Core Municipal Bond

MARKETING COMMUNICATION

Management Team

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Objective

Seeks to provide a high level of tax-free income, after-tax return, and a lower level of price volatility than long-term bonds

Highlights

- The Municipal Bond team follows a disciplined, research-driven, risk-managed process to seek attractive relative value within the investment grade municipal universe
- Portfolio managers and credit research analysts select securities based on a rigorous internal quantitative and qualitative review. Security selection seeks to exploit sector, state and individual security relative value opportunities
- Interest rate risk is managed by targeting duration exposure within close proximity to the benchmark
- The maturity structure is actively adjusted relative to the benchmark to take advantage of current and anticipated changes to the shape of the yield curve
- Tax implications, including tax loss harvesting, can play an integral role in the relative value analysis conducted to evaluate investment alternatives
- Typical Portfolio Construction
  - Typical range of maturities: 1 – 17 Years
  - Typical average duration: 5.5 – 6.5 Years
  - Credit Quality: Investment Grade, Average AA
  - Sectors: Core Municipal

Benchmark

Bloomberg Managed Money Intermediate Bond Index

Facts	
Strategy inception	9/1/91
Composite inception	4/1/95
Strategy assets	$3,656.7M
Composite assets	$406.8M

Portfolio Characteristics^	Composite	Benchmark
Average maturity	6.55 yrs	6.83 yrs
Average duration	6.28 yrs	6.01 yrs
Average acquisition yield	3.60%	-
Average yield	4.37%	4.24%
Average credit quality	AA3	AA2

Composite Performance (%) as of September 30, 2026

	CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN		ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURN				
	3 MO	YTD	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	10 YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION
GROSS	-5.48	-4.14	-2.31	2.42	-0.20	1.38	4.21
NET	-5.56	-4.37	-2.62	2.09	-0.51	1.06	3.83
BENCHMARK	-5.90	-4.89	-3.31	2.56	-0.33	1.29	4.29

Calendar Year Performance (%)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
GROSS	4.51	0.56	5.30	-7.40	0.92	5.11	7.61	1.14	5.00	0.18
NET	4.18	0.24	4.97	-7.70	0.60	4.78	7.27	0.82	4.67	-0.14
BENCHMARK	5.16	-0.32	5.69	-7.22	0.38	5.70	7.10	1.22	5.65	-0.12

^Performance and risk metrics are calculated on a gross-of-fee basis and do not reflect the deduction of fees and expenses. Please see the Composite trailing returns for standard gross and net performance.

Performance data shown represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than quoted. *Returns for multi-year periods are annualized. Gross returns are net of trading costs. Net returns are gross returns less effective management fees. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.*

Indices are unmanaged and do not incur fees. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

There is no guarantee that the investment objective will be realized or that the strategy will generate positive or excess return.

As of 10/1/2017 the benchmark is the Bloomberg Managed Money Intermediate Bond Index. Prior to 10/1/2017 the benchmark is the Bloomberg 10 Year Municipal Bond Index.

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Average Yield is Yield to Worst. Duration and Maturity for equity securities are deemed to be zero.

ASSET ALLOCATION (%)

	Composite	Benchmark
Revenue bonds	58.8	44.1
General obligation bonds	26.9	41.1
Other	10.6	14.8
Cash & Equivalents	3.8	-

SECTOR DISTRIBUTION (%)

	Composite	Benchmark
Local GO	23.5	23.1
Education	11.9	12.1
Hospital	10.5	-
Leasing	10.5	6.8
Special Tax	8.6	14.1
Transportation	8.6	7.9
Water & Sewer	8.1	11.0
Electric	7.8	6.1
State GO	3.4	17.9
Treasuries	1.5	-
Other	5.5	0.9

TOP 10 STATE POSITIONS (%)

	Composite	Benchmark
California	18.1	18.6
Texas	11.0	13.5
Florida	7.5	2.6
New York	7.3	18.0
Illinois	5.7	1.3
Michigan	3.2	1.1
Colorado	3.1	1.4
Washington	3.0	4.6
Arizona	2.8	1.5
Indiana	2.7	1.0

TOP 10 ISSUERS OWNED (%)

	Composite
University of California	1.6
New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Transportation Program Bonds	1.3
New York City Transitional Finance Authority Future Tax Secured Revenue Bonds	1.3
Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority Payroll Mobility Tax Bonds	1.1
California	1.1
DePaul University	0.9
Connecticut Special Transportation Fund: Debt Service	0.9
East Bay Municipal Utility District - Water System Fund	0.8
Iowa Finance Authority - State Revolving Fund	0.8
New York State Personal Income Tax Revenue Bonds	0.7

CREDIT QUALITY (%)

	Composite	Benchmark
US Treasurys	-	-
AAA	13.3	28.2
AA	58.0	71.7
A	22.4	-
BAA	1.0	-
BA	-	-
B	-	-
CAA & Lower	-	-
Not Rated	-	-
Cash & Equivalents	5.4	-

MATURITY DISTRIBUTION (%)

	Composite	Benchmark
0 to 2 Yrs.	9.5	6.6
2 to 4 Yrs.	7.5	13.2
4 to 6 Yrs.	7.2	14.1
6 to 8 Yrs.	7.0	14.5
8 to 10 Yrs.	7.2	13.7
10 to 12 Yrs.	10.1	11.8
12 to 15 Yrs.	33.9	16.2
15 Yrs. or more	17.6	9.9

DURATION DISTRIBUTION (%)

	Composite	Benchmark
0 to 2 Yrs.	13.2	7.8
2 to 4 Yrs.	12.3	15.6
4 to 6 Yrs.	10.2	22.4
6 to 8 Yrs.	26.4	29.9
8 to 10 Yrs.	34.2	22.6
10 to 15 Yrs.	3.8	1.7

KEY RISKS

Credit Risk, Issuer Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Liquidity Risk, Prepayment Risk and Extension Risk. **Investing involves risk including possible loss of principal.**

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