

# **City of Cincinnati Retirement System Investment Committee Meeting**

#### Agenda

#### May 1, 2024 / 12:00 P.M. City Hall, Council Chambers and via Zoom

<u>Members</u> <u>Staff</u>

Sonya Morris, Chair Jon Salstrom

Aliya Riddle, Vice Chair Bill Moller

Tom Gamel Kathy Rahtz

Mark Menkhaus, Jr. <u>Marquette</u>

Monica Morton Brett Christenson
Tom West

Seth Walsh Law

Kevin Frank

#### Call to Order

#### **Public Comment**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

• February 6, 2024

#### **Old Business**

- Update Investment Manager Contracts
  - Private Equity

#### **New Business**

- Reams (Columbus Core Plus) Fixed Income Presentation (8-49)
- Current Market Environment Report (50-52)
- Quarterly Investment Report (53-151)
- Private Equity Recommendations to Hit Pacing and Diversification Targets (152-160)
- IPS amendment of Policy Benchmark and Bandwidths (161-193)
- Value Bias Update and Recommendation

#### Adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 7, 2025, 12:00 P.M. City Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom



# City of Cincinnati Retirement System Investment Committee Meeting Minutes February 6, 2024 / 12:00 P.M. City Hall – Council Chambers and remote

**Committee Members Present** 

Bill Moller, Chair Tom Gamel, Vice Chair Kathy Rahtz Mark Menkhaus, Jr. Monica Morton Seth Walsh Aliya Riddle Administration

Jon Salstrom

**Marquette** 

Brett Christenson

Law

Kevin Frank

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Moller called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. and a roll call of attendance was taken. Committee members Moller, Gamel, Rahtz, Menkhaus, Morton, Riddle and Morris were present. Committee member Wash was absent.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the Investment Committee meeting of November 7, 2024, was moved by Committee member Gamel and seconded by Committee member Rahtz. The minutes were approved by unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Old Business**

#### Update Investment Manager Contracts

One current implementation issue is the strategic shift to increase allocations to fixed income and private debt, which requires a reduction in private equity exposure. Siguler Guff Business Buyout Fund closed successfully with an effective date of January 31. JP Morgan Co-Investment and Timber Bay expected to close on March 31. These transactions are progressing as expected, and the team will continue to manage the transition in line with portfolio objectives.

#### **New Business**

JPM Infrastructure Team Presentation

Investment Strategy Overview – Core Private Infrastructure: Why and What we're investing in – Core Private Infrastructure ("DIY")

Nick Moller presented an overview of the strategy behind investing in Core Private Infrastructure, referred to as "DIY" – standing for Diversification, Inflation protection, and Yield.

The goal is to generate an uncorrelated, income-focused return stream with inflation protection. Primary investments include regulated utilities (heat, water, gas, electricity), which are considered natural monopolies and essential services. These assets typically offer yield-based returns through operating income and are often tied to inflation-linked contracts.

It excludes higher-risk strategies such as growth or development infrastructure projects that are more correlated with private equity or real estate. The emphasis is on core, contracted, and regulated investments to ensure stability and predictable outcomes.

The Fund (IIF) was established in 2007 and is an open-ended, private, perpetual fund structure. The current portfolio has \$41 billion invested across 18 private companies and approximately 1,000 assets, all with controlling positions. 96% of the portfolio is contracted or regulated. Global scope, primarily focused on the U.S. and developed Europe, with currency exposure hedged to the U.S. dollar.

Highly diversified across geographies and assets, which helps insulate the portfolio from macroeconomic volatility. The fund has maintained stability through various market cycles, delivering low-volatility, income-oriented returns.

It has nearly 1,400 global investors across a broad range of profiles. Its liquidity profile is supported by investor diversity. While there have been redemptions over the past 2-3 years, all have been met in full and on time.

The investment strategy prioritizes stability and predictability, avoiding higher-risk components that may increase return variability. The fund's long-term performance has demonstrated its resilience and value in providing steady income with lower correlation to traditional asset classes. Investor and asset diversification are central to both risk management and liquidity sustainability.

Preston Scherer presented and talked about the portfolio. He outlined the investment portfolio, which is focused on three primary sectors:

#### 1. Regulated Utilities

- Includes electricity, water, natural gas, and heating utilities across Europe and North America.
- These are growth platforms operating under regulatory constructs allowing for

- inflation protection.
- Regulated rates enable the pass-through of higher operating and capital costs to customers.
- Serves as a key inflation hedge.

#### 2. Contracted Power

- Businesses with long-term (10-15 + year) contracts with investment-grade counterparties.
- Examples include solar power with "take-or-pay" contracts.
- Revenue certainty is high due to foxed, long-term agreements.

#### 3. GDP – and Transport-Sensitive Businesses

- Includes bulk liquid storage, rail leasing, midstream energy storage/transport.
- Contracts are shorter-term (3-7 years) and subject to economic cycles.
- Also includes transport assets like airports in Canada and Australia, which are more GDP-sensitive and not growth platforms.
- Exposure to airports is being de-emphasized for better portfolio diversification.

The leverage profile is 47% loan-to-value. Capital structures are investment grade (rated or shadow rated). Preference for long-dated, fixed or swapped debt matching underlying contract durations. Emphasis on cash yield and avoiding sub-investment-grade structures that reduce cash flow.

They currently have 18 portfolio companies. Investments range from long-term holdings to more recent acquisitions. Focus on building and backing strong management teams, independent Boards, and robust operating systems and incentives.

Capital is deployed through organic and inorganic means. Organic Growth is expansion within existing businesses (e.g., utilities building new infrastructure). Inorganic Growth is acquisitions and bolt-on deals sourced by internal teams. This avoids competitive auctions in favor of strategic growth with trusted leadership.

Preston has been part of the team for almost 9 years and sits on the Board of Directors for two of JPM's businesses that he is responsible for:

#### • El Paso Electric

- o Regulated electric utility in Texas and New Mexico
- o Serves 460,000 customers with 1,100 employees
- o Fully vertically integrated (generation, transmission, substations, distribution).
- o Acquired in 2020 during Covid (take-private deal).
- Over \$1 billion in equity invested since acquisition.
- o Growth drivers: electrification, reshoring of manufacturing, and tech sector interest (e.g., data centers).

#### • Onward Energy

- o Unregulated power business operating across 22 U.S. states.
- Owns wind, solar, and natural gas plants.
- o Grown primarily through inorganic acquisitions.

- o Contracts average 14 years, offering cash flow visibility.
- o Focus is on operational excellence and strategic asset integration.

Preston emphasized the firm's strategic advantage; long-term relationships with management teams and Boards, disciplined capital deployment, and diversified portfolio offering consistent risk-adjusted returns.

<u>Current Market Environment & Quarterly Investment Report</u>
Brett Christenson from Marquette was in attendance to present.

#### 4Q24 Market Takeaways:

- Fixed Income: The Fed continued to cut in 4Q, but rates pushed higher out the curve due to inflation a deficit fears. This provided a headwind to fixed assets during the quarter. Spreads remain tight and trade inside long-term averages, but credit fundamentals remain resilient. Spreads could remain tight for an extended period, but fixed income yield remain attractive. Diversification will remain key going forward.
- U.S.: Given the expectation for strong economic growth, the U.S. equity market remains
  attractive following two consecutive standout years. If earnings growth broadens out
  across non-Mag 7 companies, investors may exhibit a rotation out of growth- and
  momentum-oriented stocks and may increasingly favor small-cap and value equities.
  Small caps specifically remain attractively valued relative to their large-cap
  counterparts.
- Non-U.S.: Non-U.S. developed large-cap equities face headwinds (e.g., trade policy uncertainty and economic challenges), while non-U.S. developed small-caps are poised to benefit from lower rates may be more insulated from economic turmoil given their domestic revenue basis. EM stocks face a mixed outlook, with tailwinds for countries like Taiwan, Japan, and India, though China and Latin America face short-term struggles.
- Real Assets: 2025 appears poised to be an attractive entry point for commercial real estate investment with valuations stabilizing, debt markets improving, and property fundamentals strengthening. Core infrastructure assets in the U.S. remain stable given inflation-linked revenue streams and growing interest in energy transition opportunities.
- Private Equity: Buyout valuations remain below public market multiples. 2025 should be a strong year for dealmaking, though inflation and uncertainty surrounding the future path of interest rates could significantly influence exit activity and fundraising this year.
- Private Credit: Though new issue spreads have tightened in recent quarters, direct lending yields remain attractive. Increases M&A expectations and pent-up demand for private equity exits supports strong origination volumes in 2025, while indicators of potential credit stress remain benign in aggregate.

Chair Moller made a motion to approve and accept the Marquette year-end quarterly report. Committee member Morris seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Chair Moller made a motion to approve rescinding the outstanding withdrawal requests with Morgan Stanley and Principal, as recommended by Marquette:

- Morgan Stanley Outstanding Amount: Approximately \$3.7 million
- Principal Outstanding Amount: Approximately \$2 million

Committee member Gamel seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

#### IPS amendment of Policy Benchmark and Bandwidths

Director Salstrom presented a chart showing each asset class alongside its target allocation, minimum, and maximum ranges. The proposal focuses on adjusting the minimum and maximum bandwidths around most of the public market asset classes.

#### Key changes proposed:

- Core Plus and Core Bond Allocations:
  - o Minimums reduced from 9% to 8% and 7% to 6%, respectively.
- Public Equity Allocations (All Cap and U.S. Equities:
  - Minor adjustments to both minimums and maximums to allow greater flexibility in response to market movements.
- Private Debt Allocation:
  - Maximum increased slightly to accommodate strong performance without triggering a rebalancing solely due to positive returns.

The purpose of these adjustments is to provide greater flexibility around natural market fluctuations within months or quarters, to avoid being forced to sell assets during market drawdowns simply to maintain strict allocation bands, and to ensure the system can continue to make monthly benefit payments without causing unnecessary rebalancing actions during volatile periods.

These adjustments are not intended to add new managers or change strategic allocations. The goal is to reduce operational constraints and improve stability around cash flow and market movement management.

#### Value Bias Update and Recommendation

Marquette's recommendation is right now to hold steady and monitor quarterly.

#### *Training – Investment Terms and Concepts*

Brett discussed investment terms and concepts, focusing on indices and benchmarks.

- Investment benchmarks and active vs. passive management:
  - o Benchmarks developed by companies S&P, F, and MSCI (slide 13)
  - Active managers try to outperform benchmarks, with higher fees and operating expenses (slide 16)

- Passive vs. active management, rebalancing, and bond investing:
  - o Brett discussed indexing and rebalancing, then switched to bonds, highlighting their risk-return chart.
- Fixed Income investing, including bond duration and spread:
  - o Brett discussed fixed income investing strategies.
  - o Spread and yield are important factors in fixed income investing.
  - o Managers aim to take risk in different sub-asset classes for higher returns.
  - o Duration and maturity are key metrics for interest rate sensitivity.
- Diversifying investments through asset classes with varying correlations:
  - o Brett discussed correlation and risk in asset allocation, highlighting the importance of diversification and manager discretion in bond selection.
- Active management in fixed income investments, with a focus on outperforming the index:
  - o Brett discussed active management in fixed income, highlighting the underperformance of core bond managers in recent years.
- Bond investing, active management, and private credit:
  - Bond managers can use skills to pick better risks, overweight yield, and generally beat benchmark.
  - o Private credit managers are making loans with maturity of 3-4 years, floating rate, and senior position.
- Private credit market growth, risks, and opportunities:
  - o Discussed private credit market growth since financial crisis, highlighting increased demand for managers and floating rate benefits.
  - o Predicts private credit market will evolve in the next 10-15 years, with competition returning and managers adapting to changing regulations.

#### Adjournment

Following a motion to adjourn by Trustee Gamel and seconded by Trustee Morton. The Committee approved the motion by unanimous roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

Meeting video link: https://archive.org/details/crs-investment-2-6-25

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 1, 2025, at 12:00 P.M.	City Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom
Secretary	

### Presented to:



# Cincinnati Retirement System

Conference Call:

May 1, 2025

Presented by:

Todd Thompson, CFA Managing Director

Adrian Schultes, CFA
Senior Vice President
Institutional Sales & Consultant Relations

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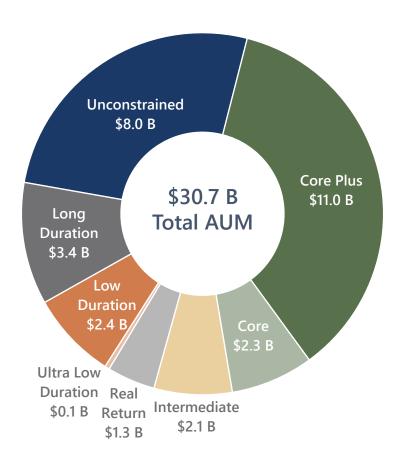
#### Reams at a Glance

- Founded in 1981
- Headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana
- \$30.7 billion in assets under management
- 8 fixed income strategies along with extensive custom separate account capabilities
- Affiliate of Raymond James Investment Management, a subsidiary of Raymond James Financial, since November 2017



Data as of March 31, 2025

## **Strategy Lineup**



#### **Available Investment Vehicles**

#### **Separate Accounts**

All Strategies

#### **U.S. Institutional Commingled Funds:**

- Columbus Core Plus Bond Fund
- Columbus Unconstrained Bond Fund

#### U.S. Institutional Mutual Funds (sub-advised):

- Core Strategy
- Core Plus Strategy
- Unconstrained Strategy

#### Non-U.S. Commingled Fund (sub-advised):

 Raymond James Funds Reams Unconstrained Bond SICAV (Class A USD | SCUCBDA LX)

#### Collective Investment Trust (CIT):

Core Plus Strategy



Data as of March 31, 2025

## **Composite Performance (net of fees)**

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	20 Years	Since Inception
Core (Sep 1992)	4.89	0.39	0.50	2.65	2.25	3.98	5.03
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.58	1.46	3.18	4.53
Excess Return	0.01	-0.13	0.90	1.07	0.79	0.80	0.50
Core Plus (Jun 1981)	5.13	1.22	1.59	3.17	2.73	4.53	8.59
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.58	1.46	3.18	6.78
Excess Return	0.25	0.70	1.99	1.59	1.27	1.35	1.82
Intermediate (Nov 1989)	5.90	2.17	1.63	2.78	2.29	3.76	5.29
Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate Gov't/Credit	5.65	2.18	0.86	2.18	1.81	3.06	4.79
Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate Aggregate	5.58	1.64	0.36	1.83	1.58	3.05	4.84
Excess Return (vs. Intermediate Gov't/Credit)	0.25	-0.01	0.77	0.60	0.48	0.70	0.50
Long Credit Focus (Apr 2009)	3.09	-1.69	0.96	2.70	2.86		7.92
Bloomberg U.S. Long Credit	2.09	-2.19	-0.50	1.53	2.05		5.94
Excess Return	1.00	0.50	1.46	1.17	0.81		1.98
Long Govt/Credit Focus (Jul 2002)	2.44	-4.32	-2.39	1.46	1.76	5.77	6.20
Bloomberg U.S. Long Gov't/Credit	1.72	-4.51	-3.74	0.53	1.01	4.31	4.91
Excess Return	0.72	0.19	1.35	0.93	0.75	1.46	1.29
Low Duration 1-3 Year (Jul 2003)	6.33	3.83	2.93	3.07	2.43	3.61	3.46
ICE BofA 1-3 Year U.S. Corp/Gov't	5.65	3.12	1.59	2.21	1.74	2.34	2.23
Excess Return	0.68	0.71	1.34	0.86	0.69	1.27	1.23
Low Duration 1-5 Year (Jul 2002)	6.09	3.29	2.34	2.85	2.27	3.33	3.34
ICE BofA 1-5 Year U.S. Corp/Gov't	5.78	2.86	1.33	2.22	1.80	2.67	2.76
Excess Return	0.31	0.43	1.01	0.63	0.47	0.66	0.59
Ultra Low Duration (Jun 2015)	5.42	4.10	2.62	2.57			2.06
ICE BofA 9-12 Month U.S. Treasury Bill	5.21	3.82	2.21	2.43			1.90
Excess Return	0.21	0.28	0.41	0.14			0.16
Unconstrained (Aug 1998)	7.33	4.89	5.01	4.22	3.78	7.40	7.82
ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill	4.97	4.23	2.56	2.45	1.87	1.68	2.09
Excess Return	2.36	0.66	2.45	1.77	1.91	5.72	5.73

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## **Representative Client List**

#### Corporate

American Honda Motor Company Cummins Inc. Emerson Electric Company Meritor, Inc. Omaha Public Power District

#### **Health Care**

University of Colorado Health Northwestern Memorial HealthCare OhioHealth Corporation Shirley Ryan AbilityLab

#### Non-Profit

American Heart Association Archdiocese of Miami Board of Pensions/Presbyterian Church, USA Cleveland Museum of Art Diocese of Gary Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S.

#### **Sub-Advisory**

Prudential Retirement Insurance & Annuity Co. Russell Investment Management Company

#### **Public**

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System
Anne Arundel County Retirement & Pension System
Employees' Retirement System of Baltimore County
Indiana State Police Pension Trust
Los Angeles Fire & Police Pensions
City of Milwaukee Employes' Retirement System
City of Oakland Police & Fire Retirement System
Sacramento County Employees Retirement System
San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District
Sonoma County Employees' Retirement Association
Spokane Firefighters' Pension Fund
Ventura County Employees' Retirement Association

#### **Taft-Hartley**

Carpenters District Council of Kansas City Pension Fund Carpenters Pension Fund of Illinois Southern District UBC Health Trust IBEW 8th District Electrical Pension Trust Teamster Members Retirement Plan Ohio Operating Engineers Pension Plan

#### University/Endowment/Foundation

Trustees of Indiana University University of Kentucky Purdue University Regents of the University of Minnesota



This Representative Client List includes institutional clients whose permission has been received for inclusion. No specific selection criteria were used. It is not known whether or not the listed clients approve of the advisory services provided by Reams Asset Management or Scout Investments.

#### **Investment Team**

#### **Investment Committee**

#### Mark Egan, CFA

Chief Investment Officer Managing Director (39 years / 35 years)

#### Todd Thompson, CFA

Deputy Chief Investment Officer Managing Director (31 years / 24 years)

#### Dimitri Silva, CFA

Managing Director Global Rates & Currencies Team Leader (18 years / 4 years)

#### **Global Rates & Currencies Team**

Dimitri Silva, CFA

#### **Antonina Tarassiouk**

Fixed Income Analyst (11 years / 3 years)

#### Kevin Cai

Fixed Income Analyst (2 years / 2 years)

#### **Credit Team**

Todd Thompson, CFA

#### Jason Hoyer, CFA

Portfolio Manager Credit Team Leader (22 years / 10 years)

#### Clark Holland, CFA

Portfolio Manager (31 years / 23 years)

#### Scott Rosener, CFA

Head of Trading (28 years / 20 years)

#### Trey Harrison, CFA, ASA

Fixed Income Analyst/Actuary (31 years / 15 years)

#### Reed Clark, CFA

Fixed Income Analyst (6 years / 4 years)

#### Sydney Owen, CFA

Fixed Income Analyst (7 years / 3 years)

#### **Securitized Team**

#### **Neil Aggarwal**

Portfolio Manager Securitized Team Leader (22 years / 3 years)

#### Kevin Salsbery, CFA

Fixed Income Analyst (24 years / 20 years)

#### Patrick Laughlin

Fixed Income Analyst (30 years / 21 years)

#### Ben Byrd, CFA

Fixed Income Analyst (5 years / 3 years)

#### Seth Tinkham

Fixed Income Analyst (2 years / <1 year)

#### **Senior Advisor**

Bob Crider, CFA

Co-Founder (48 years / 44 years)

(Years of Industry Experience / Reams Tenure)
Please see Investment Professional Biographies section for detailed biographies



## **Investment Philosophy**

#### What We Believe

Risk is not defined as price volatility or tracking error Predicting the future consistently and accurately is difficult Bond portfolios should seek to maximize total returns Prices can deviate significantly from fair value in the short term



## **Investment Philosophy**

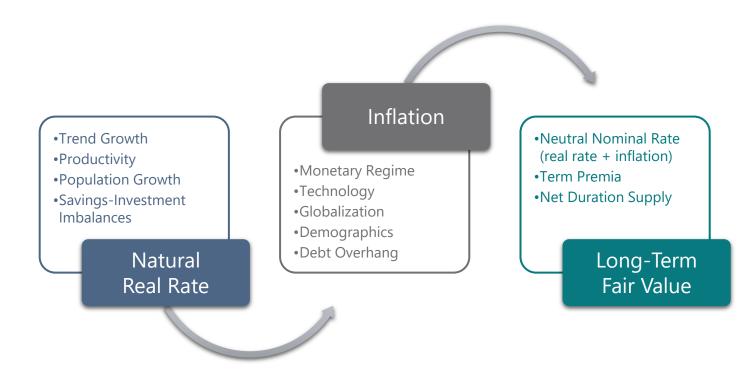
#### How We Seek to Add Value





## **Duration & Yield Curve Positioning**

- Make duration decisions using a long-term valuation framework, not predictions about interest rates
- Establish active duration positions when rates appear mispriced and seek to capitalize on yield curve opportunities

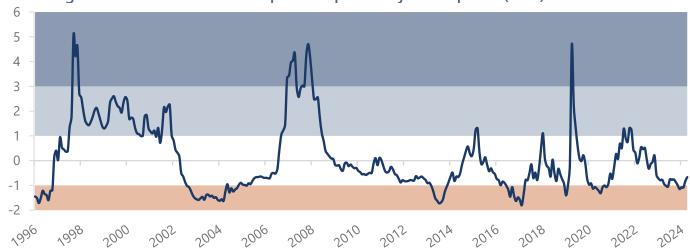




#### **Sector Allocation**

- Assess relative value based on quantitative analysis of spreads across sectors, sub-sectors, and individual credits
- Incorporate a qualitative overlay based on:
  - Monetary conditions
  - Capital market environment
  - Credit cycle analysis

#### Bloomberg U.S. Investment Grade Corporate Option-Adjusted Spread (OAS) Z-Score

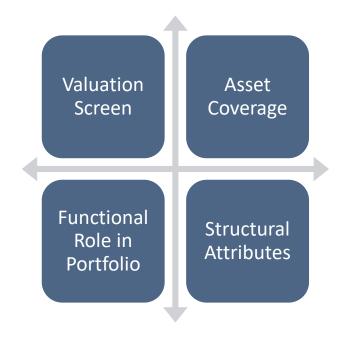


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Source: Reams Asset Management; Bloomberg Index Services Limited; Bloomberg L.P. as of 03/31/2025

## **Security Selection**

- Approach security selection from a total return standpoint
- Emphasize asset value and target senior positions with strong collateral protection and structural characteristics
- Focus on bonds with favorable risk/reward profiles across a variety of environments
- Avoid bonds with unacceptable downside return potential in any environment



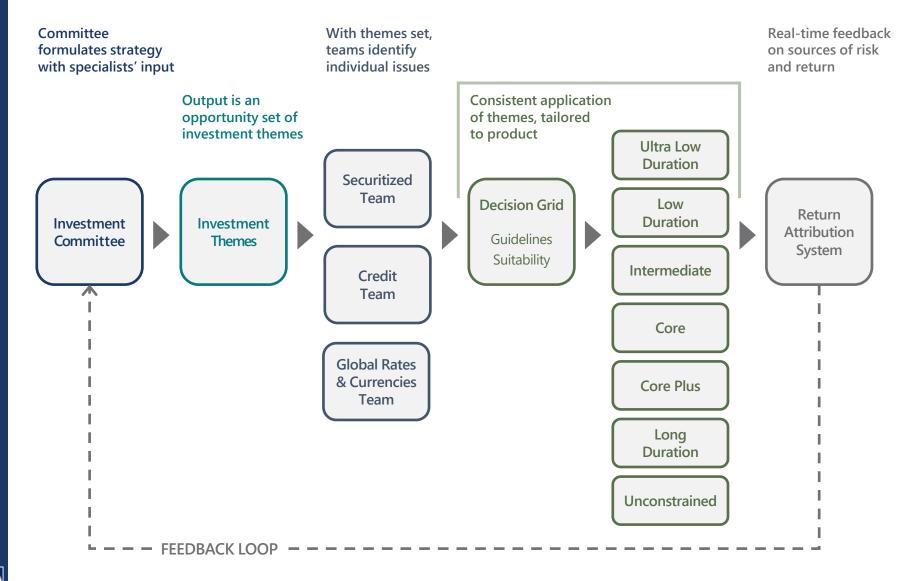


## **Risk Management**





## **Investment Process Overview**





## Idea Generation & Decision Making Process

#### **Idea Generation**

- CIO / Portfolio Managers
- Global Rates & Currencies Team
- Credit Team
- Securitized Team

#### Investment Review

- Downside Scenario Analysis
- Assess Risk-Reward
- Contribution to Portfolio VaR
- Correlation with Macro Themes
- Liquidity

# Implementation Strategy

- Optimal Instrument
- Position Sizing
- Risk Layering Plan
- Establish Exit Price

#### **Post-Trade**

- Review Attribution
- Monitor Thesis
- Add/Trim/Exit



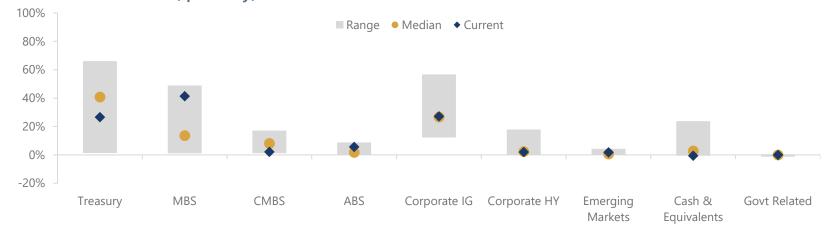
## **CORE PLUS FIXED INCOME**



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## **Historical Sector Allocations**

Sector Allocations, Percent of Portfolio Mar 2015 – Mar 2025 (quarterly)



Corporate Exposure, Percent of Portfolio Mar 2015 – Mar 2025 (quarterly)



# Securitized Exposure, Percent of Portfolio Mar 2015 – Mar 2025 (quarterly)



Source: Reams Core Plus Fixed Income Composite as of 03/31/2025



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## **Performance & Attribution**

#### **Trailing Period Returns**

	Q1 2025	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	20 Years	Since Inception
Core Plus Fixed Income Composite (Gross)	3.10	5.44	1.52	1.89	3.48	3.04	4.84	8.92
Core Plus Fixed Income Composite (Net)	3.02	5.13	1.22	1.59	3.17	2.73	4.53	8.59
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate	2.78	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.58	1.46	3.18	6.78
Excess Return (Net)	0.24	0.25	0.70	1.99	1.59	1.27	1.35	1.82

Inception date is 6/1/1981

#### Calendar Year Returns

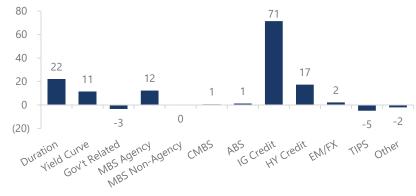
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Core Plus Fixed Income Composite (Gross)	1.71	6.94	-11.71	-1.36	17.01	8.70	1.35	3.69	4.44	0.39
Core Plus Fixed Income Composite (Net)	1.40	6.63	-11.98	-1.66	16.67	8.38	1.04	3.38	4.13	0.09
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate	1.25	5.53	-13.01	-1.54	7.51	8.72	0.01	3.54	2.65	0.55
Excess Return (Net)	0.15	1.10	1.03	-0.11	9.16	-0.34	1.03	-0.16	1.48	-0.46

#### Sources of Excess Return

#### Trailing 3 Years, Basis Points (annualized)



#### Trailing 10 Years, Basis Points (annualized)



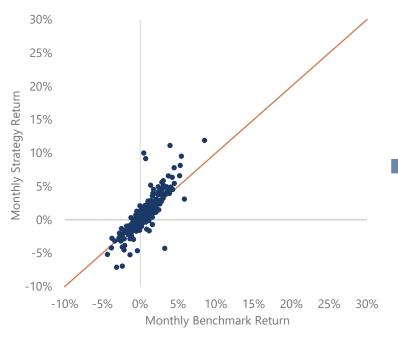
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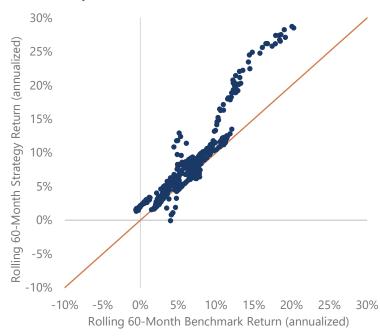
## **Consistent Long-Term Excess Returns**

Monthly Total Returns (net of fees) Since Inception: Jun 1981 – Mar 2025



Number of Periods	526
Avg. Monthly Excess Return	0.15%
% of Periods with Positive Excess Return	60%
Avg. Excess Return when Positive	0.59%
% of Periods with Negative Excess Return	40%
Avg. Excess Return when Negative	-0.52%

Rolling 60-Month Total Returns (net of fees) Since Inception: Jun 1981 – Mar 2025



Number of Periods	467
Avg. 60-Month Excess Return (annualized)	1.80%
% of Periods with Positive Excess Return	84%
Avg. Excess Return when Positive (annualized)	2.28%
% of Periods with Negative Excess Return	16%
Avg. Excess Return when Negative (annualized)	-0.64%

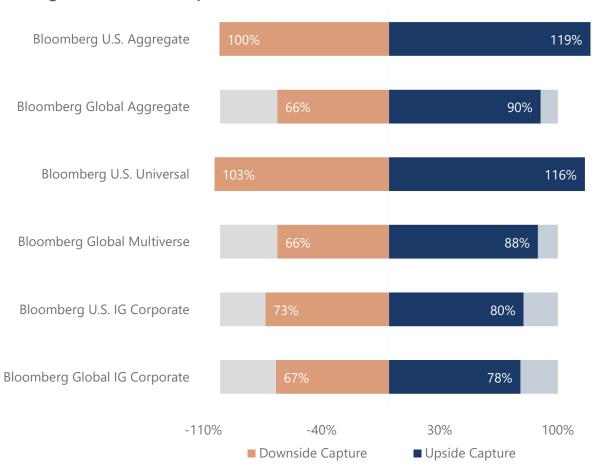
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## Attractive Upside/Downside Market Capture

Upside / Downside Market Capture (net of fees) Trailing 10-Year Period: Apr 2015 – Mar 2025



 Captured more than 100% of bond market upside (versus U.S. Aggregate) during periods of strength.

Source: Reams Asset Management; Bloomberg Index Services Limited; Bloomberg L.P. as of 03/31/2025



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## Outperformance in Rising Rate Environments

#### U.S. 10-Year Treasury Yield, Percent Jan 1998 – Mar 2025



- Outperformed the Bloomberg
   U.S. Aggregate in all 9 periods of rising rates since January 1998
- Produced positive absolute returns in 6 of 9 periods of rising rates since January 1998

#### **Cumulative Return, Percent (net of fees)**

Period Start	10/01/98	11/01/01	06/01/03	07/01/05	01/01/09	09/01/10	08/01/12	08/01/16	08/01/20
Period End	01/31/00	03/31/02	05/31/04	06/30/06	12/31/09	03/31/11	12/31/13	10/31/18	10/31/23
Core Plus Fixed Income Composite (Net)	2.23	-1.57	2.19	0.36	31.07	1.23	1.67	-1.55	-14.51
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate	-0.81	-1.91	-0.44	-0.81	5.93	-0.77	-1.62	-2.10	-16.88
Excess Return (Net)	3.04	0.35	2.63	1.17	25.14	2.00	3.29	0.54	2.38

Source: Reams Asset Management; Bloomberg Index Services Limited; Bloomberg L.P. as of 03/31/2025

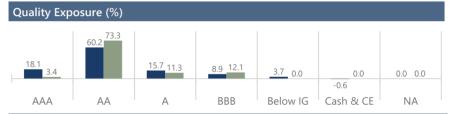
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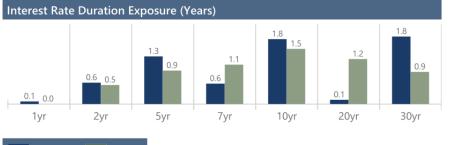


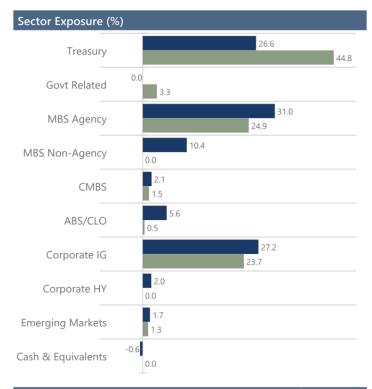
## **Portfolio Characteristics**

Composite Characteristic	s	
	Composite	Index
Market Value (\$)	10,068 M	29,226 B
Duration (Yrs)	6.2	6.1
Spread Duration (Yrs)	3.6	3.4
Convexity	-0.1	0.5
Yield to Worst (%)	5.3	4.6
Maturity (Yrs)	8.9	8.4
Quality	Aa3	Aa2

Corporate Industry	y Exposure (%)	Currency Expo	sure (%)	
	Composite	Index		Composite
Industrials	14.0	13.4	USD	99.3
Financials	8.1	8.0	G10	0.0
Utilities	7.1	2.3	EM-Asia	0.0
			EM-LATAM	0.7
			EM-EMEA	0.0







Spread Duration Exposure (Years)		
	Composite	Index
Govt Related	0.0	0.2
MBS Agency	1.0	1.5
MBS Non-Agency	0.6	0.0
CMBS	0.1	0.1
ABS/CLO	0.1	0.0
Corporate IG	1.5	1.6
Corporate HY	0.1	0.0
Emerging Markets	0.1	0.1
Cash & Equivalents	0.0	0.0

Data as of March 31, 2025 The data represents the Core Plus Fixed Income Composite. Portfolio characteristics and sector weights are included for informational purposes only, and should not be construed as an investment recommendation. It should not be assumed that investments in any sectors listed were or will prove to be profitable. Portfolio composition may change at any time. Individual client accounts may differ from characteristics shown. The sector weights of any particular account may vary based on any investment restrictions applicable to the account. \*The index for the Reams Core Plus Fixed Income Composite is the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate. Sector and Quality Exposure may not sum to 100% in some cases. To the extent derivative instruments are held and shown at full notional, collateral will be assigned to its defined Sector and Quality Exposure.



