

# MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund

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## Message from the President and Annual Report

October 31, 2023

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# Message from the President

Volatile economic and geopolitical forces drove market behavior during the 12-month reporting period ended October 31, 2023. While equity markets generally gained ground, bond prices trended broadly lower.

Although the war in Ukraine, the outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East and several other notable events affected financial assets, inflation and interest rate trends stood at the forefront of market developments during most of the period. As the reporting period began, high levels of inflation already showed signs of easing in the face of aggressive rate hikes by the U.S. Federal Reserve (the “Fed”). From a peak of 9.1% in June 2022, the annualized U.S. inflation rate dropped to 7.1% in November 2022, and to 3.2% in October 2023. At the same time, the Fed increased the benchmark federal funds rate from 3.75%–4.00% at the beginning of the reporting period to 5.25%–5.50% as of October 31, 2023. As the pace of rate increases slowed during the period, investors hoped for an early shift to a looser monetary policy. However, comments from Fed members late in the period reinforced the central bank’s hawkish stance in response to surprisingly robust U.S. economic growth and rising wage pressures, thus increasing the likelihood that interest rates would stay higher for longer. International developed markets exhibited similar dynamics of elevated inflation and rising interest rates.

Despite the backdrop of high interest rates—along with political dysfunction in Washington D.C. and intensifying global geopolitical instability—equity markets managed to advance, supported by healthy consumer spending trends and persistent domestic economic growth. The S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index, a widely regarded benchmark of large-cap U.S. market performance, gained ground, bolstered by the strong performance of energy stocks amid surging petroleum prices and mega-cap, growth-oriented, technology-related shares, which rose as investors flocked to companies creating the infrastructure for developments in artificial intelligence. Smaller-cap stocks and value-oriented shares produced milder returns. Among industry sectors, energy and

information technology posted the strongest gains. Real estate declined most sharply under pressure from rising mortgage rates and weak levels of office occupancy. Developed international markets outperformed U.S. markets, with Europe benefiting during the first half of the period from unexpected economic resilience in the face of rising energy prices and the ongoing war in Ukraine. Emerging markets posted positive results but lagged developed markets, largely due to slow economic growth in China despite the relaxation of pandemic-era lockdowns.

Bond prices were driven lower by rising yields and increasing expectations of high interest rates for an extended period of time. The U.S. yield curve steepened, with the 30-year Treasury yield exceeding 5% for the first time in more than a decade. The yield curve remained inverted, with the 10-year Treasury yield ending the period at 4.88%, compared with 5.07% for the 2-year Treasury yield. Corporate bonds outperformed long-term Treasury bonds, but still trended lower under pressure from rising yields and an uptick in default rates. Among corporates, lower-credit-quality instruments performed slightly better than their higher-credit-quality counterparts, while floating rate securities performed better still.

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Sincerely,



Kirk C. Lehneis  
President

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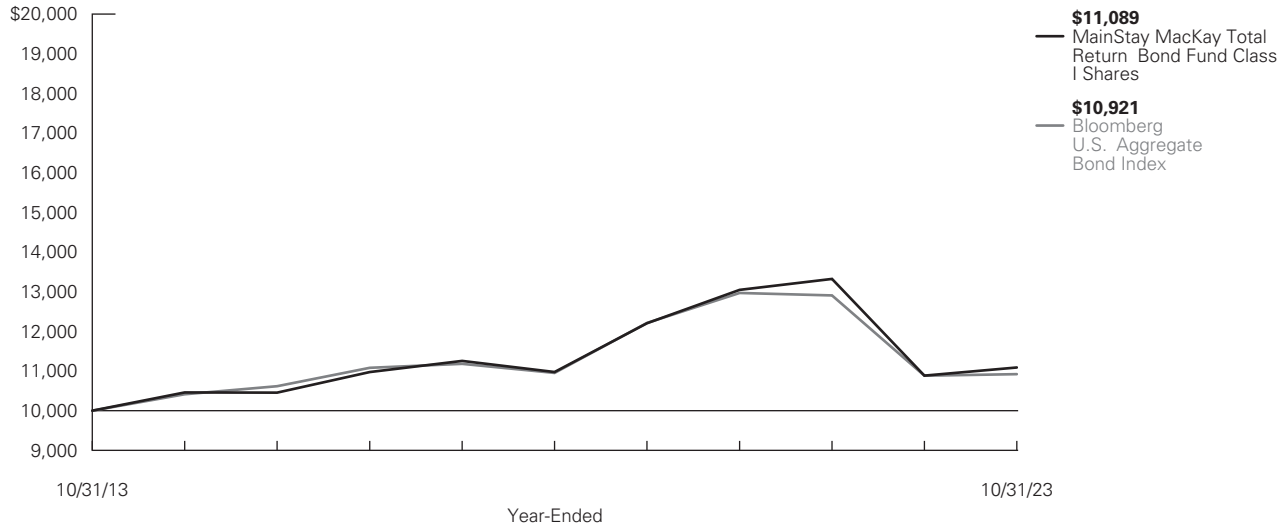
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**Investors should refer to the Fund's Summary Prospectus and/or Prospectus and consider the Fund's investment objectives, strategies, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. The Summary Prospectus and/or Prospectus contain this and other information about the Fund. You may obtain copies of the Fund's Summary Prospectus, Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, which includes information about the MainStay Funds Trust's Trustees, free of charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 800-624-6782, by writing to NYLIFE Distributors LLC, Attn: MainStay Marketing Department, 30 Hudson Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302 or by sending an e-mail to [MainStayShareholderServices@nylim.com](mailto:MainStayShareholderServices@nylim.com). These documents are also available via the MainStay Funds' website at [newyorklifeinvestments.com](http://newyorklifeinvestments.com). Please read the Fund's Summary Prospectus and/or Prospectus carefully before investing.**

# Investment and Performance Comparison (Unaudited)

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Because of market volatility and other factors, current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and as a result, when shares are redeemed, they may be worth more or less than their original cost. The graph below depicts the historical performance of Class I shares of the Fund. Performance will vary from class to class based on differences in class-specific expenses and sales charges. For performance information current to the most recent month-end, please call 800-624-6782 or visit [newyorklifeinvestments.com](http://newyorklifeinvestments.com).

The performance table and graph do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or Fund share redemptions. Total returns reflect maximum applicable sales charges as indicated in the table below, if any, changes in share price, and reinvestment of dividend and capital gain distributions. The graph assumes the initial investment amount shown below and reflects the deduction of all sales charges that would have applied for the period of investment. Performance figures may reflect certain fee waivers and/or expense limitations, without which total returns may have been lower. For more information on share classes and current fee waivers and/or expense limitations (if any), please refer to the Notes to Financial Statements.



## Average Annual Total Returns for the Year-Ended October 31, 2023

Class	Sales Charge		Inception Date	One Year	Five Years	Ten Years or Since Inception	Gross Expense Ratio <sup>1</sup>
Class A Shares	Maximum 4.50% Initial Sales Charge	With sales charges	1/2/2004	-3.07%	-0.99%	0.27%	0.81%
		Excluding sales charges		1.50	-0.08	0.73	0.81
Investor Class Shares <sup>2</sup>	Maximum 4.00% Initial Sales Charge	With sales charges	2/28/2008	-2.85	-1.21	0.13	1.07
		Excluding sales charges		1.20	-0.30	0.59	1.07
Class B Shares <sup>3</sup>	Maximum 5.00% CDSC if Redeemed Within the First Six Years of Purchase	With sales charges	1/2/2004	-4.43	-1.41	-0.16	1.82
		Excluding sales charges		0.44	-1.06	-0.16	1.82
Class C Shares	Maximum 1.00% CDSC if Redeemed Within One Year of Purchase	With sales charges	1/2/2004	-0.42	-1.03	-0.15	1.82
		Excluding sales charges		0.56	-1.03	-0.15	1.82
Class I Shares	No Sales Charge		1/2/1991	1.88	0.21	1.04	0.56
Class R1 Shares <sup>4</sup>	No Sales Charge		6/29/2012	1.65	0.08	0.93	0.65
Class R2 Shares <sup>4</sup>	No Sales Charge		6/29/2012	1.39	-0.15	0.67	0.91
Class R3 Shares <sup>4</sup>	No Sales Charge		2/29/2016	1.15	-0.41	0.21	1.15
Class R6 Shares	No Sales Charge		12/29/2014	1.89	0.25	0.74	0.52
SIMPLE Class Shares	No Sales Charge		8/31/2020	1.21	N/A	-5.82	1.21

- The gross expense ratios presented reflect the Fund's "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" from the most recent Prospectus, as supplemented, and may differ from other expense ratios disclosed in this report.
- Prior to June 30, 2020, the maximum initial sales charge was 4.50%, which is reflected in the applicable average annual total return figures shown.
- Class B shares are closed to all new purchases as well as additional investments by existing Class B shareholders and will be converted into Class A or Investor Class shares based on shareholder eligibility on or about February 28, 2024.
- As of October 31, 2023, Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are closed to new investors and, upon the close of business on December 29, 2023, Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are closed to additional investments by existing shareholders. Additionally, Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares will be liquidated on or about February 28, 2024 (the "Liquidation Date"). It is expected that the Fund will distribute to remaining shareholders invested in Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares, on or promptly after the Liquidation Date, a liquidating distribution in cash or cash equivalents equal to the net asset value of such shares.

