

# **SWIB Update**

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## Agenda

- Leadership
- Performance
- Cost Effectiveness
- Asset Allocation & Peer Performance Comparison
- Private Markets & Funds Alpha
- Questions



# Leadership



#### David Villa's Legacy: Building a Strong Team



Edwin Denson
Interim Co-Chief Investment Officer
Managing Director
Asset & Risk Allocation



Management Council



Mike Jacobs Agency Business Director



Brian Hellmer
Interim Co-Chief Investment Officer
Managing Director
Global Public Market Strategies



Rochelle Klaskin Interim Executive Director



Anne-Marie Fink
Interim Co-Chief Investment Officer
Managing Director
Private Markets & Funds Alpha



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152 Years of Collective Leadership and Investment Industry Experience

- Rochelle Klaskin, Acting Executive Director
  - SWIB Deputy Executive Director/Chief Administrative Officer
  - SWIB Chief Legal Counsel
  - Godfrey & Kahn, Corporate Attorney/Madison Office Managing Partner
- Mike Jacobs, Agency Business Director
  - Brinson Partners, Partner/General Counsel/Chief Compliance Officer
  - Adams Street Partners, Partner/General Counsel/Chief Compliance Officer
  - Singer Partners, Managing Partner/General Counsel/Chief Compliance Officer
  - William Blair & Company, Senior Legal Advisor/Operating Manager



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- Brian Hellmer, Acting Chief Investment Officer
  - SWIB Managing Director, Global Public Market Strategies
  - UW-Madison, Hawk Center for Applied Investment Research/Center Director
  - Northern Capital Management, Principal/Owner/Portfolio Manager
  - Bank of America, Equity Analyst & Investment Analyst
- Edwin Denson, Acting Chief Investment Officer
  - SWIB Managing Director, Asset and Risk Allocation
  - Canada Pension Plan Investment Board, Managing Director/Head of Strategic Tilting
  - UBS Global Asset Management, Managing Director/Head of Asset Allocation
- Anne-Marie Fink, Acting Chief Investment Officer
  - SWIB Managing Director, Private Markets & Funds Alpha
  - State Street Global Advisors, Managing Director
  - State of Rhode Island, Chief Investment Officer
  - JP Morgan Private Bank, Managing Director

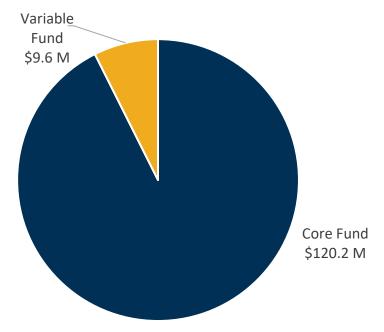


# Performance



# WRS Assets Under Management (AUM)

As of Dec. 31, 2020



| Fund          | <b>12/31/2019 AUM</b><br>(in millions) | <b>12/31/2020 AUM</b><br>(in millions) | <b>1-Year AUM Change</b><br>(in millions) |
|---------------|--|--|---|
| Total WRS     | \$116.5                                | \$129.8                                | \$13.2                                    |
| Core Fund     | \$107.8                                | \$120.2                                | \$12.4                                    |
| Variable Fund | \$8.7                                  | \$9.6                                  | \$882                                     |

AUM is the gross market value of assets that an investment company or financial institution manages on behalf of investors.



#### 2020 Investment Returns

As of Dec. 31, 2020

SWIB's investment management has added more than **\$1.9 billion** above benchmark returns over the last five years to the WRS.

| Core Fund     | 1-Year  | 5-Year | 10-Year | 20-Year | 30-Year |
|---------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Performance   | 15.21%  | 10.74% | 8.51%   | 6.94%   | 8.83%   |
| Benchmark     | 14.15%  | 10.27% | 8.10%   | 6.62%   | 8.51%   |
|               | 1.06%   | 0.47%  | 0.41%   | 0.32%   | 0.32%   |
| Variable Fund |         |        |         |         |         |
| Performance   | 17.51%  | 13.65% | 11.35%  | 7.08%   | 9.78%   |
| Benchmark     | 17.90%  | 13.62% | 11.22%  | 6.94%   | 9.61%   |
|               | (0.39%) | 0.03%  | 0.13%   | 0.14%   | 0.17%   |