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## **CINCINNATI RETIREMENT SYSTEM**



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## **Performance Review**

## For Periods Ending March 31, 2025

	Percent Gain or Loss					
	Quarter	Last	Since Inception*			
	Ending	12 Months	(annualized)			
Cincinnati Retirement System (a)	3.15	5.40	4.33			
Cincinnat Retirement System (b)	3.10	5.21	4.17			
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index	2.78	4.88	3.73			

<sup>\*</sup> Inception Date: 2/1/2024



<sup>(</sup>a) Gross of Investment Management Fees

<sup>(</sup>b) Net of Investment Management Fees (recorded on cash basis)

## **Excess Return Detail**

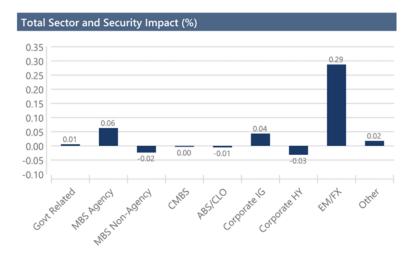
#### **CINCINNATI RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

1/1/2025 - 3/31/2025

Return Summary (%)	
Total Return	3.15
Index Return	2.78
Excess Return	0.37
Duration	0.05
Curve	-0.03
Total Macro	0.02
Sector Selection	0.29
Security Selection	0.06
Total Selection	0.35

U.S. Treasury Curve Yield Change (%)									
0.00									
-0.05							_		
-0.10	-0.06								
-0.15		-0.12							
-0.20									
-0.25								-0.22	
-0.30									
-0.35			-0.34						
-0.40				-0.39		-0.40	-0.36		
-0.45					-0.42	0.40			
	6 Mo	1 Yr	2 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	7 Yr	10 Yr	30 Yr	

Sector/Security Impact (%)								
	Sector	Security	Total					
Govt Related	0.01	0.00	0.01					
MBS Agency	-0.02	0.08	0.06					
MBS Non-Agency	0.00	-0.02	-0.02					
CMBS	0.00	0.00	0.00					
ABS/CLO	-0.02	0.01	-0.01					
Corporate IG	0.05	0.00	0.04					
Corporate HY	-0.03	0.00	-0.03					
EM/FX	0.29	0.00	0.29					
Other	0.02	0.00	0.02					
Total	0.29	0.06	0.35					





## **Portfolio Characteristics**

#### **CINCINNATI RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

3/31/2025

Fund Characteristics				Sector Exposure (%)							
	Fund	Index	Prior						29.0		
Market Value (\$)	136,451,100	29,226 B	132,343,321	Tre			Treasury		24.8		44.8
Duration (Yrs)	6.4	6.1	6.7	•				0.0	21.0		
Spread Duration (Yrs)	3.7	3.4	4.1				Govt Related	3.3			
Convexity	-0.1	0.5	0.1					0.0			
Yield to Worst (%)	5.4	4.6	5.6				MBS Agency	_	24.9	.7	
Maturity (Yrs)	9.3	8.4	9.8			WIDS Agency		24.5	37.8		
Quality	Aa3	Aa2	Aa3			MBS Non-Agency	10.8				
Corporate Industry	Exposure (%	)		Currency Expo	sure (%)		Wibs Non-Agency	10.9			
	Fund	l Inde			Fund	Prior	CMBS	1.7 1.5			
Industrials	14.0			USD	98.8	98.0		0.8			
Financials	8.7			G10	0.1	0.9	ABS/CLO	0.5			
Utilities	6.9	2.	2.3 <i>6.5</i> EM-Asia 0.0 <i>0.0</i>		Abs/clo	3.6					
				EM-LATAM 1.1 <i>1.1</i>				27.5			
				EM-EMEA	0.0	0.0	Corporate IG		23.7 23.5		
Quality Exposure (%	6)						Corporate HY	2.1 0.0 0.0			
18.3 3.4		4.0 10.5 12.1	8.6 4.8 0.	0 2.5 0.0 0.2	2 0.0 0.0	0.0	Emerging Markets	2.6 1.3 2.5			
			1.0 0.	-5.0	2 0.0 0.0	0.0	Cash & Equivalents	0.0			
AAA AA	А	BBB	Belov		E NA			0.2			
Interest Rate Durat	ion Exposure	(Years)					Spread Duration Ex	posure (Years)			
									Fund	Index	Prior
			1.8	1.0	1.9	1.8	Govt Related		0.0	0.2	0.0
	1.3	1.4		1.5 1.6			MBS Agency		1.0	1.5	2.0
06	0.9	1.1			0.9		MBS Non-Agency		0.7	0.0	0.6
0.6 0.5	0.2	0.6		0.1	0.1		CMBS		0.1	0.1	0.0
0.1 0.0 0.1				0.1	7. 1		ABS/CLO		0.2	0.0	0.1
1yr 2yr	5yr	7у	r 1	0yr 20yr	30y	/r	Corporate IG		1.5	1.6	1.2
							Corporate HY		0.1	0.0	0.0
Current	Index	Prior Qtr					<b>Emerging Markets</b>		0.1	0.1	0.1
Current	macx	THOI QU	ı				Cash & Equivalents		0.0	0.0	0.1

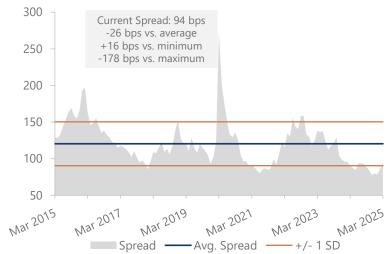


## **Fixed Income Dashboard**

#### U.S. Treasury Yield Curves (%)

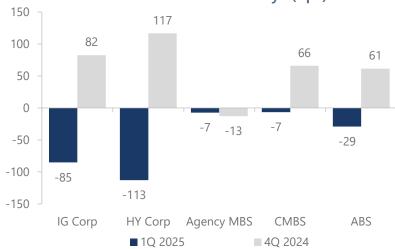


#### **Investment Grade Corporate OAS (bps)**

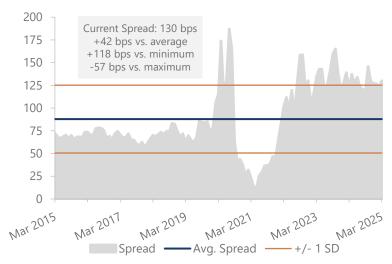


Data as of March 31, 2025

#### Sector Excess Returns vs. U.S. Treasurys (bps)



#### Agency MBS 30Yr CC Zero-Volatility Spread (bps)



Source: Bloomberg Index Services Limited; Bloomberg L.P. as of 03/31/2025

## **Market Insights**

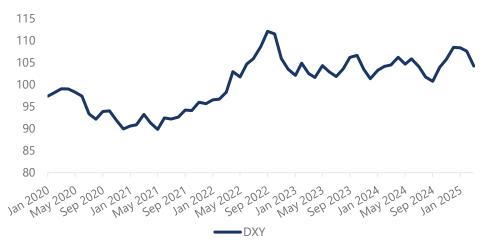
#### Inflation Expectations (%) vs Consumer Sentiment



The Trump administration's erratic tariff policies caused investor sentiment to retrench during the first quarter, nearly back to summer of 2022 levels. Long-term inflation expectations turned sharply higher despite the uncertain implementation and impact of the announced tariffs.

Source: Bloomberg as of 03/31/2025

#### **U.S.** Dollar Index



Source: Bloomberg as of 03/31/2025

The Federal Reserve's rate hikes over the past two years propelled the dollar index to multi-decade highs, but it returned to the lower end of its recent range during the first quarter due to the anticipated tariffs impacts. The decline of the dollar in the quarter is somewhat at odds with its traditional role as a flight-to-quality haven, but the anticipated downward pressure on dollar valuations due to the tariffs impacts more than offset

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## **Investment Themes**

#### What happened

- The new administration's erratic policy implementation, particularly in areas of trade, has unsettled capital markets.
- Risk market's previous lofty expectations have unwound, as hard data measures show cracks and soft data weakness is significant.
- Stagflation concerns have been resurrected, as weaker growth and resurging prices are evident in both current data and inflation expectations.

#### What we think

- Uncertainty is having its day broadly, as unpredictable policy is weaking economic growth while tariff threats are contributing to current and anticipated inflation.
- The market's interpretation of the motivation behind a dovish Federal Reserve is no longer policy normalization (second half of 2024) but now responding to weakening growth and recession prevention.

#### What we did

- Consistent with our philosophy that casts a dim view of investors' ability to accurately make predictions, we are responding to a few initial opportunities created in the quarter but are patiently waiting for valuations to provide more significant prospects.
- With credit underperforming in the first quarter, we have moved back closer to neutral after previously being underweight in many portfolios.
- We also normalized our MBS exposure following outperformance early in the quarter. ABS and CMBS provided a few attractive opportunities later in the quarter.
- For eligible accounts, we positioned to capture opportunities in global rates which we viewed as more attractive opportunities versus domestic spread sectors. Additionally, we attenuated our non-dollar exposure following outperformance.



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# **Working with Reams**

## **Differentiating Features**

- Fixed income specialist with a focused product lineup
- Experienced and stable investment team
- Opportunistic investment style driven by long-term value and risk-adjusted total returns
- Flexible, benchmark-agnostic portfolio construction
- Distinct risk management framework
- High-touch client service model



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## **Investment Committee**



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# Administration, Operations & Client Service



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## **Definitions**

**Upside / Downside Market Capture:** the proportion of the annualized, compounded total rate of return "captured" by the product versus given benchmark, with benchmark returns grouped by positive (upside) and negative (downside) observations

**Portfolio Duration:** the weighted average duration of all securities held in a portfolio, whereby duration represents the average life of a bond's cash flows

**Portfolio Convexity:** the weighted average convexity of all securities held in a portfolio, whereby convexity represents the expected change in a bond's duration for a given change in interest rates

**Avg Yield to Worst:** the weighted average yield to worst of all securities held in a portfolio, whereby yield to worst represents the expected internal rate of return of a bond that equilibrates the current price to all future anticipated cash flows, assuming the most disadvantageous retirement date

**Avg Maturity:** the weighted average maturity of all securities held in a portfolio, whereby maturity represents the final principle cash flow retirement date

**Avg Quality:** the weighted credit quality of all securities held in a portfolio, whereby credit quality represents a security's aggregated rating assigned by the Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations ("NRSROs")

**Contribution to Duration:** measurement of how much a risk factor contributes to the portfolio's total duration, calculated as factor weight times factor duration

**Spread Duration:** the amount of total duration that is derived from spread sector exposure; alternatively read as the portfolio's exposure to general spread movements

Excess Return: total return of a risky security relative to like-duration U.S. Treasury returns

Basis Points: industry nomenclature for referencing performance, expressed as hundredths of 1%

Yield Curve: the term structure of interest rates depicted in a linear curve format, from shortest tenor to longest

Government Related: the sector designation that includes Agency, Supranational, Sovereign and Foreign Agencies

MBS: the sector designation that includes both residential and commercial mortgage pass-through securities

**ABS:** the sector designation that includes secured debt of non-first mortgage home loans, including credit card, auto, home equity and auto dealer inventory

**IG Credit:** the sector designation that includes investment grade corporate debt

**HY Credit:** the sector designation that includes corporate debt rated below investment grade, as measured by the ratings from NRSROs

Non USD: the class designation that includes non-dollar debt and currency forwards

**Spread Sector:** nongovernmental fixed income investments with higher yields at greater risk than governmental instruments

**TIPS:** the class designation for Treasury Inflation Protected Securities



Source: Bloomberg, Investopedia

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# Cincinnati Retirement

Quarterly Report

Executive Summary March 31, 2025



Market Tracker Mareth 2025

### **U.S. Equity Returns**

	Mar	YTD	1 Yr
S&P 500	-5.6%	-4.3%	8.3%
Russell 3000	-5.8%	-4.7%	7.2%
NASDAQ	-8.1%	-10.3%	6.4%
Dow Jones	-4.1%	-0.9%	7.4%

### Non-U.S. Equity Returns

	Mar	YTD	1 Yr
ACWI	-4.0%	-1.3%	7.2%
ACWI ex. US	-0.2%	5.2%	6.1%
EAFE Index	-0.4%	6.9%	4.9%
EAFE Local	-2.8%	2.9%	4.1%
EAFE Growth	-3.2%	2.1%	-2.6%
EAFE Value	2.3%	11.6%	12.8%
EAFE Small Cap	0.5%	3.7%	3.1%
Emerging Markets	0.6%	2.9%	8.1%
EM Small Cap	-0.1%	-5.5%	-2.0%

### **Regional Returns**

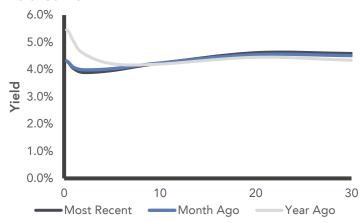
	Mar	YTD	1 Yr
Europe	-0.2%	10.6%	7.0%
Asia ex-Japan	0.0%	1.8%	11.3%
EM Latin America	4.8%	12.7%	-13.6%
UK	0.7%	9.7%	14.4%
Germany	1.7%	15.5%	19.0%
France	-0.1%	10.3%	-1.4%
Japan	0.1%	0.3%	-2.1%
China	2.0%	15.0%	40.4%
Brazil	6.5%	14.0%	-13.5%
India	9.4%	-3.0%	1.8%

#### **Real Estate Returns**

	Qtr	YTD	1 Yr
NCREIF NPI National*	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%
FTSE NAREIT	2.9%	2.9%	8.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Returns as of December 31, 2024

#### **Yield Curve**



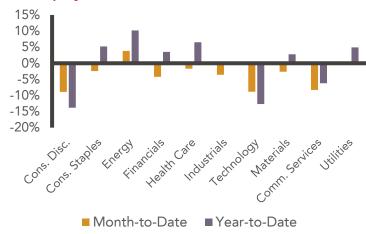
### **Style Index Returns**

	Month-to-Date				
	Value	Core	Growth		
Large	-2.8%	-5.8%	-8.4%		
Mid	-3.7%	-4.6%	-7.4%		
Small	-6.0%	-6.8%	-7.6%		

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	Value	Core	Growth		
Large	2.1%	-4.5%	-10.0%		
Mid	-2.1%	-3.4%	-7.1%		
Small	-7.7%	-9.5%	-11.1%		

Year-to-Date

### **U.S. Equity Sector Returns**



#### **Fixed Income Returns**

	Mar	YTD	1 Yr
Aggregate	0.0%	2.8%	4.9%
Universal	0.0%	2.7%	5.2%
Government	0.2%	2.9%	4.5%
Treasury	0.2%	2.9%	4.5%
Int. Gov/Credit	0.4%	2.4%	5.7%
Long Gov/Credit	-1.1%	3.6%	1.7%
TIPS	0.6%	4.2%	6.2%
Municipal 5 Year	-0.6%	0.9%	2.5%
High Yield	-1.0%	1.0%	7.7%
Bank Loans	-0.3%	0.6%	7.0%
Global Hedged	-0.4%	1.2%	4.6%
EM Debt Hard Currency	-0.8%	2.2%	6.8%

### **Hedge Fund Returns**

	Mar	YTD	1 Yr
HFRX Equal Wtd.	-0.4%	1.0%	3.5%
HFRX Hedged Equity	-0.9%	0.6%	4.9%
HFRX Event Driven	0.0%	1.1%	3.5%
HFRX Macro	-1.3%	-0.8%	-2.7%
HFRX Relative Value	-0.4%	1.2%	5.5%
CBOE PutWrite	-4.7%	-2.8%	9.1%

### **Commodity Returns**

•	Mar	YTD	1 Yr
GSCI Total	2.9%	4.9%	3.8%
Precious Metals	10.0%	18.3%	39.0%
Livestock	5.5%	4.7%	13.5%
Industrial Metals	4.2%	8.6%	13.2%
Energy	4.0%	11.0%	7.1%
Agriculture	-0.4%	2.0%	1.0%
WTI Crude Oil	3.5%	2.1%	-1.3%
Gold	9.9%	18.2%	39.4%



- Fixed Income: Fixed income was a solid performer in 1Q, providing stable returns while stocks pulled back significantly. Valuations remain rich as of quarter-end. Fixed income continues to be an attractive asset class, with starting yields north of 4.5%. Spreads were tight to end the quarter but have since widened due to the recent economic shock. Market volatility may be an opportunity for investors to add offensive fixed income sectors. However, a high level of uncertainty remains, with a recession and stagflation possible from here.
- U.S.: Although the U.S. equity market began the year on solid footing with all major indices advancing in January, policy uncertainty and the creation of the Department of Government Efficiency ultimately weighed on sentiment. Markets quickly declined to close the first quarter after peaking in February. This trend is a far cry from investor expectations entering 2025, as hopes for a pro-business administration and reduced regulation have now been trounced by an unexpectedly strict tariff policy and cuts to government spending. These dynamics have led to a surge in market volatility and weighed on consumer sentiment.
- Non-U.S.: 2025 started with a trend reversal as investor flows shifted to non-U.S. equities from U.S. equities. Since the end of the quarter, international equity markets have experienced a sharp sell-off following President Trump's tariff announcements, however relative outperformance vs. U.S. equities remains intact. Reactions to the new tariffs have been mixed. Some countries have discussed engaging in negotiations, while China has imposed retaliatory tariffs of its own. Uncertainty and market volatility are likely to remain heightened around the globe as countries respond to the United States' new protectionist policies.
- Real Assets: The fourth quarter of 2024 marked continued stabilization in the commercial real estate market, driven by a combination of renewed investor interest, more supportive lending conditions, and increased price transparency. At the same time, proposed tariffs on construction materials especially metals, machinery, and electronics are raising concerns. Core infrastructure continues to attract attention for its stability and income generation capabilities, particularly in a market characterized by elevated inflation, interest rate uncertainty, and the rising concerns of a potential GDP slowdown tied to escalating tariffs. In this environment, infrastructure remains one of the better-positioned asset classes.
- Private Equity: The Federal Reserve's interest rate cuts in late 2024 improved financing conditions for private equity firms. However, GPs may maintain a measured pace of capital allocation as they navigate uncertainty around tariffs and the resulting difficulties in assessing investment opportunities. 2025 was poised for a rebound in exits and dealmaking, but macroeconomic risks could disrupt that momentum.
- Private Credit: For private credit, 1Q returns likely will not be impacted by the current volatility exhibited by liquid markets, with returns expected to be consistent with 4Q returns driven by elevated current yields. With regard to tariffs, lower and middle market direct lending exposure is largely domestic-oriented. Outside of a few sectors that are exposed to tariffs via inputs, direct lending is largely expected to be shielded from first order tariff impacts, though the situation continues to evolve.







### **Pension Fund**

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#### **Quarterly Activity Summary**

- Principal's January 2025 redemption payments fulfilled the remaining outstanding balance of both 2022 redemption requests.
   Morgan Stanley's oustanding redemption total of 3.74 million was rescinded in February 2025.
   JPM SPF's full redemption remains in process.
- The plan's Private Debt funds called \$19.8 million during 1Q25 while distributing \$2.5 million.
- The plan's Private Equity funds called \$4.9 million during 1Q25 while distributing \$10.6 million.

Outstanding Redemptions					
	Requested	Submitted	Effective	Received	Outstanding
JPM Strategic Property Fund	Full Redemption*	11/6/2023	12/31/2023	11,629,787	42,548,604
IFM	15,000,000	1/31/2025	6/30/2025	-	15,000,000
Shenkman Four Points	10,000,000	4/22/2025	6/30/2025	-	10,000,000

<sup>\*</sup> Supercedes incomplete partial redemption previously submitted

	Outstanding Commitments	
	Commitment	Unfunded
Private Debt	184,900,000	62,986,634
H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	40,000,000	14,372,994
Owl Rock Diversified Lending	30,000,000	10,200,000
Carlyle Direct Lending IV	30,000,000	4,777,557
AG Direct Lending	30,000,000	3,000,000
JP Morgan Lynstone	30,000,000	14,609,925
Bain	24,900,000	16,026,158
	Commitment	Unfunded
Real Estate	20,000,000	11,972,740
PRISA III (Additional)	20,000,000	11,972,740



## Pension Fund-Total Fund Composite

Investment Manager	Asset Class	Status	Reason
NTGI Agg Bond	Core Fixed Income	In Compliance	
Diamond Hill Core Bond	Core Fixed Income	In Compliance	
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	Core Plus Fixed Income	In Compliance	
Columbus Core Plus Bond	Core Plus Fixed Income	In Compliance	
Shenkman - Four Points	High Yield Fixed Income	In Compliance	
H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	Private Debt	In Compliance	
Owl Rock Diversified Lending	Private Debt	In Compliance	
Carlyle Direct Lending IV	Private Debt	In Compliance	
J.P. Morgan Lynstone	Private Debt	In Compliance	
AG Direct Lending	Private Debt	In Compliance	
Bain Global Direct Lending	Private Debt	In Compliance	
NTGI Russell 3000	All-Cap Core	In Compliance	
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	Large-Cap Value	In Compliance	
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	Small-Cap Value	In Compliance	
NTGI ACWI Ex-US	Non-U.S. All-Cap Core	In Compliance	
Mondrian	Non-U.S. Large-Cap Value	In Compliance	
Harding Loevner	Non-U.S. Large-Cap Core	In Compliance	
NB US Index PutWrite	Volatility Risk Premium	In Compliance	
J.P. Morgan SPF	Core Real Estate	Termination	
Morgan Stanley P.P.	Core Real Estate	In Compliance	
PRISA III	Value-Added Real Estate	In Compliance	
Principal Enhanced	Value-Added Real Estate	In Compliance	
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	Non-U.S. Core Real Estate	In Compliance	
J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	Core Infrastructure	In Compliance	
IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	Global Infrastructure	In Compliance	
Alinda Fund II	Core Infrastructure	In Compliance	
Ullico - Infrastructure	Core Infrastructure	In Compliance	



## Pension Fund-Total Fund Composite

Investment Manager	Asset Class	Status	Reason
Fort Washington Fund V	Divers. Private Equity	In Compliance	
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	Special Situations PE	In Compliance	
Fort Washington Fund VI	Divers. Private Equity	In Compliance	
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	Special Situations PE	In Compliance	
Fort Washington Fund VIII	Divers. Private Equity	In Compliance	
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	Secondary PE FoF	In Compliance	
North Sky Fund V	Divers. Private Equity	In Compliance	
Fort Washington Fund IX	Divers. Private Equity	In Compliance	
Fort Washington Fund X	Divers. Private Equity	In Compliance	
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	Global Divers. PE FoF	In Compliance	
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	Global Divers. PE FoF	In Compliance	
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	Global Divers. PE FoF	In Compliance	
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	LBO Private Equity	In Compliance	
Blue Chip Fund IV	Venture Private Equity	In Compliance	
Cash SL	Cash & Equivalents	In Compliance	
Transition Account Cash	Cash & Equivalents	In Compliance	
Parametric	Cash Overlay	In Compliance	



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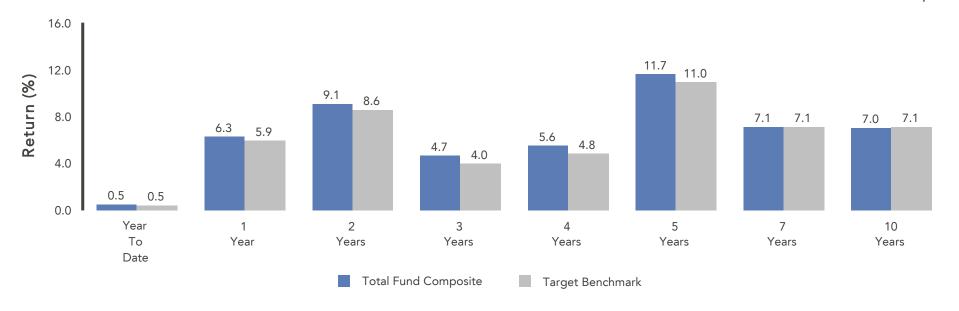
Alert – The investment manager has experienced a problem in performance (usually relative to a benchmark), a change in investment characteristics, an alteration in management style, ownership, or key investment professionals, and/or any other irregularities that may impede upon its ability to execute the investment strategy or adhere to any applicable investment guidelines.

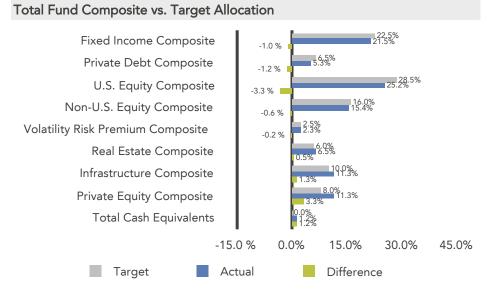
On Notice – The investment manager has experienced continued concern with one or more Alert issues. Failure to improve upon stated issues within a certain time frame may justify termination.

Termination - The investment manager has been terminated and transition plans are in place.



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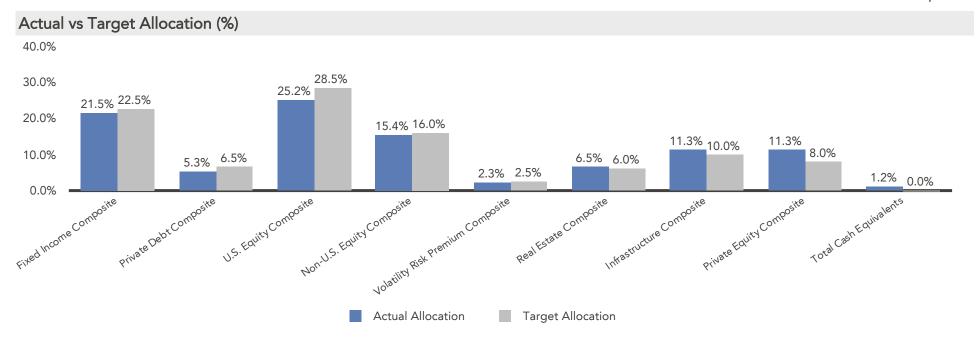


Summary of Cash Flows	Quarter To Date (\$)	1 Year (\$)
Beginning Market Value	2,352,873,668	2,334,163,362
Net Cash Flow	-35,684,332	-152,872,393
Gain/Loss	12,968,515	148,866,882
Ending Market Value	2,330,157,850	2,330,157,850

<sup>\*\*</sup> MSCI Private Capital Global All PE benchmark data is updated through 9/30/24



<sup>\*</sup> Certain account values are lagged - see page 28 for details



	Market Value (\$)	% of Portfolio	Policy %	Target Allocation \$	Difference (\$)
Fixed Income Composite	500,006,105	21.5	22.5	524,285,516	-24,279,412
Private Debt Composite	122,567,979	5.3	6.5	151,460,260	-28,892,281
U.S. Equity Composite	587,815,894	25.2	28.5	664,094,987	-76,279,094
Non-U.S. Equity Composite	358,918,928	15.4	16.0	372,825,256	-13,906,328
Volatility Risk Premium Composite	54,567,274	2.3	2.5	58,253,946	-3,686,672
Real Estate Composite	151,460,703	6.5	6.0	139,809,471	11,651,232
Infrastructure Composite	262,544,094	11.3	10.0	233,015,785	29,528,309
Private Equity Composite	263,562,376	11.3	8.0	186,412,628	77,149,748
Total Fund Composite	2,330,157,850	100.0	100.0	2,330,157,850	



Portfolio Allocation Quarter Ending March 31, 2025

	Asset Class	Market Value (\$)	3 Mo. Net Cash Flow (\$)	% of Portfolio	Policy (%)
Total Fund Composite		2,330,157,850	-35,684,332	100.0	100.0
Fixed Income Composite		500,006,105	8,835,597	21.5	22.5
NTGI Agg Bond	Core Fixed Income	32,101,182	-6,001,161	1.4	2.0
Diamond Hill Core Bond	Core Fixed Income	144,181,464	15,000,000	6.2	7.0
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	Core Plus Fixed Income	139,267,984	-97,069	6.0	6.0
Columbus Core Plus Bond	Core Plus Fixed Income	136,451,104	-66,172	5.9	5.5
Shenkman - Four Points	High Yield Fixed Income	48,004,371	-	2.1	2.0
Private Debt Composite		122,567,979	17,258,445	5.3	6.5
H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	Private Debt	20,486,410	-1,150,440	0.9	0.0
Owl Rock Diversified Lending	Private Debt	22,565,538	1,500,000	1.0	1.3
Carlyle Direct Lending IV	Private Debt	27,531,935	1,755,624	1.2	1.3
J.P. Morgan Lynstone	Private Debt	15,576,409	9,828,955	0.7	1.3
AG Direct Lending	Private Debt	27,499,297	-	1.2	1.3
Bain Global Direct Lending	Private Debt	8,908,390	5,324,305	0.4	1.3
U.S. Equity Composite		587,815,894	-71,026,269	25.2	28.5
NTGI Russell 3000	All-Cap Core	500,351,059	-61,021,913	21.5	24.0
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	Large-Cap Value	50,533,771	-1,856	2.2	2.5
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	Small-Cap Value	36,931,064	-10,002,500	1.6	2.0



Portfolio Allocation Quarter Ending March 31, 2025

	Asset Class	Market Value (\$)	3 Mo. Net Cash Flow (\$)	% of Portfolio	Policy (%)
Non-U.S. Equity Composite		358,918,928	14,967,558	15.4	16.0
NTGI ACWI Ex-US	Non-U.S. All-Cap Core	357,542,561	14,967,558	15.3	16.0
Volatility Risk Premium Composite		54,567,274	-8,000,000	2.3	2.5
NB US Index PutWrite	Volatility Risk Premium	54,567,274	-8,000,000	2.3	2.5
Real Estate Composite		151,460,703	-2,587,997	6.5	6.0
J.P. Morgan SPF	Core Real Estate	42,548,604	-2,161,975	1.8	0.0
Morgan Stanley P.P.	Core Real Estate	32,941,466	-404,263	1.4	2.0
PRISA III	Value-Added Real Estate	45,339,106	2,387,698	1.9	2.0
Principal Enhanced	Value-Added Real Estate	29,186,587	-2,409,457	1.3	2.0
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	Non-U.S. Core Real Estate	1,444,940	-	0.1	0.0
Infrastructure Composite		262,544,094	-1,476,599	11.3	10.0
J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	Core Infrastructure	106,664,532	-1,476,599	4.6	4.0
IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	Global Infrastructure	97,229,540	-	4.2	4.0
Alinda Fund II	Core Infrastructure	44,791	-	0.0	0.0
Ullico - Infrastructure	Core Infrastructure	58,605,231	-	2.5	2.0



Portfolio Allocation Quarter Ending March 31, 2025

	Asset Class	Market Value (\$)	3 Mo. Net Cash Flow (\$)	% of Portfolio	Policy (%)
Private Equity Composite		263,562,376	-5,804,103	11.3	8.0
Fort Washington Fund V	Divers. Private Equity	7,492,766	-	0.3	-
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	Special Situations Private Equity	164,039	-151,429	0.0	-
Fort Washington Fund VI	Divers. Private Equity	3,208,506	-300,000	0.1	-
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	Special Situations Private Equity	224,020	-146,191	0.0	-
Fort Washington Fund VIII	Divers. Private Equity	32,484,969	-575,000	1.4	-
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	Secondary PE FoF	4,103,855	-	0.2	-
North Sky Fund V	Divers. Private Equity	21,299,985	-5,228,288	0.9	-
Fort Washington Fund IX	Divers. Private Equity	51,304,869	-	2.2	-
Fort Washington Fund X	Divers. Private Equity	37,810,615	-3,940,000	1.6	-
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	Global Divers. PE FoF	43,533,740	-	1.9	-
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	Global Divers. PE FoF	18,024,135	-	0.8	-
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	Global Divers. PE FoF	25,459,654	3,142,184	1.1	-
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	LBO Private Equity	17,193,526	1,394,621	0.7	-
Blue Chip Fund IV	Venture Private Equity	1,257,697	-	0.1	-
Total Cash Equivalents		28,714,498	12,149,036	1.2	-



Portfolio Allocation As of March 31, 2025

	Asset Class	Market Value (\$)	% of Portfolio	Policy %	Difference (\$)
Total Fund Composite		2,330,157,850	100.0	100.0	
Fixed Income Composite		500,006,105	21.5	22.5	-24,279,412
NTGI Agg Bond	Core Fixed Income	32,101,182	1.4	2.0	-14,501,975
Diamond Hill Core Bond	Core Fixed Income	144,181,464	6.2	7.0	-18,929,586
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	Core Plus Fixed Income	139,267,984	6.0	6.0	-541,487
Columbus Core Plus Bond	Core Plus Fixed Income	136,451,104	5.9	5.5	8,292,422
Shenkman - Four Points	High Yield Fixed Income	48,004,371	2.1	2.0	1,401,214
Private Debt Composite		122,567,979	5.3	6.5	-28,892,281
H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	Private Debt	20,486,410	0.9	0.0	20,253,394
Owl Rock Diversified Lending	Private Debt	22,565,538	1.0	1.3	-7,726,514
Carlyle Direct Lending IV	Private Debt	27,531,935	1.2	1.3	-2,760,117
J.P. Morgan Lynstone	Private Debt	15,576,409	0.7	1.3	-14,715,643
AG Direct Lending	Private Debt	27,499,297	1.2	1.3	-2,792,755
Bain Global Direct Lending	Private Debt	8,908,390	0.4	1.3	-21,150,646
U.S. Equity Composite		587,815,894	25.2	28.5	-76,279,094
NTGI Russell 3000	All-Cap Core	500,351,059	21.5	24.0	-58,886,825
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	Large-Cap Value	50,533,771	2.2	2.5	-7,720,176
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	Small-Cap Value	36,931,064	1.6	2.0	-9,672,093
Non-U.S. Equity Composite		358,918,928	15.4	16.0	-13,906,328
NTGI ACWI Ex-US	Non-U.S. All-Cap Core	357,542,561	15.3	16.0	-15,282,695
Volatility Risk Premium Composite		54,567,274	2.3	2.5	-3,686,672
NB US Index PutWrite	Volatility Risk Premium	54,567,274	2.3	2.5	-3,686,672
Real Estate Composite		151,460,703	6.5	6.0	11,651,232
J.P. Morgan SPF	Core Real Estate	42,548,604	1.8	0.0	42,315,589