The footnotes on the next page are an integral part of the table and graph and should be carefully read in conjunction with them.

<b>Benchmark Performance*</b>	<b>One Year</b>	<b>Five Years</b>	<b>Ten Years</b>
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index <sup>1</sup>	0.36%	-0.06%	0.88%
Morningstar Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Category Average <sup>2</sup>	0.92	0.07	1.01

\* Returns for indices reflect no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes, except for foreign withholding taxes where applicable. Results assume reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. An investment cannot be made directly in an index.

1. The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index is a broad-based benchmark that measures performance of the investment-grade, U.S. dollar denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market, including Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, mortgage-backed securities (agency fixed-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage pass-throughs), asset-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities.
2. The Morningstar Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Category Average is representative of funds that invest primarily in investment-grade U.S. fixed-income issues including government, corporate, and securitized debt, but generally have greater flexibility than core offerings to hold non-core sectors such as corporate high yield, bank loan, emerging-markets debt, and non-U.S. currency exposures. Their durations (a measure of interest-rate sensitivity) typically range between 75% and 125% of the three-year average of the effective duration of the Morningstar Core Bond Index. Results are based on average total returns of similar funds with all dividends and capital gain distributions reinvested.

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## Cost in Dollars of a \$1,000 Investment in MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund (Unaudited)

The example below is intended to describe the fees and expenses borne by shareholders during the six-month period from May 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023, and the impact of those costs on your investment.

### Example

As a shareholder of the Fund you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including exchange fees and sales charges (loads) on purchases (as applicable), and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees and other Fund expenses (as applicable). This example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. The example is based on an investment of \$1,000 made at the beginning of the six-month period and held for the entire period from May 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023.

This example illustrates your Fund's ongoing costs in two ways:

### Actual Expenses

The second and third data columns in the table below provide information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in these columns, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid during the six months ended October 31, 2023. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an

\$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

### Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The fourth and fifth data columns in the table below provide information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balances or expenses you paid for the six-month period shown. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other mutual funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as exchange fees or sales charges (loads). Therefore, the fourth and fifth data columns of the table are useful in comparing ongoing costs only and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

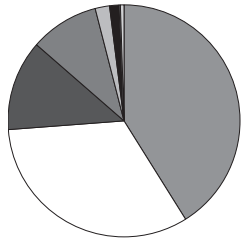
Share Class	Beginning Account Value 5/1/23	Ending Account Value (Based on Actual Returns and Expenses) 10/31/23	Expenses Paid During Period <sup>1</sup>	Ending Account Value (Based on Hypothetical 5% Annualized Return and Actual Expenses) 10/31/23	Expenses Paid During Period <sup>1</sup>	Net Expense Ratio During Period <sup>2</sup>
Class A Shares	\$1,000.00	\$940.30	\$4.11	\$1,020.97	\$4.28	0.84%
Investor Class Shares	\$1,000.00	\$938.30	\$5.52	\$1,019.51	\$5.75	1.13%
Class B Shares	\$1,000.00	\$934.50	\$9.17	\$1,015.73	\$9.55	1.88%
Class C Shares	\$1,000.00	\$935.70	\$9.17	\$1,015.73	\$9.55	1.88%
Class I Shares	\$1,000.00	\$941.20	\$2.20	\$1,022.94	\$2.29	0.45%
Class R1 Shares	\$1,000.00	\$941.10	\$3.38	\$1,021.73	\$3.52	0.69%
Class R2 Shares	\$1,000.00	\$939.80	\$4.64	\$1,020.42	\$4.84	0.95%
Class R3 Shares	\$1,000.00	\$938.70	\$5.82	\$1,019.21	\$6.06	1.19%
Class R6 Shares	\$1,000.00	\$942.20	\$2.20	\$1,022.94	\$2.29	0.45%
SIMPLE Class Shares	\$1,000.00	\$938.80	\$4.94	\$1,020.11	\$5.14	1.01%

1. Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio of each class multiplied by the average account value over the period, divided by 365 and multiplied by 184 (to reflect the six-month period). The table above represents the actual expenses incurred during the six-month period. In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above-reported expense figures.

2. Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio to reflect the six-month period.

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**Portfolio Composition as of October 31, 2023 (Unaudited)**



41.1%	■ Mortgage-Backed Securities	1.3%	■ Short-Term Investments
32.7	□ Corporate Bonds	0.2	■ Loan Assignments
12.6	■ Asset-Backed Securities	0.0‡	□ Common Stock
9.6	■ U.S. Government & Federal Agencies	0.5	■ Other Assets, Less Liabilities
2.0	■ Foreign Government Bonds		

‡ Less than one-tenth of a percent

See Portfolio of Investments beginning on page 11 for specific holdings within these categories. The Fund's holdings are subject to change.

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**Top Ten Holdings and/or Issuers Held as of October 31, 2023 (excluding short-term investments) (Unaudited)**

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| 1. GNMA, (zero coupon)-9.674%, due 7/20/49–10/16/63    | 6. Bank of America Corp., 2.087%-4.30%, due 1/28/25–2/13/31          |
| 2. UMBS Pool, 30 Year, 2.50%-6.50%, due 7/1/51–11/1/53 | 7. CF Hippolyta Issuer LLC, 1.53%-1.98%, due 7/15/60–3/15/61         |
| 3. FNMA, (zero coupon)-8.621%, due 11/25/41–7/25/54    | 8. Connecticut Avenue Securities Trust, 8.421%-11.321%, due 10/25/41 |
| 4. UMBS, 30 Year, 3.00%-6.50%, due 7/1/39–10/1/53      | 9. FHLMC STACR REMIC Trust, 7.821%-8.721%, due 1/25/42               |
| 5. FHLMC, (zero coupon)-4.50%, due 1/15/41–1/25/55     | 10. Hertz Vehicle Financing III LP, 2.12%-4.34%, due 12/27/27        |
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# Portfolio Management Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

Questions answered by portfolio managers Neil Moriarty III, Michael DePalma, Tom Musmanno and Lesya Paisley, CFA, of MacKay Shields LLC, the Fund's Subadvisor.

## **How did MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund perform relative to its benchmark and peer group during the 12 months ended October 31, 2023?**

For the 12 months ended October 31, 2023, Class I shares of MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund returned 1.88%, outperforming the 0.36% return of the Fund's benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (the "Index"). Over the same period, Class I shares also outperformed the 0.92% return of the Morningstar Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Category Average.<sup>1</sup>

## **Were there any changes to the Fund during the reporting period?**

Effective May 9, 2023, Michael DePalma and Tom Musmanno were added as portfolio managers of the Fund, and Stephen R. Cianci was removed. Please see the supplement dated May 9, 2023, for more information.

## **What factors affected the Fund's relative performance during the reporting period?**

Relative to the Index, the Fund's performance benefited from overweight exposure to securitized products, high-grade and high-yield corporates, and emerging-markets credit. Performance varied across the ratings spectrum, term structure and asset type. Generally speaking, longer-duration<sup>2</sup> assets underperformed shorter-duration assets, lower quality outperformed higher quality within the investment-grade segment of the market, and securitized assets outperformed unsecured credit. Conversely, the Fund's underweight allocation to U.S. Treasury securities detracted from relative performance. The Fund's relatively long duration profile during the reporting period also detracted slightly from relative returns.

## **During the reporting period, were there any market events that materially impacted the Fund's performance or liquidity?**

Although volatility was prevalent throughout the reporting period, there was no event that affected liquidity during the period. Total returns were impacted by U.S. Federal Reserve ("Fed") policy and a large move in Treasury yields.

## **During the reporting period, how was the Fund's performance materially affected by investments in derivatives?**

During the reporting period, the Fund used U.S. Treasury futures to hedge its duration. This position detracted from returns.

## **What was the Fund's duration strategy during the reporting period?**

As mentioned above, during the reporting period, the Fund maintained a longer duration than that of the Index. This position detracted from relative returns. As of the end of the reporting period, the Fund's duration was 6.2 years versus 6.0 years for the Index.

## **During the reporting period, which sectors were the strongest positive contributors to the Fund's relative performance and which sectors were particularly weak?**

During the reporting period, the strongest positive contributions to the Fund's relative outperformance came from securitized products, high-grade corporates, high-yield bonds and emerging market credit. (Contributions take weightings and total returns into account.) Within the Fund's corporate exposure, financials, utilities and midstream were among the most significant positive contributors relative performance. Conversely, an underweight to Treasury securities and residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS") were among the most significant laggards.

## **What were some of the Fund's largest purchases and sales during the reporting period?**

The Fund added exposure to Georgia Power, a fully regulated utility, because we saw attractive value on a risk-adjusted basis. Georgia Power benefits from stable and predictable cash flow generation and strong relationships with its regulators. Overall, we've been favoring utilities exposure in the Fund due to the defensive and predictable credit nature of these issuers and their ability to perform well, particularly in a recessionary scenario. The Fund also added a position in Charter Communications, based on attractive valuation. We consider Charter a core high-yield holding, as one of the largest cable and telecommunications providers in the United States, with solid fundamentals and relatively non-cyclical operations.