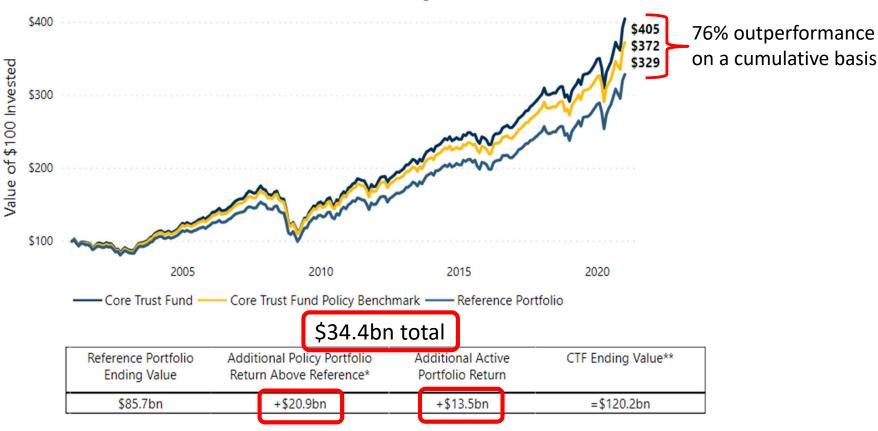
One-year returns are net of all fees. Five-, 10-, 20-, and 30-year returns are net of external manager fees. Thirty-year benchmark returns are presented gross of fees.



#### CTF Performance vs. 60/40 Reference Portfolio\*

January 2001 to December 2020
Benefit of SWIB's Asset Allocation & Active Management Over Time





<sup>\*</sup>The reference portfolio is 60% MSCI World and 40% Bloomberg Barclays Gov't/Credit (domestic)(rebalanced monthly). Core Trust Fund outperformance is calculated using gross returns.



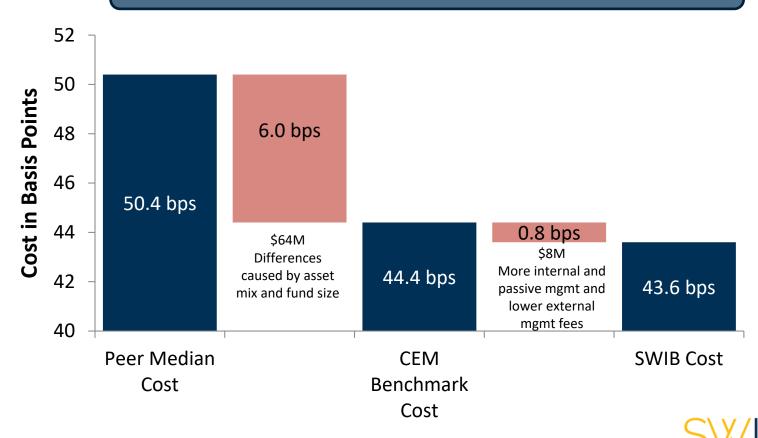
<sup>\*\*</sup>CTF beginning market value, as of January 1, 2001, was \$54.8 billion.

# Cost Effectiveness



# SWIB Saved Approximately \$72 Million In 2019 Compared to Its Peers

#### SWIB's costs are 13.5% lower than its peers

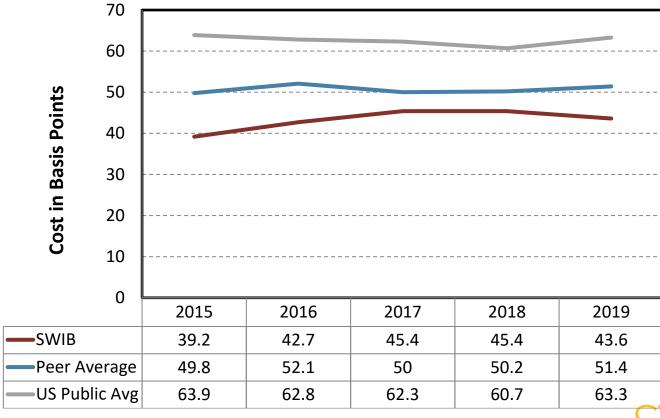


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Data source: CEM Benchmarking, Inc. 2019 Report