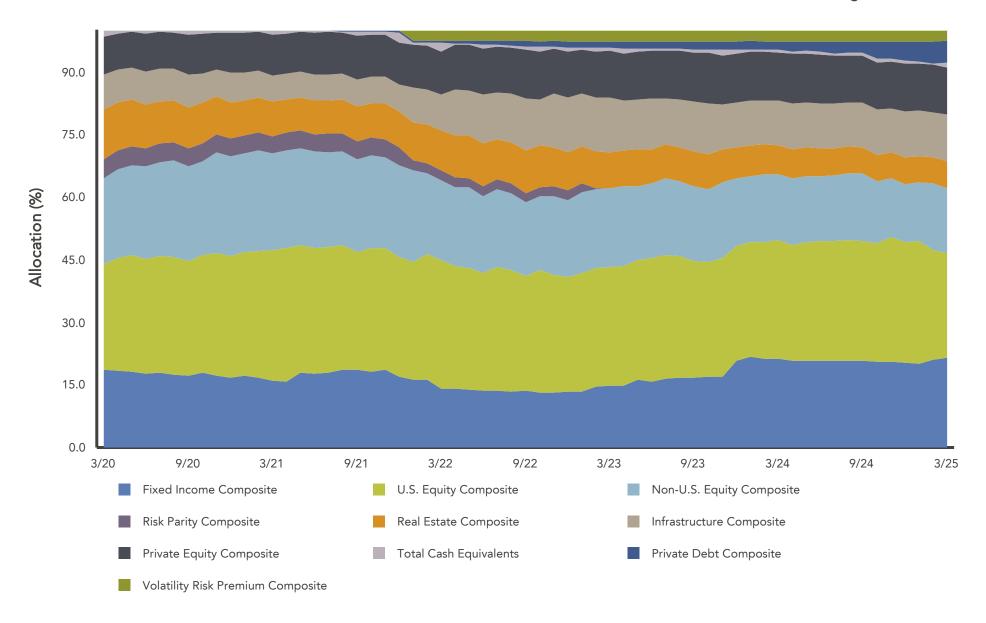


65 Portfolio Allocation As of March 31, 2025

	Asset Class	Market Value (\$)	% of Portfolio	Policy %	Difference (\$)
Morgan Stanley P.P.	Core Real Estate	32,941,466	1.4	2.0	-13,661,691
PRISA III	Value-Added Real Estate	45,339,106	1.9	2.0	-1,031,035
Principal Enhanced	Value-Added Real Estate	29,186,587	1.3	2.0	-17,183,554
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	Non-U.S. Core Real Estate	1,444,940	0.1	0.0	1,211,924
Infrastructure Composite		262,544,094	11.3	10.0	29,528,309
J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	Core Infrastructure	106,664,532	4.6	4.0	13,458,218
IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	Global Infrastructure	97,229,540	4.2	4.0	4,023,226
Ullico - Infrastructure	Core Infrastructure	58,605,231	2.5	2.0	12,002,074
Private Equity Composite		263,562,376	11.3	8.0	77,149,748



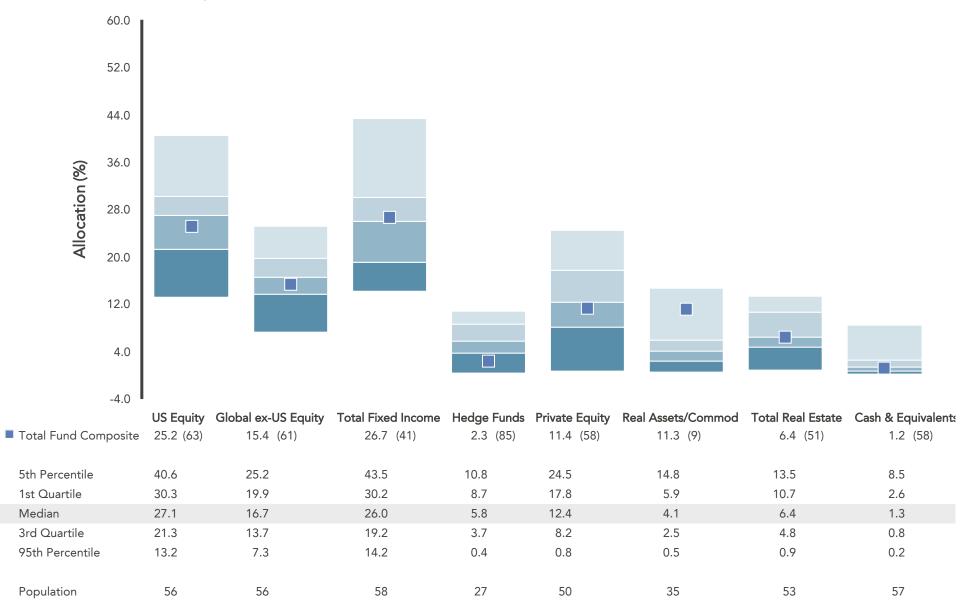
66 Historical Asset Allocation 5 Years Ending March 31, 2025



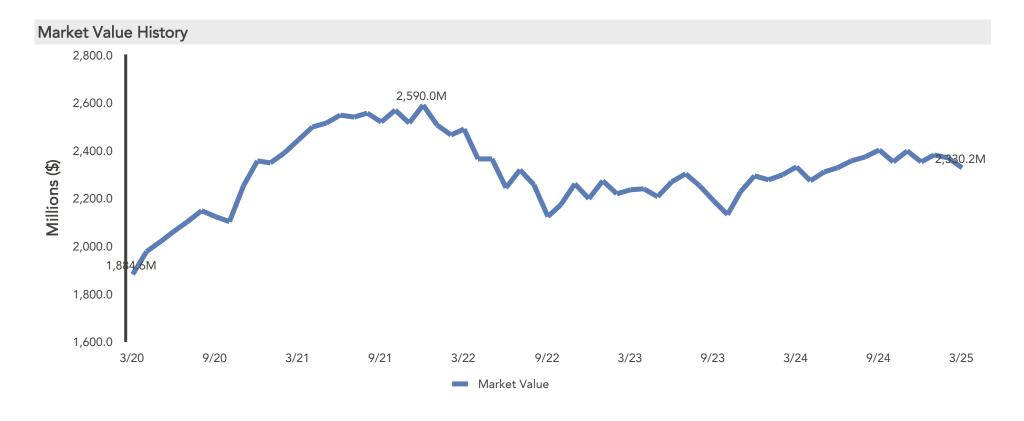


67 Asset Allocation As of March 31, 2025

### vs. All Public DB Plans Over \$1B







Summary of Cash Flows					
	Quarter To Date (\$)	1 Year (\$)	3 Years (\$)	5 Years (\$)	7 Years (\$)
Beginning Market Value	2,352,873,668	2,334,163,362	2,490,644,569	1,884,584,218	2,303,942,230
Net Cash Flow	-35,684,332	-152,872,393	-482,513,250	-807,088,226	-1,102,931,828
Net Investment Change	12,968,515	148,866,882	322,026,531	1,252,661,859	1,129,147,448
Ending Market Value	2,330,157,850	2,330,157,850	2,330,157,850	2,330,157,850	2,330,157,850



### Pension Fund-Total Fund Composite

Ending March 31, 2025

	Market Value (\$)	3 Mo Return	Contribution to Return	% Contribution to Return
Total Fund Composite	2,330,157,850	0.5	0.5	100.0%
Fixed Income Composite	500,006,105	2.8	0.6	113.9%
NTGI Agg Bond	32,101,182	2.8	0.0	8.0%
Diamond Hill Core Bond	144,181,464	3.3	0.2	36.8%
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	139,267,984	2.9	0.2	33.5%
Columbus Core Plus Bond	136,451,104	3.2	0.2	35.3%
Shenkman - Four Points	48,004,371	0.1	0.0	0.6%
Private Debt Composite	122,567,979	0.0	0.0	0.0%
U.S. Equity Composite	587,815,894	-4.3	-1.2	-227.8%
NTGI Russell 3000	500,351,059	-4.7	-1.1	-213.7%
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	50,533,771	2.1	0.0	8.7%
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	36,931,064	-7.7	-0.1	-28.0%
Non-U.S. Equity Composite	358,918,928	5.5	0.8	157.4%
NTGI ACWI Ex-US	357,542,561	5.6	0.8	159.1%



### Pension Fund-Total Fund Composite

Ending March 31, 2025

	Market Value (\$)	3 Mo Return	Contribution to Return	% Contribution to Return
Volatility Risk Premium Composite	54,567,274	-1.4	0.0	-6.7%
NB US Index PutWrite	54,567,274	-1.4	0.0	-6.7%
Real Estate Composite	151,460,703	0.9	0.1	11.7%
J.P. Morgan SPF	42,548,604	0.8	0.0	2.8%
Morgan Stanley P.P.	32,941,466	1.2	0.0	3.3%
PRISA III	45,339,106	0.9	0.0	3.1%
Principal Enhanced	29,186,587	1.0	0.0	2.4%
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	1,444,940	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Infrastructure Composite	262,544,094	2.0	0.2	43.5%
Alinda Fund II	44,791	0.0	0.0	0.0%
J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	106,664,532	2.3	0.1	20.2%
IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	97,229,540	2.9	0.1	23.4%
Ullico - Infrastructure	58,605,231	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Private Equity Composite	263,562,376	0.0	0.0	-0.3%
Total Cash Equivalents	28,714,498	0.2	0.0	0.4%



Annualized Performance (Net of Fees)
As of March 31, 2025

	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	15 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Total Fund Composite	0.5	6.3	9.1	4.7	11.7	7.1	7.0	8.0	8.7	Jun 85
Target Benchmark	0.5	5.9	8.6	4.0	11.0	7.1	7.1	-	-	
Actuarial Rate 7.5%	1.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	
All Public DB Plans Over \$1B Rank	40	7	23	25	2	25	23	16	-	
Fixed Income Composite	2.8	5.5	4.2	1.4	2.7	2.5	2.6	3.6	5.0	Dec 95
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	2.4	4.2	
All Public DB Plans-Fixed Income Rank	23	59	56	61	21	41	34	1	-	
Private Debt Composite	0.0	7.2	9.5	7.9	-	-	-	-	5.1	Oct 20
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	2.4	-1.2	
Bloomberg US High Yield TR	1.0	7.7	9.4	5.0	7.3	4.9	5.0	6.2	4.8	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	8.6	9.3	
U.S. Equity Composite	-4.3	6.5	16.3	7.3	19.3	10.8	10.2	11.7	9.6	Mar 89
Russell 3000 Index	-4.7	7.2	17.7	8.2	18.2	12.5	11.8	12.8	10.7	
All Public DB Plans-US Equity Rank	28	27	41	48	1	58	61	64	-	
Non-U.S. Equity Composite	5.5	6.6	9.9	5.0	12.2	3.7	4.9	5.5	5.9	Jun 93
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	5.2	6.1	9.6	4.5	10.9	4.5	5.0	4.9	-	
All Public DB Plans-Intl Equity Rank	39	31	32	43	20	70	67	63	-	
Volatility Risk Premium Composite	-1.4	5.9	10.2	5.6	-	-	-	-	5.6	Feb 22
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	-2.8	9.1	10.7	5.9	13.6	7.4	7.3	7.5	7.0	
Real Estate Composite	0.9	2.9	-4.1	-3.7	3.2	4.1	5.9	8.8	4.8	Sep 07
NFI-ODCE	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	7.5	3.8	
NCREIF Property Index	0.0	1.4	-3.0	-2.5	3.0	3.9	5.3	7.7	5.5	
All Public DB Plans-Private Real Estate Rank	30	19	29	32	30	20	8	-	-	

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Annualized Performance (Net of Fees)
As of March 31, 2025

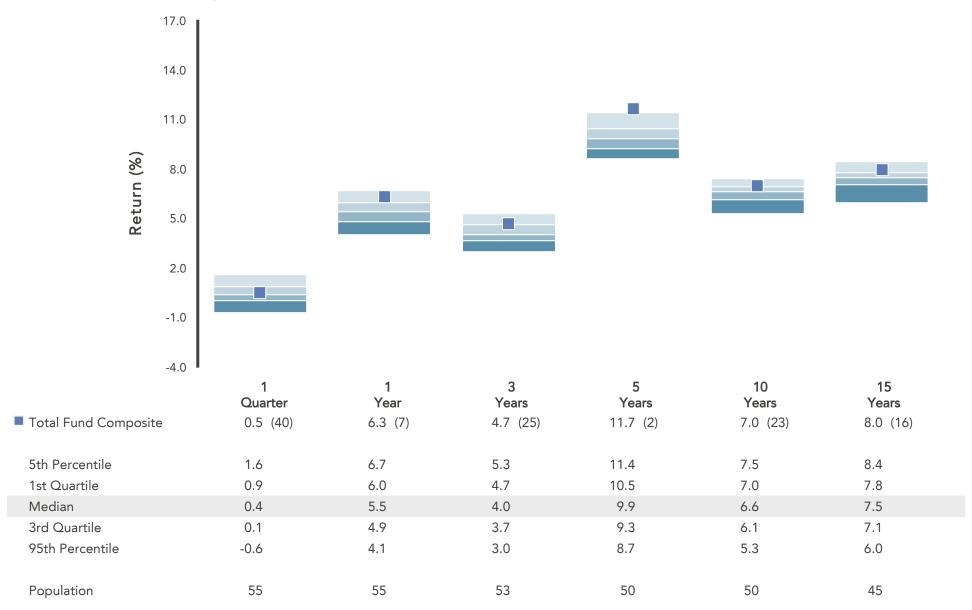
	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	15 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Infrastructure Composite	2.0	8.9	8.9	8.5	10.0	8.6	7.2	8.6	8.4	Sep 08
3 Month T-Bill +4%	2.0	9.2	9.3	8.4	6.7	6.5	5.9	5.3	5.2	
Private Equity Composite	0.0	4.8	7.2	4.3	15.2	12.8	12.2	12.8	8.7	Aug 93
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	13.8	15.0	

<sup>\*</sup> MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt and Global All PE benchmark data is updated through 9/30/24



vs. All Public DB Plans Over \$1B

Annualized Performance (Net of Fees)
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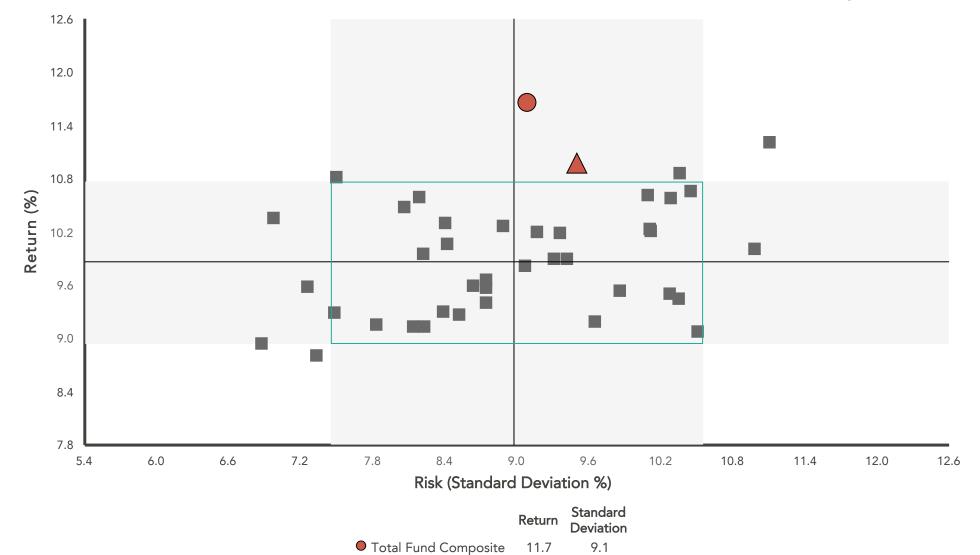


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All Public DB Plans Over \$1B

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▲ Target Benchmark

— Median

Calculation based on monthly periodicity.



Calendar Performance (Net of Fees) As of March 31, 2025

	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Total Fund Composite	9.5	12.1	-9.3	17.4	10.3	16.8	-4.3	14.9	8.9	-0.1	6.4
Target Benchmark	9.1	11.7	-10.8	16.2	12.7	17.8	-4.0	15.5	8.8	0.5	5.8
Actuarial Rate 7.5%	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
All Public DB Plans Over \$1B Rank	39	32	40	22	66	52	72	61	12	52	34
Fixed Income Composite	2.3	6.7	-12.0	0.6	9.5	9.6	-0.6	5.6	7.2	-2.1	5.6
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
All Public DB Plans-Fixed Income Rank	76	63	57	24	13	31	59	49	15	71	35
Private Debt Composite	11.8	12.5	-0.2	-10.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
Bloomberg US High Yield TR	8.2	13.4	-11.2	5.3	7.1	14.3	-2.1	7.5	17.1	-4.5	2.5
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
U.S. Equity Composite	21.6	22.1	-16.3	30.3	12.5	27.8	-8.6	17.8	16.3	-3.0	10.8
Russell 3000 Index	23.8	26.0	-19.2	25.7	20.9	31.0	-5.2	21.1	12.7	0.5	12.6
All Public DB Plans-US Equity Rank	44	70	23	2	93	92	90	95	8	96	49
Non-U.S. Equity Composite	5.6	15.6	-15.4	10.2	7.5	18.9	-16.2	27.7	7.3	-4.9	-1.4
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	5.5	15.6	-16.0	7.8	10.7	21.5	-14.2	27.2	4.5	-5.7	-3.9
All Public DB Plans-Intl Equity Rank	38	64	15	26	90	96	80	62	7	76	13
Volatility Risk Premium Composite	12.4	15.1	-6.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	17.8	14.3	-7.7	21.8	2.1	13.5	-5.9	10.8	7.8	6.4	6.4
Real Estate Composite	-1.1	-9.8	5.5	22.3	2.2	5.8	7.5	7.9	9.3	14.8	12.4
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5
NCREIF Property Index	0.4	-7.9	5.5	17.7	1.6	6.4	6.7	7.0	8.0	13.3	11.8
All Public DB Plans-Private Real Estate Rank	29	34	76	41	9	55	47	52	21	22	45

<sup>\*</sup> MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt and Global All PE benchmark data is updated through 9/30/24



Calendar Performance (Net of Fees)
As of March 31, 2025

	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Infrastructure Composite	8.1	9.9	7.3	10.8	8.1	11.3	4.8	2.4	0.4	11.2	12.5
3 Month T-Bill +4%	9.5	9.2	5.5	4.0	4.7	6.4	5.9	4.9	4.3	4.1	4.0
Private Equity Composite	6.4	9.8	-1.3	32.5	22.0	11.3	16.0	14.3	8.1	8.2	8.5
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5

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	1 Mo (%)	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Total Fund Composite	-1.3	0.5	6.3	9.1	4.7	11.7	7.1	7.0	8.7	Jun 85
Target Benchmark	-1.7	0.5	5.9	8.6	4.0	11.0	7.1	7.1	-	
Actuarial Rate 7.5%	0.6	1.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	
All Public DB Plans Over \$1B Rank	32	40	7	23	25	2	25	23	-	
Fixed Income Composite	0.0	2.8	5.5	4.2	1.4	2.7	2.5	2.6	5.0	Dec 95
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	4.2	
All Public DB Plans-Fixed Income Rank	52	23	59	56	61	21	41	34	-	
NTGI Agg Bond	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.6	-	-	-	-1.3	Feb 21
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	-1.3	
eV US Core Fixed Inc Rank	19	42	58	75	69	-	-	-	72	
Diamond Hill Core Bond	0.2	3.3	6.7	-	-	-	-	-	7.1	Mar 24
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	5.4	
eV US Core Fixed Inc Rank	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	0.0	2.9	4.2	3.4	0.7	1.1	2.3	-	2.5	Aug 15
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	1.6	
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank	19	16	98	82	73	59	49	-	42	
Columbus Core Plus Bond	0.1	3.2	5.4	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	Feb 24
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	3.7	
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank	9	8	45	-	-	-	-	-	57	
Shenkman - Four Points	-1.3	0.1	6.5	8.7	5.2	8.7	5.7	5.6	6.2	Sep 10
Blmbg. U.S. Corp: High Yield Index	-1.0	1.0	7.7	9.4	5.0	7.3	4.9	5.0	6.1	
eV US High Yield Fixed Inc Rank	80	96	65	46	22	12	10	8	11	



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	1 Mo (%)	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Private Debt Composite	0.0	0.0	7.2	9.5	7.9	-	-	-	5.1	Oct 20
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	-1.2	
Bloomberg US High Yield TR	-1.0	1.0	7.7	9.4	5.0	7.3	4.9	5.0	4.8	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	9.3	
H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	0.0	0.0	7.4	9.9	8.4	-	-	-	5.4	Oct 20
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	-1.2	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	9.3	
Owl Rock Diversified Lending	0.0	0.0	7.7	8.6	-	-	-	-	11.6	Sep 22
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	2.7	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	7.7	
Carlyle Direct Lending IV	0.0	0.0	8.1	-	-	-	-	-	13.1	Jul 23
Bloomberg US Aggregate TR	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	4.3	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	6.5	
J.P. Morgan Lynstone	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.0	Jul 24
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	4.8	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	2.5	
AG Direct Lending	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	Nov 24
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	2.2	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	0.0	
Bain Global Direct Lending	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	Dec 24
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	0.0	2.8	4.9	3.3	0.5	-0.4	1.6	1.5	1.1	
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	0.0	0.0	4.5	6.9	6.2	10.3	7.3	7.4	0.0	



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	1 Mo (%)	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
U.S. Equity Composite	-5.6	-4.3	6.5	16.3	7.3	19.3	10.8	10.2	9.6	Mar 89
Russell 3000 Index	-5.8	-4.7	7.2	17.7	8.2	18.2	12.5	11.8	10.7	
All Public DB Plans-US Equity Rank	45	28	27	41	48	1	58	61	-	
NTGI Russell 3000	-5.8	-4.7	7.2	17.7	8.2	-	-	-	9.1	Apr 21
Russell 3000 Index	-5.8	-4.7	7.2	17.7	8.2	18.2	12.5	11.8	9.1	
eV US Passive All Cap Equity Rank	47	53	34	32	30	-	-	-	34	
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	-2.8	2.1	7.1	13.5	6.6	16.2	9.2	8.8	9.0	Jan 14
Russell 1000 Value Index	-2.8	2.1	7.2	13.5	6.6	16.1	9.2	8.8	8.9	
eV US Large Cap Value Equity Rank	40	38	37	53	59	61	65	62	63	
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	-6.0	-7.7	-3.1	7.3	0.2	15.4	5.4	6.2	6.1	Jan 14
Russell 2000 Value Index	-6.0	-7.7	-3.1	7.3	0.0	15.3	5.3	6.1	6.0	
eV US Small Cap Value Equity Rank	65	56	55	54	82	71	75	68	72	
Non-U.S. Equity Composite	0.0	5.5	6.6	9.9	5.0	12.2	3.7	4.9	5.9	Jun 93
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	-0.2	5.2	6.1	9.6	4.5	10.9	4.5	5.0	-	
eV Non-US Diversified All Cap Eq Rank	42	54	48	49	58	48	83	73	92	
NTGI ACWI Ex-US	-0.1	5.6	6.7	9.8	5.1	-	-	-	3.3	Apr 21
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	-0.2	5.2	6.1	9.6	4.5	10.9	4.5	5.0	3.0	
eV ACWI ex-US All Cap Equity Rank	33	39	36	38	42	-	-	-	46	
Volatility Risk Premium Composite	-3.1	-1.4	5.9	10.2	5.6	-	-	-	5.6	Feb 22
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	-4.7	-2.8	9.1	10.7	5.9	13.6	7.4	7.3	7.0	
NB US Index PutWrite	-3.1	-1.4	5.9	10.2	5.6	-	-	-	5.6	Feb 22
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	-4.7	-2.8	9.1	10.7	5.9	13.6	7.4	7.3	7.0	

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	1 Mo (%)	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Real Estate Composite	0.6	0.9	2.9	-4.1	-3.7	3.2	4.1	5.9	4.8	Sep 07
NFI-ODCE	0.3	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	3.8	
NCREIF Property Index	0.0	0.0	1.4	-3.0	-2.5	3.0	3.9	5.3	5.5	
J.P. Morgan SPF	0.4	0.8	4.0	-7.3	-6.7	0.5	1.7	3.7	3.7	Feb 08
NFI-ODCE	0.3	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	3.7	
Morgan Stanley P.P.	1.2	1.2	1.8	-2.1	-2.1	4.2	4.8	6.5	5.4	Sep 07
NFI-ODCE	0.3	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	3.8	
PRISA III	0.9	0.9	2.6	-2.7	-1.0	6.1	7.0	8.9	4.9	Jan 08
NFI-ODCE	0.3	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	3.7	
Principal Enhanced	0.0	1.0	3.1	-3.3	-3.4	4.0	4.8	7.5	4.1	Apr 08
NFI-ODCE	0.3	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	3.6	
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	0.0	0.0	-2.5	7.1	-0.5	-3.9	-4.3	-2.4	-	Nov 07
NFI-ODCE	0.3	0.8	1.2	-5.7	-5.1	2.0	2.9	4.7	3.7	

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	1 Mo (%)	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Infrastructure Composite	1.8	2.0	8.9	8.9	8.5	10.0	8.6	7.2	8.4	Sep 08
3 Month T-Bill +4%	0.7	2.0	9.2	9.3	8.4	6.7	6.5	5.9	5.2	
J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	2.3	2.3	10.2	10.6	10.5	9.1	8.0	-	8.1	Jan 18
CPI + 4%	0.6	2.3	6.5	7.0	7.8	8.6	7.8	7.2	7.8	
IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	2.5	2.9	9.9	7.2	8.0	9.9	10.0	-	11.0	Mar 18
CPI + 4%	0.6	2.3	6.5	7.0	7.8	8.6	7.8	7.2	7.7	
Alinda Fund II	0.0	0.0	16.3	24.0	50.4	26.3	15.0	9.5	10.1	Sep 08
3 Month T-Bill +4%	0.7	2.0	9.2	9.3	8.4	6.7	6.5	5.9	5.2	
Ullico - Infrastructure	0.0	0.0	5.2	8.6	-	-	-	-	7.9	Dec 22
CPI + 4%	0.6	2.3	6.5	7.0	7.8	8.6	7.8	7.2	7.2	
Private Equity Composite	0.0	0.0	4.8	7.2	4.3	15.2	12.8	12.2	8.7	Aug 93
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	15.0	
Fort Washington Fund V	0.0	0.0	6.0	5.6	-1.8	8.3	6.3	6.0	7.5	Oct 07
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	11.2	
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	0.0	0.0	-1.6	-16.9	-10.9	-5.1	-4.6	-2.6	1.2	Jul 07
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	11.2	
Fort Washington Fund VI	0.0	0.0	-1.3	-3.0	-5.3	5.1	6.5	7.6	11.1	May 08
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	11.3	
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	0.0	0.0	-6.0	-4.7	-3.5	2.0	2.1	2.8	5.1	Sep 08
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	11.6	



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	1 Mo (%)	3 Mo (%)	1 Yr (%)	2 Yrs (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	SI (%)	Inception Date
Fort Washington Fund VIII	0.0	0.0	5.3	6.4	4.1	14.9	12.2	13.8	11.2	Feb 14
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	13.4	
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	0.0	0.0	-7.6	0.3	-0.7	3.1	2.1	9.3	11.3	Aug 14
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	13.2	
North Sky Fund V	0.0	0.0	7.2	12.2	8.3	19.2	19.5	16.2	11.6	May 14
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	13.4	
Fort Washington Fund IX	0.0	0.0	1.4	2.7	0.3	15.7	12.2	-	16.3	Oct 16
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	14.2	
Fort Washington Fund X	0.0	0.0	2.8	8.4	7.0	21.0	-	-	16.1	Jun 19
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	13.9	
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	0.0	0.0	5.7	8.4	8.0	14.0	-	-	12.4	Jul 19
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	13.2	
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	0.0	0.0	8.6	11.7	10.1	-	-	-	17.5	Dec 20
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	12.7	
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	0.0	-0.2	14.8	15.6	-	-	-	-	5.0	Aug 22
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	3.4	
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	0.0	0.0	7.4	11.9	-	-	-	-	26.5	Sep 22
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	3.5	
Blue Chip Fund IV	0.0	0.0	-30.1	-19.3	-14.7	-3.8	-7.8	-9.4	-2.6	Jan 01
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.4	1.1	15.6	13.5	13.5	10.8	



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	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Total Fund Composite	9.5	12.1	-9.3	17.4	10.3	16.8	-4.3	14.9	8.9	-0.1	6.4
Target Benchmark	9.1	11.7	-10.8	16.2	12.7	17.8	-4.0	15.5	8.8	0.5	5.8
Actuarial Rate 7.5%	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
All Public DB Plans Over \$1B Rank	39	32	40	22	66	52	72	61	12	52	34
Fixed Income Composite	2.3	6.7	-12.0	0.6	9.5	9.6	-0.6	5.6	7.2	-2.1	5.6
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
All Public DB Plans-Fixed Income Rank	76	63	57	24	13	31	59	49	15	71	35
NTGI Agg Bond	1.3	5.5	-12.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
eV US Core Fixed Inc Rank	81	76	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diamond Hill Core Bond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
eV US Core Fixed Inc Rank	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	1.3	6.2	-12.5	-1.0	11.1	9.5	-0.5	5.2	6.9	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank	89	70	26	78	11	61	46	24	10	-	-
Columbus Core Plus Bond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
eV US Core Plus Fixed Inc Rank	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shenkman - Four Points	8.7	12.3	-7.1	4.6	11.6	13.3	-1.0	7.5	16.1	-4.2	2.6
Blmbg. U.S. Corp: High Yield Index	8.2	13.4	-11.2	5.3	7.1	14.3	-2.1	7.5	17.1	-4.5	2.5
eV US High Yield Fixed Inc Rank	20	51	22	63	3	58	26	36	18	70	35



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	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Private Debt Composite	11.8	12.5	-0.2	-10.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
Bloomberg US High Yield TR	8.2	13.4	-11.2	5.3	7.1	14.3	-2.1	7.5	17.1	-4.5	2.5
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	11.9	13.5	0.0	-10.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
Owl Rock Diversified Lending	12.6	8.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
Carlyle Direct Lending IV	12.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bloomberg US Aggregate TR	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
J.P. Morgan Lynstone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
AG Direct Lending	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3
Bain Global Direct Lending	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	1.3	5.5	-13.0	-1.5	7.5	8.7	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0
MSCI Private Capital Global Private Debt	6.5	10.0	3.8	15.6	5.8	7.0	5.2	10.9	8.6	2.1	9.3



Calendar Performance (Net of Fees) As of March 31, 2025

	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
U.S. Equity Composite	21.6	22.1	-16.3	30.3	12.5	27.8	-8.6	17.8	16.3	-3.0	10.8
Russell 3000 Index	23.8	26.0	-19.2	25.7	20.9	31.0	-5.2	21.1	12.7	0.5	12.6
All Public DB Plans-US Equity Rank	44	70	23	2	93	92	90	95	8	96	49
NTGI Russell 3000	23.8	26.0	-19.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russell 3000 Index	23.8	26.0	-19.2	25.7	20.9	31.0	-5.2	21.1	12.7	0.5	12.6
eV US Passive All Cap Equity Rank	33	34	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	14.4	11.5	-7.6	25.2	3.0	26.6	-8.2	13.8	17.3	-3.6	13.5
Russell 1000 Value Index	14.4	11.5	-7.5	25.2	2.8	26.5	-8.3	13.7	17.3	-3.8	13.5
eV US Large Cap Value Equity Rank	50	56	65	65	57	47	47	83	21	62	22
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	8.2	14.9	-14.5	28.1	4.9	22.6	-12.7	8.1	31.9	-7.3	4.3
Russell 2000 Value Index	8.1	14.6	-14.5	28.3	4.6	22.4	-12.9	7.8	31.7	-7.5	4.2
eV US Small Cap Value Equity Rank	68	61	74	53	46	58	34	67	14	70	55
Non-U.S. Equity Composite	5.6	15.6	-15.4	10.2	7.5	18.9	-16.2	27.7	7.3	-4.9	-1.4
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	5.5	15.6	-16.0	7.8	10.7	21.5	-14.2	27.2	4.5	-5.7	-3.9
All Public DB Plans-Intl Equity Rank	38	64	15	26	90	96	80	62	7	76	13
NTGI ACWI Ex-US	5.6	15.5	-15.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	5.5	15.6	-16.0	7.8	10.7	21.5	-14.2	27.2	4.5	-5.7	-3.9
Volatility Risk Premium Composite	12.4	15.1	-6.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	17.8	14.3	-7.7	21.8	2.1	13.5	-5.9	10.8	7.8	6.4	6.4
NB US Index PutWrite	12.4	15.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	17.8	14.3	-7.7	21.8	2.1	13.5	-5.9	10.8	7.8	6.4	6.4



Calendar Performance (Net of Fees) As of March 31, 2025

	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Real Estate Composite	-1.1	-9.8	5.5	22.3	2.2	5.8	7.5	7.9	9.3	14.8	12.4
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5
NCREIF Property Index	0.4	-7.9	5.5	17.7	1.6	6.4	6.7	7.0	8.0	13.3	11.8
All Public DB Plans-Private Real Estate Rank	29	34	76	41	9	55	47	52	21	22	45
J.P. Morgan SPF	-2.7	-15.2	3.7	19.8	0.4	3.3	7.0	6.2	7.3	14.1	10.3
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5
Morgan Stanley P.P.	-0.8	-5.8	6.1	21.5	1.3	6.2	8.0	8.7	9.2	14.6	14.1
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5
PRISA III	-1.2	-5.3	7.8	24.6	9.5	9.1	7.9	9.9	13.2	22.7	16.9
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5
Principal Enhanced	0.7	-10.8	6.3	25.9	0.7	6.8	9.5	9.3	13.5	20.3	13.8
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	-2.2	16.3	-14.8	-10.5	-10.3	2.2	-6.6	1.7	1.8	0.0	6.9
NFI-ODCE	-2.3	-12.7	6.5	21.1	0.3	4.4	7.4	6.7	7.8	14.0	11.5



