession hit markets hard at the start of the year. Yields remained low relative to history, while credit spreads rose across fixed-income categories and are now near historical averages. January and the first half of February were brutal with the markets declining approximately 7%. Those who remained patient were rewarded, while those who sold off took some rather large losses. The markets enjoyed a nice rebound by the end of the quarter.

Despite the quarter's performance, TPF's funds still have strong intermediate and long-term numbers, and the balance of the 2016 season is yet to play.

Like the 2015 Rangers, the first quarter of 2016 was unkind to the TPF portfolios. The majority of underperformance came from the domestic equity portfolios that have historically been the best performers over the previous seasons. This quarter was the first time ever that all four of TPF's large cap equity managers struck out, dropping the overall slugging percentage. Diversification to small cap equity and emerging markets equity helped the batting average. Despite the quarter's performance, TPF's funds still have strong intermediate and long-term numbers, and the balance of the 2016 season is yet to play.

Historically, the first quarter in five of the past seven years has been a poor performing quarter. It sounds trite at times to say that we need to be patient with the markets, but our long-term investing philosophy has shown that over time, patience pays off. Volatility will continue, just like winning streaks and losing streaks in America's pastime. However, if we stay true to our game plan, we might all be waving a pennant flag come December.



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