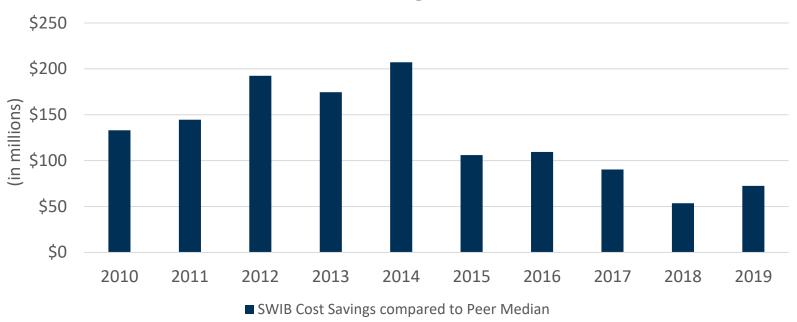
# SWIB Continues To Remain Lower Cost Compared To Peers & US Public Funds

SWIB's total costs have remained materially lower than peers due in part to levels of internal management.



#### SWIB Saved \$1.3 Billion vs. Peers From 2010-19





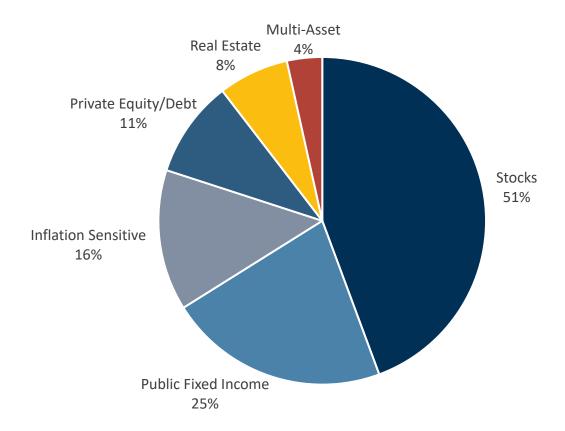
\*This analysis compares SWIB's savings vs. the peer group median costs for every \$100 under management and multiplies that average savings by SWIB's median assets under management.



# Asset Allocation & Peer Performance Comparison



# Core Trust Fund Asset Allocation Targets



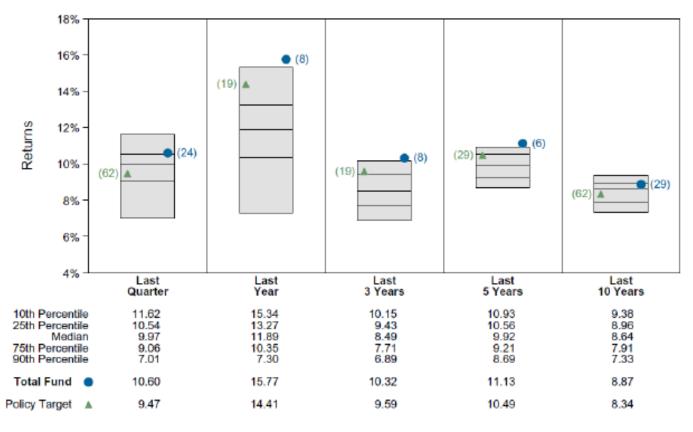
Totals exceed 100% due to SWIB's overall leverage of Core Fund assets. SWIB's actual asset allocation may vary up to +/- 6% from the targets listed.



