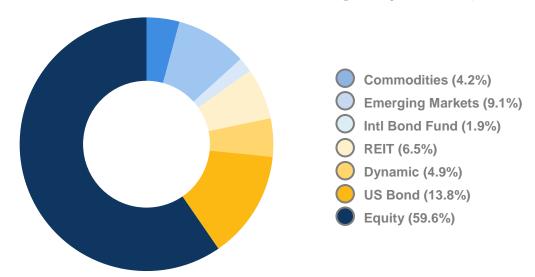
## **Investment Performance**

The NEIU Foundation follows strict protocols to report its efforts on behalf of Northeastern Illinois University. We take very seriously our responsibility to steward your gifts and to grow the endowment to support the University and its students now, and into the future.

The NEIU Foundation's Investment Committee oversees the management of the endowment portfolio using a diversified strategy focused on long-term, sustained growth with below average risk and volatility.

In this regard, our Investment Committee, which is comprised of a group of experienced individuals, sets policy, evaluates investment alternatives, and quarterly monitors our investment returns against stated benchmarks. The Investment Committee hired DiMeo Schneider & Associates, L.L.C., an independent advisor, to assist in managing investment funds.

Endowment Portfolio Asset Allocation (updated June 30, 2021)



Assets held for investment are to support programs and objectives of the NEIU Foundation. The overall financial objective of these investments is to provide a level of support for programs consistent with maintaining or increasing the Foundation's purchasing power.

## **Endowment Portfolio Performance**



\$167,468 was added to the endowment in fiscal year 2020, increasing the endowment's value by 1 percent over fiscal year 2019. This was due to the COVID-19 health crisis and subsequent economic downturn. The Foundation completed a portfolio asset rebalancing in March, paring any additional losses. During the remaining months of FY20, investments have recovered to pre-crisis levels. With this strategy, the portfolio is appropriately positioned for long-term growth.