Calendar Performance (Net of Fees) As of March 31, 2025

	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Infrastructure Composite	8.1	9.9	7.3	10.8	8.1	11.3	4.8	2.4	0.4	11.2	12.5
3 Month T-Bill +4%	9.5	9.2	5.5	4.0	4.7	6.4	5.9	4.9	4.3	4.1	4.0
J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	10.7	10.5	9.6	7.7	4.5	9.1	4.9	-	-	-	-
CPI + 4%	7.0	7.5	10.7	11.3	5.4	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.2	4.8	4.8
IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	5.6	8.4	8.2	17.7	2.8	14.6	-	-	-	-	-
CPI + 4%	7.0	7.5	10.7	11.3	5.4	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.2	4.8	4.8
Alinda Fund II	16.4	240.4	-9.6	-14.3	-7.5	3.0	-13.0	-5.4	-4.4	13.1	21.9
3 Month T-Bill +4%	9.5	9.2	5.5	4.0	4.7	6.4	5.9	4.9	4.3	4.1	4.0
Ullico - Infrastructure	7.6	10.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CPI + 4%	7.0	7.5	10.7	11.3	5.4	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.2	4.8	4.8
Private Equity Composite	6.4	9.8	-1.3	32.5	22.0	11.3	16.0	14.3	8.1	8.2	8.5
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Fort Washington Fund V	8.4	2.2	-15.2	24.2	17.4	5.3	9.0	9.3	2.6	2.7	12.1
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	-2.3	-29.9	2.9	14.2	-4.5	-4.8	-2.1	7.2	1.4	-1.6	5.3
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Fort Washington Fund VI	-4.6	3.8	-19.8	26.5	17.2	16.2	18.0	16.7	0.4	16.8	17.0
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	-6.7	-3.4	-0.6	15.8	6.1	0.5	4.4	4.5	7.7	1.9	14.3
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5



Calendar Performance (Net of Fees) As of March 31, 2025

	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)	2018 (%)	2017 (%)	2016 (%)	2015 (%)	2014 (%)
Fort Washington Fund VIII	8.4	4.9	-3.2	28.4	26.0	14.3	13.1	13.6	19.6	24.3	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	-12.3	21.1	-3.5	21.8	-16.4	-4.9	16.6	22.0	29.0	47.4	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
North Sky Fund V	8.7	17.9	-1.4	38.9	31.4	19.5	34.2	8.7	9.4	-1.3	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Fort Washington Fund IX	1.9	5.1	-3.2	41.0	28.0	13.3	11.3	-0.3	-	-	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Fort Washington Fund X	6.9	11.5	7.0	50.2	22.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	7.1	12.2	12.7	28.7	12.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	10.6	16.1	13.5	24.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	16.9	11.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	8.3	13.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5
Blue Chip Fund IV	-30.2	-6.7	-4.3	16.1	13.2	14.8	-40.0	-14.8	-18.0	-15.7	3.4
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	4.9	5.9	-8.4	40.4	33.3	17.6	12.0	20.5	9.0	9.9	12.5

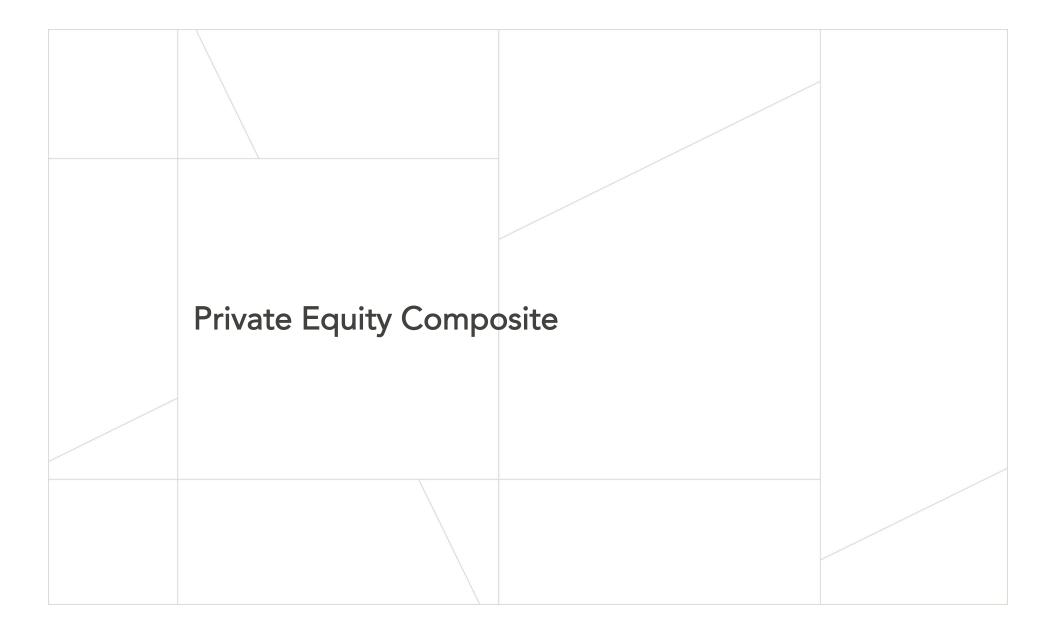


#### Cincinnati Retirement

Benchmark Composition
As of March 31, 2025

Target Benchmark	Weight (%)
Jan-2024	
Russell 2000 Value Index	2.00
Russell 1000 Value Index	2.50
Russell 3000 Index	24.00
Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index	23.50
Blmbg. U.S. Corp: High Yield Index	2.00
MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)	16.00
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	2.50
3 Month T-Bill +4%	10.00
MSCI Private Capital Global All Private Equity	10.00
NFI-ODCE	7.50







Private Equity Overview (Net of Fees)
As of March 31, 2025

Investments	Vintage	Commitment (\$)	Unfunded Commitment (\$)	Capital Contributed (\$)	Cumulative Distributions (\$)	Valuation (\$)	Total Value (\$)	DPI	RVPI	TVPI	SI (%)
Private Equity											
Fort Washington Fund V	2007	40,000,000	2,449,299	37,550,701	67,704,062	7,492,766	75,196,828	1.8	0.2	2.0	10.3
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	2007	18,600,000	1,628,786	16,971,214	23,237,883	164,039	23,401,922	1.4	0.0	1.4	4.9
Fort Washington Fund VI	2008	30,000,000	4,309,950	25,690,050	52,432,158	3,208,506	55,640,664	2.0	0.1	2.2	14.0
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	2008	8,375,000	895,626	7,479,374	11,762,770	224,020	11,986,790	1.6	0.0	1.6	8.4
Fort Washington Fund VIII	2014	50,000,000	13,500,001	36,499,999	49,825,000	32,484,969	82,309,969	1.4	0.9	2.3	14.7
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	2014	30,000,000	7,800,000	22,200,000	33,120,000	4,103,855	37,223,855	1.5	0.2	1.7	13.8
North Sky Fund V	2014	40,000,000	13,600,000	26,400,000	58,223,017	21,299,985	79,523,001	2.2	0.8	3.0	19.6
Fort Washington Fund IX	2016	50,000,000	12,750,000	37,250,000	21,250,000	51,304,869	72,554,869	0.6	1.4	1.9	13.7
Fort Washington Fund X	2019	40,000,000	11,900,000	28,100,000	6,940,000	37,810,615	44,750,615	0.2	1.3	1.6	14.8
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	2019	40,000,000	5,579,659	34,420,341	9,796,716	43,533,740	53,330,456	0.3	1.2	1.5	13.0
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	2020	20,000,000	7,049,881	12,950,119	1,666,647	18,024,135	19,690,782	0.1	1.3	1.5	14.5
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	2022	40,000,000	18,781,109	21,218,891	-	25,459,654	25,459,654	-	1.2	1.2	12.8
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	2022	25,000,000	9,292,111	15,707,889	1,509,153	17,193,526	18,702,679	0.1	1.1	1.2	12.2
Blue Chip Fund IV	2000	25,000,000	-	25,000,000	23,770,550	1,257,697	25,028,247	1.0	0.1	1.0	0.0
Sub Total		456,975,000	109,536,423	347,438,577	361,237,956	263,562,376	624,800,332	1.0	0.8	1.8	10.2
Real Assets											
Alinda Fund II	2008	65,000,000	4,511,198	60,488,802	94,446,527	44,791	94,491,318	1.1	0.0	1.1	2.0
Sub Total		65,000,000	4,511,198	60,488,802	94,446,527	44,791	94,491,318	1.1	0.0	1.1	2.0
Real Estate											
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	2007	24,386,050	990,696	23,395,354	23,030,765	1,444,940	24,475,705	1.0	0.1	1.0	0.7
Sub Total		24,386,050	990,696	23,395,354	23,030,765	1,444,940	24,475,705	1.0	0.1	1.0	0.7
Total		546,361,050	115,038,317	431,322,733	478,715,248	265,052,107	743,767,355	1.0	0.6	1.6	8.5



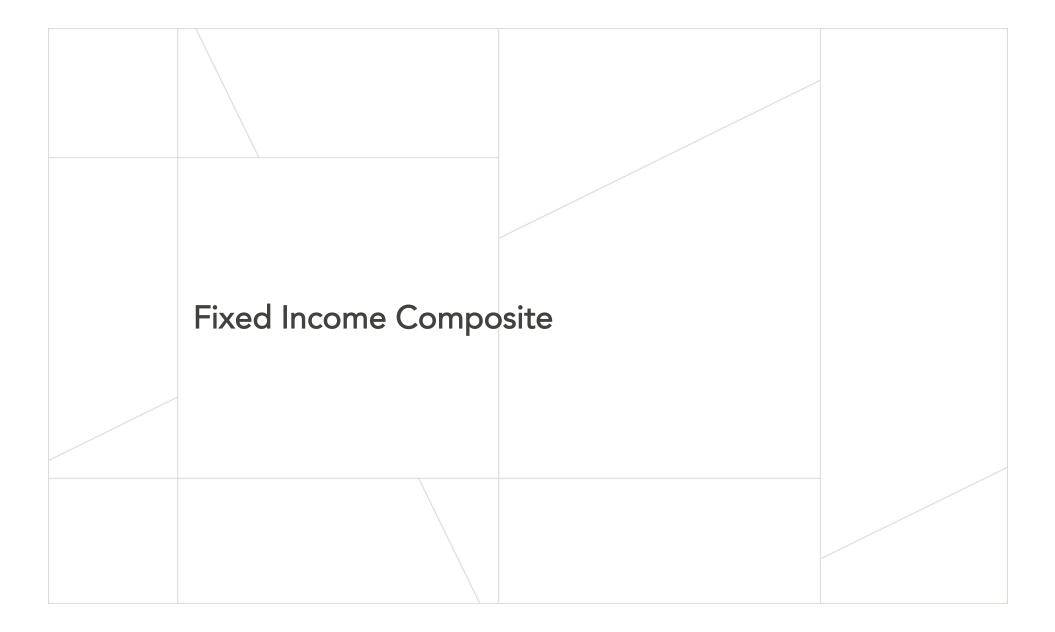
92 Private Markets Overview As of March 31, 2025

Investments	Vintage	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception (%)	PME (%)	Kaplan Schoar	PME Benchmark
Private Equity								
Fort Washington Fund V	2007	6.0	-2.9	14.8	10.3	11.5	0.9	Russell 3000 Index
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	2007	-0.8	-11.5	-4.2	4.9	8.2	0.8	Russell 3000 Index
Fort Washington Fund VI	2008	-1.5	-7.0	11.6	14.0	13.2	1.0	Russell 3000 Index
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	2008	-5.7	-2.0	4.9	8.4	12.2	0.8	Russell 3000 Index
Fort Washington Fund VIII	2014	5.5	3.7	20.3	14.7	13.6	1.1	Russell 3000 Index
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	2014	-5.8	1.4	5.4	13.8	12.0	1.1	Russell 3000 Index
North Sky Fund V	2014	8.0	7.8	26.6	19.6	13.3	1.4	Russell 3000 Index
Fort Washington Fund IX	2016	1.3	0.2	16.9	13.7	13.0	1.0	Russell 3000 Index
Fort Washington Fund X	2019	2.7	7.0	16.1	14.8	11.9	1.1	Russell 3000 Index
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	2019	5.8	8.0	13.4	13.0	10.7	1.1	Russell 3000 Index
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	2020	8.6	10.1	-	14.5	10.8	1.1	Russell 3000 Index
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	2022	14.3	-	-	12.8	12.8	1.0	Russell 3000 Index
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	2022	6.4	-	-	12.2	14.3	1.0	Russell 3000 Index
Blue Chip Fund IV	2000	-30.1	-14.7	-3.8	0.0	7.2	0.6	Russell 3000 Index
Sub Total		4.8	4.6	16.9	10.2	11.0	1.0	
Real Assets								
Alinda Fund II	2008	20.6	-14.1	-6.1	2.0	15.8	0.6	Russell 3000 Index
Sub Total		20.6	-14.1	-6.1	2.0	15.8	0.6	
Real Estate								
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	2007	-2.5	-0.8	-4.8	0.7	8.2	0.6	FTSE NAREIT Equity REIT Index
Sub Total		-2.5	-0.8	-4.8	0.7	8.2	0.6	
Total		4.8	4.3	15.5	8.5	11.5	0.8	



Account Name	Burgiss Universe	Vintage	IRR (%)	Rank	Top Quartile (%)	Median (%)	Bottom Quartile (%)	# of Funds
Private Equity								
Fort Washington Fund V	Private Equity - NA	2007	10.3	3rd	16.5	10.8	3.3	188
Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	Private Equity - NA	2007	4.9	3rd	16.5	10.8	3.3	188
Fort Washington Fund VI	Private Equity - NA	2008	14.0	2nd	19.3	10.8	3.1	153
Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	Private Equity - NA	2008	8.4	3rd	19.3	10.8	3.1	153
Fort Washington Fund VIII	Private Equity - NA	2014	15.1	3rd	24.4	15.3	7.9	204
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	Private Equity - NA	2014	14.0	3rd	24.4	15.3	7.9	204
North Sky Fund V	Private Equity - NA	2014	20.0	2nd	24.4	15.3	7.9	204
Fort Washington Fund IX	Private Equity - NA	2016	14.7	3rd	23.8	17.5	11.6	194
Fort Washington Fund X	Private Equity - NA	2019	17.1	2nd	22.0	13.8	6.7	282
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	Private Equity - Global	2019	14.6	2nd	20.0	12.6	5.8	464
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	Private Equity - Global	2020	16.8	2nd	17.0	9.7	2.7	506
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	Private Equity - Global	2022						
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	Private Equity - NA	2022						
Blue Chip Fund IV	Private Equity - NA	2000	-0.1	3rd	10.5	1.8	-5.1	213
Real Assets								
Alinda Fund II	Real Assets - NA	2008	2.0	3rd	11.0	8.0	0.2	53
Real Estate								
StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	Real Estate - Global	2007	0.7	3rd	7.4	3.1	-4.7	103

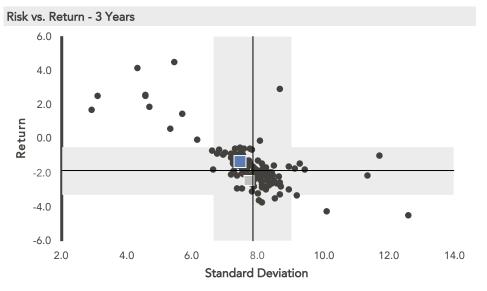


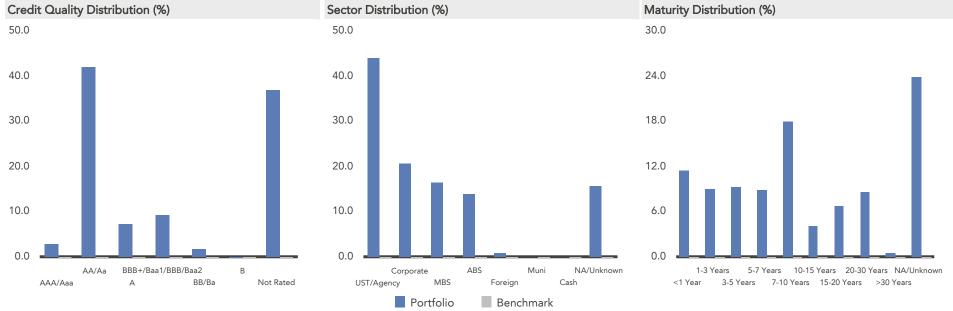




95 Portfolio Characteristics As of December 31, 2024

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index
Avg. Maturity (yrs.)	9.2	8.3
Avg. Quality	AA	AA
Coupon Rate (%)	3.5	3.4
Modified Duration (yrs.)	6.1	6.1
Effective Duration (yrs.)	6.4	6.1
Yield To Maturity (%)	5.4	4.9
Yield To Worst (%)	5.4	4.9







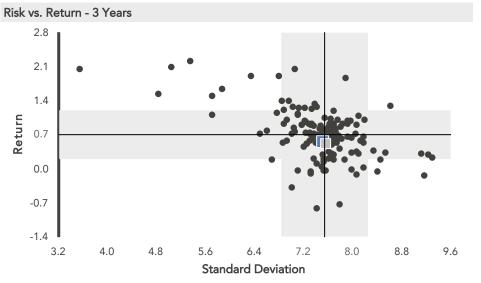
Correlation Matrix
3 Years Ending December 31, 2024

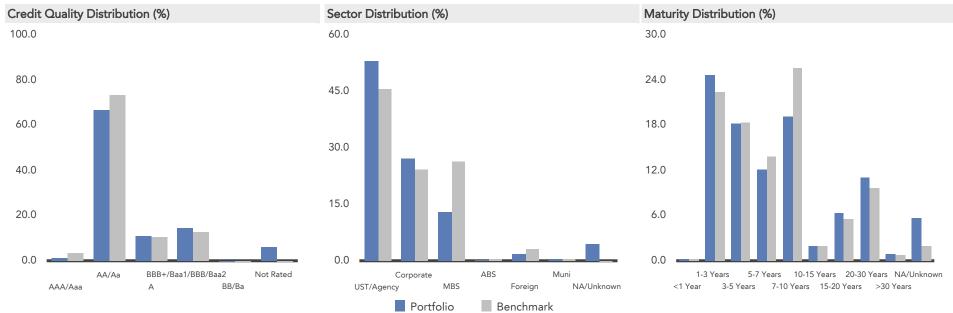
	Fixed Income Composite	NTGI Agg Bond	Diamond Hill Core Bond	Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	Columbus Core Plus Bond	Shenkman - Four Points
Fixed Income Composite	1.00					
NTGI Agg Bond	0.99	1.00				
Diamond Hill Core Bond	-	-	-			
Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	1.00	0.99	-	1.00		
Columbus Core Plus Bond	-	-	-	-	-	
Shenkman - Four Points	0.78	0.71	-	0.74	-	1.00



97 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index
Avg. Maturity (yrs.)	8.6	8.3
Avg. Quality	AA	AA
Coupon Rate (%)	3.6	3.6
Modified Duration (yrs.)	6.1	6.0
Effective Duration (yrs.)	6.1	5.9
Yield To Maturity (%)	4.5	4.6
Yield To Worst (%)	4.5	4.6

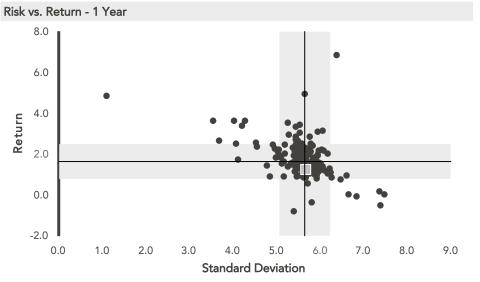


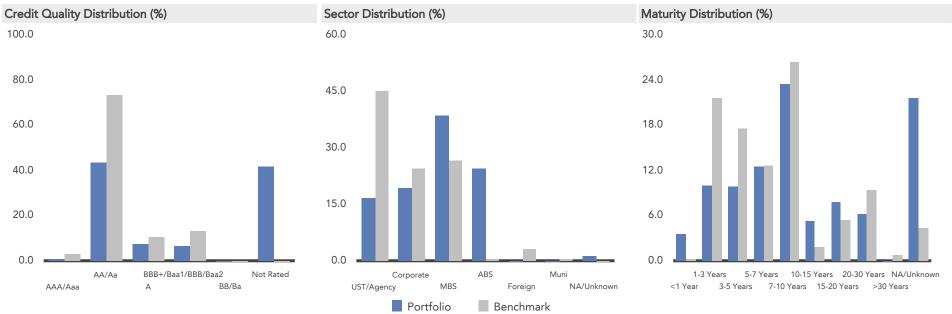




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Portfolio Characteristics
As of December 31, 2024

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index
Avg. Maturity (yrs.)	8.7	8.3
Avg. Quality	AA	AA
Coupon Rate (%)	3.5	3.4
Modified Duration (yrs.)	6.5	6.1
Effective Duration (yrs.)	6.9	6.1
Yield To Maturity (%)	6.3	4.9
Yield To Worst (%)	6.3	4.9

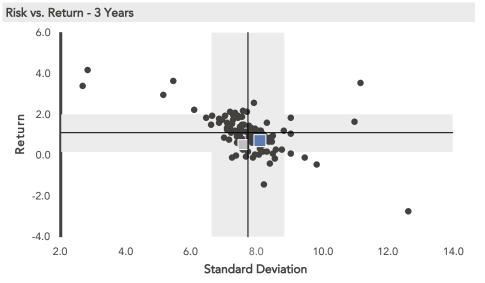


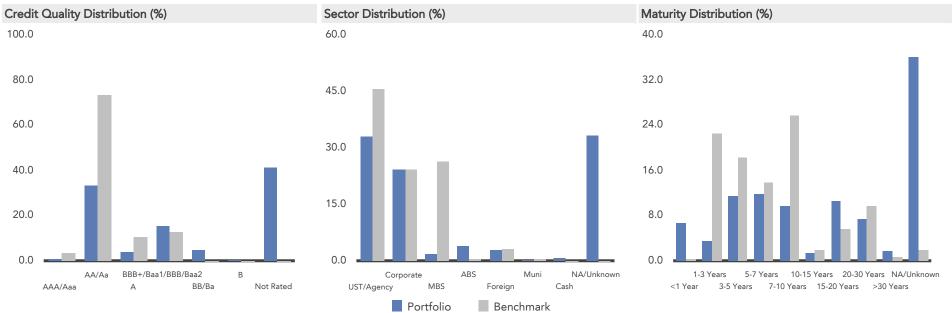




99 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index
Avg. Maturity (yrs.)	10.8	8.3
Avg. Quality	А	AA
Coupon Rate (%)	4.2	3.6
Modified Duration (yrs.)	7.1	6.0
Effective Duration (yrs.)	7.2	5.9
Yield To Maturity (%)	5.2	4.6
Yield To Worst (%)	5.2	4.6

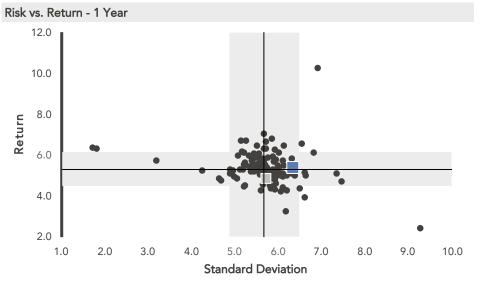


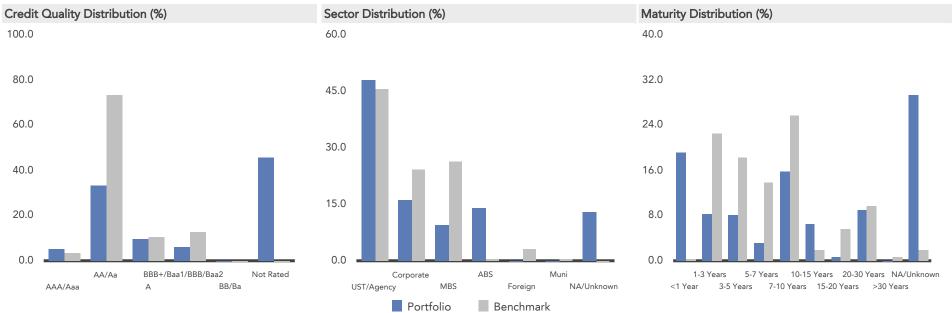




100 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Blmbg. U.S. Aggregate Index
Avg. Maturity (yrs.)	8.0	8.3
Avg. Quality	AA	AA
Coupon Rate (%)	3.3	3.6
Modified Duration (yrs.)	4.6	6.0
Effective Duration (yrs.)	5.5	5.9
Yield To Maturity (%)	4.6	4.6
Yield To Worst (%)	4.6	4.6







# Portfolio Characteristics

Manager. Product: Shenkman Capital Management AUM: \$35,243.50 MM Four Points Multi-Strategy AUM: \$4,118.81 MM

> Benchmark 1 6.8%

3.7%

0.84

-1.27

2.60

78.9%

134.9%

Fixed Income - Opportunistic

Strategy: Date as of: Dec 31st, 2024

Benchmark 1: S&P UBS Leveraged Loan Index Benchmark 2: Bloomberg High Yield Index

9/30/2010 Inception Date:

#### Risk and Returns

3 YR	Manager
Annualized Return	3.9%
Standard Deviation	6.0%
Sharpe Ratio	0.05
Skew	-0.41
Kurtosis	0.51
Up Capture	-
Down Capture	

SINCE INCEPT.	Manager	Benchmark 1	Benchmark 2
Annualized Return	5.9%	5.3%	6.2%
Standard Deviation	6.4%	4.8%	7.1%
Sharpe Ratio	0.73	0.84	0.69
Skew	-1.72	-4.81	-1.18
Kurtosis	11.39	44.06	6.87
Up Capture	_	126.0%	84.9%
Down Capture		143.0%	78 1%

#### Benchmark Based Return Statistics

Alpha	
Beta	
R2	

SINCE INCEPT.	
Alpha	
Beta	

Benchmark 2	Benchmark 1
2.0%	-5.3%
0.66	1.34
87.3%	68.8%

Benchmark 2	Benchmark 1
0.7%	-0.4%
0.85	1.19
88.1%	79.4%

#### Investment Strategy:

Benchmark 2

2.9%

8.5%

-0.04

-0.33

1.27

69.0%

55.9%

Shenkman Capital Management was founded in 1985 and is is a medium-sized firm dedicated to sub-investment grade credit located in New York. The firm believes that bond ratings agencies are poor arbiters of issuer risk and their ability to service debt, and seeks to find inefficiencies in sub-investment grade debt. The strategy is managed by a large team of credit specialists. The Four Points strategy allocates across high yield bonds, bank loans, convertible bonds and an opportunistic debt bucket that will make long/short pair trades, as well as stressed/distressed debt, and CLO debt and CLO eduty. There is no maximum limit across the four segments. The strategy has 90% overlap with the firms MAC strategy but will have a slightly more aggressive risk profile due to the use of the opportunistic debt sleeve.



Monthly Returns: (Net of Fees)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2024	0.1%	0.7%	1.3%	-0.3%	1.1%	0.7%	1.0%	1.1%	0.9%	0.3%	1.6%	-0.4%	8.3%
2023	3.4%	-0.4%	0.3%	0.6%	-0.3%	2.0%	1.5%	0.0%	-0.2%	-1.2%	2.8%	2.9%	11.8%
2022	-1.7%	-0.7%	-0.2%	-2.3%	-2.1%	-4.1%	3.6%	0.0%	-3.3%	2.1%	1.8%	-0.5%	-7.4%
2021	1.1%	1.5%	-0.9%	0.9%	0.1%	1.0%	-0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.5%	-1.3%	1.0%	4.2%
2020	0.7%	-1.6%	-12.0%	5.2%	5.4%	1.9%	3.7%	1.6%	-0.3%	0.2%	4.5%	2.6%	11.2%
2019	3.8%	2.1%	0.2%	2.1%	-1.1%	1.8%	1.0%	-0.6%	0.1%	0.0%	1.2%	1.9%	12.9%

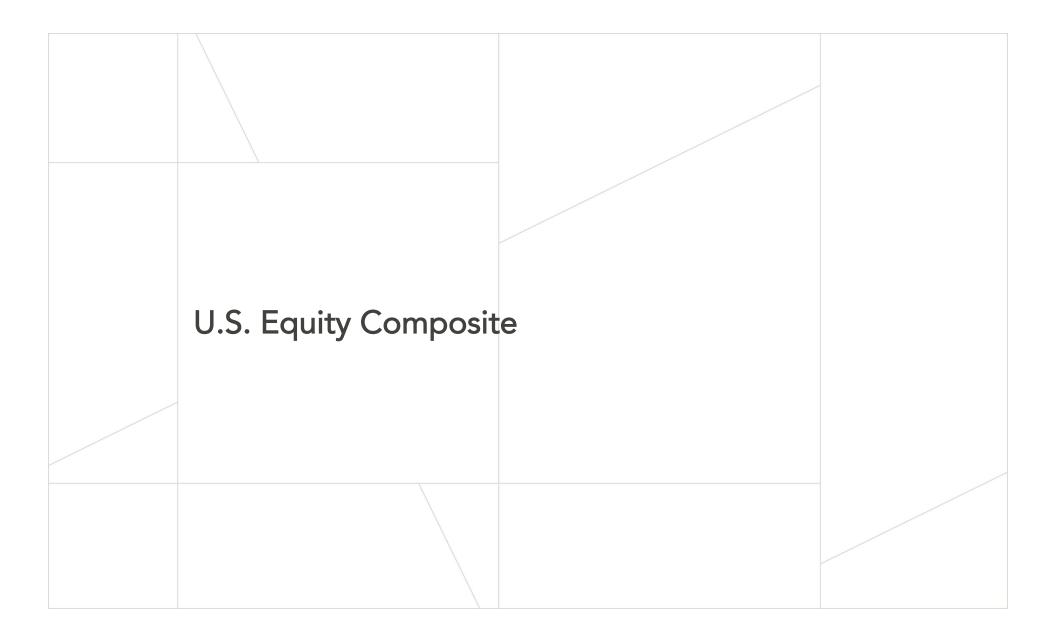
Trailing Returns	ЗМО	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	INCEPT
Manager	1.5%	8.3%	3.9%	5.4%	5.5%	5.9%
S&P UBS Leveraged Loan Index	2.3%	9.1%	6.8%	5.7%	5.1%	5.3%
Bloomberg High Yield Index	0.2%	8.2%	2.9%	4.2%	5.2%	6.2%

Calendar Returns	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Manager	2.2%	-4.6%	15.7%	7.1%	-1.4%	12.9%	11.2%	4.2%	-7.4%	11.8%	8.3%
S&P UBS Leveraged Loan Index	2.1%	-0.4%	9.9%	4.2%	1.1%	8.2%	2.8%	5.4%	-1.1%	13.0%	9.1%
Bloomberg High Yield Index	2.5%	-4.5%	17.1%	7.5%	-2.1%	14.3%	7.1%	5.3%	-11.2%	13.4%	8.2%

#### Crisis Performance

	Financial Crisis	Euro Crisis	Taper Tantrum	Oil/Shale Crash	COVID-19
	May '07 - Feb '09	April '11 - Sept '11	April '13 - Aug '13	May '15 - Jan '16	Dec '19 - Mar '20
Manager	_	-7.2%	0.7%	-11.1%	-12.8%
S&P UBS Leveraged Loan Index	144	-4.0%	0.8%	-4.2%	-13.2%
Bloomberg High Yield Index	-	-6.5%	-2.0%	-9.7%	-12.7%

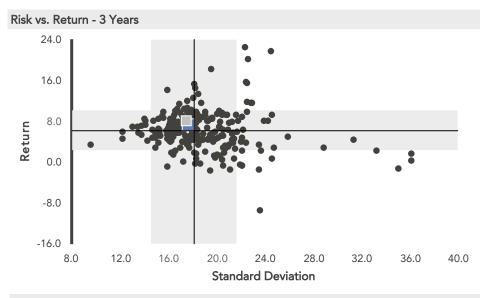


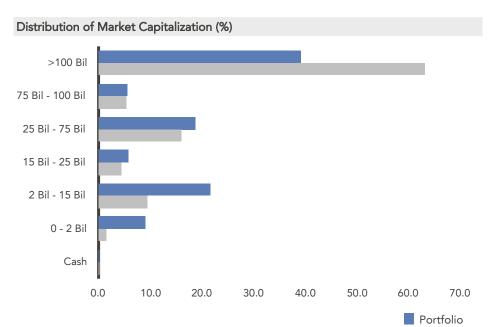


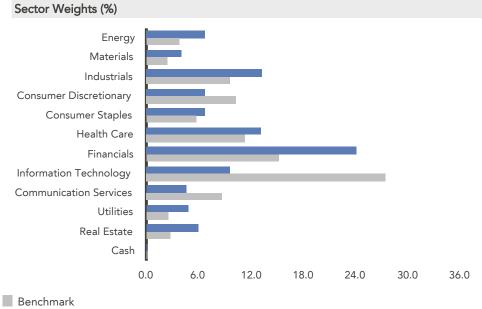


103 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Russell 3000 Index
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$M	\$197,774	\$782,366
Median Mkt. Cap \$M	\$1,983	\$1,983
Price/Earnings ratio	18.7	24.4
Price/Book ratio	2.5	4.5
5 Yr. EPS Growth Rate (%)	9.0	18.8
Current Yield (%)	2.1	1.4
Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	1.0	1.0
Number of Stocks	2,982	2,960









