

The 3 Best TSX Passive Income Stocks for 2021

## **Description**

Are you looking to start a passive income stream through equities? I have picked three top **TSX**-listed <u>Dividend Aristocrats</u> that could be the right fit. The companies generate robust cash flows and are most likely to lift their dividends by mid to high-single-digit rate in 2021.

Allocating a portion of your capital in these Canadian stocks could help you earn a steady flow of passive income that could continue to grow in the future. Here are three dividend stocks that should be on your radar.

# **Capital Power**

**Capital Power** (<u>TSX:CPX</u>) is a perfect stock for investors seeking stable passive income. The company's power-producing assets are backed by the long-term power-purchase agreement that generates predictable and growing cash flows and supports its higher dividend payments.

Capital Power's annual dividends have grown at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of about 7% since 2013. Meanwhile, the company expects to increase it by 7% in 2021 and by 5% in 2022. Its stable business, a young fleet of assets, power purchase agreements, and low payout ratio suggests that its dividends are safe and could continue to increase in the coming years.

Also, Capital Power's <u>low valuation</u> strengthens my bullish outlook. Capital Power is trading at a forward EV/EBITDA multiple of 8.8, which is more than 30% lower than its peer group average. The company pays an annual dividend of \$2.04 a share, reflecting a yield of 5.6%.

# TC Energy

Pipeline giant **TC Energy** (<u>TSX:TRP</u>)(<u>NYSE:TRP</u>), could be another top bet for investors seeking a growing passive income. The company's regulated and contracted assets generate robust cash flows that drive its dividend payments.

TC Energy has raised its dividends at a CAGR of 7% from 2000 to 2015. Meanwhile, it raised its dividends at a CAGR of 8-10% from 2015 to 2020. In the future, TC Energy projects 8-10% growth in

its annual dividend for 2021. Furthermore, it expects a 5-7% increase in its annual dividend beyond 2021.

The company's diversified and high-quality assets remain immune to the short-term volatility in price and volumes. Moreover, its growing asset base, long-term contracts, and limited commodity exposure positions it well to consistently increase its dividends in the future.

The energy infrastructure company raised its dividends for 20 years in a row and offers a high yield of 5.8%.

## **Fortis**

Fortis (TSX:FTS)(NYSE:FTS) is a must-have stock for your income portfolio in 2021. The Dividend Aristocrat owns a low-risk business and derives 99% of its earnings from the rate-regulated utility assets, producing predictable and growing cash flows.

Thanks to its high-quality assets, Fortis has managed to increase its dividends for the past 47 years uninterruptedly. Moreover, the company is projecting 6% annual growth in its dividends over the next five years.

The utility company expects its rate base to increase by \$10 billion over the next five years, which is likely to support its earnings and cash flows, in turn, its dividends. Fortis pays a quarterly dividend of \$0.51 a share, reflecting a yield of 3.9%. defal

# **Final thoughts**

All these Canadian companies have clear visibility on future dividends, implying that investors could continue to benefit from a growing passive income stream in 2021 and beyond.

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