We sold the Fund's position in Howmet Aerospace for relative value reasons as valuations became full. Although Howmet is a

1. See "Investment and Performance Comparison" for other share class returns, which may be higher or lower than Class I share returns, and for more information on benchmark and peer group returns.
2. Duration is a measure of the price sensitivity of a fixed-income investment to changes in interest rates. Duration is expressed as a number of years and is considered a more accurate sensitivity gauge than average maturity.

strong high-yield credit rated BB+<sup>3</sup> on an improving trajectory, in our opinion, the valuation already fully reflected any potential future improvement. At the time of sale, Howmet traded in line with, or better than, many low-BBB-rated<sup>4</sup> investment-grade corporates. We also sold the Fund's QVC holdings following a periodic credit review of the issuer. We concluded that, in light of worsening earnings trends, coupled with our cautious outlook on cyclical consumer spending, a stress event may materialize for the issuer in 2024, and likely in 2025.

From a sector positioning perspective, we increased the Fund's mortgage-backed securities exposure and trimmed exposure to high-grade and high-yield corporate bonds.

### **How did the Fund's sector weightings change during the reporting period?**

During the reporting period, the Fund decreased its exposure to U.S. Treasury bonds and to high-grade and high-yield corporates. The Fund increased its exposure to agency mortgages and non-agency RMBS.

### **How was the Fund positioned at the end of the reporting period?**

As of October 31, 2023, relative to the Index, the Fund held overweight exposure to commercial mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities and RMBS. As of the same date, the Fund held underweight exposure to U.S. Treasury securities.

3. An obligation rated 'BB' by Standard & Poor's ("S&P") is deemed by S&P to be less vulnerable to nonpayment than other speculative issues. In the opinion of S&P, however, the obligor faces major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial or economic conditions which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. When applied to Fund holdings, ratings are based solely on the creditworthiness of the bonds in the portfolio and are not meant to represent the security or safety of the Fund. Ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.
4. An obligation rated 'BBB' by S&P is deemed by S&P to exhibit adequate protection parameters. In the opinion of S&P, however, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. When applied to Fund holdings, ratings are based solely on the creditworthiness of the bonds in the portfolio and are not meant to represent the security or safety of the Fund.

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# Portfolio of Investments October 31, 2023<sup>†^</sup>

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Long-Term Bonds 98.2%</b>		
<b>Asset-Backed Securities 12.6%</b>		
<b>Automobile Asset-Backed Securities 6.8%</b>		
American Credit Acceptance Receivables Trust		
Series 2022-1, Class D		
2.46%, due 3/13/28 (a)	\$ 2,265,000	\$ 2,148,831
CPS Auto Receivables Trust		
Series 2021-C, Class E		
3.21%, due 9/15/28 (a)	1,535,000	1,421,296
Drive Auto Receivables Trust		
Series 2021-2, Class D		
1.39%, due 3/15/29	1,990,000	1,863,757
Exeter Automobile Receivables Trust		
Series 2021-3A, Class D		
1.55%, due 6/15/27	1,565,000	1,434,279
Series 2021-2A, Class E		
2.90%, due 7/17/28 (a)	1,040,000	949,921
Series 2021-3A, Class E		
3.04%, due 12/15/28 (a)	2,090,000	1,872,565
Flagship Credit Auto Trust (a)		
Series 2020-1, Class E		
3.52%, due 6/15/27	1,950,000	1,796,205
Series 2019-2, Class E		
4.52%, due 12/15/26	1,910,000	1,844,965
Ford Credit Auto Owner Trust (a)		
Series 2021-2, Class D		
2.60%, due 5/15/34	230,000	198,323
Series 2023-2, Class B		
5.92%, due 2/15/36	500,000	485,145
Series 2023-1, Class D		
6.26%, due 8/15/35	755,000	721,828
GLS Auto Receivables Issuer Trust (a)		
Series 2021-3A, Class C		
1.11%, due 9/15/26	930,000	899,970
Series 2021-2A, Class E		
2.87%, due 5/15/28	1,895,000	1,730,034
Series 2021-3A, Class E		
3.20%, due 10/16/28	1,685,000	1,531,839
Series 2020-1A, Class D		
3.68%, due 11/16/26	440,000	428,213
Hertz Vehicle Financing III LP (a)		
Series 2021-2A, Class B		
2.12%, due 12/27/27	1,215,000	1,064,148
Series 2021-2A, Class D		
4.34%, due 12/27/27	2,910,000	2,520,818
Hertz Vehicle Financing LLC (a)		
Series 2021-1A, Class B		
1.56%, due 12/26/25	870,000	827,849

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Automobile Asset-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
Hertz Vehicle Financing LLC (a) (continued)		
Series 2021-1A, Class C		
2.05%, due 12/26/25	\$ 890,000	\$ 846,739
		<u>24,586,725</u>
<b>Other Asset-Backed Securities 5.8%</b>		
American Airlines Pass-Through Trust		
Series 2019-1, Class AA		
3.15%, due 2/15/32	1,093,692	911,442
Series 2016-2, Class A		
3.65%, due 6/15/28	1,394,000	1,211,498
Series 2019-1, Class B		
3.85%, due 2/15/28	849,283	738,492
British Airways Pass-Through Trust		
Series 2021-1, Class A		
2.90%, due 3/15/35 (a)	1,752,893	1,444,199
CF Hippolyta Issuer LLC (a)		
Series 2021-1A, Class A1		
1.53%, due 3/15/61	2,082,809	1,823,494
Series 2020-1, Class A1		
1.69%, due 7/15/60	1,401,346	1,270,973
Series 2021-1A, Class B1		
1.98%, due 3/15/61	2,012,125	1,728,908
CVS Pass-Through Trust		
5.789%, due 1/10/26 (a)	18,153	17,879
DB Master Finance LLC		
Series 2021-1A, Class A23		
2.791%, due 11/20/51 (a)	938,287	708,580
JetBlue Pass-Through Trust		
Series 2019-1, Class AA		
2.75%, due 5/15/32	2,192,089	1,835,351
Mosaic Solar Loan Trust		
Series 2021-2A, Class B		
2.09%, due 4/22/47 (a)	1,043,397	750,054
Navient Private Education Refi Loan Trust		
Series 2020-HA, Class B		
2.78%, due 1/15/69 (a)	2,580,000	1,987,612
New Economy Assets Phase 1 Sponsor LLC (a)		
Series 2021-1, Class A1		
1.91%, due 10/20/61	2,500,000	2,137,855
Series 2021-1, Class B1		
2.41%, due 10/20/61	1,345,000	1,120,711
Progress Residential Trust		
Series 2021-SFR4, Class B		
1.808%, due 5/17/38 (a)	1,215,000	1,074,389
Taco Bell Funding LLC		
Series 2021-1A, Class A23		
2.542%, due 8/25/51 (a)	977,587	734,364

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# Portfolio of Investments October 31, 2023<sup>†</sup> (continued)

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Asset-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Other Asset-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
United Airlines Pass-Through Trust		
Series 2020-1, Class A		
5.875%, due 10/15/27	\$ 1,289,438	\$ 1,269,504
		<u>20,765,305</u>
Total Asset-Backed Securities (Cost \$50,031,590)		<u>45,352,030</u>
<b>Corporate Bonds 32.7%</b>		
<b>Agriculture 0.6%</b>		
Altria Group, Inc.		
2.45%, due 2/4/32	1,850,000	1,350,028
4.80%, due 2/14/29	285,000	266,928
BAT Capital Corp.		
3.734%, due 9/25/40	720,000	456,589
BAT International Finance plc		
4.448%, due 3/16/28	65,000	59,890
		<u>2,133,435</u>
<b>Airlines 1.6%</b>		
American Airlines, Inc. (a)		
5.50%, due 4/20/26	1,204,167	1,170,990
5.75%, due 4/20/29	860,000	775,767
Delta Air Lines, Inc. (a)		
4.50%, due 10/20/25	743,008	722,186
4.75%, due 10/20/28	1,855,000	1,743,666
Mileage Plus Holdings LLC		
6.50%, due 6/20/27 (a)	1,350,000	1,333,635
		<u>5,746,244</u>
<b>Auto Manufacturers 2.5%</b>		
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC		
2.30%, due 2/10/25	755,000	712,954
4.125%, due 8/17/27	610,000	553,824
6.80%, due 5/12/28 (b)	700,000	698,000
6.95%, due 3/6/26	670,000	671,156
7.20%, due 6/10/30	555,000	554,622
General Motors Co.		
5.60%, due 10/15/32	410,000	374,386
General Motors Financial Co., Inc.		
2.70%, due 6/10/31	1,335,000	1,003,954
4.30%, due 4/6/29	940,000	835,240
Nissan Motor Acceptance Co. LLC (a)		
1.125%, due 9/16/24	1,015,000	968,430
1.85%, due 9/16/26	2,670,000	2,311,271