## U.S. Equity Composite

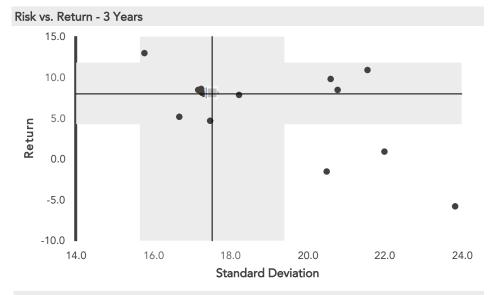
104 Correlation Matrix 3 Years Ending March 31, 2025

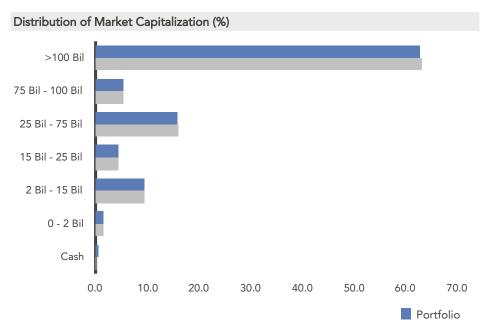
	U.S. Equity Composite	NTGI Russell 3000	NTGI Russell 1000 Value	NTGI Russell 2000 Value
U.S. Equity Composite	1.00			
NTGI Russell 3000	0.99	1.00		
NTGI Russell 1000 Value	0.95	0.92	1.00	
NTGI Russell 2000 Value	0.90	0.86	0.91	1.00

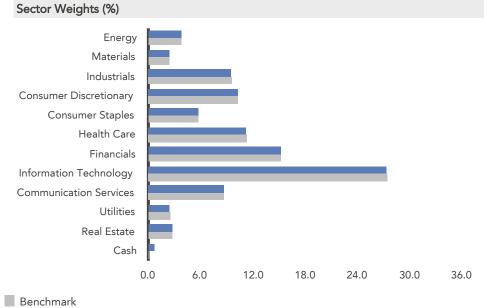


105 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Russell 3000 Index
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$M	\$777,594	\$782,366
Median Mkt. Cap \$M	\$2,000	\$1,983
Price/Earnings ratio	24.4	24.4
Price/Book ratio	4.5	4.5
5 Yr. EPS Growth Rate (%)	18.8	18.8
Current Yield (%)	1.4	1.4
Beta (3 Years, Monthly)	1.0	1.0
Number of Stocks	2,961	2,960



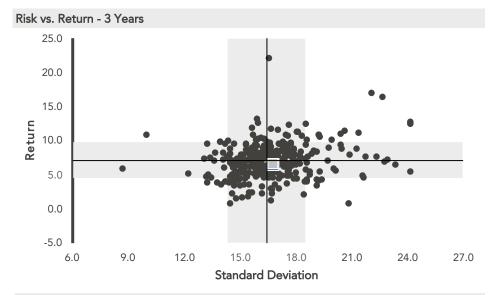


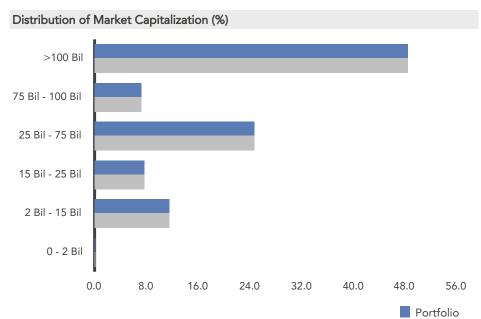


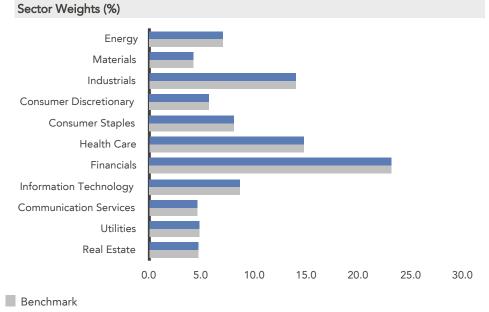


106 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Russell 1000 Value Index
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$M	\$190,904	\$190,846
Median Mkt. Cap \$M	\$13,089	\$13,089
Price/Earnings ratio	19.8	19.8
Price/Book ratio	2.8	2.8
5 Yr. EPS Growth Rate (%)	8.8	8.8
Current Yield (%)	2.1	2.1
Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	1.0	1.0
Number of Stocks	875	870



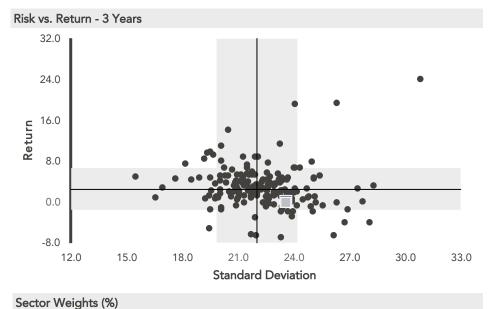


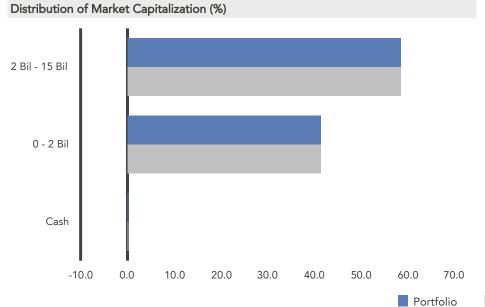


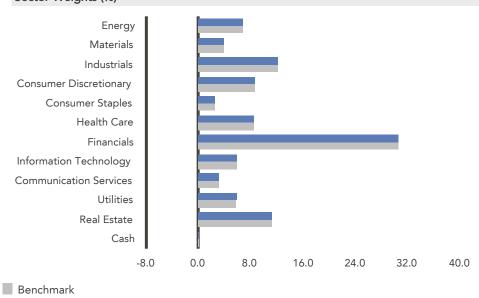


107 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	Russell 2000 Value Index
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$M	\$2,837	\$2,837
Median Mkt. Cap \$M	\$687	\$688
Price/Earnings ratio	13.9	13.9
Price/Book ratio	1.6	1.6
5 Yr. EPS Growth Rate (%)	4.9	4.9
Current Yield (%)	2.3	2.3
Beta (5 Years, Monthly)	1.0	1.0
Number of Stocks	1,441	1,427







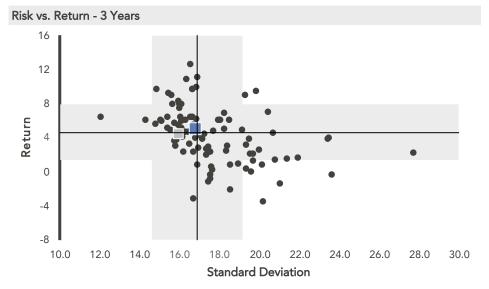






109 Portfolio Characteristics As of March 31, 2025

Portfolio Characteristics	Portfolio	MSCI AC World ex USA (Net)
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap \$M	\$106,069	\$106,472
Median Mkt. Cap \$M	\$10,476	\$10,603
Price/Earnings ratio	15.7	15.7
Price/Book ratio	2.5	2.5
5 Yr. EPS Growth Rate (%)	13.1	13.0
Current Yield (%)	2.9	3.0
Beta (3 Years, Monthly)	1.0	1.0
Number of Stocks	2,056	1,982





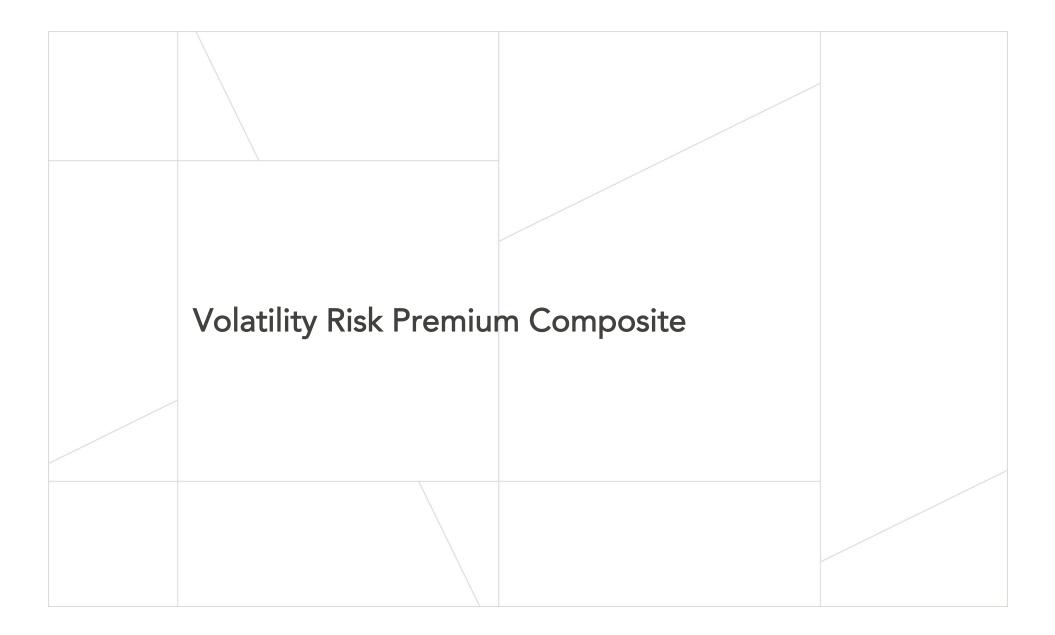
Region (%)		
	Portfolio	Benchmark
Canada	8.1	7.8
United States	0.1	0.1
Europe	40.2	42.5
Asia Pacific	21.6	20.8
Developed Markets	70.1	71.2
Americas	2.1	2.0
Europe	0.8	0.7
Asia Pacific	23.2	22.3
Emerging Markets	26.1	25.1
Other	3.8	3.7
Total	100.0	100.0

Portfolio

Benchmark









# Portfolio Characteristics

 Manager:
 Neuberger Berman Group AUM: \$37,901.00 MM

 Product:
 NB US Index PutWrite Strategy AUM: \$42,806.00 MM

Strategy: Hedge Funds - Volatility Risk Premium

Date as of: Mar 31st, 2025
Benchmark 1: CBOE Put Write Index

 Benchmark 2:
 S&P 500

 Inception Date:
 7/31/2011

#### Risk and Returns

Neuberger	Benchmark 1	Benchmark 2
5.8%	5.9%	9.1%
9.3%	9.1%	17.3%
0.25	0.33	0.35
-0.75	-0.79	-0.32
0.14	0.05	-0.65
22	96.7%	48.1%
	97.0%	56.3%
	5.8% 9.3% 0.25 -0.75 0.14	5.8% 5.9% 9.3% 9.1% 0.25 0.33 -0.75 -0.79 0.14 0.05 96.7%

SINCE INCEPT.	Neuberger	Benchmark 1	Benchmark 2
Annualized Return	8.1%	7.5%	13.2%
Standard Deviation	7.9%	9.5%	14.5%
Sharpe Ratio	0.85	0.65	0.82
Skew	-0.95	-1.25	-0.37
Kurtosis	2.32	5.02	0.66
Up Capture		87.9%	50.0%
Down Capture		77.3%	53.9%

Benchmark 1

0.1%

0.96

Benchmark 2

1.1%

0.52 93.0%

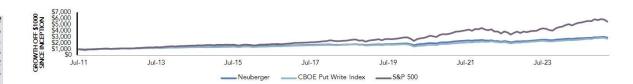
#### Benchmark Based Return Statistics

Alpha Beta	3 YR			
	Alpha			
DO.	Beta			
RZ	R2			

SINCE INCEPT.	Benchmark 1	Benchmark :
Alpha	2.3%	1.2%
Beta	0.76	0.53
R2	84.2%	90.0%

#### Investment Strategy:

Neuberger Berman bought the index option strategy, run by Doug Kramer and Derek Devins, from Horizon Kinetics on Jan 1, 2016. The team, track record and clients all moved over to Neuberger. The team uses a systematic approach to selling options to capture the structural mispricing in the options market. The strategy only sells put options since the premium collection from put writing is generally greater than calls. The strategy uses a constant moneyness approach (i.e. fixed strike prices). Neuberger has both U.S. and Global put writing strategies.



Monthly Returns: (Net of Fees)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2025	1.8%	0.6%	-3.3%		- 1				- 1	12			-1.0%
2024	1.2%	1.8%	1.6%	-1.7%	2.5%	1.7%	-0.2%	1.1%	1.4%	-0.3%	3.7%	-0.7%	12.8%
2023	3.1%	-1.2%	3.0%	1.9%	1.5%	2.5%	1.6%	-0.6%	-2.4%	-0.4%	3.4%	1.9%	15.1%
2022	-3.7%	-1.4%	2.4%	-5.5%	0.5%	-4.7%	4.7%	-3.0%	-6.0%	4.7%	3.5%	-1.6%	-10.3%
2021	-0.5%	2.3%	3.9%	2.0%	1.6%	1.7%	1.3%	1.8%	-2.2%	3.2%	-0.5%	3.0%	18.9%
2020	0.3%	-6.9%	-8.1%	6.9%	3.8%	1.6%	3.8%	2.7%	-1.1%	-1.3%	6.7%	2.3%	9.8%

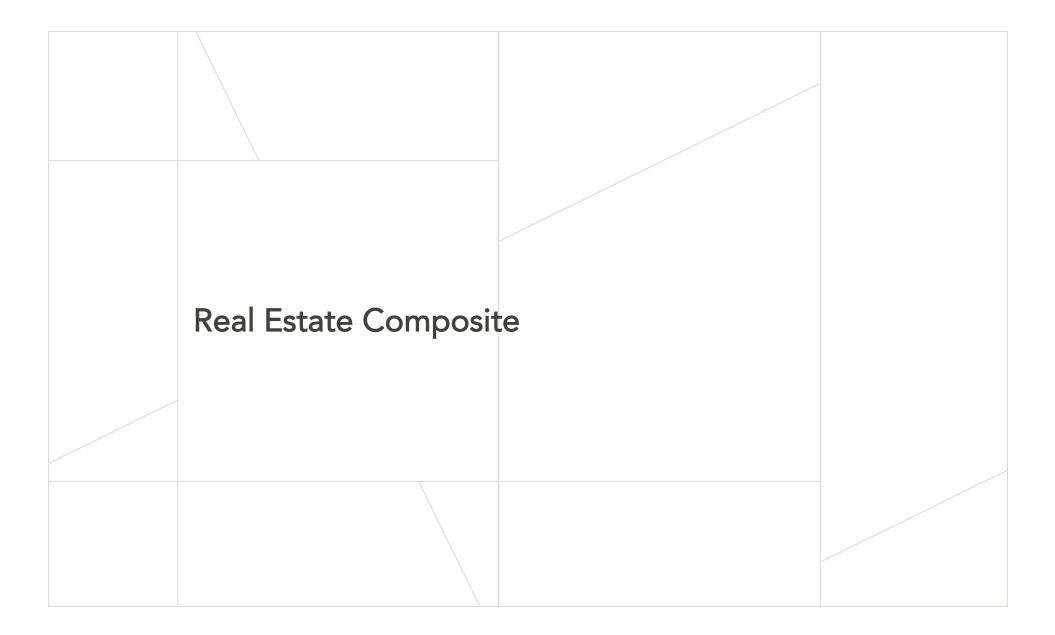
Trailing Returns	YTD	3MO	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	INCEPT
Neuberger	-1.0%	-1.0%	6.7%	5.8%	11.9%	7.4%	8.1%
CBOE Put Write Index	-2.8%	-2.8%	9.1%	5.9%	13.6%	7.3%	7.5%
S&P 500	-4.3%	-4.3%	8.3%	9.1%	18.6%	12.5%	13.2%

Calendar Returns	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Neuberger	7.8%	6.9%	8.5%	10.7%	-5.9%	16.2%	9.8%	18.9%	-10.3%	15.1%	12.8%
CBOE Put Write Index	6.3%	6.4%	7.8%	10.8%	-5.9%	13.5%	2.1%	21.8%	-7.7%	14.3%	17.8%
S&P 500	13.7%	1.4%	12.0%	21.8%	-4.4%	31.5%	18.4%	28.7%	-18.1%	26.3%	25.0%

#### Crisis Performance

	Financial Crisis	Euro Crisis	Taper Tantrum	Oil/Shale Crash	COVID-19
	May '07 - Feb '09	April '11 - Sept '11	April '13 - Aug '13	May '15 - Jan '16	Dec '19 - Mar '20
Neuberger		-9.7%	1.2%	-1.6%	-14.2%
CBOE Put Write Index		-17.6%	-0.6%	-1.9%	-20.7%
S&P 500		-22.0%	3.0%	-6.7%	-19.6%

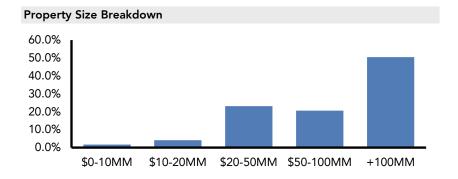


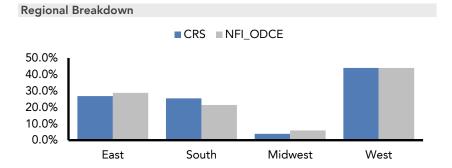


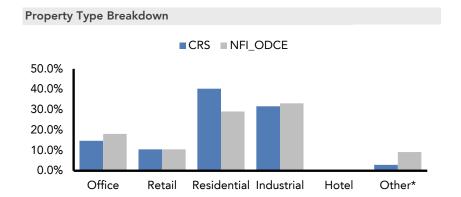


As of Date	12/31/2024
As of Date	12/31/202

Manager	Market Value
JPMorgan Strategic Property Fund	44,271,867
Morgan Stanley PRIME Property	32,866,940
PGIM PRISA III	42,449,732
Principal Enhanced Property Fund	31,229,228
Total	150,817,767







Property Status	% of Portfolio
Pre-Development	2.1%
Development	9.7%
Initial Leasing	9.5%
Operating	75.4%
Re-Development	0.8%
Other	2.5%

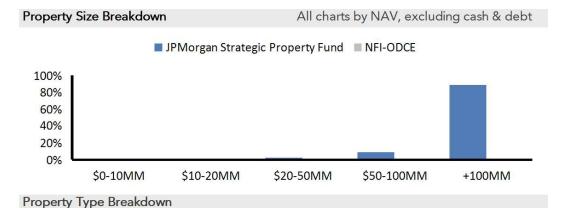


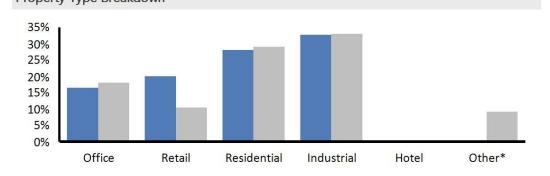
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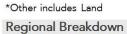
Characteristics	
Fund GAV (\$MM)	\$35,140.8
Fund NAV (\$MM)	\$24,987.7
Cash (% of NAV)	2.9%
# of Investments	138
% in Top 10 by NAV	34.3%
Leverage %	29.7%
Occupancy	
# of MSAs	52
1-Year Dividend Yield	4.0%
As of Date	12/31/2024

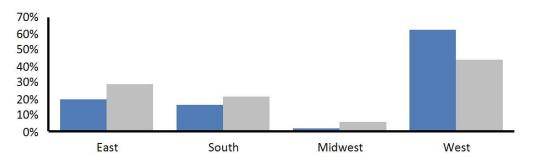
Top 10 Holdings	Location	% of NAV
Black Creek Build to Core	Various	5.7%
Valley Fair Mall	San Jose, CA	4.6%
Edens - SPF	Various	4.5%
Century Plaza Towers	Los Angeles, CA	3.1%
Royal Hawaiian Center	Honolulu, HI	3.1%
University Towne Center	San Diego, CA	2.8%
RealTerm Portfolio	Various	2.7%
Toyota Campus	Torrance, CA	2.7%
Ontario Mills	Ontario, CA	2.6%
South Florida Logistics C	Miami, FL	2.6%
Total		34.3%

Property Status	% of Portfolio
Pre-Development	2.1%
Development	6.1%
Initial Leasing	3.6%
Operating	88.2%
Re-Development	
Other	











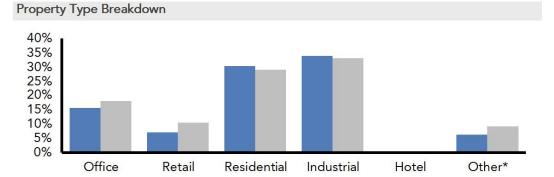
## Morgan Stanley PRIME Property Fund

Characteristics	
Fund GAV (\$MM)	\$40,644.0
Fund NAV (\$MM)	\$30,253.1
Cash (% of NAV)	0.3%
# of Investments	517
% in Top 10 by NAV	14.0%
Leverage %	25.9%
Occupancy	91.8%
# of MSAs	53
1-Year Dividend Yield	4.0%
As of Date	12/31/2024

Top 10 Holdings	Location	% of NAV
One Post Office Square	Boston, MA	2.4%
Fashion Valley Mall	San Diego, CA	1.9%
Hills Plaza	San Francisco, CA	1.7%
155 North Wacker	Chicago, IL	1.4%
AMLI Midtown Miami	Miami, FL	1.2%
One Maritime Plaza	San Francisco, CA	1.2%
200 Cambridgepark Drive	Cambridge, MA	1.1%
151 N. Franklin	Chicago, IL	1.1%
Waterview Tower	Washington, DC	1.0%
Dadeland Mall	Miami, FL	1.0%
Total		14.0%

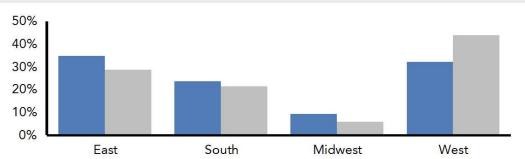
Property Status	% of Portfolio
Pre-Development	0.4%
Development	3.3%
Initial Leasing	2.7%
Operating	93.2%
Re-Development	0.4%
Other	





\*Other includes Healthcare (41 investments at 6.7%).

#### Regional Breakdown





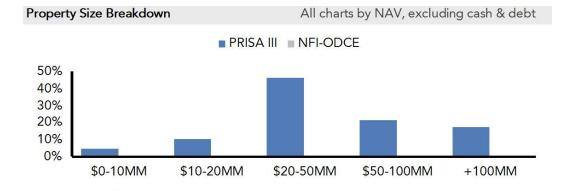
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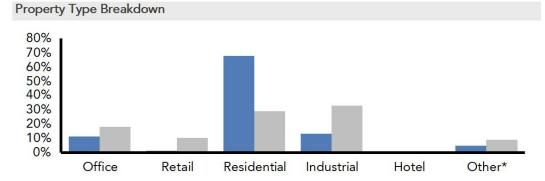
Characteristics	
Fund GAV (\$MM)	\$6,636.5
Fund NAV (\$MM)	\$3,059.7
Cash (% of NAV)	1.8%
# of Investments	94
% in Top 10 by NAV	33.0%
Leverage %	44.3%
Occupancy	72.6%
# of MSAs	41
1-Year Dividend Yield	2.0%
As of Date	12/31/2024

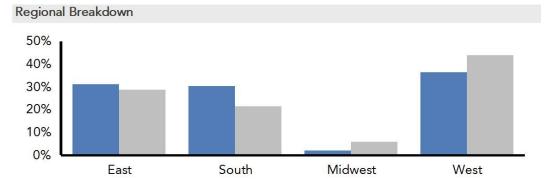
Top 10 Holdings	Location	% of NAV
Esterra Commons Apartment	Redmond, WA	5.2%
295 Fifth Avenue (Textile	New York, NY	4.7%
One Esterra Park	Redmond, WA	3.9%
Alta Potrero Hill - Conve	San Francisco, CA	3.5%
Park 7 Student Housing Po	Waco, TX	3.2%
The Lindley	San Diego, CA	2.9%
Modera Revere Beach	Revere, MA	2.7%
Setanta	Charlotte, NC	2.4%
Lakewood Ranch Multifamil	Bradenton, FL	2.3%
Modera Woodbridge	Woodbridge, NJ	2.1%
Total		33.0%

\*Land

Property Status	% of Portfolio
Pre-Development	5.0%
Development	24.3%
Initial Leasing	20.8%
Operating	38.6%
Re-Development	2.4%
Other	8.9%







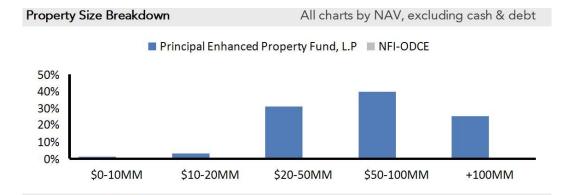


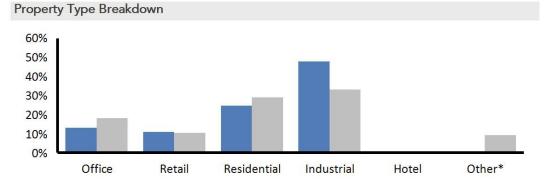
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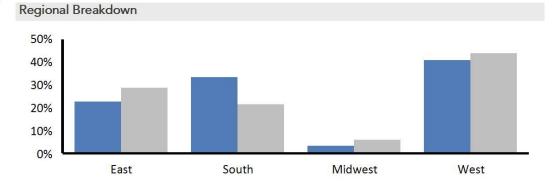
Characteristics	
Fund GAV (\$MM)	\$4,742.0
Fund NAV (\$MM)	\$2,946.0
Cash (% of NAV)	6.6%
# of Investments	55
% in Top 10 by NAV	39.4%
Leverage %	31.9%
Occupancy	88.4%
# of MSAs	24
1-Year Dividend Yield	
As of Date	12/31/2024

Top 10 Holdings	Location	% of NAV
Bay Center	Oakland, CA	6.1%
Bay Area Business Park (P	Houston, TX	5.5%
Mid-South Logistics Cente	Nashville, TN	5.4%
Bay Area Business Park (P	Houston, TX	4.6%
Bay Area Business Park (P	Houston, TX	3.7%
San Leandro Business Cent	Oakland, CA	3.1%
Chantilly Data Center	Washington, D.C.	2.9%
7190 Optima Kierland	Phoenix , AZ	2.9%
Spectator	Atlanta, GA	2.8%
Baybrook Square	Houston, TX	2.6%
Total		39.4%

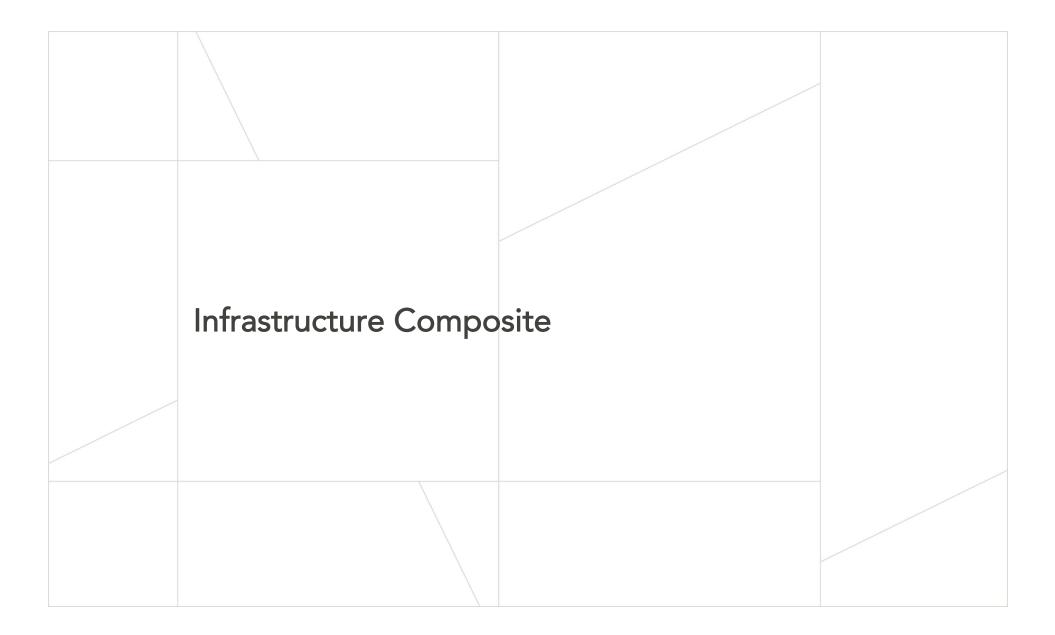
Property Status	% of Portfolio
Pre-Development	0.0%
Development	1.6%
Initial Leasing	9.6%
Operating	
Re-Development	
Other	0.2%











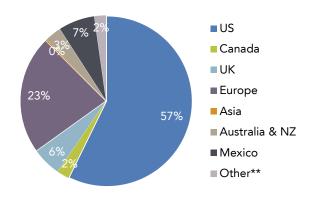


#### **CRS Infrastructure Managers**

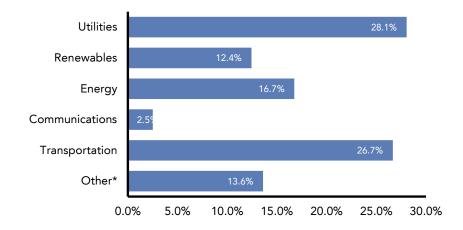
Manager	Market Value
JPMorgan Infrastructure Investments Fund	105,047,125
IFM Core Infrastructure Fund	92,385,952
ULLICO Core Infrastructure Fund	58,230,322
Total	255,663,399

# (Excluding Cash & Debt)

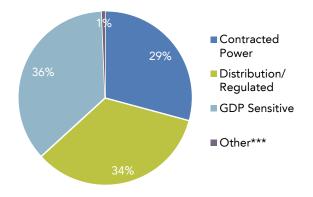
Country Breakdown by NAV



# Sector Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



# Regional Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)





#### Characteristics

Fund Inception/Vintage Year	2007
Total Fund GAV (\$M)	\$76,868.1
Total Fund NAV (\$M)	\$40,856.0
Cash Balance % of NAV	0.0%
% in Top 10 by NAV	82.2%
As of Date	12/31/2024

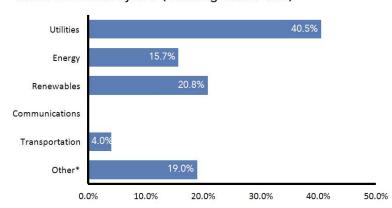
#### Strategy Breakdown

# of Investments	18
# of Investors	1371
# OECD Countries	26
Trailing 12-month Dividend Yield	6.3%

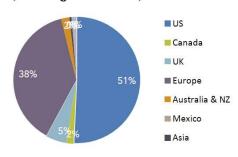
#### Queue Expectations

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Contribution Queue (\$MM)	\$1,003.0
Redemption Queue (\$MM)	\$1,029.0

#### Sector Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



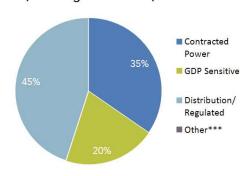
# Country Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



#### Top 10 Holdings Investment Detail investments by NAV

Investment	Location	Sector	Investment (\$MM)	Fair Mkt Val (\$MM)	% of Portfolio
South Jersey Industries	United States	Gas		\$6,334.9	14.2%
GETEC	Europe	Other		\$5,019.7	12.4%
Onward Energy	United States	Wind		\$4,899.5	7.6%
Renantis	UK/Europe/United States	Wind		\$3,388.6	7.5%
El Paso Electric	United States	Electric		\$3,203.2	7.2%
Summit Utilities	United States	Gas		\$3,110.1	7.1%
Koole Terminals	Netherlands	Storage		\$2,370.6	6.2%
Sonnedix Power Holdings	Various OECD	Solar		\$2,313.5	5.7%
Ventient Energy Limited	UK/Europe	Wind		\$1,898.9	4.9%
Adven	Finland/Sweeden	Other		\$1,492.8	4.8%
Total			\$0.0	\$34,031.8	77.6%

#### Regional Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



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# Portfolio Characteristics

#### Characteristics

Fund Inception/Vintage Year	2004
Total Fund GAV (\$M)	\$90,461.4
Total Fund NAV (\$M)	\$50,000.0
Cash Balance % of NAV	0.5%
% in Top 10 by NAV	29.0%
As of Date	12/31/2024

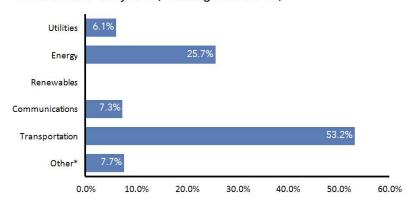
#### Strategy Breakdown

# of Investments	23
# of Investors	661
# OECD Countries	23
Trailing 12-month Dividend Yield	4.7%

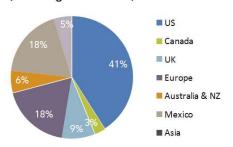
#### Queue Expectations

Queue Expectations	
Contribution Queue (\$MM)	\$2,300.0
Redemption Queue (\$MM)	\$0.0

#### Sector Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



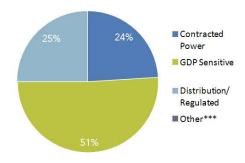
#### Country Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



#### Top 10 Holdings Investment Detail investments by NAV

Investment	Location	Sector	Investment (\$MM)	Fair Mkt Val (\$MM)	% of Portfolio
Aleatica	Mexico	Toll Roads	\$7,276.0	\$10,685.3	18.6%
Buckeye Partners	United States	Midstream Services	\$4,763.6	\$9,686.5	16.9%
Indiana Toll Road	United States	Toll Roads	\$4,216.4	\$7,594.8	13.2%
Manchester Airport Group	United Kingdom	Airports	\$1,648.2	\$3,732.8	6.5%
Sydney Airport	Australia	Airports	\$3,142.4	\$3,301.2	5.8%
Switch, Inc.	United States	Wireless Towers	\$2,639.9	\$3,210.0	5.6%
Naturgy Energy Group S.A	Spain	Diversified	\$2,510.0	\$2,557.8	4.5%
Freeport Train 2	United States	Midstream Services	\$1,300.7	\$2,415.5	4.2%
Aqualia	Spain	Water	\$1,206.6	\$2,311.9	4.0%
Vienna Airport	Austria	Airports	\$1,020.4	\$2,140.3	3.7%
Total			\$29,724.2	\$47,636.1	83.0%

#### Regional Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Other" represents energy transition, district energy, and diversified utilities.

