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RE: Forward Funds (“Registrant”)
File Nos: 033-48940
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On behalf of the Registrant and pursuant to Rule 497(e) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, attached for filing are exhibits containing interactive data format risk/return summary information that mirrors the risk/return summary information in a supplement, dated August 15, 2011, effective November 1, 2011, to the Prospectus dated May 1, 2011, for Investor Class, Institutional Class, Class A and Class C shares of the Forward Large Cap Dividend Fund (formerly known as the Forward Large Cap Equity Fund) (the “Fund”). The purpose of the filing is to submit the 497(e) filing dated August 15, 2011 in XBRL for the Fund.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Erin Douglas, Vice President and Sr. Associate Counsel with the Registrant’s service provider, ALPS Fund Services, Inc., at (720) 917-0602.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mary Curran

Mary Curran
Secretary

Label	Element	Value
Risk/Return:	rr_RiskReturnAbstract	
Registrant Name	dei_EntityRegistrantName	Forward Funds
Prospectus Date	rr_ProspectusDate	May 01, 2011
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