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Auto Manufacturers (continued)</b>		
Volkswagen Group of America Finance LLC		
4.60%, due 6/8/29 (a)(b)	\$ 440,000	\$ 404,455
		<u>9,088,292</u>
<b>Banks 11.7%</b>		
Banco Santander SA		
5.294%, due 8/18/27	1,400,000	1,335,955
Bank of America Corp.		
2.087%, due 6/14/29 (c)	540,000	445,849
2.496%, due 2/13/31 (c)	755,000	595,090
3.593%, due 7/21/28 (c)	935,000	846,130
3.705%, due 4/24/28 (c)	830,000	758,196
4.25%, due 10/22/26	1,550,000	1,462,730
Series MM		
4.30%, due 1/28/25 (c)(d)	910,000	817,657
Barclays plc (d)(e)		
4.375% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.41%), due 3/15/28	2,135,000	1,459,206
8.00% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 5.431%), due 3/15/29	370,000	327,265
BNP Paribas SA (a)(d)(e)		
4.625% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.34%), due 2/25/31	1,825,000	1,265,589
7.75% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 4.899%), due 8/16/29	440,000	407,956
BPCE SA (a)		
5.125%, due 1/18/28	345,000	328,811
6.714%, due 10/19/29 (c)	410,000	404,220
Citigroup, Inc.		
3.887%, due 1/10/28 (c)	1,234,000	1,144,015
Series Y		
4.15% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.00%), due 11/15/26 (d)(e)	765,000	595,640
5.30%, due 5/6/44	774,000	630,836
Citizens Bank NA		
6.064%, due 10/24/25 (c)	860,000	822,393
Credit Agricole SA		
4.75% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.237%), due 3/23/29 (a)(d)(e)	1,780,000	1,317,568
Deutsche Bank AG		
3.035%, due 5/28/32 (c)	890,000	662,967

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Corporate Bonds (continued)</b>		
<b>Banks (continued)</b>		
Deutsche Bank AG (continued)		
6.589% (SOFR + 1.219%), due 11/16/27 (e)	\$ 1,515,000	\$ 1,454,287
First Horizon Bank		
5.75%, due 5/1/30	1,606,000	1,359,248
First Horizon Corp.		
4.00%, due 5/26/25	2,115,000	1,967,373
Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The)		
1.948%, due 10/21/27 (c)	1,305,000	1,144,505
1.992%, due 1/27/32 (c)	740,000	542,870
6.75%, due 10/1/37	770,000	752,188
HSBC Holdings plc		
3.973%, due 5/22/30 (c)	800,000	691,185
Intesa Sanpaolo SpA		
7.00%, due 11/21/25 (a)	435,000	436,845
JPMorgan Chase & Co. (c)		
2.182%, due 6/1/28	1,030,000	895,373
4.005%, due 4/23/29	1,030,000	938,053
Series HH		
4.60%, due 2/1/25 (d)	222,000	206,829
Lloyds Banking Group plc		
4.582%, due 12/10/25	2,643,000	2,513,668
4.976% (1 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 2.30%), due 8/11/33 (e)	680,000	590,281
Macquarie Group Ltd.		
2.871%, due 1/14/33 (a)(c)	1,770,000	1,308,076
Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.		
3.261% (1 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 1.25%), due 5/22/30 (b)(e)	610,000	518,758
Morgan Stanley (c)		
2.484%, due 9/16/36	2,195,000	1,552,775
2.511%, due 10/20/32	510,000	381,462
NatWest Group plc		
3.073% (1 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 2.55%), due 5/22/28 (e)	1,985,000	1,755,830
Santander Holdings USA, Inc.		
6.499%, due 3/9/29 (c)	630,000	609,320
Societe Generale SA (a)(d)(e)		
4.75% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.931%), due 5/26/26	395,000	316,696
5.375% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 4.514%), due 11/18/30	1,515,000	1,086,567

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Banks (continued)</b>		
UBS Group AG (a)		
3.091%, due 5/14/32 (c)	\$ 1,070,000	\$ 822,996
4.375% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.313%), due 2/10/31 (d)(e)	1,520,000	1,055,266
4.751% (1 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 1.75%), due 5/12/28 (e)	340,000	319,418
Wells Fargo & Co. (c)		
3.35%, due 3/2/33	700,000	551,157
3.526%, due 3/24/28	1,430,000	1,303,838
Wells Fargo Bank NA		
5.85%, due 2/1/37	175,000	161,393
Westpac Banking Corp.		
3.02% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 1.53%), due 11/18/36 (e)	2,013,000	1,447,946
		<u>42,312,276</u>
<b>Biotechnology 0.1%</b>		
Amgen, Inc.		
5.75%, due 3/2/63	450,000	<u>389,754</u>
<b>Chemicals 0.8%</b>		
Braskem Netherlands Finance BV		
4.50%, due 1/10/28 (a)	1,135,000	957,649
Huntsman International LLC		
4.50%, due 5/1/29	1,964,000	<u>1,756,670</u>
		<u>2,714,319</u>
<b>Commercial Services 0.3%</b>		
Ashtead Capital, Inc.		
4.00%, due 5/1/28 (a)	640,000	572,100
California Institute of Technology		
3.65%, due 9/1/2119	772,000	<u>446,471</u>
		<u>1,018,571</u>
<b>Computers 0.6%</b>		
Dell International LLC		
3.375%, due 12/15/41	1,145,000	737,603
5.30%, due 10/1/29	765,000	729,784
8.10%, due 7/15/36	215,000	233,178
NCR Voyix Corp.		
5.00%, due 10/1/28 (a)	603,000	<u>520,630</u>
		<u>2,221,195</u>
<b>Diversified Financial Services 3.0%</b>		
AerCap Ireland Capital DAC		
2.45%, due 10/29/26	2,300,000	2,045,917

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	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Corporate Bonds (continued)</b>		
<b>Diversified Financial Services (continued)</b>		
Aircastle Ltd.		
5.25% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 4.41%), due 6/15/26 (a)(d)(e)	\$ 965,000	\$ 756,702
Ally Financial, Inc.		
6.992%, due 6/13/29 (c)	270,000	258,078
8.00%, due 11/1/31	1,205,000	1,176,132
American Express Co.		
5.625%, due 7/28/34 (b)(c)	480,000	437,467
Aviation Capital Group LLC		
1.95%, due 1/30/26 (a)	1,330,000	1,195,952
Avolon Holdings Funding Ltd. (a)		
2.125%, due 2/21/26	1,385,000	1,235,280
3.25%, due 2/15/27	1,740,000	1,532,024
Banco BTG Pactual SA		
2.75%, due 1/11/26 (a)	880,000	809,606
Capital One Financial Corp.		
6.312%, due 6/8/29 (c)	905,000	866,513
OneMain Finance Corp.		
3.50%, due 1/15/27	575,000	485,875
		<u>10,799,546</u>
<b>Electric 3.5%</b>		
AEP Texas, Inc.		
4.70%, due 5/15/32	915,000	812,142
Alabama Power Co.		
3.00%, due 3/15/52	1,015,000	572,426
Arizona Public Service Co.		
2.20%, due 12/15/31	1,500,000	1,108,880
3.35%, due 5/15/50	1,320,000	775,856
Calpine Corp.		
5.125%, due 3/15/28 (a)	495,000	442,991
Duquesne Light Holdings, Inc.		
3.616%, due 8/1/27 (a)	990,000	879,211
Edison International		
Series B		
5.00% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 3.901%), due 12/15/26 (d)(e)	1,960,000	1,744,325
Ohio Power Co.		
Series R		
2.90%, due 10/1/51	585,000	326,714
Pacific Gas and Electric Co.		
3.50%, due 8/1/50	2,235,000	1,243,804
Public Service Co. of Oklahoma		
5.25%, due 1/15/33	340,000	312,986

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Electric (continued)</b>		
Sempra		
5.50%, due 8/1/33	\$ 740,000	\$ 688,187
Southern California Edison Co.		
4.00%, due 4/1/47	975,000	667,373
5.70%, due 3/1/53	685,000	595,448
Southwestern Electric Power Co.		
3.25%, due 11/1/51	1,060,000	597,285
Virginia Electric and Power Co.		
5.45%, due 4/1/53	415,000	353,731
5.70%, due 8/15/53	545,000	482,360
Xcel Energy, Inc.		
5.45%, due 8/15/33	935,000	871,196
		<u>12,474,915</u>
<b>Entertainment 0.2%</b>		
Warnermedia Holdings, Inc.		
4.279%, due 3/15/32	810,000	671,583
<b>Food 1.1%</b>		
J M Smucker Co. (The)		
6.50%, due 11/15/53	315,000	297,005
JBS USA LUX SA		
5.75%, due 4/1/33	1,395,000	1,232,090
MARB BondCo plc		
3.95%, due 1/29/31 (a)	1,240,000	910,268
Smithfield Foods, Inc. (a)		
4.25%, due 2/1/27	965,000	885,945
5.20%, due 4/1/29	580,000	523,265
		<u>3,848,573</u>
<b>Gas 0.7%</b>		
Brooklyn Union Gas Co. (The)		
6.388%, due 9/15/33 (a)	725,000	692,225
National Fuel Gas Co.		
2.95%, due 3/1/31	1,820,000	1,383,498
Piedmont Natural Gas Co., Inc.		
5.05%, due 5/15/52	620,000	483,681
		<u>2,559,404</u>
<b>Insurance 0.5%</b>		
Liberty Mutual Group, Inc.		
3.951%, due 10/15/50 (a)	1,610,000	1,017,611
Nippon Life Insurance Co.		
3.40% (5 Year Treasury Constant Maturity Rate + 2.612%), due 1/23/50 (a)(b)(e)	290,000	240,086