<sup>\*\*&</sup>quot;Other" represents assets with a global footprint. Differences due to rounding.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Portfolio companies are a combination of various revenue streams.

#### 122 Portfolio Characteristics

#### Characteristics

Fund Inception/Vintage Year	2012
Total Fund GAV (\$M)	\$10,147.2
Total Fund NAV (\$M)	\$5,832.5
Cash Balance % of NAV	3.0%
% in Top 10 by NAV	83.4%
As of Date	9/30/2024

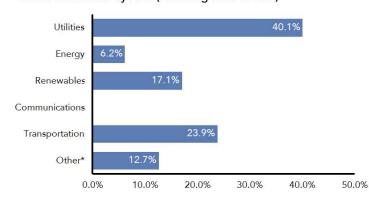
#### Strategy Breakdown

# of Investments	25
# of Investors	283
# OECD Countries	2
Trailing 12-month Dividend Yield	5.3%

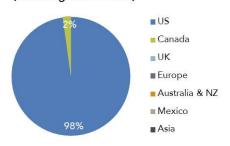
#### Queue Expectations

Queue Expectations	
Contribution Queue (\$MM)	\$350.3
Redemption Queue (\$MM)	\$64.9

#### Sector Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



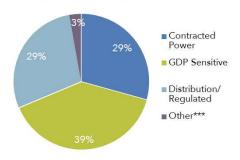
# Country Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)



#### Top 10 Holdings Investment Detail investments by NAV

Investment	Location	Sector	Investment (\$MM)	Fair Mkt Val (\$MM)	% of Portfolio
Hearthstone Holdings	United States	Gas	\$879.1	\$1,233.0	21.8%
Autopistas Metropolitanas de Puerto Rico, LLC	United States	Toll Roads	\$311.7	\$598.7	10.6%
JFK New Terminal One	United States	Airports	\$443.1	\$528.8	9.3%
CenTrio Energy	United States	Other	\$352.7	\$437.1	7.7%
AES Southland Energy, LLC	United States	Electric	\$436.5	\$427.8	7.6%
Neptune Regional Transmission System	United States	Electric	\$229.1	\$395.1	7.0%
Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.	United States	Midstream Services	\$238.1	\$352.7	6.2%
Student Transportation, Inc.	United States	Other	\$226.5	\$272.6	4.8%
AES Clean Energy	United States	Solar	\$175.0	\$251.2	4.4%
Tidewater Transportation Terminals	United States	Other	\$195.0	\$227.8	4.0%
Total			\$3,486.8	\$4,724.8	83.5%

#### Regional Breakdown by NAV (Excluding Cash & Debt)

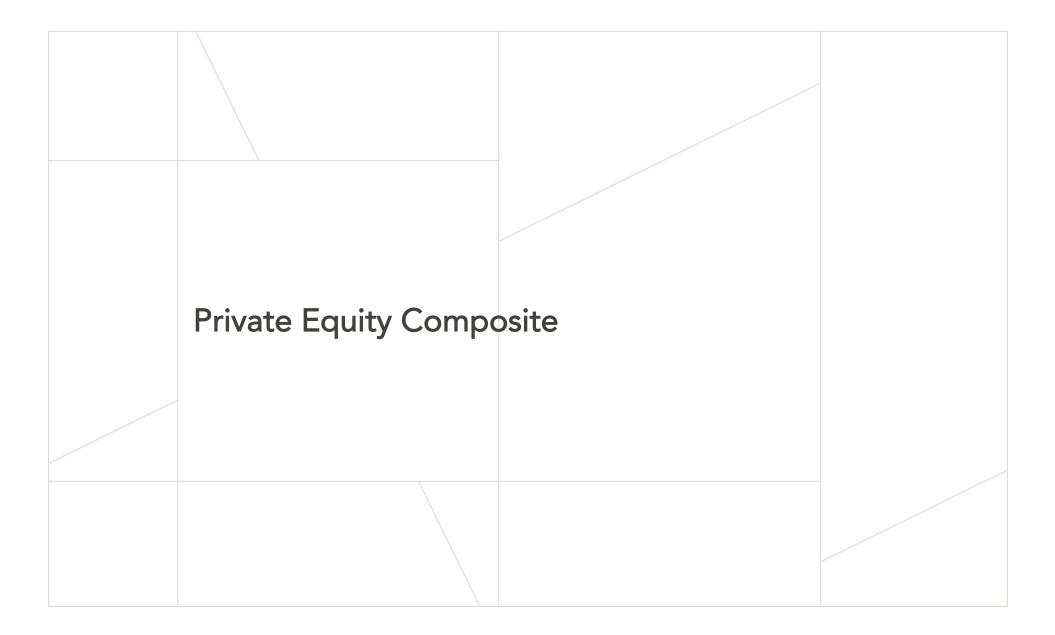


\*Transportation, Data Transmission, District Energy

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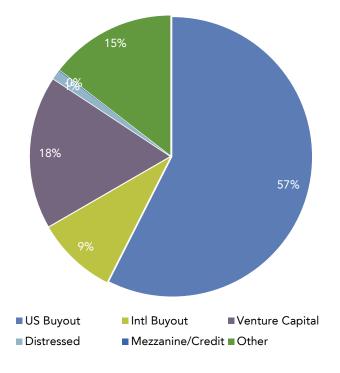




# **CRS PE Managers**

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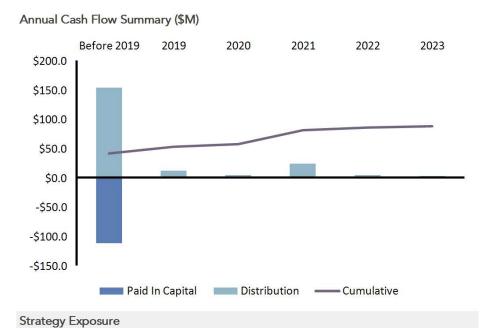
Manager	Market Value
Fort Washington Fund V	7,692,766
Fort Washington Fund VI	3,613,506
Fort Washington Fund VIII	35,059,969
Fort Washington Opp Fund III	4,388,855
North Sky Fund V	29,313,607
Fort Washington Fund IX	54,304,869
Fort Washington Fund X	39,550,615
JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	45,941,984
JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	17,790,005
JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	19,427,344
Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities	13,816,980
Total	270,900,500

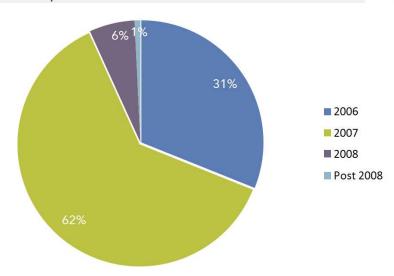


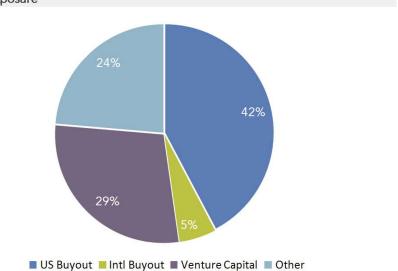


# Fort Washington Private Equity Investors V

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2006
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$131.3
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$112.2
% of Committed Capital Called	93.9%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$220.1
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	196.2%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	
# of Underlying Commitments	
% of Capital Committed	
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$24.7
Net Multiple	2.0x
Net IRR	10.2%
As of Date	9/30/2024



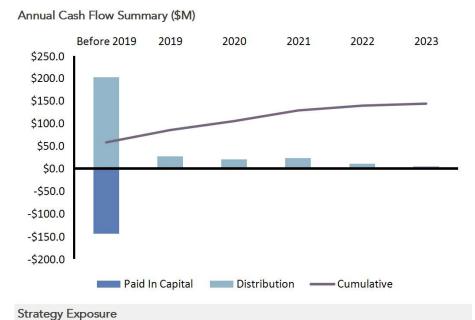


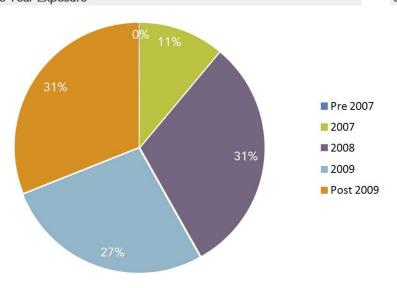




## Fort Washington Private Equity Investors VI

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2007
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$169.1
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$144.1
% of Committed Capital Called	85.6%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$342.0
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	237.3%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	
# of Underlying Commitments	
% of Capital Committed	
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$27.0
Net Multiple	2.2x
Net IRR	14.1%
As of Date	9/30/2024





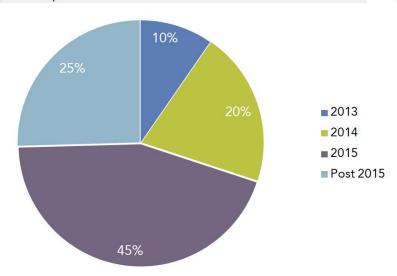


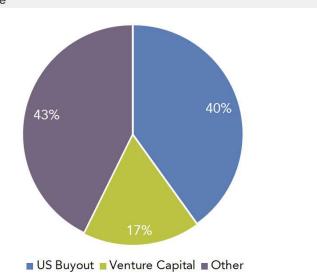


## Fort Washington Private Equity Investors VIII

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2013
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$271.4
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$197.1
% of Committed Capital Called	73.0%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$365.2
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	185.3%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	
# of Underlying Commitments	
% of Capital Committed	
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$192.7
Net Multiple	2.2x
Net IRR	15.1%
As of Date	9/30/2024



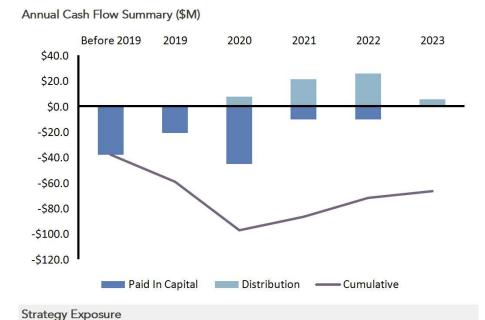


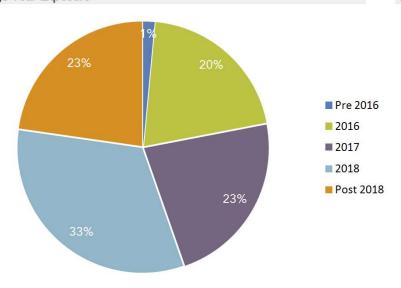


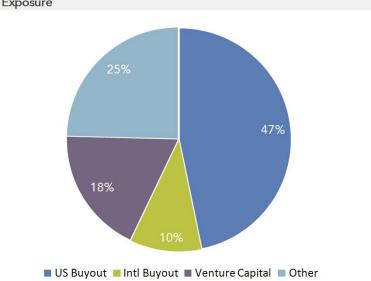


# Fort Washington Private Equity Investors IX

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2016
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$212.6
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$157.6
% of Committed Capital Called	74.5%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$158.8
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	100.8%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	\$236.6
# of Underlying Commitments	48
% of Capital Committed	111.3%
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$238.8
Net Multiple	1.9x
Net IRR	14.6%
As of Date	9/30/2024



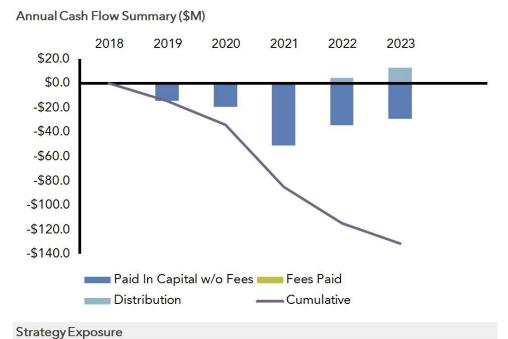


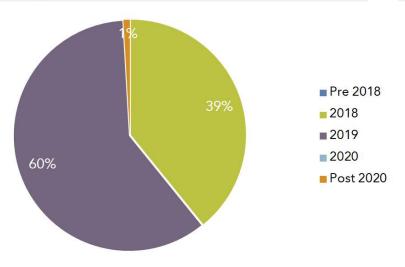


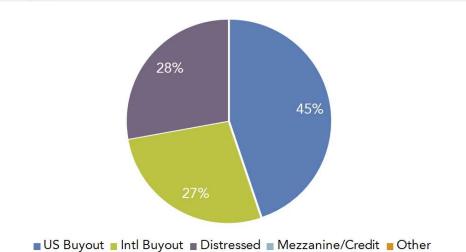


# Fort Washington Private Equity Investors X

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2018
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$372.3
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$142.5
% of Committed Capital Called	62.0%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$59.1
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	\$62.0
Total Underlying Commitments	\$253.2
# of Underlying Commitments	\$48.0
% of Capital Committed	\$0.7
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$205.8
Net Multiple	1.5x
Net IRR	21.2%
As of Date	12/31/2023



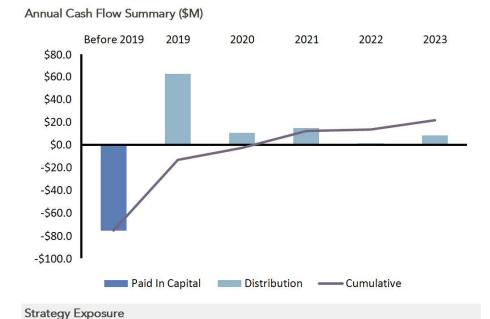


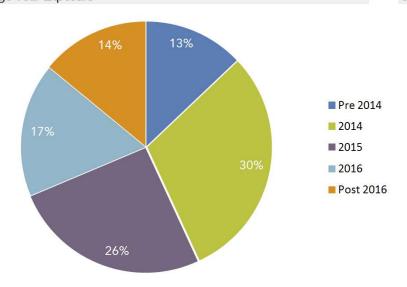


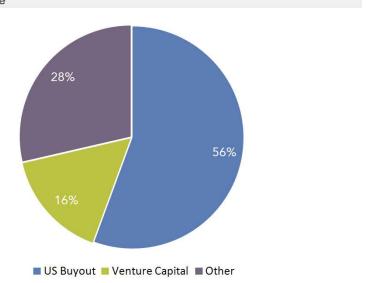


# Fort Washington Private Equity Opportunities III

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2014
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$133.4
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$98.3
% of Committed Capital Called	74.0%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$146.3
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	148.8%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	
# of Underlying Commitments	
% of Capital Committed	
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$42.3
Net Multiple	1.7x
Net IRR	14.2%
As of Date	9/30/2024



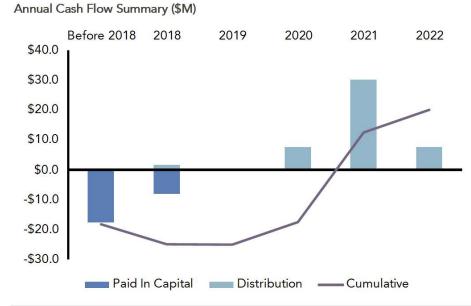




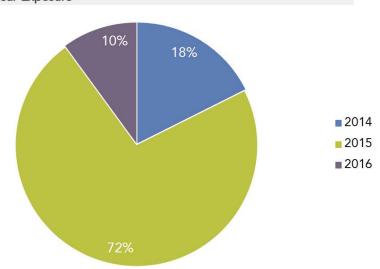


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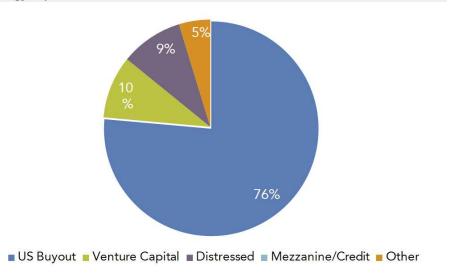
Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2014
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$53.0
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$33.6
% of Committed Capital Called	66.0%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$50.5
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	150.3%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	\$53.0
# of Underlying Commitments	11
% of Capital Committed	100.0%
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$44.0
Net Multiple	2.3x
Net IRR	20.3%
As of Date	3/31/2023



#### Vintage Year Exposure



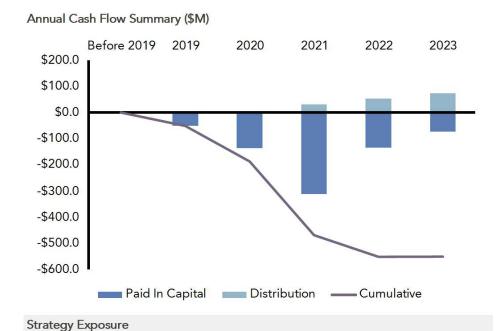
#### Strategy Exposure



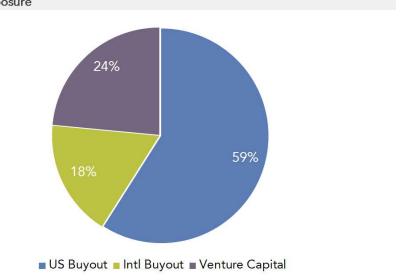


# JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2018
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$850.0
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$766.8
% of Committed Capital Called	86.9%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$270.0
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	35.2%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	\$881.9
# of Underlying Commitments	67
% of Capital Committed	103.7%
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$948.7
Net Multiple	1.6x
Net IRR	14.9%
As of Date	9/30/2024



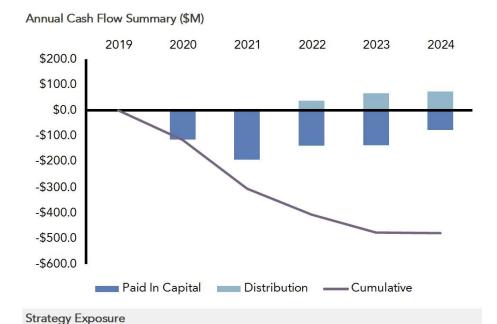
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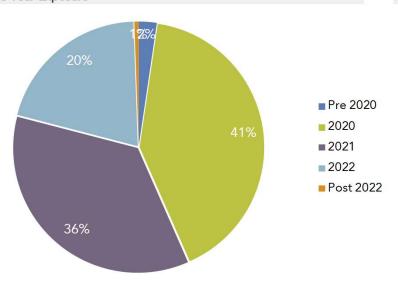


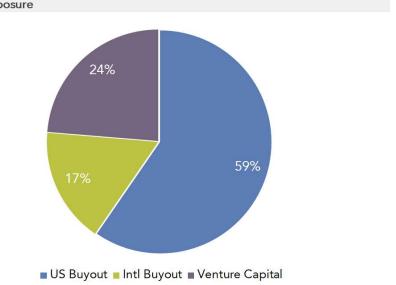


# JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2020
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$905.0
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$694.4
% of Committed Capital Called	73.3%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$196.4
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	28.3%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	\$946.9
# of Underlying Commitments	70
% of Capital Committed	104.6%
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$829.3
Net Multiple	1.5x
Net IRR	17.2%
As of Date	9/30/2024



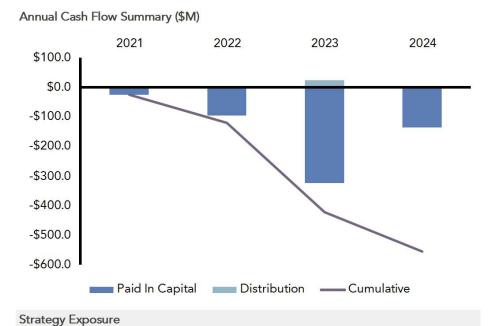


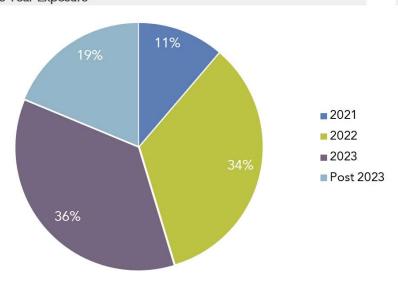


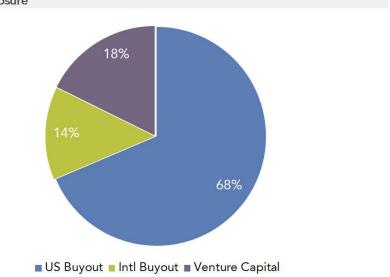


# JP Morgan Global Private Equity X, L.P.

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2021
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$1,273.0
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$669.8
% of Committed Capital Called	52.8%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$29.8
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	4.4%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	\$1,269.1
# of Underlying Commitments	71
% of Capital Committed	99.7%
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$739.7
Net Multiple	1.3x
Net IRR	21.1%
As of Date	9/30/2024



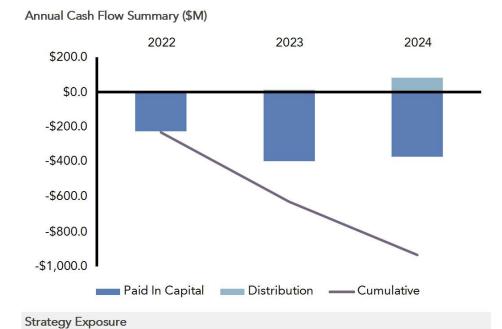


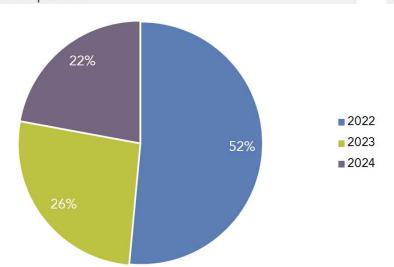




# Siguler Guff Small Buyout ${\sf V}$

Characteristics	
Fund Vintage Year	2022
Total Size of Fund (\$M)	\$1,966.7
Total Capital Called to Date (\$M)	\$993.2
% of Committed Capital Called	50.5%
Capital Distributed (\$M)	\$101.9
Capital Distributed (as a % of Capital Called)	10.3%
Total Underlying Commitments (\$M)	\$1,646.8
# of Underlying Commitments	88
% of Capital Committed	83.7%
Fund NAV (\$M)	\$1,089.9
Net Multiple	1.2x
Net IRR	19.0%
As of Date	9/30/2024









# Pension Fund-Total Fund Composite

Quarter	2025 BNY Mellon Securities Lending
Q1	-30,515
Q2	
Q3	
Q4	
Total YTD	-30,515

Quarter	Northern Trust Securities Lending
Q1	24,133
Q2	
Q3	
Q4	
Total YTD	24,133

Year	Historic BNY Mellon Securities Lending
2024	-169,103
2023	-171,822
2022	-32,661
2021	14,480
2020	297
2019	-76,416
2018	-29,442
2017	125,636
2016	351,379
2015	542,312
2014	562,374
2013	321,534
Pre-2013	9,582,836
Total	10,990,890

Year	Historic Northern Trust Securities Lending
2024	88,353
2023	146,087
2022	161,561
2021	196,183
2020	373,741
2019	426,454
2018	384,112
2017	390,918
2016	
2015	
2014	
2013	
Pre-2013	
Total	2,191,542



	3/31/2013 Beginning Balance:	\$10,427,650.13	
Beginning Balance	Securities Lending Income (Loss)	Monthly Loan Payments	Ending Balance
10,427,650	284,392	0	10,143,259
10,143,259	539,863	0	9,603,396
9,603,396	575,942	0	9,027,454
9,027,454	356,642	0	8,670,812
8,670,812	143,015	0	8,527,797
8,527,797	-16,909	1,400,000	7,144,706
7,144,706	-85,053	650,000	6,579,758
6,579,758	296	600,000	5,979,462
5,979,462	14,480	600,000	5,364,983
5,364,983	-32,661	600,000	4,797,644
4,797,644	-171,822	600,000	4,369,465
4,369,465	-169,103	600,000	3,938,568
3,938,568	-30,515	150,000	3,819,083
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Asset Class Fixed Income	Est. Annual Fee <sup>1</sup> \$1,198,635	Expense Ratio 0.24%	Industry Median <sup>2</sup> 0.28%
Private Debt	\$1,318,514	1.08%	1.00%
US Equity	\$115,036	0.02%	0.04%
Non-US Equity	\$143,017	0.04%	0.08%
Volatility Risk Premium	\$163,702	0.30%	0.35%
Real Estate	\$1,556,839	1.03%	1.00%
Infrastructure	\$2,683,311	1.02%	1.07%
Private Equity	\$1,621,140	0.62%	1.00%
Total Investment Management Fees	\$8,800,194	0.38%	0.48%

 $<sup>^{2}\,\</sup>mbox{Source}$ : Marquette Associates Investment Management Fee Study.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Expense Ratio & Estimated Annual Fee are Based on Market Value at Quarter End.

Fee Schedule As of March 31, 2025

Asset Class	Investment Manager	Fee Schedule	Est. Annual Fee <sup>1</sup>	Expense Ratio	Industry Median <sup>2</sup>
Core Fixed Income	NTGI Agg Bond	0.0125% on the balance	\$4,013	0.01%	0.06%
Core Fixed Income	Diamond Hill Core Bond	0.18% on the balance	\$259,527	0.18%	0.24%
Core Plus Fixed Income	Loomis Sayles Core-Plus	0.30% on the first \$100 million 0.25% on the next \$100 million 0.20% on the next \$200 million 0.15% on the balance	\$398,170	0.29%	0.29%
Core Plus Fixed Income	Columbus Core Plus Bond	0.20% on the balance	\$272,902	0.20%	0.30%
High Yield Fixed Income	Shenkman - Four Points	0.55% on the balance	\$264,024	0.55%	0.50%
Private Debt	H.I.G. Bayside Opportunity VI	1.50% on invested assets 0.25% on the difference between aggregate commitments and invested assets	\$307,296	1.50%	1.00%
Private Debt	Owl Rock Diversified Lending	1.25% of called capital Plus 10% incentive fee over 6% preferred return (beg. 1/1/26)	\$280,857	1.24%	1.00%
Private Debt	Carlyle Direct Lending IV	0.80% on invested capital	\$220,255	0.80%	1.00%
Private Debt	J.P. Morgan Lynstone	1.4% on the balance Plus 15% carried interest 6% preferred return	\$218,070	1.40%	1.00%
Private Debt	AG Direct Lending	0.90% on the balance Plus 15% incentive fee over 7% preferred return	\$247,494	0.90%	1.00%
Private Debt	Bain Global Direct Lending	0.50% on the balance Plus 15% incentive fee over 7% preferred return	\$44,542	0.50%	1.00%
All-Cap Core	NTGI Russell 3000	0.02% on the balance	\$100,070	0.02%	0.04%
Large-Cap Value	NTGI Russell 1000 Value	0.015% on the balance	\$7,580	0.02%	0.03%
Small-Cap Value	NTGI Russell 2000 Value	0.02% on the balance	\$7,386	0.02%	0.05%

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Fee Schedule As of March 31, 2025

Asset Class	Investment Manager	Fee Schedule	Est. Annual Fee <sup>1</sup>	Expense Ratio	Industry Median <sup>2</sup>
Non-U.S. All-Cap Core	NTGI ACWI Ex-US	0.04% on the balance	\$143,017	0.04%	0.08%
Volatility Risk Premium	NB US Index PutWrite	0.30% on the balance	\$163,702	0.30%	0.35%
Core Real Estate	J.P. Morgan SPF	1.00% on the first \$25 million 0.95% on the next \$25 million 0.85% on the next \$50 million	\$416,712	0.98%	1.00%
Core Real Estate	Morgan Stanley P.P.	0.84% on the balance Incentive Fee: 5%*NAV*(Return-NCREIF)	\$276,708	0.84%	1.00%
Value-Added Real Estate	PRISA III	1.10% on assets 0.10% on cash balance 0.40% on distributions All expenses capped at 2.0%	\$498,730	1.10%	1.00%
Value-Added Real Estate	Principal Enhanced	1.20% on the balance 15% performance fee on returns > 11%	\$350,239	1.20%	1.00%
Non-U.S. Core Real Estate	StepStone RE Intl Partnership I	1.00% on the balance (Following seventh anniversary, fee drops to 90% of prior years fee). (8% preferred internal rate of return to investor) 5% carry with 100% catch up provision	\$14,449	1.00%	1.50%
Core Infrastructure	J.P. Morgan Infrastructure	0.86% on the Balance Performance Fee: 15% with 7% Hurdle	\$917,315	0.86%	1.07%
Global Infrastructure	IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S)	0.77% on the Balance Performance Fee: 10% of return above 8%, with 33.3% catch-up	\$748,667	0.77%	1.07%
Core Infrastructure	Alinda Fund II	0.765% on ordinary capital contributions (20% incentive over 8% preferred return)	\$343	0.77%	1.50%
Core Infrastructure	Ullico - Infrastructure	1.75% on the first \$50 million 1.65% on the next \$25 million 1.50% on the Balance	\$1,016,986	1.74%	1.07%

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Fee Schedule As of March 31, 2025

Asset Class	Investment Manager	Fee Schedule	Est. Annual Fee <sup>1</sup>	Expense Ratio	Industry Median <sup>2</sup>
Divers. Private Equity	Fort Washington Fund V	0.14% on committed assets (5% incentive over 8% return)  After the 7th anniversary of the initial closing date, fee declines 10% per year	\$57,628	0.77%	4.00%
Special Situations Private Equity	Portfolio Advisors IV - Special Sit	0.5% on balance	\$820	0.50%	0.75%
Divers. Private Equity	Fort Washington Fund VI	0.27% on committed assets (5% incentive over 8% return)  After the 6th anniversary of the initial closing date, fee declines 10% per year	\$79,723	2.48%	7.01%
Special Situations Private Equity	Portfolio Advisors V - Special Sit	0.7% on balance	\$1,568	0.70%	0.75%
Divers. Private Equity	Fort Washington Fund VIII	0.32% on committed assets	\$157,728	0.49%	1.15%
Secondary PE FoF	Fort Washington Opp Fund III	0.17% on committed assets (15% incentive over 8% preferred return)	\$51,673	1.26%	5.48%
Divers. Private Equity	North Sky Fund V	0.65% on committed assets Yrs 1-3 0.55% on committed assets Yrs 4-6 0.45% on committed assets Yrs 7-9 0.35% on committed assets thereafter	\$140,000	0.66%	1.41%
Divers. Private Equity	Fort Washington Fund IX	0.09% on committed assets Yr 1 0.18% on committed assets Yr 2 0.27% on committed assets Yr 3 0.36% on committed assets Yrs 4-10	\$180,000	0.35%	0.73%
Divers. Private Equity	Fort Washington Fund X	0.15% on committed assets Yr 1 0.30% on committed assets Yr 2 0.45% on committed assets Yr 3 0.60% on committed assets Yrs 4-10	\$240,000	0.63%	0.79%
Global Divers. PE FoF	JP Morgan Global Private Equity VIII	0.31% on committed capital (est.) Performance Fee (Hurdle Rate 8%): Primary: 5% Secondary: 10% Direct: 15%	\$124,000	0.28%	0.69%

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Fee Schedule As of March 31, 2025

Asset Class	Investment Manager	Fee Schedule	Est. Annual Fee <sup>1</sup>	Expense Ratio	Industry Median <sup>2</sup>
Global Divers. PE FoF	JP Morgan Global Private Equity IX	0.34% on committed capital (est.) Performance Fee (Hurdle Rate 8%): Primary: 5% Secondary: 10% Direct: 15%	\$68,000	0.38%	1.11%
Global Divers. PE FoF	JP Morgan Global Private Equity X	0.55% on Commitment Years 1-5 0.55% is reduced by 5% per year after year 5 Plus performance fee after 8% preferred return: 5% for primary partnerships 10% for secondary investments 15% for direct investments	\$220,000	0.86%	1.57%
LBO Private Equity	Siguler Guff Small Buyout Opportunities V	0.80% on the Committed Capital 5% carried interest on fund investments 15% carried interest on direct investments 8% preferred return	\$200,000	1.16%	2.91%
Venture Private Equity	Blue Chip Fund IV	\$100,000 annual fee for administrative expenses Plus 20% of profits after all capital returned	\$100,000	7.95%	0.75%
Total Investment Management Fees			\$8,800,194	0.38%	0.48%

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# Venture Capital Client Requested Due Diligence Memo

Sapphire Ventures Fund VII, L.P.

April 2025

#### Firm Overview

Sapphire Ventures is a venture capital firm specializing in enterprise software investments. Originally established as SAP Ventures, the corporate venture capital arm of SAP, the firm spun out as an independent entity in 2011 while maintaining a strategic relationship with SAP. For its first six flagship funds, SAP remained the sole external limited partner (LP), beginning with Sapphire Ventures Fund I in 2011.

As Sapphire expanded, it broadened its investor base. In 2019, the firm launched its first co-investment fund (Opportunity Fund), raising capital from non-Anchor LPs to invest in both new and existing flagship fund portfolio companies.

As of December 2024, Sapphire made approximately \$9.2 billion in capital commitments across three investment strategies: Sapphire Ventures (Flagship Funds), Sapphire Partners (Fund-of-Funds), and Sapphire Sport. Sapphire Partners was launched in 2012 to execute a fund-of-funds strategy focused on backing Series Seed and Series A venture capital firms.

Sapphire Partners has made \$2.7 billion in capital commitments across 3 funds and SMAs. In 2018, Sapphire introduced Sapphire Sport, an early-stage investment strategy targeting companies at the intersection of technology, sports, and media, with ~\$300 million in capital commitments across 2 funds.

#### **Marquette Take**

Sapphire Ventures has established itself as a leading global venture capital firm with over two decades of experience investing across various stages and sectors. The Firm's reputation is bolstered by its ability to consistently back companies of consequence, resulting in more than 30 IPOs and 45 acquisitions globally. The firm's Sapphire Partners arm serves as a flagship sourcing vehicle by investing in early-stage venture funds globally. This approach not only provides Sapphire with access to promising startups but also strengthens its network within the venture ecosystem. Sapphire has actively expanded its institutional LP base beyond SAP. This diversification enhances the Firm's resilience against market cycles by ensuring a stable and long-term capital base

#### **Fund Overview**

Sapphire invests in expansion-stage, software focused venture-backed companies that are post product-market fit. They believe that investing post product-market fit mitigates technology risk and provides meaningful downside protection over early-stage software investing while retaining the upside. They seek what they call "companies of consequence," which will achieve leadership in their defined markets.

