# CELERNUSPIVOT Private Credit Fund CPPCF | FundSERV: CIP600A

June 30, 2025

## **Investment Objectives:**

- 1. Achieve high single-digit returns. Consistently.
- 2. Make variability of returns low. Lower than bonds. Way lower than equities.
- 3. Generate uncorrelated returns to those of bond and equity markets.
- 4. Help small and medium-sized businesses grow.



#### **Fund Details**

#### Manager:

Celernus Investment Partners Inc.

#### **Debt Consultant:**

Pivot Financial Services Inc.

#### **Fund Status:**

OM, Continuous Offering

#### **Fund Structure:**

Mutual Fund Trust

#### First Funding Date:

Nov 2018

AUM: \$53,500,000

Minimum Investment: \$25,000

Advisory fee: 2.0%

Performance fee: 20%

High water mark: Permanent

Subscriptions: Monthly

Redemptions: Quarterly (with 90

days notice)

**Auditor: KPMG LLP** 

Administrator:

Apex Fund Services (Canada) Ltd.

Legal Counsel: WeirFoulds LLP

**Eligible Accounts:** 

RSP, RESP, RRIF, TFSA, Cash

#### Portfolio Manager:

Christopher Grant, CFA

Senior Partner

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O1 How We've Performed

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2025	0.79	0.66	0.73	0.72	0.71	0.82							4.52%
2024	0.76	0.70	0.62	0.77	0.68	0.62	0.76	0.69	0.75	0.73	0.68	0.76	8.87%
2023	0.78	0.66	0.78	0.75	0.76	0.74	0.72	0.77	0.74	0.73	0.55	0.76	9.14%
2022	0.72	0.65	0.76	0.67	0.97	0.69	0.70	0.71	0.72	0.77	0.74	0.78	9.24%
2021	0.47	0.47	0.61	0.69	0.69	0.81	0.65	0.65	0.68	0.76	0.79	0.80	8.37%
2020	0.77	0.64	0.67	0.66	0.59	0.54	0.74	0.46	0.55	0.65	0.60	0.55	7.68%
2019	0.39	0.65	0.62	0.45	0.55	0.58	1.46	0.82	0.81	0.73	0.54	0.66	8.57%
2018											0.07	0.10	0.17%

What's Happening in the Fund?

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Fund Statistics					
Cumulative Return	72.10%				
Sharpe Ratio	12.87				
Total Positive Months	80				
Total Down Months	0				
Maximum Loan Value	\$8,000,000				
Minimum Loan Value	\$ 1,000,000				
Weighted Average Loan Value	\$ 4,187,784				
Weighted Average Term	241	days			
Number of Full Realized Exits	33				
Value of Full Realized Exits	\$ 56,492,926				
Pct. Q4 Interest Paid in Cash	80.63%				

- 5-Year Compound Annual Return of 8.77%
- A previously accrualstatus borrower resumed cash interest payments in June

Where We're Allocating Capital

GICS Sub-Industry	Facility Type	Description		
Household Products	Term	Providing working capital to a distributor of specialty cleaning products		
Energy Equipment & Services	Term	Providing lending facility to a provider of energy management systems designed to reduce emissions		
Alternative Carriers	Term	Providing working capital to a telecommunications provider specializing in fibre optic services		
Specialized Finance	Term	Providing loan to a company with investments in education and security services		
Health Care Technology	Term	Providing loan to a healthcare technology company focused on data analytics		
Packaged Foods and Meats	Term	Providing lending facility to specialty organic food and health products company		



# **CELERNUSPIVOT**



# Tariffs, Tech, and Transition in Private Credit

The Celernus Pivot Private Credit Fund delivered a return of 2.27% in Q2 2025, bringing the trailing 12-month return of the fund to 9.17%.

The portfolio continues to perform well, with steady income generation and strong underwriting discipline. Notably, one borrower previously on non-accrual has resumed cash interest payments. While the credit remained sound and well-collateralized throughout, cash interest is generally preferred over accrual from both a transparency and liquidity standpoint.

The broader private credit market continues to expand and adapt amid shifting global capital flows. This quarter, several high-level trends emerged.

"Sell America" is picking up steam. Institutional investors are beginning to rebalance away from U.S. credit exposure. Trade tensions, tariffs, and political volatility are prompting a renewed focus on Europe, where stability and progrowth policies are making private lending more attractive. Asia is also opening up—especially to retail investors—with regulators in Singapore, Japan, and Australia working to broaden access.

**Pockets of credit quality strain are emerging.** Select business development companies (BDCs) reported stress in consumer-facing sectors this quarter. A combination of higher rates, persistent inflation, and new tariffs have pushed some borrowers into restructuring or non-accrual. That said, credit deterioration remains modest and contained.

Banks are continuing to support private credit. Despite competing with private lenders, traditional banks have significantly increased their exposure to the sector. U.S. banks now provide over \$95 billion in secured credit lines to BDCs and private funds—a vote of confidence in the asset class.

**Private credit is eyeing residential mortgages.** With banks retreating and homeowners locked into low-rate mortgages, private credit managers are expanding into home equity lending. This \$2 trillion market opportunity includes funding non-agency loans and repackaging them for institutional buyers.

Al infrastructure is becoming a lending theme. The global race to build Al infrastructure is generating large financing opportunities. Major firms are backing billion-dollar data center and chip development projects, signaling a new high-grade segment for private lenders.

Fund managers are innovating via "Continuation Funds". With M&A activity muted, managers are rolling performing loans into "continuation funds" to provide optional liquidity and extend investment horizons. These secondaries are growing quickly and offering new solutions for capital recycling. As always, our focus remains on quality, discipline, and navigating these shifts with a long-term lens.

### Why Invest in CPPCF?

#### Strong Returns and Cash Flow

- Relative to other fixed income vehicles, secured private commercial lending is expected to generate superior returns that are closer to those provided by equity indices over a market cycle.
- Downside risk is nearer that of fixed income indices.

## Low Correlation to Equity and Bond Market Index Returns

- Secured private commercial lending arrangements in the SME market tend to have low interest rate sensitivity.
- Returns are driven by the lending rates associated with portfolio deals while downside risk is managed by accurate assessment of collateral value.

#### Portfolio Advantages

- Incorporation of secured private commercial lending reduces reliance on the equity risk premium to drive portfolio returns.
- Price volatility is lower than that of publicly traded fixed income securities because private lending arrangements are priced at value rather than marked-to-public-market.

#### **About Celernus**

Celernus Investment Partners manages investment funds for high-net-worth individuals and institutions with a focus on active management of private credit and real estate assets.

Our goal is to generate attractive returns, with low volatility, that exhibit minimal correlation to the returns of broadbased fixed income and equity indices.

Our funds include:

Celernus Pivot Private Credit Fund CPPCF | CIP600A

Celernus Mortgage and Income Trust CMIT | CIP200A/B

Celernus Mortgage and Income Trust II CMIT II | CIP210F/I

Celernus Absolute Growth Fund CAGF | CIP100A

Celernus Balanced Income Fund CBIF | CIP500A

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