

# Equity Pension Fund

Quarterly Report, Q1 2022  
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Mar Net Asset Value:	\$2.783
Assets:	\$2.101M
Inception:	Dec-99

## PERFORMANCE

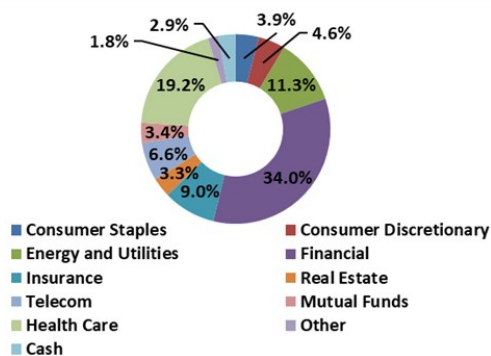
	Fund	Benchmark*
1 Month	0.36%	-0.63%
3 Month	-0.40%	0.09%
1Yr	17.57%	13.57%
3Yr	10.70%	2.08%

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## TOP FIVE HOLDINGS

DOCTORS HOSPITAL	19.19%
FIDELITY BANK (BAHAMAS)	17.82%
FINCO	8.48%
FOCOL HOLDINGS	7.09%
CABLE BAHAMAS	6.58%

## ALLOCATION



## Positive Outlook for 2022

In Q1 the Fund returned -0.40% versus 0.09% for the BISX All Share Index (BISX). Over the last year the Fund returned 17.57% versus the 13.57% generated by BISX. Over the last three years the Fund outperformed BISX by 8.62% per annum.

The Bahamian economy continued its recovery in Q1 but the Omicron variant caused a rapid increase in cases at the end of the year but the impact did not last as long as many feared. The positives of the quarter included continued increase of tourist arrivals despite the outbreak of Omicron.

During January and February, tourist arrivals expanded to 723,522, a recovery from the 53,129 registered in the same period of 2021. Over the first quarter 2022, visitor departures via Nassau airport recovered sharply by 283.7% to 275,086.

During the first six months of FY2021/22, the deficit narrowed to \$287.6 million from \$734.3 million in the comparable FY2020/21 period.

BISX index was slightly down in Q1, with First Caribbean Int'l Bank (CIB) leading the way with a 8.33% gain.

Another star in Q1 was Famguard (FAM) which was up 7.39% in quarter. The biggest faller was Commonwealth Bank (CBL), which fell by 12.50%. The Bank continued to struggle with loan provisions and growing its loan portfolio.

The economy is projected to maintain a healthy recovery momentum in 2022, supported by strong gains in both stopover and cruise activities. Elevated inflationary pressures are anticipated, as a result of the rise in international oil prices, higher costs for other imported goods; and supply chain shortages, associated with geopolitical tensions in Eastern Europe.

*The Targeted Equity Fund is a sub fund of the Bahamas Opportunities umbrella investment fund, which began in November 2012. Performance shown is for Series 1, or retail, shares, which may differ from other Series offered in the fund. The asset allocation shown is subject to change without notice and at the discretion of the investment manager, subject to the restrictions outlined in the fund's offering documents. Past performance doesn't guarantee future success.*

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