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Corporate Bonds (continued)</b>		
<b>Insurance (continued)</b>		
Willis North America, Inc.		
2.95%, due 9/15/29	\$ 700,000	\$ 586,900
		<u>1,844,597</u>
<b>Media 0.2%</b>		
CCO Holdings LLC		
4.75%, due 3/1/30 (a)	495,000	408,337
DISH DBS Corp.		
5.75%, due 12/1/28 (a)	635,000	461,169
		<u>869,506</u>
<b>Miscellaneous—Manufacturing 0.4%</b>		
Textron Financial Corp.		
7.361% (3 Month SOFR + 1.997%), due 2/15/42 (a)(e)	1,685,000	1,314,351
<b>Oil &amp; Gas 0.3%</b>		
Gazprom PJSC Via Gaz Capital SA		
4.95%, due 2/6/28 (a)(f)	1,521,000	1,038,082
<b>Packaging &amp; Containers 0.1%</b>		
Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc.		
6.625%, due 5/13/27 (a)	571,000	542,450
<b>Pharmaceuticals 0.4%</b>		
Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands III BV		
3.15%, due 10/1/26	1,653,000	1,455,342
<b>Pipelines 2.9%</b>		
Cheniere Corpus Christi Holdings LLC		
2.742%, due 12/31/39	1,385,000	998,500
Columbia Pipelines Operating Co. LLC		
6.544%, due 11/15/53 (a)	625,000	574,080
DT Midstream, Inc.		
4.30%, due 4/15/32 (a)	1,125,000	947,678
Enbridge, Inc.		
5.70%, due 3/8/33	915,000	855,556
Energy Transfer LP		
5.35%, due 5/15/45	940,000	738,666
EnLink Midstream LLC		
5.625%, due 1/15/28 (a)	475,000	447,889
Flex Intermediate Holdco LLC		
3.363%, due 6/30/31 (a)	2,120,000	1,597,762
Hess Midstream Operations LP (a)		
4.25%, due 2/15/30	565,000	483,457

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Pipelines (continued)</b>		
Hess Midstream Operations LP (a) (continued)		
5.625%, due 2/15/26	\$ 726,000	\$ 703,087
MPLX LP		
5.65%, due 3/1/53	460,000	378,373
Targa Resources Corp.		
4.20%, due 2/1/33	640,000	530,472
Venture Global LNG, Inc.		
9.875%, due 2/1/32 (a)	535,000	542,484
Western Midstream Operating LP		
5.25%, due 2/1/50 (g)	1,240,000	916,310
Williams Cos., Inc. (The)		
3.50%, due 10/15/51	1,095,000	661,801
		<u>10,376,115</u>
<b>Real Estate Investment Trusts 0.4%</b>		
Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.		
3.375%, due 8/15/31	415,000	336,743
Invitation Homes Operating Partnership LP		
2.00%, due 8/15/31	1,490,000	1,072,842
Iron Mountain, Inc.		
4.875%, due 9/15/29 (a)	185,000	161,146
		<u>1,570,731</u>
<b>Retail 0.3%</b>		
AutoNation, Inc.		
4.75%, due 6/1/30	756,000	662,161
Nordstrom, Inc.		
4.25%, due 8/1/31	625,000	457,863
		<u>1,120,024</u>
<b>Telecommunications 0.3%</b>		
Altice France SA		
5.125%, due 7/15/29 (a)	1,060,000	725,741
AT&T, Inc.		
5.40%, due 2/15/34	400,000	367,532
		<u>1,093,273</u>
<b>Trucking &amp; Leasing 0.2%</b>		
Penske Truck Leasing Co. LP		
6.05%, due 8/1/28 (a)	710,000	696,572
Total Corporate Bonds (Cost \$141,873,846)		<u>117,899,150</u>

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# Portfolio of Investments October 31, 2023<sup>†</sup> (continued)

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Foreign Government Bonds 2.0%</b>		
<b>Chile 0.4%</b>		
Empresa Nacional del Petroleo		
3.45%, due 9/16/31 (a)	\$ 1,615,000	\$ 1,252,845
<b>Colombia 0.3%</b>		
Colombia Government Bond		
3.25%, due 4/22/32 (b)	1,485,000	1,062,408
<b>Mexico 1.3%</b>		
Comision Federal de Electricidad		
3.875%, due 7/26/33 (a)	2,445,000	1,772,262
Petroleos Mexicanos		
6.50%, due 3/13/27	2,730,000	2,408,135
6.75%, due 9/21/47	1,080,000	611,715
		<u>4,792,112</u>
Total Foreign Government Bonds (Cost \$9,393,744)		<u>7,107,365</u>

## Loan Assignments 0.2%

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Diversified/Conglomerate Service 0.2%</b>		
TruGreen LP		
First Lien Second Refinancing Term Loan		
9.424% (1 Month SOFR + 4.00%), due 11/2/27 (e)	596,302	558,139
Total Loan Assignments (Cost \$592,823)		<u>558,139</u>

## Mortgage-Backed Securities 41.1%

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) 19.0%</b>		
FHLMC		
REMIC, Series 5326, Class Q0 (zero coupon), due 9/25/50	1,413,872	923,918
REMIC, Series 5021, Class SA (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 3.55%), due 10/25/50 (e)(h)	2,292,167	23,054
REMIC, Series 5200, Class SA (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 3.50%), due 2/25/52 (e)(h)	336,858	3,075
REMIC, Series 5326 (zero coupon), due 8/25/53	437,335	304,469
REMIC, Series 5351, Class D0 (zero coupon), due 9/25/53	835,000	559,737
REMIC, Series 5315, Class OQ (zero coupon), due 1/25/55	699,391	543,711

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
FHLMC (continued)		
REMIC, Series 5328, Class JY 0.25%, due 9/25/50	\$ 1,307,758	\$ 805,578
REMIC, Series 4993, Class KS 0.615% (SOFR 30A + 5.936%), due 7/25/50 (e)(h)	3,101,887	299,910
REMIC, Series 4994, Class TS 0.665% (SOFR 30A + 5.986%), due 7/25/50 (e)(h)	1,558,452	140,935
REMIC, Series 5092, Class XA 1.00%, due 1/15/41	996,090	792,203
REMIC, Series 4988, Class BA 1.50%, due 6/25/50	350,393	233,637
REMIC, Series 4120, Class ZA 3.00%, due 10/15/42	695,198	582,028
REMIC, Series 4913, Class UA 3.00%, due 3/15/49	1,135,331	948,123
REMIC, Series 5070, Class PI 3.00%, due 8/25/50 (h)	1,487,525	263,831
REMIC, Series 5011, Class MI 3.00%, due 9/25/50 (h)	1,336,043	207,801
REMIC, Series 5094, Class IP 3.00%, due 4/25/51 (h)	1,161,944	180,841
REMIC, Series 5160 3.00%, due 10/25/51 (h)	1,270,767	156,076
REMIC, Series 4710, Class WZ 3.50%, due 8/15/47	862,152	715,905
REMIC, Series 4725, Class WZ 3.50%, due 11/15/47	1,547,793	1,279,661
REMIC, Series 5304, Class UB 4.00%, due 2/25/52	1,186,430	1,031,744
REMIC, Series 5268, Class B 4.50%, due 10/25/52	816,614	735,843
FHLMC, Strips		
Series 272 (zero coupon), due 8/15/42	938,519	663,675
Series 311 (zero coupon), due 8/15/43	531,329	371,963
Series 402 (zero coupon), due 9/25/53	999,862	744,006
Series 311, Class S1 0.515% (SOFR 30A + 5.836%), due 8/15/43 (e)(h)	1,471,435	114,502
Series 389, Class C35 2.00%, due 6/15/52 (h)	2,329,429	282,443



