For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the University of Colorado Foundation's Long Term Investment Pool (LTIP) returned 4.2%, which compares to 3.8% for our policy benchmark. The LTIP includes endowments the Foundation holds for the benefit of the University of Colorado. The LTIP’s longer-term results show a consistent track record of investment growth, in line with the Foundation’s goal of maximizing returns over an extended time period while effectively managing risk. Achieving this objective is critical given CU’s long-term educational mission. Faculty, students and programs on all four university campuses rely on consistent funding streams from the LTIP for years to come.

Current LTIP value: $1.9 billion

As of June 30, 2020, the LTIP was valued at $1.9 billion. The value of endowments invested for the benefit of CU is a subset of the LTIP, totaling $1.5 billion. Note that increases/decreases of these funds over time do not precisely mirror investment performance, due to increases reflecting fundraising inflows and decreases reflecting distributions made to university programs.

CU investments vs. policy benchmark

As of June 30, 2020, the LTIP’s 3-year annualized investment performance was +7.22%, its 7-year performance was +7.89%, its 10-year performance was +8.43%, and its 15-year performance was 7.41%. The 10- and 15-year returns were achieved with over 32% less risk than the policy benchmark.

LTIP asset allocation as of June 30, 2020

The LTIP’s $1.9 billion is invested in a diverse portfolio of asset classes with a long-term strategic investment horizon. Here is the proportion of investment by asset class.
The CU Foundation’s Investment Policy Committee, Board of Directors and staff, including the investment management team at Agility, the Foundation’s outsourced CIO, are closely monitoring economic developments and market conditions.

**The LTIP is well-positioned to weather the continued market volatility and economic disruptions brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.**

The Foundation’s “all-weather” investment approach minimized the LTIP’s losses during the pandemic-induced market volatility we experienced during the first half of 2020 and allowed the LTIP to participate as markets recovered. This has kept endowment values from going “underwater” and assured steady distributions from all endowments. Providing reliable distributions to the University in a time of considerable budgetary challenges is of critical importance.

- The LTIP is invested in a diverse portfolio of asset classes that includes global public equities, private capital, real assets, hedge funds, fixed income and cash with a long-term strategic investment horizon.
- Forced sellers have created attractive buying opportunities for long-term investors like the Foundation.
- The LTIP has the liquidity to take advantage of market opportunities in both public and private markets.

**We are fully engaged.** Staff and the investment professionals at Agility continue to proactively rebalance the portfolio and underlying allocations while sourcing new investments that can benefit from the current market environment. While portions of the U.S. and global economies begin to slowly reopen and recover, the crisis is likely to persist for some time. The longer-term implications of the virus and the economic policies taken to mitigate its impact will likely play out over years, not months.