### Total Fund Ranking-Unadjusted Ranking

Gross of Fees as of Dec. 31, 2020

Callan Public Fund Spons- V Lg DB (>10B)



• Total fund unadjusted rankings are in the top quartile of peers for Q4, the top decile of peers for the 1-, 3-, and 5-year periods, and the top half of peers for the 10-year period.

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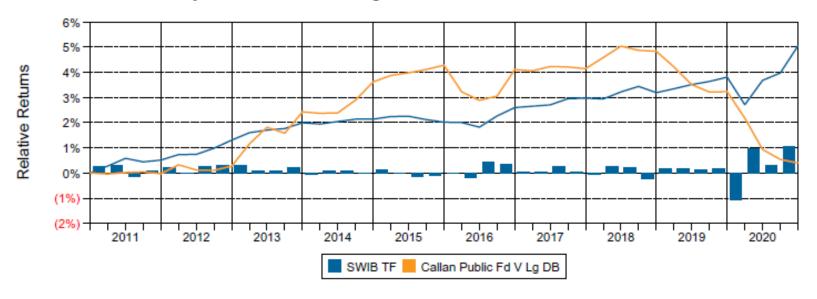
• Recent market volatility benefitted SWIB's risk-balance approach vs. peers.



#### 10 Year Return Consistency vs. Target

2011 to 2020 (Gross, 12/31/20)

#### **Cumulative and Quarterly Relative Return vs Target**



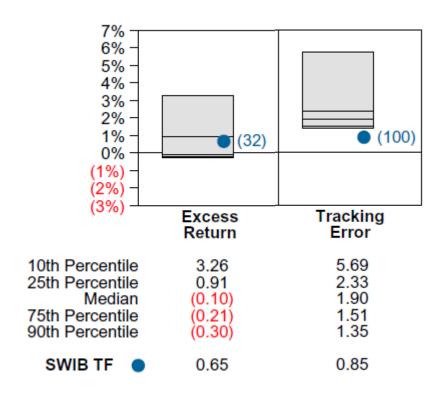
SWIB's risk control and consistency led to a relatively smooth ride over the last 10 years.

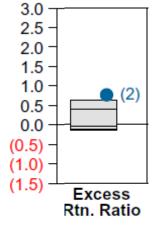


#### Relative Risk/Reward Tradeoff vs. Target & Peers

Positive excess return without taking as much active risk as peers

Rankings Against Callan Public Fund Sponsor Database (Gross); 5 years ending 12/31/2020





| 10th Percentile | 0.63   |
|-----------------|--------|
| 25th Percentile | 0.40   |
| Median          | (0.06) |
| 75th Percentile | (0.12) |
| 90th Percentile | (0.16) |

SWIB TF



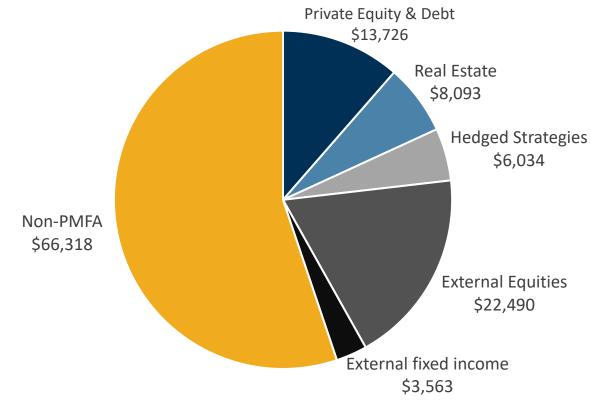


# Private Markets & Funds Alpha (PMFA) Division



### What Is Private Markets & Funds Alpha?

- Investments with external active managers
  - Approximately \$54 billion in assets or 45% of CTF, as of Dec. 31, 2020





## 2021 Asset Allocation Changes

# Increase target allocation to Private Equity/Debt from 9% to 11%

- Continue gradual pacing increase in line with precedent
- Target expected to be reached by the end of 2021, but could be earlier or later depending on market movements



## Why Private Markets?

- Access to strategies not widely available
- Outperformance over the long run
  - Offset by less liquidity than public markets offer







# Questions?

