

# **VICTORY GOVERNMENT SECURITIES FUND**

LSEG Lipper Fund Awards 2024 Winner

United States

FUND: USGNX A: UAGNX INSTITUTIONAL: UIGSX R6: URGSX

## Q4 // DECEMBER 31, 2023

### **FUND FACTS**

Class	Inception Date	Ticker	Expens Gross	e Ratio: Net
Fund	02/01/91	USGNX	0.53%	0.53%
Inst	08/07/15	UIGSX	0.42%	0.42%
R6	12/01/16	URGSX	1.81%	0.49%

Net expense ratio reflects the contractual waiver and/or reimbursement of management fees through June 30, 2024.

#### **Investment Style**

Intermediate Government

#### **Investment Objective and Strategy**

The Fund seeks a high level of current income consistent with preservation of principal. The Fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in securities issued by the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities, including Treasury bills, notes, and bonds; Treasury Inflation Protected Securities; mortgage-backed securities backed by the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal National Mortgage Association, and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; collateralized mortgage obligations; and repurchase agreements collateralized by such investments.

#### About the Fund

- Provides potential income you can take or reinvest.
- Minimal credit risk.
- Higher income potential than U.S. Treasuries.

## **Portfolio Managers**

Neal Graves, CFA, CPA. Since 2013. Jim Jackson, CFA. Since 2019. Zach Winters, CFA. Since 2023

#### **PERFORMANCE**

Average Annual Total Returns (%)

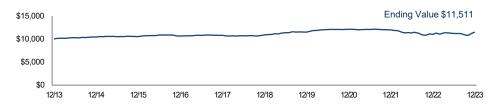
As of December 31, 2023	Q4 2023	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
Fund Shares	5.27	4.46	4.46	-1.69	1.10	1.42	4.35
Institutional Shares	5.31	4.57	4.57	-1.60	1.19	-	1.19
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Government Intermediate & MBS Index	5.49	4.62	4.62	-2.30	0.68	1.31	-

#### Calendar Year Performance (%)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund Shar	es								
4.15	0.95	1.23	1.35	1.04	5.58	5.29	-1.00	-8.12	4.46
Institutiona	l Shares								
_	-	1.29	1.55	1.03	5.67	5.37	-0.83	-8.13	4.57
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Government Intermediate & MBS Index									
4.13	1.33	1.34	1.76	1.22	5.72	4.91	-1.39	-9.61	4.62

Past performance does not guarantee future results. The performance quoted represents past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end, visit <a href="https://www.vcm.com">www.vcm.com</a>. Returns include reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Performance for periods greater than one year is annualized. Fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements were in place for some or all periods shown, without which, fund performance would have been lower.

## Growth of a Hypothetical \$10,000 Investment Fund Shares (12/31/2013–12/31/2023)



## **MORNINGSTAR RATINGS AND RANKINGS**

	Overall	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Morningstar Rating	****	****	****	****
Morningstar Ranking (%)	_	2	4	12
# of Funds	220	220	209	170

Morningstar Category: Intermediate Government. Morningstar ratings and rankings are based on the Fund share class.

The Morningstar Rating™ for funds, or "star rating," is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds, variable annuity and variable life subaccounts, exchange-traded funds, closed- end funds, and separate accounts) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The Morningstar Rating does not include any adjustment for sales loads. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five-, and 10-year (if applicable)

Morningstar Rating metrics. The weights are: 100% three-year rating for 36-59 months of total returns, 60% five-year rating/40% three-year rating for 60-119 months of total returns, and 50% 10-year rating/30% five-year rating/20% three-year rating for 120 or more months of total returns. While the 10-year overall star rating formula seems to give the most weight to the 10-year period, the most recent three-year period actually has the greatest impact because it is included in all three rating periods. The Morningstar percentile ranking is based on a fund's average annual total return (excluding sales charges) relative to all funds in the same category. The highest (most favorable) percentile rank is 1%, and the lowest (least favorable) percentile rank is 100%. Fund performance used for the rankings reflects certain fee waivers, without which, Morningstar rankings would have been lower and Morningstar ratings may have been lower.

## PORTFOLIO INFORMATION As of December 31, 2023

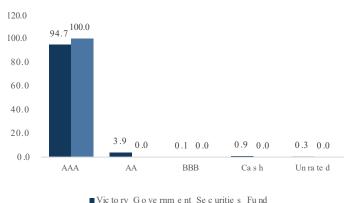
Top Ten Issuers	% Fund
Government Of The United States Of America	29.81
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	21.10
Federal National Mortgage Association	21.09
Government National Mortgage Association	14.81
Ginnie Mae Remic Trust	2.53
Fannie Mae Gems Remic	1.73
Federal Farm Credit Banks Consolidated Systemwide Bonds	1.10
U.S. Small Business Administration	1.01
Nelnet Student Loan	0.78
Virginia St Pub Bldg Auth Pub Facs Rev	0.53
Total	94.49

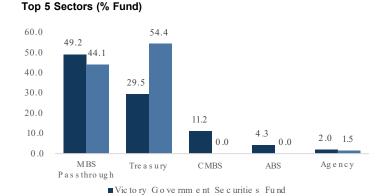
Issuers are subject to change.

General Statistics	Fund	Bloomberg US Agg Gov Int & MBS
Net Assets (\$)	983.0M	-
Average Effective Duration (years)	4.6	4.7
Number of Securities	357	1,517
30-Day SEC Yield Subsidized	4.01%	-
30-Day SEC Yield Unsubsidized	4.01%	-

Yields shown reflects the Fund share class.

## Credit Quality (% Fund)





Carefully consider a fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. To obtain a prospectus or summary prospectus containing this and other important information, visit <a href="https://www.vcm.com/prospectus">www.vcm.com/prospectus</a>. Read it carefully before investing.

Not all share classes are available to all investors.

All investing involves risk, including the potential loss of principal. In addition to the normal risks associated with investing, fixed income securities are subject to interest rate, inflation, credit and default risk. The bond market is volatile. Bonds and bond funds will decrease in value as interest rates rise and vice versa. Credit risk refers to the possibility that debt issuers may not be able to make principal and interest payments or may have their debt downgraded by ratings agencies. An investment in the Fund(s) is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The value of your investment is also subject to geopolitical risks such as wars, terrorism, environmental disasters, and public health crises; the risk of technology malfunctions or disruptions; and the responses to such events by governments and/or individual companies.

Credit Quality ratings on underlying securities of the fund reflect the highest long-term rating from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch, and are converted to the equivalent S&P major rating category. S&P rates securities in descending order as AAA, AA, A, BBB, BB, B, CCC, CC, C and D. Unrated securities do not necessarily indicate low quality. Below-investment-grade is represented by a rating of BB and below. Quality ratings are subject to change. Average Effective Duration is a duration calculation for bonds that have embedded options. This measure of duration takes into account the fact that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change and is, therefore, a measure of risk. Subsidized Yield reflects fee waivers/reimbursements/limits in effect. Unsubsidized Yield does not reflect any fee waivers/reimbursements/limits in effect.

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Victory Government Securities, R6 was selected from among 13 funds and 58 share classes in the Intermediate U.S. Government fund category over three years for the period ending November 30, 2023.

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