The Firm is raising a \$1.75B Fund VII that will employ the same strategy as prior funds, targeting a 3.0x+ MOIC for the Fund. Sapphire will typically enter companies between Series B and Series D and aims to lead rounds, obtaining board seats and actively helping portfolio companies with talent sourcing, go-to-market (GTM) advisory, and customer recruiting. They seek high growth companies that have demonstrated repeatable and scalable unit economics. Further attractive target characteristics include:

- 90%+ gross retention
- Flexible revenue models (transaction and consumption-based pricing)
- Low capital intensity and upfront cash collection
- 80%+ gross margins and 25%+ operating margins
- Repeatable go-to-market engine, including a maturing sales team
- Well positioned to attack a large and growing TAM



Sapphire defines their primary "swim lanes" as:

- Business applications & fintech: Software tools sold to enterprises to streamline workflows, create
  automation, infuse Al and/or improve outcomes for internal or external use cases. Platforms that make
  transacting more efficient, and provide advanced finance management and accounting functionality to
  enable data-driven decision-making
- Infrastructure: Critical foundational software to support complex computing systems and enable
  organizations to securely build, operate and deliver their solutions to their end customers. Key
  categories include Data (AI/ML, Analytics & Intelligence, Data Infrastructure), DevOps (Developer
  Infrastructure, Tooling and Applications) and Cybersecurity

#### Sourcing

Once key tenant of Sapphire's sourcing is building a network that will refer them to prospective investments. Sapphire believes their high CEO net promoter score (NPS) and resultant CEO "referenceability" provides them with a key advantage when it comes to winning deals. The team also maintains a database in Affinity of thousands of private technology companies, with detailed fundraising history, notes from expert calls and Sapphire investment team meetings, and other datasets from their interactions. Combining this information alongside certain other internal and external data signals, Sapphire leverages a proprietary scoring algorithm that aims to identify pipeline companies at critical inflection points. Sapphire also leverages Sapphire Partners to help identify best-in-class companies within their 4,000+ company portfolio.

Given the competitive dynamics in the venture growth market, Sapphire is somewhat of a price taker (as illustrated by the entry multiple swings below). Sapphire's "buy box" is an entry range of \$5-100M in ARR, which

#### <u>Value-Add</u>

Sapphire has an 82 NPS with their portfolio company CEOs and seeks to be the most value-add investor on their portfolio companies' cap tables. They have 70% board representation across their active portfolio. Typical value-add initiatives include:

- Expanding customer networks via their biz dev tearn's sourcing (400+ customer intros since 2022)
- Talent recruiting (30+ exec and board members placed since 2022)
- GTM & DevOps advisory (150+ advisory sessions with portfolio companies since 2022)
- Guidance and connections for fundraising, IPOs, & M&A

#### <u>Exits</u>

Sapphire's exits have been via a combination of IPOs, strategic acquisitions, and sales to private equity. Of the firm's 86 investments since inception, 55 exits were to strategics while 31 exits were IPOs. The average portfolio company hold period has been 3.5 years.

#### Portfolio Construction



#### **Marquette Take**

Sapphire Ventures' approach to venture capital has enabled them to back category-defining winners at just the right inflection point, with 31 past portfolio companies having gone public. By focusing exclusively on post-product-market-fit companies with bulletproof unit economics (90%+ retention, 80%+ margins) and leveraging its unparalleled CEO network (82 NPS) and operational muscle, Sapphire consistently gains privileged access to deals while materially accelerating portfolio company trajectories.

Fund VII will provide investors with timely exposure to AI/ML & cybersecurity infrastructure through a well-diversified portfolio that will be deployed during a relatively normalized valuation environment. Sapphire's unparalleled network delivers exclusive deal flow and empowers the firm to drive significant value for portfolio companies through strategic customer introductions.

#### Team

Sapphire Ventures is led by Nino Marakovic (CEO) and Jai Das (President), who first worked together in technology-focused venture capital in 2001. Nino joined SAP Ventures in 2006 and was promoted to Head of SAP Ventures in 2007, where he built the team, investment process, and strategy that later became Sapphire Ventures. Jai joined SAP Ventures in 2006, working alongside Nino in shaping the firm's early investment strategy.

In total, Sapphire has 37 investment professionals, 24 of whom are solely focused on Sapphire Ventures. The Firm also has 41 operations, strategy, and investor relations professionals, and 10 portfolio growth and marketing professionals.

Sapphire's transition to an independent firm in January 2011 was led by Nino, Jai, and founding partners David Hartwig and Andreas Weiskam, both of whom had joined SAP Ventures prior to the spin-out. Today, Nino serves as CEO, Jai as President, David Hartwig as Portfolio Management Partner, and Andreas Weiskam as Partner. The investment team has expanded through internal promotions and key hires. Anders Ranum (2012), Rajeev Dham (2013), Casber Wang (2018), Paul Levine (2018), and Cathy Gao (2019) have taken on leading investment roles across enterprise software, fintech, cybersecurity, and Al applications.

Sapphire operates with a team-based decision-making process, requiring majority approval within the Investment Committee. For Fund VII, the Investment Committee will include Nino Marakovic (CEO), Jai Das (President and Partner), and Rajeev Dham (Partner). Additionally, each deal lead partner will have a voting role for their respective investments.

## **Marquette Take**

Sapphire Ventures boasts a highly experienced and cohesive leadership team that has been instrumental in shaping the firm's success since its inception. Led by CEO Nino Marakovic and President Jai Das, both of whom have collaborated in technology-focused venture capital since 2001, the firm benefits from their deep industry expertise and long-standing partnership. The addition of key investment professionals such as Anders Ranum, Rajeev Dham, Casber Wang, Paul Levine, and Cathy Gao has further strengthened Sapphire's ability to identify opportunities across enterprise software, fintech, cybersecurity, and Al applications. The robust operations and portfolio growth teams help enable Sapphire to add meaningful value to their portfolio companies.



#### **Historical Performance:**

The following table benchmarks the Burgiss Global Venture & Expansion Capital universe against Sapphire Ventures Funds I-VI.

Fund Name	Vintage Year	Fund Size (\$M)	Net TVPI	Net DPI	Net IRR	Quartile Rank (TVPI/DPI/IRR)
SV Fund I	2011					
SV Fund II	2013					
SV Fund III	2017					
SV Fund IV	2019					
SV Fund V	2020					
SV Fund VI	2021					
Performance as of 9/30	/24					

## **Marquette Take**

Funds I & II delivered larelgy top quartile returns with robust distributions, reflecting strong capital deployment and timely exits. Performance tapered with Fund III, but liquidity to investors has been strong (DPI 0.7x). Funds IV-VI have somewhat underperformed peers due to pandemic-era deployment—elevated entry valuations and exit headwinds suppressed IRRs and delayed distributions. However, early fund lifecycle stages leave room for recovery and conservative valuations suggest more potential upside than peers.

Terms			
Fund:	Sapphire Ventures Fund VII		
Strategy:	Venture Capital		
Vintage Year:	2025		
Investment Period:			



Fund Term:	
Management Fee:	
Carried Interest:	
LP Commitment:	
Leverage:	
GP Commitment:	
Fund Auditor:	
Fund Administrator:	SEI
Legal:	Goodwin Procter, Cooley, Kirkland & Ellis

# **Marquette Take**

Sapphire's fees and fund terms are in line with industry standards.

Fundraising				
Target/Hard Cap:	\$1.75 billion			
First Close (Est.):	June 30, 2025			
Final Close (Est.):				
Capital Raised:	-			
Invested Capital:	-			

# Marquette Take



#### **Investment Merits and Risks**

Sapphire Ventures VII provides investors with the opportunity to access a thematic, diversified portfolio of leading-edge AI / ML & cybersecurity companies backed by a team of veteran software investors.

As a closed-end venture capital fund, Sapphire Ventures VII presents various risks. Additional merits and risks include:

#### Merits

**Experienced Team** – Sapphire Ventures is led by a seasoned team with deep technology investing expertise, built over two decades of identifying and scaling category-defining software companies. The Firm's Portfolio Growth team provides strategic valueadd through operational guidance and introductions.

**Strategic value-add** – The firm's hands-on Portfolio Growth team drives tangible outcomes—400+ customer intros annually and 30+ executive placements since 2022. This operational leverage helps portfolio companies scale faster and more efficiently than peers.

**Unique network access** – Sapphire's 4,000+ company dataset and 82 NPS CEO referrals create privileged deal flow. These connections also unlock hard-to-access strategic partnerships and exit opportunities.

#### Risks

Al risks – Rapid technological obsolescence and regulatory uncertainty pose material risks to Sapphire's Al investments—particularly for Series B-D companies, where category leadership must be sustained to justify high valuations.

Fragile exit environment – Sapphire Ventures faces a challenging exit landscape where IPOs are scarce, forcing increased reliance on strategic acquisitions—a market now crowded with selective buyers prioritizing capital-efficient targets. This dynamic could delay liquidity and impact returns.

Market volatility exposure – Sapphire's entry multiples are highly susceptible to market swings, as seen during COVID-19. Deploying capital in periods of high valuations can compress return expectations.



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# **Private Equity Due Diligence**

WindRose Health Investors, LLC WindRose Health Investors VII, L.P.

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2025

#### **Firm Overview**

WindRose Health Investors, LLC ("WindRose" fka MTS Health Investors; rebranded in 2017) was formed in 1999 as the principal investment arm of MTS Health Advisors. WindRose was formed to make buyout and growth equity investments in small and lower-middle market healthcare companies based primarily in the U.S. The WindRose team has invested within six funds since inception<sup>1</sup>. The Firm targets companies that are expected to reduce costs, enhance efficiency and improve outcomes within the healthcare system. The investment team targets industry subsectors that are evaluated to determine the best opportunities. These sub-sectors are targeted based upon the team's outlook for sustained, profitable growth and WindRose's conviction to add material value. WindRose operates out of one office in New York, NY.

Prior to the formation of WindRose Health Investors III, L.P. ("Fund III") in 2012, Curtis Lane, the founder of MTS began his transition away from the day-to-day operations of the private equity business to focus on other endeavors. The current investment team is responsible for the investments in Fund III through present day.

#### **Fund Overview**

WindRose Health Investors VII, L.P. ("Fund VII") is targeting a moderate increase in capital commitments and is being formed to continue their strategy executing buyout and growth equity investments in lower-middle market healthcare companies primarily in the U.S. Target businesses will provide cost-effective services and products that have the ability to grow market share because of the value they deliver to the healthcare marketplace.

The Firm will target small and lower-middle market healthcare businesses primarily within healthcare services. Investment size will vary per portfolio company, dependent upon the company stage, including in expansion stage and mature businesses, with moderate diversification expected in the Fund.

The targeted fund size increase is larger than the prior fund, but is a modest growth in fund size. We are comfortable with this increase given the following:

- Larger equity checks will be deployed into quality businesses;
- There will be 1–2 more platform investments in Fund VII versus Fund VI; and
- Larger entry ownership stakes in portfolio companies

#### **Strategy Overview**

The investment process begins with a disciplined approach to identifying healthcare sectors that the Firm has conviction around and can generate attractive investment returns. WindRose views the healthcare industry as an amalgamation of many sub-industries and that each has its own trends and attributes. As such, it is important that the investment team's deal sourcing activities are focused in those sectors that provide the best prospects for strong returns, rather than just reacting to healthcare assets that happen to be for sale. On an annual basis, the team evaluates and ranks several hundred sub-sectors to determine which ones are likely to create the most attractive investment opportunities. Each sub-sector is scored in the following areas:

- 1. "Fundamental Attractiveness" Market size, growth and sustainable profitability;
- 2. "Value-Driving Ability" Ability to increase healthcare quality and lower costs;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of December 31, 2024



- 3. "End-market Readiness" Receptiveness to adoption; and
- 4. "The WindRose Network" WindRose's ability to bring something other than capital in seeking to create value.

Four of the top scoring sub-sectors are then selected for proactive deal sourcing initiatives. Specifically, these initiatives include cold-calling, attending industry association conferences, mailing campaigns, use of search firms and targeted communications with intermediaries and industry relationships.

The team believes that by focusing its proactive investment activity on targeted sectors, it is able to (i) deploy capital in the segments it considers most attractive, (ii) develop deep knowledge of those sectors (including a recognition of which assets may have a competitive advantage), (iii) focus investment activity in sectors where it believes it has the best chance to add value, and (iv) identify assets that are not in the midst of an auction process. Of the platform investments that have been made in Funds III – VI, the majority have been completed outside of a formal auction process.

In addition to its proactive sourcing initiatives, WindRose leverages their network of healthcare relationships to enable them to see a broad array of investment leads. The WindRose team will market to traditional investment bankers and industry intermediaries and expects to pursue transactions that are brought to the attention of WindRose in the normal course of business or that involve traditional auction processes. In addition, WindRose employs a formalized tracking system that is reviewed regularly in which individuals on the investment team are responsible for maintaining and cultivating relationships with industry intermediaries. WindRose will opportunistically pursue these investments, but only when the Partners (Oliver Moses, Alex Buzik, C.J. Burns, David Pontius and Bren Hall) see a clear opportunity to bring something valuable to the investment apart from financial capital and are comfortable with the sub-sector a target company operates within.

Each week WindRose holds an investment committee meeting, which is open to all team members. New deals are discussed in detail each week and reviewed by the entire team. The Partners, together with the investment team, decide where to focus and which deals they will prioritize.

If the team believes that an opportunity meets the investment criteria, an investment professional is assigned to lead the deal. The WindRose investment process is iterative, ensuring that the deal will be discussed among all professionals every week and inevitably in less-formal settings along the way. As part of their due diligence process, the Firm generally:

- 1. Will meet repeatedly with management teams.
- 2. Has an outside auditor review accounting.
- 3. Hires a third party to conduct a quality of earnings analysis.
- 4. Works with legal counsel to review legal and regulatory matters.
- 5. Uses the Firm's network to gain insight from the most relevant industry participants.
- 6. Selectively hires outside consultants to help evaluate specific functional capabilities (e.g., IT infrastructure).

WindRose will also solicit input from its network during this phase, including from its Operating Partners, Advisory Partners and its industry relationships that may know the target company or represent a potential new customer for the target's services.

Once a letter of intent has been signed, the deal team will create an Investment Committee Memorandum. The due diligence process will also cover background checks and references on key executives and general business issues,



including market, customer and competitive information, accounting, tax, legal, environmental, insurance, benefits, and any other area that the investment team believes is relevant. In addition to completing an extensive review of these areas for investment purposes, the deal team will analyze and evaluate these areas to drive strategy development, operating goals and a specific near-term project plan designed to rapidly set plans in motion for creating value. The same investment team responsible for investment execution maintains responsibility for the investment during WindRose's ownership. The lead partner and a sub-set of the investment team will typically serve on the portfolio company's board.

WindRose uses the same criteria when evaluating follow-ons as it does with platform investments, taking into account synergies that come from combining similar businesses. Details outlining the composition of the Investment Committee and the approval process can be found in the Team section below.

While WindRose does not consider themselves to be a value investor, their proactive and thematic approach has resulted in attractive entry multiples relative to the broader market.

#### Team

The WindRose investment team is led by Managing Partner Oliver Moses, who took over leadership of the firm following founder Curtis Lane's retirement in 2022. The investment team at WindRose has remained stable over time, with the exception of Curtis Lane's retirement, the firm has yet to lose a senior member (Vice President and above) since its inception. Including the Managing Partner, the firm has four additional Partners that serve as deal leads and are responsible for sourcing, executing and managing investments. The firm has three Principals and four Vice Presidents on the investment team. There are five Associates that support the senior members of the investment team.

Additionally, there are nine professionals dedicated to WindRose's internal operations and eleven Advisory and Operating Partners who provide valuable interim support, stepping in as advisors or employees for the Fund's portfolio companies as needed. These individuals are exclusive to WindRose.

The background of the senior WindRose team is summarized below:

Name	Role	Years at GP	Years of Relevant Experience	Background
Oliver Moses <sup>2,3</sup>	Managing Partner	19	20	MBF Healthcare Partners, Merrill Lynch
Alexander Buzik <sup>2,3</sup>	Partner	19	19	Lehman Brothers
David Pontius <sup>2</sup>	Partner	16	20	CIBC
Christopher (C.J.) Burns <sup>2,3</sup>	Partner	13	17	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe
Curtis Lane	Founder	25	26	Evercore Partners, Bear Sterns
Bren Hall <sup>2</sup>	Partner	7	12	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe, Moelis, Houlihan Lokey
Jacob Stark	Principal	8	8	UBS Investment Bank
Kristin Melocik	Principal	7	7	Wells Fargo M&A
David Masterman	Principal	4	9	Silver Oak, Brown Brothers Harriman

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Investment Committee Member

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Management Committee Member



Liz Brissie	Vice President	2	4	Morgan Stanley Capital Partners
Mitch McCollum	Vice President	4	6	Leerink Partners
Jack Dolan	Vice President	4	6	Deutsche Bank
Jack McKibben	Vice President	3	8	Enhanced Healthcare Partners, Deutsche, Best Merchant
Catherine Coleman	Head of Investor Relations	4	11	Court Square, PwC
Michael Spiciarich	CFO/CCO	7	19	Magnitude Capital, Vastardis Capital Services
Teri Myers	Director of Finance	21	35	Goldman Sachs, PwC

The firm's governance is overseen by a Management Committee consisting of Managing Partner Oliver Moses and Partners Alexander Buzik and C.J. Burns. The investment committee ("IC") is comprised of the firm's Partners. The IC meets at least weekly; their process is interactive and includes the IC and the complete investment team. In order to approve an investment, a majority of the IC must vote in favor of the transaction. No member of the IC has a veto right. The IC has invested together for an average of ~15 years.

The firm's approach to compensation and carry is structured to reward and retain talent.

#### **Performance**

The Firm has an attractive performance track record within its mature funds, with no realized losses since Fund III. Unrealized losses have been minimal and are concentrated in companies that are early in their value creation process.

Funds I and II were minority transactions in smaller and earlier stage businesses than the Firm is currently targeting and thus not wholly relevant.

There is one remaining asset in Fund III. Fund IV has three remaining investments. There have been no realized or unrealized losses to date in the Fund IV portfolio.

Fund V has had one partial exit as of December 2024. In late February 2025, they signed a definitive agreement to sell a portfolio company. The sale will represent a full exit and will generate an attractive return for investors. The sale is expected to close in 2Q 2025. In 1Q 2025, WindRose closed on a significant recapitalization of portfolio company, currently held at an attractive valuation. The recapitalization is expected to return a majority of its invested capital. The average weighted age of the Fund V portfolio is less than four years.

Fund VI began investing in the fall of 2021. There has been one partial exit, a recapitalization, in the fall of 2024; a full exit of the asset is imminent and expected in late 2025/early 2026. The Firm recently announced the tenth investment. With this investment, Fund VI is approximately 80% deployed with reserves. The average weighted age of the portfolio is less than two years.

#### **ESG Policy/Considerations**

As part of their investment due diligence process and with the help of third-party consultants, WindRose thoroughly evaluates all facets of the target investment. This includes an analysis of how closely aligned they are with respect



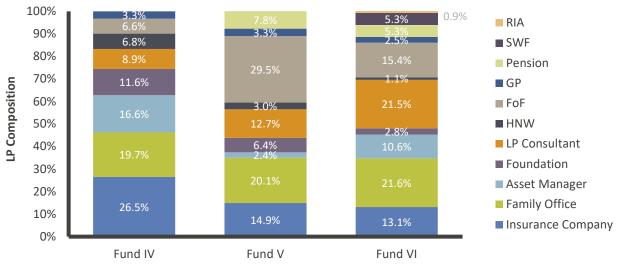
to their ESG Guiding Principles. Considerations include (but not limited to): worker health and safety, environmental impact, anti-bribery, social conditions, ethics and compliance, data privacy, and diversity and equal employment opportunity.

#### **Competitors / Comps**

Some of WindRose's competitors in the healthcare buyout segment of the private equity industry include Altaris Capital, Water Street, DW Healthcare, and Linden Capital. Several generalist firms that have healthcare as a target industry include Welsh Carson Anderson & Stowe and General Atlantic.

#### **Limited Partner Composition**

Windrose has a diverse limited partner base, as outlined in the charts below.



#### Source: WindRose as of December 31, 2024

#### **Reference Checks**

Marquette conducted several reference checks with existing investors, investment bankers, former CEOs and vendors, which included the following takeaways:

- WindRose has a collegial culture and is well respected in the healthcare industry.
- The Investment Team is led by a strong bench of deal leads including Messrs Buzik, Burnes, Pontius and Hall.
- WindRose approaches prospective portfolio companies and their founders and management teams with a
  deep knowledge of their sub-sector, including customers and stakeholders, as well as clear ideas on how to
  grow the business.
- WindRose has shown their ability to re-evaluate their approach if a business faces headwinds they're willing to roll-up their sleeves to see a business through; this is illustrated in their low-realized loss ratio.
- In addition to being an astute healthcare investor, Oliver Moses has done an exceptional job of developing the Firm's strategy and team, which has produced attractive results both in terms of returns as well as low team turnover at the Vice President level and above.



#### **Operational Due Diligence Summary**

Marquette conducted operational due diligence which included interviews with the WindRose CFO/CCO, Director of Finance and Head of Investor Relations. We reviewed non-investment related topics such as the finance and accounting functions, fund reporting and valuations, technology and other systems used in the course of investment and non-investment related business, conflicts of interest and legal topics.

- Marquette reviewed the Business Continuity Plan and there were no material findings
- Marquette reviewed the Governance, Code of Ethics and Compliance Manual for the Firm there were no matters of concern discovered
- Marquette viewed and reviewed the findings of the most recent SEC Exam (April 2022 November 2022)
   and there were no material findings

#### **Risks**

In addition to the expected risks associated with private equity investments which include illiquidity, the use of leverage, high fees, and concentration, Marquette has identified the following key risks related to an investment in the Fund.

- Fund size will be increased.
  - Marquette considers the increase to be modest, relative to market comparables
- An increased fund size may result in more competitive deals up market
  - The Firm has stated that it intends to write larger equity checks to take greater ownership stakes, offer similar co-investment and acquire 1–3 more platforms than Fund VI
- There has been one partial realization in Fund VI and one partial realization in Fund V, calling into question whether there are ample resources to manage three active funds
  - With the promotion of Bren Hall to Partner in December 2024, three VPs to Principal, the additional VP hire in 2023 and two junior promotions, we believe there are ample resources to manage the existing portfolio of investments, as well as source and manage new investments in Fund VII
- There are risks specific to investing in the healthcare sector:
  - The healthcare sector may be adversely affected by changes in governmental regulations and reimbursement policies.
  - Companies are often subject to significant risks related to litigation and liability for damages in connection with their operations. The litigation and liability environment in the healthcare industry is constantly evolving, and new court decisions and legislative activity may increase exposure to any of these types of claims.

#### Recommendation

Marquette recommends WindRose Healthcare Investors VII, L.P. for clients who are looking for an established, institutional quality, healthcare-focused private equity fund.

Marquette recommends the Fund for the following reasons:

 Proactive approach to deal sourcing, often executing transactions with businesses with no banker or intermediary involved.



- The Firm has an attractive performance track record within its mature funds and has developed an established brand, team and limited partner base within private equity.
- Operationally focused approach to improving businesses should provide the opportunity to continue to produce attractive returns for their limited partners.
- Healthcare remains an attractive area of the market to invest in. The non-cyclical, recession-resistant nature of healthcare, coupled with favorable demographic trends, advances in medical technology, and the highly fragmented nature of the U.S. healthcare ecosystem creates a compelling investment environment. Furthermore, the complex industry dynamics and regulation makes a specialized healthcare manager, like WindRose, well-positioned to take advantage of these market dynamics.



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# Cincinnati Retirement System

Statement of Investment Policy

May 2025

## **Definition of Terms**

## "System" Defined

In this Policy, the "System" refers to the pool of assets held in trust under the terms of a Trust Agreement established by the Cincinnati Retirement System, which will be used to pay qualified employee, disability, and health benefits (see Addendum C).

#### "Board of Trustees" Defined

In this Policy, the "Board of Trustees" refers to the named fiduciary appointed to administer the System pursuant to the Trust Agreement (see Addendum E).

## "Investment Professionals" Defined

In this Policy, the "Investment Professionals" refers to investment managers, the cash equitization manager, the investment consultant(s), the custodian, the securities lending provider, commission re-capturing agent(s), and third-party proxy voting service provider.

#### "Investment Manager" Defined

In this Policy, the "Investment Manager" refers to any firm, fund, or individual that analyzes, selects, and executes the purchase or sale of individual securities. The investment manager may manage the assets of the System in separate accounts held by a third-party custodian, a commingled fund, a limited partnership, or a mutual fund.

#### "Investment Consultant" Defined

In this Policy, the "Investment Consultant" refers to any firm that provides investment advice and information and assists the Board of Trustees in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibilities as Trustees.

## "Cash Equitization Manager" Defined

In this policy the "Cash Equitization Manager" refers to any firm, fund, or individual that executes the purchase or sale of futures contracts in order to replicate the returns of the equity markets on the cash holdings in the equity manager portfolios.

## "Custodian" Defined

In this Policy, the "Custodian" refers to any third-party firm that safe-keeps the assets of the System.

# "Securities Lending Provider" Defined

In this Policy, the "Securities Lending Provider" refers to any third-party firm or investment manager that lends the assets of the System to other parties in exchange for collateral and interest.

## "CRS Staff" Defined

In this Policy, the "CRS Staff" refers to the retirement division's Executive Director that provides investment advice and information and assists the Board of Trustees in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibilities as Trustees.

## "Trust Account" Defined

In this Policy, the "Trust Account" refers to cash and short-term cash investments managed by our third-party custodian bank that may be used by CRS to expeditiously conduct transactions without involving outside funds.

## **Investment Beliefs**

## The Board of Trustees has adopted the following Investment Beliefs:

**Fiduciary Duty** – The Board of Trustees has a fiduciary responsibility solely to the active and retired members of CRS. The Board of Trustees shall invest and manage assets as a prudent investor.

**Time Horizon** – The Board of Trustees maintains a long-term investment horizon, recognizing that our obligations extend far into the future. Investment decisions are aimed at providing sustainable returns over the long term, rather than focusing solely on short-term market fluctuations.

**Strategic Asset Allocation** – A long-term strategic asset allocation will be adopted, and assets will be rebalanced regularly. However, in times of extreme market dislocations, tactical adjustments will be considered. The Board of Trustees recognizes that, if properly compensated for the risk, tactical shifts could benefit the portfolio.

**Diversification** –The Board of Trustees recognizes the importance of diversification across asset classes, geographies, and investment strategies. Diversification helps to mitigate risk and enhance the resilience of our portfolio against market volatility. However, over diversification is to be avoided, and investments must be sizable enough to impact the overall portfolio.

Efficient Markets – The Board of Trustees subscribes to modern portfolio theory which means that generally over long periods of time, major market segment asset prices reflect all available information and that consistently exceeding market returns on a risk adjusted basis is improbable.

**Risk** – An appropriate level of risk is necessary to achieve desired long-term investment returns. Risk should be discussed in terms of balancing desired returns with tolerance for volatility, tracking error, beta, value at risk, and maximum draw down. The portfolio risk should be evaluated based on the System's investment capacity to recover from adverse market volatility. Since no single metric adequately conveys risk, the Board of Trustees will evaluate risk holistically, incorporating quantitative and qualitative assessments into management of the portfolio.

**Active vs. Passive** – In markets where evidence suggests that security prices are efficiently set, passive (indexed) market strategies will be employed. Conversely, in less efficiently priced markets, the Board of Trustees will use active management strategies.

**Private Markets/Illiquid Strategies** – Private markets/illiquid strategies can add value when an appropriate illiquidity premium is expected to be captured. The Board of Trustees has the ability and risk tolerance to invest in illiquid strategies.

**Liquidity Management** – The Board of Trustees will strive to maintain appropriate levels of liquidity to meet our short-term cash flow needs and take advantage of investment opportunities as they arise. Adequate liquidity ensures that we can navigate market disruptions and capitalize

on attractive investment prospects without compromising our long-term objectives.

**Performance Evaluation** – Performance will be evaluated over long periods of time in the context of the actuarial assumed rate of return, the Statement of Investment Policy, and peer systems relative performance. The influence of the market environment should be considered when evaluating performance.

**Alignment of Interest** – The Board of Trustees seeks Investment Managers whose interests align with those of the System as a public pension system and reflect the Statement of Investment Policy. Investment Managers must recognize the long-term success of the System, thereby fostering a culture of accountability and shared purpose.

Governance— The Investment Committee is responsible for oversight of the System and will provide recommendations to the Board of Trustees regarding implementation of the Statement of Investment Policy. The Board of Trustees will engage the expertise of an Investment Consultant for assistance in meeting its fiduciary duty. The Investment Consultant will assist the Investment Committee and the Board of Trustees in establishing investment objectives, asset allocation, selection of investment managers, and investment performance.

# The Statement of Purpose

## The System's Purpose

The System was established in 1931 as a defined benefit System and provides for both monthly pension benefits and medical benefits to qualified retirees, survivors of retirees, and disabled retirees of the City as well as retired members from closed groups (University Hospital, University of Cincinnati, and Hamilton County). The System is governed by Section 203 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code as adopted by the City of Cincinnati Council. A Board of Trustees has been established to oversee the operation of the System.

## The Purpose of the Investment Policy

This investment policy is set forth by the Board of Trustees in order to:

- Define and assign the responsibilities of all involved parties.
- Establish a clear understanding of all involved parties of the investment goals and objectives of System.
- Establish the relevant investment horizon for which the System assets will be managed.
- Establish a target asset allocation and re-balancing procedures.
- Establish a methodology and criteria for hiring and firing investment professionals.
- Offer guidance and limitations to all investment managers regarding the investment of System.
- Establish a basis for evaluating investment results.

In general, the purpose of this Policy is to outline a philosophy which will guide the investment management of the assets toward the desired results. It is intended to be sufficiently specific to be meaningful, yet flexible enough to be practical. This document is intended to serve as a reference tool, an operating code, and a communications link between the Board of Trustees, its staff, and its investment professionals.

# **Distinction of Responsibilities**

## The Board of Trustees' Authority and Responsibilities

Chapter 203-65 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code assigns a Board of Trustees with the responsibility for managing the assets of the System. The Board of Trustees must discharge its duties solely in the interest of the System and the System participants. The standards of care for the System are specified in Section 203-65 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code and conform to the standards described in Section 5809.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The Board of Trustees will generally be responsible for the following:

- 1) Complying with applicable laws, regulations, and rulings, including the Collaborative Settlement Agreement between the City of Cincinnati and various plantiff groups representing certain active and retired members of the System that was approved by the Court on October 5, 2015 and generally effective January 1, 2016.
- 2) Selecting all qualified investment professionals.
- 3) Monitoring and evaluating investment performance and compliance with this Policy.
- 4) Reviewing and suggesting changes, as needed, to this Policy.
- 5) Establishing and reviewing the appropriateness of the System's asset allocation policy.
- 6) Taking action according to this Policy.

## The Investment Manager's Authority and Responsibilities

The Board of Trustees will hire competent, registered professional investment managers to manage the assets of the System. Investment managers have the following responsibilities:

- 1) Vote proxy issues on securities held, unless a third-party proxy voting service provider has been retained by the System. All proxies will be voted exclusively for the best interests of the System and its participants. Managers will maintain written policies for proxy voting and keep a proper record of all proxies to which the Program is entitled. Managers will provide an annual report that includes their current proxy voting policy, a summary and detailed records of all proxies voted, and a statement indicating whether proxies were voted in conformance with the manager's internal proxy voting guidelines.
- 2) Provide written reports to the plan sponsor and consultant on at least a quarterly basis detailing performance for the most recent period as well as the current outlook of the markets.

- 3) Notify the client and the Investment Consultant on a timely basis of any significant changes in the ownership, organizational structure, investment strategy, portfolio design, or configuration of the investment team.
- 4) The investment firm shall notify the client annually when, in aggregate as a firm, the organization owns more than 10% of the outstanding shares in a single stock.
- 5) All qualified investment managers retained by the Board of Trustees will exercise discretion within the parameters set forth in these guidelines for the portfolio(s) they manage on behalf of the System (see Addendum A).

## The Investment Consultant/Staff Authority and Responsibilities

The Board of Trustees will hire an Investment Consultant to assist the Board of Trustees in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibilities and in fulfilling their responsibilities in accord with this Policy. The Investment Consultant will generally be responsible for the following:

- 1) Complying with applicable laws, regulations, and rulings.
- 2) Maintaining databases of qualified investment managers, custodians, securities lending providers, and any other pertinent professionals that may assist in oversight of assets.
- 3) If needed, the Investment Consultant will assist the Board of Trustees with the search and selection of investment managers, custodians, and securities lending providers.
- 4) Calculate investment performance and reconcile that performance with the investment managers.
- 5) Providing written reports that summarize the performance and analysis of the System's investments to the Board of Trustees no later than 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter.
- 6) Monitoring and evaluating investment performance and compliance with this Policy. This includes meeting with the System's investment managers on a regular basis.
- 7) Make long-term assumptions on the capital markets for the purpose of evaluating the System's asset allocation policy.
- 8) Establishing and reviewing the appropriateness of the System's asset allocation policy.
- 9) Reviewing and suggesting changes, as needed, to this Policy.

The Investment Consultant retained by the Board of Trustees will exercise discretion within the parameters set forth in these guidelines on behalf of the System (see Addendum A).

### The Custodian's Authority and Responsibilities

The Board of Trustees may utilize a third-party custodian for the following:

- 1) hold and safeguard the assets of the System,
- 2) collect the interest, dividends, distributions, redemptions or other amounts due,
- 3) provide monthly reporting to all necessary parties,
- 4) forward any proxies to the investment manager, the client, or their designee,
- 5) sweep all interest and dividend payments and any other un-invested cash into a short-term money market fund for re-deployment, and
- 6) other duties as detailed in the respective custodial agreement.

