Since the 1950s, the Connecticut and New Hampshire Conferences have been offering convenient and cost-effective investment options through the Consolidated Trust Funds (CT) and Consolidated Investment Fund (NH). In July of 2016, Consolidated Investment Fund assets were invested in the Consolidated Trust Funds.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information posted on the Connecticut Conference UCC website, www.ctucc.org/cff, includes quarterly performance summaries and holdings reports, a comprehensive annual report, Socially Responsible Investment guidelines, transaction forms, and more.

For more information about the Consolidated Trust Funds offerings, including the Total Return Fund and the Eden Fund, please call, write, or email:

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**GROWTH OF $10,000**

Since Inception, Ending December 31, 2019

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Eden Fund</th>
<th>Eden Fund Policy Benchmark</th>
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<td>2015-2018</td>
<td>$14,120.6</td>
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In 2015, the Connecticut Conference launched the Eden Fund for congregations that are concerned about environmental impact. The Eden Fund excludes Fossil Fuel Reserves from all equity holdings.

**Fossil Fuel Reserve Free**

The Eden Fund's strategy for equities goes beyond Socially Responsible Investing exclusions (alcohol, tobacco, gambling, defense weapons) to exclude Fossil Fuel Reserves. Working with Parametric Portfolio Associates, LLC, we exclude companies with evidence of owning fossil fuel reserves regardless of their industries, including companies that own greater than 20% of a reserves field, regardless of revenue derived. Fossil Fuel Reserves are defined as proved and probable reserves for coal and proved reserves for oil and natural gas. Evidence of owning reserves includes companies providing the exact volume of reserves, and companies making a statement about their ownership of reserves. Data is provided by MSCI. This is a more rigorous screening than the 100 largest coal companies and 100 largest oil and gas companies that are often used to create Fossil Free portfolios. The Eden Fund employs a similar strategy for fixed income securities as well.

**Positive Environmental Impact**

Eden Fund participants are divesting from virtually all of the companies holding fossil fuel reserves. In addition, the Eden Fund will be providing support for the United Church of Christ Northeast Environmental Justice Center at Silver Lake. We will continue to evaluate additional screens or stock selection criteria to increase the positive environmental impact of investing in this fund.
Commitment To A Just World For All

Funds follow the socially responsible investment guidelines adopted by the Connecticut Conference. One approved approach excludes companies profiting from the sales of alcohol, tobacco, gambling, or defense weapons. Another approved approach is preferential investment in business enterprises that adopt best practices regarding sustainable environmental impact, just and fair treatment of employees, employees of suppliers and other vendors, and customers, and governance policies and procedures. Different approaches may be used for different asset classes and approaches may be combined.

LOW COSTS

There are no fees associated with purchases or redemptions in the fund. Total expenses of the fund, including management, transaction, custodial fees and fund accounting fees are approximately 80 basis points.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The overall goal of the Consolidated Trust Funds (CTF) Eden Fund is to maintain the inflation-adjusted market value of assets while providing a relatively predictable, growing stream of revenue. The objective, therefore, is to earn a total return (net of all fees and expenses) equal to or exceeding the Connecticut Conference’s targeted spending rate, currently 4.5%, plus the inflation rate as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

In addition, funds are managed according to the guidelines for socially responsible investing established by the Board of Directors and annual meetings of the Connecticut Conference of the United Church of Christ.

BALANCED, DIVERSIFIED, HIGH QUALITY PORTFOLIO

Investments are diversified across asset classes, industry sectors, individual companies, and duration of fixed income securities. In order to meet the investment objective, asset allocation is biased towards equities and other asset classes with equity-like returns. Fixed income securities and other asset classes are used to reduce volatility and hedge investment risks.

INVESTMENT RISK

The Consolidated Trust Funds invest in financial securities, including stocks, bonds, and other securities, that are subject to market risk. The value of assets invested in CTF may decrease. Investments in CTF are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

- There are no risk-free investment options. Investments that guarantee asset value will not appreciate, therefore, assets will lose purchasing power due to inflation. Even at moderate rates of inflation, purchasing power is cut in half every 25 to 30 years. The only way to offset the impact of inflation is to invest in financial securities subject to market risk. While the value of assets may decline over the short-term, in the long-term the value of these securities has always increased in the past.
- CTF is most suitable for investors with long-term investment horizons.

INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Participants may make additions or redemption units monthly. All transactions are accounted for on the last business day of the month. Redemption checks will be mailed on or about the tenth day of the month following valuation.

DISTRIBUTION OPTIONS

Distributions are made to participants on a monthly basis. Participants may elect to receive net income, a fixed amount or a percentage of total return. Participants may also reinvest all or any portion of their monthly income.

ONLINE ACCESS TO ACCOUNTS

Participants can register for online access to accounts to view reports and enter most transactions. Participants can elect electronic distribution of monthly statements, mailed statements, or both options.

PURCHASES & REDEMPTIONS

Participants may make additions or redeem units monthly. All transactions are accounted for on the last business day of the month. Redemption checks will be mailed on or about the tenth day of the month following valuation.

ASSET ALLOCATION BY ASSET CLASS

As of December 31, 2019

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<td>Real Estate</td>
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TOTAL ASSETS OVER TIME

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Learn more about the Eden Fund at www.ctucc.org/edenfund or call 860-761-7111

Host a Cultivating Healthy Endowments Workshop

Led by Charlie Kuchenbrod, Executive Associate Conference Minister

This free workshop covers common endowment management pitfalls to avoid, proper gift classification (what constitutes an endowment, different kinds of endowments), the seven steps to a healthy endowment, the primary law governing endowments, best practices for Investment Committees and more.

By hosting a workshop, you will ensure a convenient date and time for members of your congregation to participate. By extending an invitation to other congregations and providing hospitality, you will enrich the workshop by expanding the experience and perspectives of the participants. Assistance will be provided with publicity.

This workshop has been offered multiple times and is continuously refined based on the feedback of participants. Assessments have been very positive.

For more information or to schedule a workshop email Charlie at kuchenbrodc@sneucc.org or call 860-761-7111.