

FINANCIAL FOCUS

Should you be a global investor?



By Cory Taylor

but many people choose international mutual funds or international exchange-traded funds (ETFs), which can be traded like stocks and track a specific market index. It's also possible to invest in bonds issued by foreign governments or entities. However, investors should typically focus on diversified funds and ETFs for international exposure in their portfolios.

When you invest internationally, you can receive at least two key benefits. First, international investments can help diversify your portfolio.

When you spread your investment dollars among a variety of investments, you can help reduce the impact of market volatility that might affect one type

of asset particularly hard. For example, if you only owned stocks and the market went through one of its inevitable downturns, your portfolio would likely take a bigger hit than if you also owned bonds, government securities, certificates of deposit and other investments. And when you invest internationally, you're adding still another layer of diversification — because in any given year, U.S. stocks may be down while those from other regions of the world could be up. Keep in mind, though, that while diversification can help protect you somewhat from market movements, it can't guarantee profits or prevent all losses.

Another advantage of international investing is

that it can give you more opportunities for growth.

You can benefit from taking part in emerging markets that may offer significant growth potential, fueled by rising consumer spending and rapid advances in technology. Of course, you can certainly find many growth-oriented investments in the U.S., but by broadening your outlook to include the whole world, you also widen the playing field for growth possibilities.

While international investing does offer some clear benefits, it also carries some risks, including the following:

Currency risk

The exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies will

change constantly. When you invest internationally, this shifting rate can sometimes work in your favor, but it might also reduce your investment returns.

Political risk

Foreign countries may experience political turmoil that could negatively affect their financial markets and the industries and companies in which you're investing.

Liquidity risk

Some foreign markets have lower trading volumes than U.S. exchanges and may be open fewer hours. This can lead to lower liquidity, possibly making it somewhat more difficult for you to move in and out of international investments.

You'll want to weigh the benefits and risks of

investing internationally before taking action. You'll also want to think carefully about the percentage of your portfolio that you might want to devote to international investments. There's no one "rule" regarding an appropriate amount because everyone's situation is different. And since it's more challenging to understand the global investment picture, you might want to consult with a financial professional. Still, it's a big world out there — and as an investor, you may want to explore it.

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Faison-Clark: 'We have ambitious plans for the future'

RURAL HEALTHCARE

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the grant funding, members of the DMH Board and DMH Foundation, DMH partners Tallahassee Memorial Hospital (TMH) and Alliant Management Systems, as well as Taylor County Administrator LaWanda Pemberton and local county commissioners, Hoyt and Stark Architects for "bringing our vision to life," TK Construction Tad Buznick, HLASTayden and other subcontractors, Judson Willoughby and team at Willoughby Home and Interiors for design support as well as Justin and his team at Supersigns.

"Finally, I want to recognize our staff and medical team," Faison-Clark

said. "One year ago today we were preparing for a storm called Idalia. Through that extended event I was able to see first-hand what many of you already know — that this is a special community and everyone really supports each other.

"I was able to see the amazing dedication and selflessness of our staff — who put aside their own personal needs for the needs of DMH — and they continue to do that today. They have put their own blood, sweat and tears into this project, and I am eternally grateful for their trust and commitment to DMH," Faison-Clark stated, adding that seeing how DMH staff responded in the wake of the hurricane convinced her

she was making the right decision to shed the "interim CEO" label and officially take on the CEO role at the local hospital.

Faison-Clark closed out the event with an announcement of additional facility upgrades on the horizon.

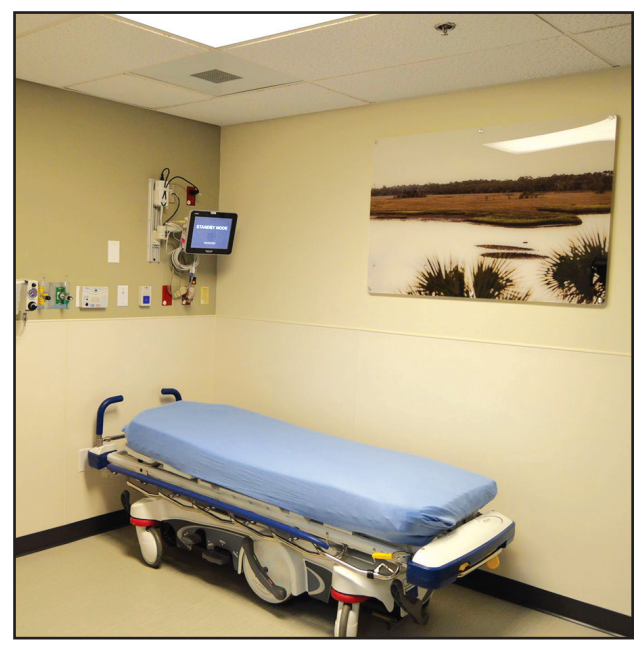
Faison-Clark personally thanked Senator Corey Simon, calling him a "friend to DMH" who checked on the hospital after Hurricane Debby and worked "magic phone" calls to Florida Commerce Secretary Alex Kelly to clear the way for a \$1.6 million grant for a new roof.

Through a partnership with the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners, DMH received a \$1.6 million Community

Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) from the Florida Department of Commerce to replace the hospital's aging, storm-damaged roof.

There are also plans to upgrade the hospital cafeteria to serve as a hands-on instructional space for healthy living.