	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
FNMA		
REMIC, Series 2022-3, Class YS (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 2.55%), due 2/25/52 (e)(h)	\$ 8,060,833	\$ 14,988
REMIC, Series 2022-5, Class SN (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 1.80%), due 2/25/52 (e)(h)	1,004,687	418
REMIC, Series 2023-45 (zero coupon), due 10/25/53	828,100	574,016
REMIC, Series 2023-24, Class OQ (zero coupon), due 7/25/54	899,860	702,186
REMIC, Series 2022-10, Class SA 0.429% (SOFR 30A + 5.75%), due 2/25/52 (e)(h)	2,208,783	199,754
REMIC, Series 2021-40, Class SI 0.515% (SOFR 30A + 5.836%), due 9/25/47 (e)(h)	1,764,553	126,080
REMIC, Series 2016-57, Class SN 0.615% (SOFR 30A + 5.936%), due 6/25/46 (e)(h)	1,462,003	107,796
REMIC, Series 2020-70, Class SD 0.815% (SOFR 30A + 6.136%), due 10/25/50 (e)(h)	1,549,188	148,510
REMIC, Series 2020-47, Class BD 1.50%, due 7/25/50	302,738	200,872
REMIC, Series 2020-70, Class AD 1.50%, due 10/25/50	1,788,582	1,307,632
REMIC, Series 2020-49, Class PB 1.75%, due 7/25/50	407,004	292,936
REMIC, Series 2021-10, Class LI 2.50%, due 3/25/51 (h)	678,554	95,843
REMIC, Series 2021-12, Class JI 2.50%, due 3/25/51 (h)	1,013,541	160,187
REMIC, Series 2021-34, Class MI 2.50%, due 3/25/51 (h)	6,200,430	701,817
REMIC, Series 2021-54, Class HI 2.50%, due 6/25/51 (h)	466,014	60,572
REMIC, Series 2013-77, Class CY 3.00%, due 7/25/43	1,975,259	1,616,948
REMIC, Series 2017-83, Class CZ 3.00%, due 10/25/47	1,439,929	1,176,986
REMIC, Series 2021-53, Class GI 3.00%, due 7/25/48 (h)	7,596,082	1,171,701
REMIC, Series 2019-13, Class PE 3.00%, due 3/25/49	1,107,295	935,623
REMIC, Series 2021-85, Class BI 3.00%, due 12/25/51 (h)	2,759,031	453,399

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
FNMA (continued)		
REMIC, Series 2021-12, Class GC 3.50%, due 7/25/50	\$ 1,488,635	\$ 1,248,167
REMIC, Series 2021-8, Class ID 3.50%, due 3/25/51 (h)	1,797,325	356,979
FNMA, Strips (h)		
REMIC, Series 426, Class C32 1.50%, due 2/25/52	3,515,250	327,857
REMIC, Series 427, Class C77 2.50%, due 9/25/51	2,822,116	409,573
REMIC, Series 429, Class C5 3.00%, due 10/25/52	3,748,465	657,330
GNMA		
Series 2020-1, Class YS (zero coupon) (1 Month SOFR + 2.716%), due 1/20/50 (e)(h)	2,433,633	8,282
Series 2020-129, Class SB (zero coupon) (1 Month SOFR + 3.086%), due 9/20/50 (e)(h)	3,402,422	16,219
Series 2023-101, Class KO (zero coupon), due 1/20/51	2,023,400	1,265,696
Series 2021-77, Class SN (zero coupon) (1 Month SOFR + 2.486%), due 5/20/51 (e)(h)	5,641,909	16,046
Series 2021-97, Class SA (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 2.60%), due 6/20/51 (e)(h)	4,669,351	12,994
Series 2021-158, Class SB (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 3.70%), due 9/20/51 (e)(h)	2,784,925	37,286
Series 2021-205, Class DS (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 3.20%), due 11/20/51 (e)(h)	5,590,001	27,724
Series 2021-213, Class ES (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 1.70%), due 12/20/51 (e)(h)	12,940,133	4,629
Series 2022-19, Class SG (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 2.45%), due 1/20/52 (e)(h)	4,365,578	8,252
Series 2022-24, Class SC (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 2.37%), due 2/20/52 (e)(h)	22,502,638	32,575
Series 2022-34, Class HS (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 4.10%), due 2/20/52 (e)(h)	4,375,495	103,796
Series 2023-56 (zero coupon), due 7/20/52	1,249,269	1,108,217

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	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
GNMA (continued)		
Series 2023-66, Class OQ (zero coupon), due 7/20/52	\$ 1,242,725	\$ 909,666
Series 2023-53 (zero coupon), due 4/20/53	577,055	394,326
Series 2023-80, Class SA (zero coupon) (SOFR 30A + 5.25%), due 6/20/53 (e)(h)	5,114,100	148,874
Series 2023-60, Class ES 0.557% (SOFR 30A + 11.20%), due 4/20/53 (e)	1,344,472	1,163,403
Series 2020-146, Class SA 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 10/20/50 (e)(h)	1,759,603	173,922
Series 2020-167, Class SN 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 11/20/50 (e)(h)	868,015	80,662
Series 2021-179, Class SA 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 11/20/50 (e)(h)	2,572,573	243,966
Series 2020-189, Class SU 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 12/20/50 (e)(h)	577,247	55,827
Series 2021-46, Class QS 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 3/20/51 (e)(h)	1,037,442	101,580
Series 2021-46, Class TS 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 3/20/51 (e)(h)	1,253,839	123,437
Series 2021-57, Class SA 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 3/20/51 (e)(h)	2,045,976	199,293
Series 2021-57, Class SD 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 3/20/51 (e)(h)	2,536,010	244,860
Series 2021-96, Class NS 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 6/20/51 (e)(h)	3,357,531	322,885
Series 2021-96, Class SN 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 6/20/51 (e)(h)	2,294,078	213,125
Series 2021-97, Class SM 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 6/20/51 (e)(h)	2,471,660	240,399
Series 2021-122, Class HS 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 7/20/51 (e)(h)	2,052,162	215,682

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
GNMA (continued)		
Series 2022-137, Class S 0.846% (1 Month SOFR + 6.186%), due 7/20/51 (e)(h)	\$ 2,337,517	\$ 223,963
Series 2021-96, Class JS 0.896% (1 Month SOFR + 6.236%), due 6/20/51 (e)(h)	1,813,374	149,362
Series 2020-97, Class HB 1.00%, due 7/20/50	547,190	375,776
Series 2020-146, Class YK 1.00%, due 10/20/50	1,129,672	787,578
Series 2020-166, Class CA 1.00%, due 11/20/50	1,296,596	889,896
Series 2023-86, Class SE 1.329% (SOFR 30A + 6.65%), due 9/20/50 (e)(h)	1,594,163	169,862
Series 2020-165, Class UD 1.50%, due 11/20/50	481,989	339,747
Series 2023-66, Class MP 1.657% (SOFR 30A + 12.30%), due 5/20/53 (e)	1,306,708	1,119,513
Series 2021-41, Class FS 2.00% (SOFR 30A + 0.20%), due 10/20/50 (e)(h)	2,692,676	293,515
Series 2020-166, Class IC 2.00%, due 11/20/50 (h)	1,239,446	123,753
Series 2020-185, Class BI 2.00%, due 12/20/50 (h)	1,350,262	147,283
Series 2022-10, Class IC 2.00%, due 11/20/51 (h)	1,949,162	225,936
Series 2021-97, Class IN 2.50%, due 8/20/49 (h)	3,079,878	327,578
Series 2022-1, Class IA 2.50%, due 6/20/50 (h)	471,589	63,683
Series 2020-122, Class IW 2.50%, due 7/20/50 (h)	1,613,758	207,859
Series 2020-151, Class TI 2.50%, due 10/20/50 (h)	1,509,257	195,261
Series 2020-173, Class EI 2.50%, due 11/20/50 (h)	1,705,849	230,338
Series 2021-1, Class PI 2.50%, due 12/20/50 (h)	809,889	102,934
Series 2021-83, Class FM 2.50% (SOFR 30A + 0.51%), due 5/20/51 (e)	2,421,551	1,792,010
Series 2021-140, Class GF 2.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.764%), due 8/20/51 (e)	908,382	672,028

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
GNMA (continued)		
Series 2021-177, Class CI 2.50%, due 10/20/51 (h)	\$ 1,749,145	\$ 226,650
Series 2021-188 2.50%, due 10/20/51 (h)	2,920,943	418,634
Series 2022-83 2.50%, due 11/20/51 (h)	2,132,505	278,779
Series 2022-1, Class CF 2.50% (SOFR 30A + 0.80%), due 1/20/52 (e)	1,804,799	1,332,672
Series 2021-1, Class IT 3.00%, due 1/20/51 (h)	1,883,031	281,099
Series 2021-44, Class IQ 3.00%, due 3/20/51 (h)	2,739,444	410,235
Series 2021-74, Class HI 3.00%, due 4/20/51 (h)	333,712	49,404
Series 2021-97, Class FA 3.00% (SOFR 30A + 0.40%), due 6/20/51 (e)	590,630	476,238
Series 2021-98, Class IN 3.00%, due 6/20/51 (h)	1,103,862	195,763
Series 2021-98, Class KI 3.00%, due 6/20/51 (h)	5,961,037	968,787
Series 2022-189, Class AT 3.00%, due 7/20/51	1,378,446	1,122,256
Series 2021-139, Class IA 3.00%, due 8/20/51 (h)	7,700,231	1,215,302
Series 2022-207 3.00%, due 8/20/51 (h)	1,736,189	274,481
Series 2023-19, Class CI 3.00%, due 11/20/51 (h)	2,251,756	347,516
Series 2022-207, Class NA 3.00%, due 1/20/52	2,194,444	1,759,424
Series 2022-206, Class CN 3.00%, due 2/20/52	738,122	597,379
Series 2019-92, Class GF 3.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.804%), due 7/20/49 (e)	594,607	483,721
Series 2019-97, Class FG 3.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.804%), due 8/20/49 (e)	1,236,863	1,005,964
Series 2019-110, Class FG 3.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.764%), due 9/20/49 (e)	429,008	348,630
Series 2019-128, Class KF 3.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.764%), due 10/20/49 (e)	651,253	528,841