The custodian retained by the Board of Trustees will exercise discretion within the parameters set forth in these guidelines on behalf of the System (see Addendum A).

## The Cash Equitization Manager's Authority and Responsibilities

The Board of Trustees may utilize a cash equitization manager to replicate the investment returns of the equity markets on the cash held in the equity managers' portfolios. The cash equitization manager will purchase and sell futures contracts whose market value is based on the returns of specific equity markets. The notional value of the futures contracts will be closely equivalent to the aggregate cash holdings of all equity managers employed by the Board of Trustees. In addition, the Board may utilize a cash equitization manager to replicate the investment returns of the overall portfolio on the cash held in the margin account and/or checking accounts. These cash holdings will be monitored on a daily basis and futures contracts will be bought or sold accordingly (see Addendum A and B).

## The Securities Lending Provider's Authority and Responsibilities

The Board of Trustees may utilize a securities lending provider to create income through the lending of the assets of the System. Securities lending providers will provide reports on a monthly basis to all necessary parties. The securities lending provider will be responsible for ensuring that adequate collateral will be provided to the System for the securities that are lent and that the interest rate generated by the securities lending program is fair and reasonable. Furthermore, the securities lending provider will attempt to return all lent securities to the System's appropriate account before any transactions on the lent securities are executed. The securities lending provider retained by the Board of Trustees will exercise discretion within the parameters set forth in these guidelines on behalf of the System (see Addendum A).

# **Investment Objectives**

## **Return Objectives**

The primary return objectives of the System are to:

- (a) preserve the safety of principal,
- (b) earn the highest possible total return consistent with prudent levels of risk, and
- (c) create a stream of investment returns to ensure the systematic and adequate funding of actuarially determined benefits through contributions and professional management of the System assets.

To achieve these goals, the System has been optimized to meet its actuarial assumed rate of return (see Addendum C). The performance objective for the System is to exceed, after investment management fees, a customized blended benchmark. To evaluate success, the Board of Trustees will compare the performance of the System to the actuarial assumed rate of return and the performance of a custom benchmark. This benchmark represents a passive implementation of the historical investment policy targets, and it is re-balanced regularly.

#### **Risk Tolerance**

While achieving the return objectives, the System can tolerate certain levels of risk, which are:

- (a) to accept prudent levels of short and long-term volatility consistent with the near-term cash flow needs, funding level, and long-term liability structure of the System,
- (b) to tolerate appropriate levels of downside risk relative to the System's actuarial assumed rate of return (see Addendum C). In doing so, the Board of the Trustees will attempt to minimize the probability of underperforming the System's actuarial assumed rate of return over the long-term and to minimize the shortfall in the event such underperformance occurs.
- (c) to accept prudent variances in the asset allocation structure of the System relative to the broad financial markets and peer groups, and
- (d) to tolerate prudent levels of short-term underperformance by the System's investment managers.

## **Constraints on the Investment Objectives**

The investment objectives of the System are constrained by Federal law, State law, Section 203 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, time, taxes, and liquidity. The System has a long-term time horizon as the assets are used to pay qualified participant and disability benefits. The System is a tax-exempt entity but can be subject to taxes involving unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI"). UBTI is income earned by a tax-exempt entity that does not result from tax-exempt activities. The liquidity needs of the System are to meet the regular cash flow requirements of the System.

## **Investment Philosophy**

## **Fixed Income**

The fixed income portion of the portfolio is intended to offset the volatility of equities, particularly during market downturns, as well as generate yield and provide deflation protection. The System's current fixed income investment philosophy is to allocate approximately 40% to core plus fixed income (core investment grade bonds with the ability of the manager to add high yield and global bonds to the portfolio), approximately 30% to core fixed income, approximately 7% to opportunistic fixed income (comprised mostly of non-investment grade bonds and loans), and approximately 23% to private debt (non-publicly traded fixed income offering higher returns, offset by less liquidity). This approach allows the fixed income portfolio to provide higher yield (and therefore a higher expected return) than a core fixed income portfolio while also providing diversification to the rest of the portfolio.

### **U.S. Equity**

U.S. equities are a source of long-term growth for the portfolio. The System's current U.S. equity investment philosophy is to allocate 71% to large cap stocks, 17% to mid cap stocks, and 12% to small cap stocks. Considering the overall U.S. public equity market is roughly 74% large cap, 20% mid cap, and 6% small cap, the System's U.S. equity allocation is roughly in line with the broad market with a slight overweight to small cap stocks. Further, because value stocks are expected to outperform growth stocks over the long-term (and this is more pronounced in small), a value bias is also targeted, with approximately 58% of small cap equities managed in a value style, approximately and approximately 12% of large cap managed in a value style. This results in a total U.S. equity portfolio overweight to value of 16%. Due to the efficiency of the U.S. equity market, the assets are passively managed, which also significantly lowers management fees.

#### **International Equities**

International equities also provide long-term growth for the portfolio. Today nearly half of the world's public equity market capitalization is outside the U.S., and therefore, allocating to non-U.S. stocks reduces overall portfolio volatility, expands the universe of stocks and countries to invest, and potentially increases expected returns with higher risk emerging markets. The System's current investment philosophy is to allocate approximately 85% to large cap stocks and 15% to mid cap stocks, replicating the portfolio construction of the MSCI ACWI ex. U.S. Separately, the System is targeting 30% to emerging markets. Due to the efficiency of the Non-U.S. equity market, the assets are passively managed, which also significantly lowers management fees.

## **Private Equity**

The allocation to private equity is meant to capture outperformance of over 2 percentage points, net of fees, above the traditional equity portfolio. The System will utilize a Fund of Funds approach of multiple managers and allocate as evenly as possible among calendar years to properly diversify. Although private equity funds are illiquid and incur higher fees, the expected benefits of higher returns should outweigh these costs.

#### **Real Estate**

The allocation to real estate is meant to capture consistent yield in excess of fixed income, as well as provide some inflation protection and diversification from other asset classes. The System currently uses open-end core real estate funds to maintain maximum liquidity and minimum risk in the asset class.

## **Infrastructure**

The allocation to infrastructure is meant to capture consistent yield in excess of fixed income as well as provide diversification from other asset classes. The System is moving to an open-end, core investment philosophy in infrastructure for maximum liquidity and minimum risk in the asset class.

#### **Volatility Risk Premium**

The allocation to volatility risk premium is meant to add diversification to the overall portfolio by capturing premiums via selling S&P 500 puts to generate consistent monthly premiums on the equity market with volatility that has historically been 50-75% less than the equity markets.

# **Asset Allocation and Re-Balancing Procedures**

## **General Methods and Frequency of Evaluating the Asset Allocation**

The Board of Trustees, with the assistance of the Investment Consultant, will conduct a strategic asset allocation study and an asset/liability study every 3 to 5 years. Tactical studies may take place more frequently in times of extreme market dislocations. They will take into consideration applicable statutes, the actuarial rate of return of the System, the long-term nature of the asset pool, the cash flow needs of the System, and the general asset allocation structure of their peers. They will make assumptions on the capital markets over the long-term and optimize the asset allocation to best meet the actuarial and cash flow needs of the System at a prudent level of risk.

## Asset Allocation/Rebalancing

The minimum and maximum allocation range for each specific asset class is also shown in the table set forth below:

Exhibit 1 – Asset Allocation (May 2025)

Asset Class	Target	Minimum*	Maximum*
Core Plus Bonds	11.5%	8.0%	14.0%
Core Bonds	9.0%	6.0%	11.0%
Opportunistic Credit	2.0%	1.0%	3.0%
Private Debt	<u>6.5%</u>	0.0%	<u>8.0%</u>
Total Fixed Income	<u>29.0%</u>	<u>15.0.%</u>	<u>36.0%</u>
All-Cap Core Equity	24.0%	16.5%	26.5%
Large-Cap Value Equity	2.5%	0.0%	5.5%
Small-Cap Value Equity	2.0%	0.0%	<u>5.5%</u>
<b>Total Domestic Equity</b>	<u>28.5%</u>	<u>16.5%</u>	<u>37.5%</u>
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All-CapNon-U.S.	16.0%	11.0%	23.0%
Total Non-U.S. Equity	<u>16.0%</u>	11.0%	<u>23.0%</u>
Deal Estate Cons	6.00/	2.00/	0.00/
Real Estate Core Total Real Estate	6.0%	2.0%	8.0%
Total Real Estate	<u>6.0%</u>	<u>2.0%</u>	8.0%
Infrastructure	10.0%	5.0%	<u>15.0%</u>
Total Infrastructure	10.0%	5.0%	15.0%
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Volatility Risk Premium	2.5%	<u>1.0%</u>	<u>4.0%</u>
Total Volatility Risk Premium	2.5%	1.0%	4.0%
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Private Equity	8.0%	0.0%	<u>14.0%</u>
Total Private Equity	8.0%	0.0%	14.0%
TOTAL	100.0%		

<sup>\*</sup>May not equal 100%

The purpose of rebalancing procedures is to minimize the unintended drift from CRS strategic asset allocation, thus ensuring compliance with the Investment Policy. Systematic rebalancing is intended reduce volatility and increase portfolio returns over the long term.

CRS staff, with the assistance of the Investment Consultant, will review the Asset Allocation at least quarterly and adjust the portfolio to comply with the Asset Allocation Target and Minimum and Maximum ranges (Exhibit 1). Given the ongoing cash flow needs of CRS, it is anticipated by the Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Investment Consultant, that the Asset Allocation will be achieved under most market conditions.

The CRS staff will monitor the Asset Allocation structure of the portfolio and attempt to stay within the ranges allowed for each Asset Class (Exhibit 1). CRS staff, with advice from the Investment Consultant, will develop a plan of action to rebalance when necessary. The process for any rebalancing will include, but not limited to, evaluating the most recent market values and liquidity for all investments compared to the Strategic Asset Allocation assumptions. The CRS Staff and the Investment Consultant will decide on the best course of action based on the analysis and implement the plan. Historically, the System has experienced net negative annual cash flows, therefore some rebalancing typically takes place monthly within the Asset Allocation Minimum and Maximum ranges to raise cash for benefits.

## **Cash Management and Liquidity Policy**

The purpose of the policy is to establish general guidelines for cash flow management to ensure that sufficient cash is available for the day-to-day operational need of the CRS system.

To facilitate liquidity requirements, CRS established and maintains a Trust Account with the Custodian Bank to:

- 1) Monitor cashflow from investments
- 2) Pay financial obligations of the System
- 3) Facilitate funding of capital calls
- 4) Provide the margin and liquidity necessary for the cash overlay program that is maintained by the cash overlay manager
- 5) Daily sweep of cash balance

The Trust Account will be funded to contain a sufficient reserve, an amount which CRS staff deems necessary to meet short-term commitments. The Trust Account will be monitored daily and replenished when necessary. The funding sources of the Trust Account will be in accordance with the CRS strategy asset allocation. When cash is needed in the Trust Account, in consultation with CRS's Investment Consultant, CRS staff will determine the appropriate funding sources. The funding sources may include accounts with greater liquidity, lower transaction costs or accounts which are overweight compared to their target allocation.

CRS recognizes that certain investments which entail a greater degree of illiquidity, such as private equity, real estate, and infrastructure offer the potential for greater return and /or enhanced diversification. As a long-term investor, CRS has the ability to hold illiquid investments. When considering illiquid asset class allocations, the staff and the Investment Consultant will work with the Board of Trustees to incorporate net annual cash flows requirements of CRS in determining a prudent allocation of illiquid assets.

# **Investment Manager & Specialty Advisors Selection, Monitoring, and Communication**

## **Investment Manager Selection**

**Introduction** - This policy establishes general guidelines for selecting and monitoring external investment managers, actuarial services and custodians for effectiveness, identifying issues of concern, and for making decisions concerning retention.

Manager Selection – The manager selection process requires the evaluation of all aspects of a firm's organization and investment process to assess the probability that the identified firm's product will successfully meet the objectives of a given investment mandate going forward. A series of quantitative and qualitative factors should be analyzed when evaluating prospective firms. When possible, a suitable manager universe for a given mandate should be screened for potential manager candidates. The following, as applicable, should be considered in the manager selection process:

## 1. Organizational Factors

- a. Stable Structure
- b. Sound strategic direction
- c. Business viability
- d. Manageable assets under management

## 2. Investment Philosophy

- a. Well defined and understood philosophy and process
- b. Clear competitive advantage executed over a market cycle or the life of the fund
- c. Demonstrated consistent adherence to philosophy and approach with no style drift

#### 3. Investment Professionals

- a. Experienced investment professionals managing this type of mandate
- b. Continuity of team and process Limited turnover overall and a PM team that has worked over a market cycle together
- c. Requisite investment skillset required to perform mandate
- d. Well-resourced team and a team with the strategic pathway to execute on their stated philosophy and process over an investment cycle

## 4. Historical Performance (Public Markets)

- a. Performance vs. relevant benchmarks/peers
- b. Consistency no style drift
- c. Appropriate level of risk to match the investment style
- d. Performance attribution showcasing skill and investment style true to the philosophy

#### 5. Historical Performance (Private Markets)

- a. Performance vs. relevant benchmarks/peers
- b. Overall fund performance consistent to stated goals and objectives
- c. Prior funds showcase appropriately balanced approach to risk management
- d. Performance attribution that makes investment style and objectives

#### e. Reasonable sequential growth of AUM with each new fund

No investment managers shall be hired who are a party in interest or who have not, by their record and experience, demonstrated their fiduciary responsibility, their investment expertise, their investment experience, and their capacity to undertake the mandate for which they are being considered. Investment manager candidates must be GIPS® (Global Investment Performance Standards) compliant and have a track record of at least three years. (The GIPS® compliance and three-year track record requirements do not apply to managers of real estate, private equity, infrastructure, hedge funds, risk parity, and overlay managers.) The firm's GIPS® compliance must be audited at least every 4 years.

Manager Monitoring / Termination - Each manager should be analyzed on an individual basis, taking into account any specific circumstances affecting the particular relationship. At minimum, the CRS Staff and Investment Consultant shall review all managers on a quarterly basis. The review process should include, while not being limited to, the following factors:

#### 1. Performance:

- 1. Public Markets: An evaluation of performance should focus primarily on trailing three- and fiveyear periods, taking into account the manager's expected tracking error versus the agreed-upon benchmark. Over these time horizons, active manager performance, net of fees, is generally expected to outperform the agreed upon benchmark and fall within the top two quartiles of an appropriate peer group.
- 2. Private Markets: Performance is measured on an ongoing basis and is evaluated using several different performance calculation metrics. Funds are monitored for progress of acquisitions, asset management, and disposition of assets. The appropriate time horizon for evaluating private market investments is generally the full term of the fund. At the end of a fund's term, it is expected that it will achieve or exceed its initial performance targets and fall within the top two quartiles of an appropriate peer group. Investment in subsequent fund offerings will be based, in large part, on actual versus expected performance of existing fund investments at the time consideration is being given to subsequent fund offerings.
- 2. Adherence to Stated Philosophy, Process and Style: The default expectation would be continued adherence to the manager's stated philosophy, process, and style in existence at the time of hiring.
- 3. Organizational Matters: Stability is the basic expectation. Any material change in the manager's organizational structure, ownership or personnel should be carefully considered.
- 4. Guidelines: Managers are expected to maintain compliance with guidelines established by the CRS and Investment Consultant. As circumstances warrant, the manager may provide recommended revisions to the guidelines in writing to CRS staff and Investment Consultant; however, CRS staff and the Investment Consultant shall be under no obligation to accept such recommendations.
- 5. Service and Responsiveness: Managers are expected to be reasonably responsive to the needs of the CRS staff and investment consultant, including requests for information and/or analysis, requests for periodic meetings to review performance, etc.

## Frequency of Measurement and Meetings

The Board of Trustees, with the assistance of the Investment Consultant & Staff, expects to measure investment performance quarterly.

#### **Investment Manager Communication and Evaluation Terminology**

The following terminology has been developed to facilitate efficient communication between the investment managers, investment consultant, and staff. Each term signifies a particular status with the System and any conditions that may require improvement over time (rolling 12-month window). In each case, communication is made only after consultation with the Board of Trustees.

#### **Actuarial Services**

The Board retains an actuary for the purpose of forecasting asset and liability growth and the many complex factors included in estimating future health care cost and the solvency period for CRS. The actuary shall be held to the highest standards and shall provide periodic reports on the fund and shall provide recommendations to the Board including, among other things, the estimated level of contributions necessary to maintain a target funded ratio.

Investment actuary selection and monitoring policies are designed to ensure that qualified professionals are chosen, and their performance is continuously evaluated to maintain financial stability and fiduciary responsibility. CRS generally employs the following polices:

• Qualifications and Expertise: Examples include Professional certifications (e.g., Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, Enrolled Actuary), experience with public pension plans, and demonstrated knowledge of applicable laws and actuarial standards.

#### **Monitoring Policies**

- Annual Performance Reviews: CRS staff to review and evaluate the actuary's performance annually to the Board of Trustees
- **Ongoing Communication**: Regular meetings between the actuary and the pension board help monitor actuarial assumptions, changes in demographics, and investment returns.
- Compliance with Actuarial Standards: The actuary must adhere to the standards of practice established by the Actuarial Standards Board (ASB) and other regulatory bodies.

## Replacement and Transition

- Cause for Replacement: An actuary may be replaced for reasons such as poor performance, failure to meet deadlines, or significant errors in actuarial valuations. Major shifts in the pension plan's financial status may also trigger a re-evaluation of the actuary's services.
- Succession Planning: A clear transition plan ensures the smooth handover of actuarial responsibilities if a new actuary is selected, minimizing disruption to the pension plan's financial planning.

## **STATUS DESCRIPTION** The investment manager is acting in accordance with the Investment $\boldsymbol{A}$ . "In Compliance" Policy Guidelines. В. "Alert" The investment manager is notified of a problem in performance (usually related to a benchmark or volatility measure), a change in investment characteristics, an alteration in management style or key investment professionals, and/or any other irregularities. The investment manager will be completing a monthly compliance checklist from the investment consultant to ensure thorough oversight. *C*. "On Notice" The investment manager is notified of continued concern with one or more Alert issues. Failure to improve upon stated issues within a specific time frame justifies termination. The investment manager will be completing a monthly compliance checklist from the investment consultant to ensure thorough oversight. "Termination" D. The program's management has decided to terminate the investment manager. The investment manager is notified and transition plans

are in place.

# **Operational Guidelines**

## **Investment Policy Guidelines for separately managed Core & Core Plus Account(s)**

This document contains the guidelines and restrictions that apply to the core plus bond investment manager(s) of the Pension Fund (see Addendum A).

#### **Permissible Investments**

- 1. No single issuer should comprise more than 5% of the market value of the portfolio, as determined at the time of purchase. The only exception is for securities issued by the U.S. Treasury, its agencies, instrumentalities or government sponsored entities (such as FNMA and FHLMC), and G-7 sovereigns.
- 2. Up to 20% of the market value of the portfolio may be invested in securities rated below investment grade. If the ratings assigned to a security by Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and/or Fitch are not the same, the highest rating of these rating agencies will be used. If an issue is not rated by any of these agencies, then the investment manager will determine a rating. If an investment grade security already held in the portfolio is downgraded to below investment and a breach of the 20% limit occurs, prompt client notification is required concerning intent to hold the issue going forward. The minimum average portfolio quality shall be A-.
- 3. At least 75% of the market value of the portfolio must be invested in U.S. dollar denominated securities, counting cash and cash equivalents toward this percentage, as determined at the time of purchase. Included in this limit are U.S. dollar denominated securities issued in the U.S. by foreign domiciled issuers and traded in U.S. markets. Non-U.S. dollar denominated bonds may be held up to 25% of the portfolio.
- 4. Effective aggregate currency exposure is limited to a maximum of 10% of portfolio market value. This includes direct currency exposure (long and short foreign currency positions held without owning securities denominated in such currencies).
- 5. Local currency emerging market debt (defined using the World Bank definition, which is based on GNP per capita) is limited to 10% of portfolio market value. Emerging market yankee bonds limited to 20% of portfolio market value.
- 6. In aggregate, investment in convertible, convertible preferred and preferred securities (including trust preferreds) may not exceed 25% of the market value of the portfolio, as determined at the time of purchase.
- 7. Common stock may only be held if it is acquired as a result of a financial restructuring, bankruptcy or from an exchange or conversion of a permissible security held in the portfolio. The investment manager will provide notification concerning the intent to hold the issue going forward.

- 8. The portfolio may invest up to 75% of the market value of the portfolio, as determined at the time of purchase, in securities issued pursuant to Rule 144(a), including those issued with and without registration rights.
- 9. Eligible derivatives include contracts to buy or sell futures on securities, indices, interest rates and currencies ("Futures"); structured notes; forward contracts for securities, indices, interest rates and currencies; credit default swaps (long and short) and swap contracts on indices, interest rates and currencies ("Swaps"); put and call options on securities, indices, interest rates, Futures, Swaps, and currencies ("Options"), foreign currency exchange contracts, and senior loans. Futures cannot be used to create economic leverage. Additionally, there is a 50% gross notional limit on futures.
- 10. Put and call options on exchange-traded options on Treasury Futures may be written if they are fully covered. Call options are considered covered if the manager owns an amount equal to the exercise cost in high-quality fixed income securities (A- rated or higher) with maturities that are comparable to the maturities in the deliverable basket for the Treasury futures contract. Put options are considered covered if cash equivalent assets in an amount equal to the exercise cost are maintained in the account. Investment managers may purchase back options on exchange-traded Treasury future contracts in order to close out positions. The aggregate value of each manager's option positions shall not exceed 25% on an absolute basis of the account's market value.
- 11. The average effective duration of the portfolio is not to vary more than +/-30% of the duration of the portfolio's benchmark index.
- 12. The investment manager may hold up to 15% of its portfolio in cash and cash equivalents. The only exception to this rule is during trading activity associated with the initial start-up phase of the portfolio. The portfolio should be fully-invested and construction completed within 60 days of the start date. The investment manager is not responsible for investments made pursuant to any cash sweep arrangement with the custodian.
- 13. If any of the parameters described above are breached as a result of market movements, capital additions, or withdrawals, the investment manager shall have a reasonable period, not to exceed sixty (60) days, to bring the portfolio into compliance with the applicable investment guidelines. The investment manager must receive written permission to permit such a breach to continue past this 60-day window.
- 14. Eligible investments include public or private debt obligations issues or guaranteed by U.S. or foreign issuers, including but not limited to corporations, governments (including their agencies, instrumentalities and sponsored entities, partnerships and trusts (such obligations may be issued at fixed, variable, adjustable or zero coupon rates or convertible into equity securities); private debt obligations are limited to those issued pursuant to regulations S and Rule 144A; preferred, hybrid, mortgage-backed, commercial mortgage-backed or asset-backed securities issues by any of the above-names entities; senior loans; interests specified under

"Eligible Commingled Investments"; derivatives specified under "Eligible Derivatives" and cash equivalents specified under "Eligible Cash Equivalents."

# **Investment Objective**

## **Investment Policy Guidelines for the Separately-Managed, U.S. Equity Manager(s)**

This document contains the guidelines and restrictions that apply to the separately-managed equity investment manager(s) of the System (see Addendum A).

### **Permissible Investments**

- 1. The investment manager may hold up to 5% of its portfolio in a money market and/or cash. The only exception to this rule is during trading activity, which can only be maintained for very short time periods, i.e. less than 30 days.
- 2. Options, financial futures, private placements, restricted stock, issues related to the investment manager, or venture capital may not be purchased. The purchase of securities on margin and short selling is prohibited.
- 3. No investments should be made in securities not traded on an U.S. exchange or traded in U.S. dollars.
- 4. The combined holdings of preferred stocks and convertible bonds shall not exceed 5% of the portfolio.
- 5. No single security in the manager's portfolio, including Exchange Traded Funds, will comprise more than 10% of the portfolio at market.
- 6. Investments in Rule 144a securities are permitted if the securities have registration rights requiring the issuer to swap the securities for fully registered publicly traded bonds and if the investment is otherwise consistent with the above guidelines. The combined holdings of these investments may not exceed 10% of the portfolio's overall asset allocation.
- 7. At no point in time should the aggregate position (within each equity investment manager's portfolio in the System) in any company exceed 5% of the fair market value of the outstanding stock in the company.

## **Investment Objective**

## Investment Policy Guidelines for the Separately-Managed, Non-U.S. Equity Manager(s)

This document contains the guidelines and restrictions that apply to the separately-managed non-U.S. equity investment manager(s) of the System (see Addendum A).

#### **Permissible Investments**

- 1. The investment manager may hold up to 5% of its portfolio in a money market and/or cash. The only exception to this rule is during trading activity, which can only be maintained for very short time periods, i.e. less than 30 days.
- 2. Options, financial futures, private placements, restricted stock, issues related to the investment manager, or venture capital may not be purchased. The purchase of securities on margin and short selling is prohibited.
- 3. The maximum investment in companies classified by MSCI in the United States is 5%. Investment in ADRs and GDRs, which are classified by MSCI in non-U.S. countries, are excluded from the calculation. ADRs, or American Deposit Receipts, is a stock that trades in the United States but represents a specified number of shares in a foreign corporation. GDRs, or Global Deposit Receipts, are the global equivalent of ADRs.,
- 4. The combined holdings of preferred stocks and convertible bonds shall not exceed 5% of the portfolio.
- 5. No single security in the investment manager's portfolio, including Exchange Traded Funds, will comprise more than 10% of the portfolio at market.
- 6. Investments in Rule 144a securities are permitted if the securities trade on a recognized exchange; are fully fungible with securities traded on a recognized exchange; or will be, when seasoned, fully fungible with securities traded on a recognized exchange, provided that the investment is otherwise consistent with the other guidelines. The combined holdings of these investments may not exceed 10% of the portfolio's overall asset allocation.
- 7. At no point in time should the aggregate position (within each equity manager's portfolio in the System) in any company exceed 1.5% of the fair market value of the outstanding stock in the company.
- 8. Currency hedging for defensive purposes will be permitted. Forward currency contracts may be used to hedge currencies. This includes hedging back into the base currency. Cross currency hedging is permitted.
- 9. The combined holdings of emerging and frontier market equities as defined by. MSCI in aggregate shall not exceed 30% of the portfolio at market.
- 10. The combined holdings of Canada stocks and convertible bonds shall not exceed 10% of the portfolio at market.

# **Investment Objective**

Investment Policy Guidelines for Limited Partnership, Commingled Fund, Collective Trusts, Limited Liability Companies, Mutual Fund, and any other type of Commingled Fund Manager(s) ("Commingled Funds")

This document contains the guidelines and restrictions that apply to all commingled fund investment manager(s) of the System (see Addendum A).

#### **Permissible Investments**

1. These funds are governed by the guidelines and restrictions contained in any of the following applicable documents: prospectus', subscription agreements, limited partnership agreements, and confidential information memorandums.

## **Investment Objective**

## **Investment Policy Guidelines for the Cash Equitization Manager**

This document contains the guidelines and restrictions that apply to the cash equitization investment manager of the System (see Addendum A).

## **Permissible Investments**

1. The cash equitization program is governed by Addendum B.

## **Investment Objective**

The cash equitization program should maintain a futures program for unallocated cash and cash reserves in accordance with the guidelines set forth in Addendum B.

# **Investment Policy Modification and Revision**

## **Policy Modification**

The Board of Trustees, with the assistance of the investment consultant, will review this Policy annually. Key environmental or operational occurrences, which could result in a Policy modification, include:

- (1) significant changes in expected patterns of the System's liability stream,
- (2) impractical time horizons or changes,
- (3) change in the System's priorities,
- (4) convincing arguments for change presented by investment professionals,
- (5) legislation, and
- (6) areas found to be important, but not covered by the Policy.

#### **Modification of Addendums**

Changes to investment professionals, Board of Trustees, or plan information contained within Addendums A-D can and should be modified, as necessary, without a complete review by the Board of Trustees.

Addendum ADefining the Investment Professionals and Benchmark Indexes

Asset Class Investment Manager		Benchmark Index		
Core Bonds	Northern Trust	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate		
Core Bonds	Diamond Hill	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate		
Core Plus Bonds	Loomis	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate		
Core Plus Bonds	Reams	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate		
Opportunistic Bonds	Shenkman	50/50 High Yield/Leverage loan		
Private Debt	H.I.G.	Burgiss Global Private Credit		
Private Debt	Carlyle	Burgiss Global Private Credit		
Private Debt	Blue Owl	Burgiss Global Private Credit		
Private Debt	TPG	Burgiss Global Private Credit		
Private Debt	JP Morgan	Burgiss Global Private Credit		
Private Debt	Bain Capital	Burgiss Global Private Credit		
U.S. Large-Cap Value Equity	Northern Trust	Russell 1000 Value		
Broad U.S. Equity	Northern Trust	Russell 3000		
U.S. Small-Cap Value Equity	Northern Trust	Russell 2000 Value		
Broad Non-U.S. Core Equity	Northern Trust	MSCI ACWI ex. U.S.		
Real Estate - Core	Morgan Stanley	NCREIF ODCE		
Real Estate - Core	J.P. Morgan	NCREIF ODCE		
Real Estate- Value Added	Prudential	NCREIF ODCE		
Real Estate - Value Added	Principal	NCREIF ODCE		
Real Estate-Non U.S.	StepStone	NCREIF ODCE		
Private Equity Fund of Funds	Fort Washington	Burgiss Global All PE		
Private Equity Fund of Funds	North Sky	Burgiss Global All PE		
Private Equity Fund of Funds	JPM PEG	Burgiss Global All PE		
Private Equity Fund of Funds	Portfolio Advisors	Burgiss Global All PE		
Private Equity Fund of Funds	Siguler Guff	Burgiss Global All PE		
Private Equity	Timber Bay	Burgiss Global All PE		
Private Equity	JPMorgan Co Investment	Burgiss Global All PE		
Infrastructure	JP Morgan	T-Bill + 4%		
Infrastructure	IFM	T-Bill + 4%		
Infrastructure	Ullico	T-Bill + 4%		
Volatility Risk Premium	Neuberger Berman	CBOE Put/Write Index		

Investment Professional	Service Provider
Custodian	Bank of New York Mellon
Investment Consultant	Marquette Associates
Cash Equitization Manager	Parametric
Securities Lending Provider	Bank of New York Mellon

The Total Fund customized benchmark is currently 20.5% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index, 2% 50/50 Bloomberg US High Yield Index/S&P Leveraged Loan Index, 5.5% Burgiss Global Private Credit (or S&P Leveraged Loan Index), 24.0% Russell 3000 Index, 2.5% Russell 1000 Value Index, 2.0% Russell 2000 Value Index, 16% MSCI ACWI ex. U.S. Index, 2.5% CBOE Put/Write Index, 6.0% NCREIF ODCE Index, 10.0% T-Bill+4%, 9.0% Burgiss Global All Private Equity Index.

CRS Policy Benchmark	Asset Description	Weight (%)	
Russell 3000 Index	US Equities	24.00%	
Russell 1000 Value Index	T = ==================================	2.50%	
Russell 2000 Value Index		2.00%	
Cboe S&P 500 PutWrite Index	Hedged equity	2.50%	
MSCI AC World ex US	Intl Equities	16.00%	
US Aggregate Index	Core/Core Plus FI	20.50%	
50/50 Blmbg US High Yield & S&P	Below Investment Grade Public	2.00%	
Leveraged Loan Index	Credit		
S&P Leveraged loan Index	Private Credit	5.50%	
NFI-ODCE	Real Estate	6.00%	
3 Month T-bill + 4%	Infrastructure	10.00%	
Burgiss Global All Private Equity	Private Equity	9.00%	

## Addendum B-Cash Equitization Guidelines

The System will select the assets to be overlaid by Parametric's PIOS program. Specifically, that portion shall consist of those funds designated by the System as cash reserves at its custodian as well as cash held from time to time by other investment managers for the System (the investment manager portfolio(s)).

The asset class allocation targets and associated benchmark indexes are as follows:

Asset Class	Target %	Benchmark Index
Domestic Equity	28.5%	Russell 3000
International Equity-Dev.	16.0%	MSCI ACWI ex. U.S.
Fixed Income	29.0%	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate
Real Estate	6.0%	NCREIFODCE
Infrastructure	10.0%	T-Bill + 4%
VRP	2.5%	CBOE Put/Write
Private Equity	8.0%	Burgiss Global All PE
Total	100.0%	

It is the System's responsibility to establish and revise as necessary the asset class categories.

## INVEST UNALLOCATED CASH COMPONENT OF CASH/MARGIN ACCOUNTS:

Unallocated cash will be synthetically invested as follows:

Asset Class	Target %	Benchmark Index
Domestic Equity	39.0%	Russell 3000 MSCI
International Equity	16.0%	ACWI ex. U.S.
Fixed Income	45.0%	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate
Total	100%	

### INVEST UNALLOCATED CASH COMPONENT OF EQUITY ACCOUNTS:

Unallocated cash will be synthetically invested as follows:

Asset Class	Target %	Benchmark Index
Domestic Equity	100.0%	Russell 3000 MSCI
International Equity	100.0%	ACWI ex. U.S.

# Addendum C-Summary of Plan Information

Plan Name: <u>City of Cincinnati Retirement System</u>

Type of Plan: <u>Defined Benefit</u>

Plan Adoption Date: 1931

Plan Year-End Date: <u>December 31st</u>

Assumed Actuarial Rate of Return (Net-of-fees): 7.50%

# Addendum D-Investment Professional Adoption of Policy

This Policy document was adopted by the Board of Trustees for the Cincinnati Retirement System on May 1, 2025.

# **Investment Professional's Acknowledgments:**

The firm has red	ceived this copy	of the	System's P	Policy. Th	e firm has	studied its	provisions	and
believes that we	can both abide	by its	restrictions	and fulfi	ll its goals	and expect	ations over	the
timetables set fo	rth in the Policy	<b>√</b> .				-		

Firm Name	
Investment Professional	

# Addendum E-Board of Trustees Adoption of Policy

This Policy document was adopted by the Board of Trustees for the System on May 1, 2025.

# **Board of Trustees' Acknowledgments:**

The Board of Trustees of the Cincinnati Retirement System has approved the System's Policy.

Secretary of the CRS Board of Trustees