"The opening of our renovated ER is just the beginning. We have ambitious plans for the future, including additional capital improvements that will further enhance our ability to serve our community," said Faison-Clark. "I'm so proud of the dedication of our team and their ongoing commitment to building a culture of excellence at Doctors' Memorial Hospital."



Each of the newly-redesigned ER rooms have much more space thanks to wall-mounted equipment, as well as local artwork showcasing Taylor County's natural beauty.

LEGALS

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** To participate in the bidding, you must be prepared to pay a NON-REFUNDABLE \$200.00 CASH deposit immediately following the sale of each parcel in which you are the highest bidder. **
Dated this 9th day of August, 2024
Signature: Gary Knowles
Clerk of Circuit Court
Taylor County, Florida

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-035

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Mikon Financial Services, Inc., the holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which the property was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number 446
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R04823-000
LEG 0001.40 ACRES - COM NE COR NW ¼ OF SE ¼ RUN S - 20 FT W 173.4 FT FOR POB TH S 268.4 - FT W 169 FT N 268.4 FT E 169 FT TO - POB - OR 135-312 DC 643- 276 420-88 OR 798-936 OR 802-11
SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed: VERO ATLANTIC 2, LLC
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 16th day of September, 2024 at 11 o'clock a.m.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-037

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Certificate Number 911
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R07856-000
LEG 0001.73 ACRES - PINE RIDGE SUB UNIT 2 - LOT 41 - OR 607-73 669-174 - SUBJ TO LIFE ESTATE OR 669-175
SECTION 31 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 08. Name in which assessed: WANDA WILLIS & SUZAN MURPHY BAIN
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 16th day of September, 2024 at 11 o'clock a.m.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-036

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Certificate Number 1061
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R09113-100
LEG 0003.10 ACRES - COM NE COR RUN S 963 FT TO N RW RD - W 650

FT TO POB TH NW 450 FT TURN - 90D LEFT RUN 300 FT SE 450 FT TO N - RW RD NE 300 FT TO POB BORROW PIT - ESMT IN OR 300-282 ESMT STIPULATION - IN OR 250-792 LESS 1/64 OGM RGTS - OR 476-211
SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 09. Name in which assessed: ANNETTE S. WRIGHT
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-038

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Certificate Number 731
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R06403-072
LEG 0004.21 ACRES - OCEAN POND SUB - LOT 2 BLK J - OR 714-785 SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP 06 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed: NANCY A. ERNEY, TRUSTEE
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida. Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 16th day of September, 2024 at 11 o'clock a.m.

TAX DEED TDA 24-038

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Certificate Number 730
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R06403-071
LEG 0003.92 ACRES - OCEAN POND SUB - LOT 1 BLK J - OR 714-785 SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP 06 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed: NANCY A. ERNEY, TRUSTEE
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Signature: Gary Knowles
Clerk of Circuit Court
Taylor County, Florida

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-040

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Certificate Number 965
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R08287-100
LEG 0000.19 ACRES - COM SE COR OF SW ¼ OF NE ¼ RUN - W 196 FT TO W R/W RR TH N 18D W 660 - FT FOR POB TH CONT N 18D W 80 FT TH - W 105 FT S 18D E 80 FT E 105 FT TO - POB - OR 566-158 - TD OR 818-41 OR 843-908
SECTION 06 TOWNSHIP 05 RANGE 08. Name in which assessed: VERO ATLANTIC 2, LLC & JOHN EGNER.
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida. Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 16th day of September, 2024 at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-041

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Certificate Number 683
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R06070-225
LEG 0000.70 ACRES - COM SW COR OF NE ¼ OF NW ¼ RUN - N 332.66 FT TO N R/W 50 FT RD TH E - ALG R/W 388.36 FT TO E R/W RD TH N - ALG R/W 329.64 FT TO POB TH E - 211.69 FT N 140 FT W 212.24 FT S - 140 FT TO POB - OR 626-610 CT OR 779-575 OR 784-175 OR 784-723 OR 833-894
SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 05 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed:

KENNETH MCGEE & FLORENCE WILLIAMS
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 24-042

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Certificate Number 327
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R03781-000
LEG 0000.31 ACRES - S H PEACOCK ADD E - LOT 41 BLK O - OR 400-72 SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed: WILLIAM S. ALBRITTON
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 1004
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R08538-050
LEG 0001.00 ACRES - COM SE COR OF SE ¼ OF NE ¼ W - 786.81 FT N10DE 487.23 FT E 352.80 - FT FOR POB N 127.95 FT E 339.91 FT - S 128.15 FT W 339.91 FT TO POB - TOGETHER WITH ESMT IN OR 453-511 - OR 463-824 DC 591-400
SECTION 19 TOWNSHIP 05 RANGE 08. Name in which assessed: FRANK PHILLIPS
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida. Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 16th day of September, 2024 at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

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Certificate Number 1004
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R02621-000
LEG 0000.27 ACRES - PERRY HEIGHTS SUB - E 17.87 FT LOT 15 LOT 16 W 23.21 - FT LOT 17 BLK 7 - OR 105-259 DC 699-637
SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed: J. E. RITCH, JR. ESTATE.
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 171
Year of Issuance 2022
Description of Property: Parcel Number: R02621-000
LEG 0000.27 ACRES - PERRY HEIGHTS SUB - E 17.87 FT LOT 15 LOT 16 W 23.21 - FT LOT 17 BLK 7 - OR 105-259 DC 699-637
SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07. Name in which assessed: J. E. RITCH, JR. ESTATE.
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