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Agency (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
GNMA (continued)		
Series 2019-128, Class YF 3.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.764%), due 10/20/49 (e)	\$ 847,347	\$ 689,938
Series 2020-5, Class FA 3.50% (1 Month SOFR + 0.814%), due 1/20/50 (e)	1,128,134	916,539
Series 2023-63, Class MA 3.50%, due 5/20/50	2,666,633	2,271,725
Series 2021-125, Class AF 3.50% (SOFR 30A + 0.25%), due 7/20/51 (e)	1,300,803	1,068,007
Series 2021-146, Class IN 3.50%, due 8/20/51 (h)	1,972,524	357,732
Series 2023-1, Class HD 3.50%, due 1/20/52	2,080,004	1,766,253
Series 2022-206, Class WN 4.00%, due 10/20/49	910,392	789,550
Series 2022-69, Class FA 4.50% (SOFR 30A + 0.75%), due 4/20/52 (e)	721,221	639,794
Series 2023-81, Class LA 5.00%, due 6/20/52	837,407	792,542
Series 2023-38, Class WT 6.768%, due 12/20/51 (i)	549,998	552,824
Series 2023-59, Class YC 6.954%, due 9/20/51 (i)	1,392,505	1,434,763
Series 2023-55, Class CG 7.496%, due 7/20/51 (i)	1,341,637	1,399,975
Series 2023-55, Class LB 7.917%, due 11/20/51 (i)	1,618,573	1,764,503
Series 2019-136, Class YS 9.674% (1 Month SOFR + 2.716%), due 11/20/49 (e)(h)	781,410	2,452
		<u>68,636,709</u>
<b>Commercial Mortgage Loans (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) 7.8%</b>		
BAMLL Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2022-DKLX, Class D 8.335% (1 Month SOFR + 3.00%), due 1/15/39	400,000	385,763
Series 2022-DKLX, Class F 10.292% (1 Month SOFR + 4.957%), due 1/15/39	800,000	762,961

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	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Commercial Mortgage Loans (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
Bayview Commercial Asset Trust		
Series 2006-4A, Class A1 5.784% (1 Month SOFR + 0.459%), due 12/25/36 (a)(e)	\$ 20,667	\$ 18,842
BBCMS Mortgage Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2018-TALL, Class B 6.503% (1 Month SOFR + 1.168%), due 3/15/37	185,000	160,487
Series 2018-TALL, Class C 6.653% (1 Month SOFR + 1.318%), due 3/15/37	575,000	461,438
Series 2018-TALL, Class D 6.981% (1 Month SOFR + 1.646%), due 3/15/37	700,000	531,641
BX Commercial Mortgage Trust (a)		
Series 2020-VIVA, Class D 3.549%, due 3/11/44 (j)	805,000	622,013
Series 2021-VOLT, Class C 6.549% (1 Month SOFR + 1.214%), due 9/15/36 (e)	970,000	931,833
BX Trust (a)		
Series 2019-OC11, Class C 3.856%, due 12/9/41	1,709,000	1,402,586
Series 2019-OC11, Class E 3.944%, due 12/9/41 (j)	1,159,000	899,883
Series 2023-LIFE, Class A 5.045%, due 2/15/28	450,000	416,703
Series 2023-LIFE, Class B 5.391%, due 2/15/28	535,000	495,181
Series 2022-PSB, Class B 8.283% (1 Month SOFR + 2.949%), due 8/15/39 (e)	327,734	327,719
Series 2022-PSB, Class C 9.032% (1 Month SOFR + 3.697%), due 8/15/39 (e)	584,607	584,541
BXHPP Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2021-FILM, Class A 6.098% (1 Month SOFR + 0.764%), due 8/15/36	870,000	819,231
Series 2021-FILM, Class B 6.348% (1 Month SOFR + 1.014%), due 8/15/36	500,000	456,268
Citigroup Commercial Mortgage Trust		
Series 2023-SMRT, Class A 5.82%, due 10/12/40 (a)(i)	855,000	823,565

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Commercial Mortgage Loans (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
Commercial Mortgage Trust		
Series 2015-LC21, Class A4 3.708%, due 7/10/48	\$ 245,000	\$ 234,017
CSMC WEST Trust		
Series 2020-WEST, Class A 3.04%, due 2/15/35 (a)	1,685,000	1,176,839
FREM Mortgage Trust (a)(j)		
Series 2015-K42, Class B 3.848%, due 1/25/48	400,000	386,849
Series 2018-K78, Class C 4.129%, due 6/25/51	355,000	320,432
GNMA (h)(j)		
Series 2020-177 0.817%, due 6/16/62	4,254,885	243,820
Series 2021-164 0.948%, due 10/16/63	3,290,667	223,845
Series 2021-108 0.967%, due 6/16/61	4,808,231	322,684
Series 2020-168, Class IA 0.978%, due 12/16/62	2,472,597	169,980
Series 2021-47 0.992%, due 3/16/61	5,790,048	395,632
J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust		
Series 2021-2NU, Class A 1.974%, due 1/5/40 (a)	1,500,000	1,130,420
Manhattan West Mortgage Trust		
Series 2020-1MW, Class A 2.13%, due 9/10/39 (a)	100,000	84,816
Morgan Stanley Bank of America Merrill Lynch Trust		
Series 2017-C34, Class A4 3.536%, due 11/15/52	475,000	428,390
Multifamily Connecticut Avenue Securities Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2019-01, Class M10 8.685% (SOFR 30A + 3.364%), due 10/25/49	2,253,515	2,169,942
Series 2020-01, Class M10 9.185% (SOFR 30A + 3.864%), due 3/25/50	1,669,159	1,594,158
One Bryant Park Trust		
Series 2019-OBP, Class A 2.516%, due 9/15/54 (a)	1,505,000	1,178,523
One Market Plaza Trust		
Series 2017-1MKT, Class A 3.614%, due 2/10/32 (a)	1,120,000	1,019,200

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Commercial Mortgage Loans (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
ORL Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2023-GLKS, Class C 8.985% (1 Month SOFR + 3.651%), due 10/15/28	\$ 1,060,000	\$ 1,055,795
Series 2023-GLKS, Class D 9.636% (1 Month SOFR + 4.301%), due 10/15/28	625,000	622,374
SLG Office Trust (a)		
Series 2021-OVA, Class A 2.585%, due 7/15/41	1,065,000	807,813
Series 2021-OVA, Class F 2.851%, due 7/15/41	660,000	428,976
SMRT		
Series 2022-MINI, Class D 7.285% (1 Month SOFR + 1.95%), due 1/15/39 (a)(e)	1,155,000	1,092,783
Wells Fargo Commercial Mortgage Trust		
Series 2018-AUS, Class A 4.058%, due 8/17/36 (a)(j)	1,250,000	1,103,262
WFRBS Commercial Mortgage Trust		
Series 2014-C21, Class AS 3.891%, due 8/15/47	1,815,000	1,719,536
		<u>28,010,741</u>

**Whole Loan (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) 14.3%**

American Home Mortgage Investment Trust		
Series 2005-4, Class 3A1 6.039% (1 Month SOFR + 0.714%), due 11/25/45 (e)	641,957	432,577
CIM Trust		
Series 2021-J2, Class AS 0.21%, due 4/25/51 (a)(h)(i)	31,353,207	333,423
Connecticut Avenue Securities Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2022-R01, Class 1M2 7.221% (SOFR 30A + 1.90%), due 12/25/41	405,000	398,930
Series 2020-R02, Class 2M2 7.435% (SOFR 30A + 2.114%), due 1/25/40	227,970	228,254
Series 2021-R03, Class 1B1 8.071% (SOFR 30A + 2.75%), due 12/25/41	1,725,000	1,705,973
Series 2021-R01, Class 1B1 8.421% (SOFR 30A + 3.10%), due 10/25/41	2,285,000	2,277,885

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Whole Loan (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
Connecticut Avenue Securities Trust (a)(e) (continued)		
Series 2022-R01, Class 1B1 8.471% (SOFR 30A + 3.15%), due 12/25/41	\$ 815,000	\$ 812,458
Series 2022-R02, Class 2B1 9.821% (SOFR 30A + 4.50%), due 1/25/42	1,720,000	1,754,096
Series 2021-R03, Class 1B2 10.821% (SOFR 30A + 5.50%), due 12/25/41	805,000	788,561
Series 2022-R08, Class 1B1 10.921% (SOFR 30A + 5.60%), due 7/25/42	380,000	407,446
Series 2021-R01, Class 1B2 11.321% (SOFR 30A + 6.00%), due 10/25/41	1,765,000	1,753,969
Series 2022-R01, Class 1B2 11.321% (SOFR 30A + 6.00%), due 12/25/41	700,000	696,251
FHLMC STACR REMIC Trust (a)(e)		
Series 2021-HQA2, Class M2 7.371% (SOFR 30A + 2.05%), due 12/25/33	2,048,000	2,019,755
Series 2021-HQA4, Class M2 7.671% (SOFR 30A + 2.35%), due 12/25/41	2,220,000	2,150,625
Series 2020-DNA1, Class B1 7.735% (SOFR 30A + 2.414%), due 1/25/50	1,000,000	1,003,737
Series 2022-DNA1, Class M2 7.821% (SOFR 30A + 2.50%), due 1/25/42	1,635,000	1,598,212
Series 2020-DNA6, Class B1 8.321% (SOFR 30A + 3.00%), due 12/25/50	440,000	441,645
Series 2021-DNA5, Class B1 8.371% (SOFR 30A + 3.05%), due 1/25/34	2,010,000	2,010,000
Series 2021-HQA2, Class B1 8.471% (SOFR 30A + 3.15%), due 12/25/33	1,200,000	1,185,000
Series 2021-HQA3, Class B1 8.671% (SOFR 30A + 3.35%), due 9/25/41	865,000	858,513
Series 2021-DNA6, Class B1 8.721% (SOFR 30A + 3.40%), due 10/25/41	1,500,000	1,507,500

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<b>Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)</b>		
<b>Whole Loan (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
FHLMC STACR REMIC Trust (a)(e) (continued)		
Series 2022-DNA1, Class B1 8.721% (SOFR 30A + 3.40%), due 1/25/42	\$ 2,250,000	\$ 2,227,500
Series 2021-DNA7, Class B1 8.971% (SOFR 30A + 3.65%), due 11/25/41	1,230,000	1,245,531
Series 2021-HQA4, Class B1 9.071% (SOFR 30A + 3.75%), due 12/25/41	1,055,000	1,049,085
Series 2022-DNA2, Class M2 9.071% (SOFR 30A + 3.75%), due 2/25/42	1,480,000	1,500,350
Series 2022-DNA3, Class M2 9.671% (SOFR 30A + 4.35%), due 4/25/42	2,115,000	2,193,319
Series 2020-HQA1, Class B2 10.535% (SOFR 30A + 5.214%), due 1/25/50	1,142,000	1,132,877
Series 2022-HQA3, Class M2 10.671% (SOFR 30A + 5.35%), due 8/25/42	2,170,000	2,291,986
Series 2022-DNA6, Class M2 11.071% (SOFR 30A + 5.75%), due 9/25/42	1,515,000	1,645,169
Series 2021-DNA3, Class B2 11.571% (SOFR 30A + 6.25%), due 10/25/33	730,000	763,733
FHLMC STACR Trust Series 2018-HQA2, Class B2 16.435% (SOFR 30A + 11.114%), due 10/25/48 (a)(e)	1,395,000	1,687,452
FHLMC Structured Agency Credit Risk Debt Notes Series 2022-HQA2, Class M2 11.321% (SOFR 30A + 6.00%), due 7/25/42 (a)(e)	1,015,000	1,097,721
FNMA Series 2021-R02, Class 2B1 8.621% (SOFR 30A + 3.30%), due 11/25/41 (a)(e)	335,000	332,488
HarborView Mortgage Loan Trust Series 2007-3, Class 2A1A 5.848% (1 Month SOFR + 0.514%), due 5/19/47 (e)	693,596	628,045
J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust Series 2021-LTV2, Class A1 2.519%, due 5/25/52 (a)(i)	768,569	578,452

	Principal Amount	Value
<b>Whole Loan (Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) (continued)</b>		
New Residential Mortgage Loan Trust (a)		
Series 2019-5A, Class B7 4.325%, due 8/25/59 (j)	\$ 4,486,003	\$ 2,451,725
Series 2019-4A, Class B6 4.621%, due 12/25/58 (i)	4,256,265	2,330,893
Series 2019-2A, Class B6 4.832%, due 12/25/57 (i)	1,596,029	941,478
OBX Trust		
Series 2022-NQM1, Class A1 2.305%, due 11/25/61 (a)(i)	537,096	436,855
Onslow Bay Mortgage Loan Trust		
Series 2021-NQM4, Class A1 1.957%, due 10/25/61 (a)(i)	700,012	540,255
Sequoia Mortgage Trust		
Series 2021-4, Class A1 0.167%, due 6/25/51 (a)(h)(j)	26,140,372	209,418
STACR Trust		
Series 2018-HRP2, Class B1 9.635% (SOFR 30A + 4.314%), due 2/25/47 (a)(e)	1,765,000	1,887,932
		<u>51,537,074</u>
Total Mortgage-Backed Securities (Cost \$159,397,335)		<u>148,184,524</u>

## **U.S. Government & Federal Agencies 9.6%**

### **Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Mortgage Pass-Through Securities) 4.5%**

FHLMC Gold Pools, 30 Year 6.50%, due 4/1/37	31,973	32,881
FHLMC Gold Pools, Other 4.00%, due 6/1/42	889,137	791,862
UMBS Pool, 20 Year 5.00%, due 7/1/43	1,581,775	1,482,481
UMBS Pool, 30 Year 2.50%, due 7/1/51	1,360,782	1,048,003
2.50%, due 3/1/52	2,538,430	1,952,181
3.00%, due 1/1/52	1,043,126	836,758
3.00%, due 2/1/52	734,634	591,403
3.50%, due 4/1/52	717,240	600,258
4.50%, due 5/1/53	889,268	794,837
5.50%, due 7/1/53	1,455,264	1,380,786
5.50%, due 7/1/53	758,697	720,431
6.00%, due 1/1/53	2,166,517	2,117,401
6.50%, due 10/1/53	1,946,943	1,936,780
6.50%, due 11/1/53	2,010,000	1,998,883
		<u>16,284,945</u>



	Principal Amount	Value
<b>U.S. Government &amp; Federal Agencies (continued)</b>		
<b>Federal National Mortgage Association (Mortgage Pass-Through Securities) 4.2%</b>		
FNMA, Other		
4.00%, due 3/1/42	\$ 503,207	\$ 444,371
4.00%, due 1/1/43	916,079	821,475
4.38%, due 7/1/28	1,000,000	951,338
6.00%, due 4/1/37	3,749	3,756
UMBS, 20 Year		
5.00%, due 5/1/43	1,791,530	1,679,809
UMBS, 30 Year		
3.00%, due 12/1/47	160,433	132,645
3.50%, due 12/1/44	660,486	574,239
3.50%, due 11/1/50	393,045	331,829
3.50%, due 7/1/52	780,071	650,538
5.00%, due 3/1/53	4,276,677	3,944,498
5.50%, due 8/1/53	944,797	897,449
6.00%, due 7/1/39	214,704	215,348
6.00%, due 3/1/53	191,129	186,739
6.00%, due 8/1/53	842,424	820,484
6.00%, due 9/1/53	569,301	554,441
6.00%, due 9/1/53	1,987,118	1,935,089
6.50%, due 10/1/39	209,966	212,091
6.50%, due 10/1/53	825,000	822,221
		<u>15,178,360</u>
<b>United States Treasury Bonds 0.6%</b>		
U.S. Treasury Bonds		
4.125%, due 8/15/53	2,590,000	<u>2,215,664</u>
<b>United States Treasury Inflation - Indexed Notes 0.2%</b>		
U.S. Treasury Inflation Linked Notes (k)		
0.125%, due 1/15/30	161,101	139,082
0.875%, due 1/15/29	383,018	<u>352,653</u>
		<u>491,735</u>
<b>United States Treasury Notes 0.1%</b>		
U.S. Treasury Notes		
4.875%, due 10/31/28	465,000	<u>465,981</u>
Total U.S. Government & Federal Agencies		
(Cost \$36,253,331)		<u>34,636,685</u>
Total Long-Term Bonds		
(Cost \$397,542,669)		<u>353,737,893</u>

	Shares	Value
<b>Common Stocks 0.0% ‡</b>		
<b>Commercial Services &amp; Supplies 0.0% ‡</b>		
Quad/Graphics, Inc. (l)	1	\$ 5
Total Common Stocks		<u>5</u>
(Cost \$0)		<u>5</u>
<b>Short-Term Investments 1.3%</b>		
<b>Affiliated Investment Company 1.0%</b>		
MainStay U.S. Government Liquidity		
Fund, 5.275% (m)	3,806,469	<u>3,806,469</u>
<b>Unaffiliated Investment Company 0.3%</b>		
Invesco Government & Agency Portfolio,		
5.357% (m)(n)	983,889	<u>983,889</u>
Total Short-Term Investments		<u>4,790,358</u>
(Cost \$4,790,358)		<u>4,790,358</u>
Total Investments		
(Cost \$402,333,027)	99.5%	358,528,256
Other Assets, Less Liabilities	<u>0.5</u>	<u>1,878,434</u>
Net Assets	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$ 360,406,690</u>

† Percentages indicated are based on Fund net assets.

^ Industry classifications may be different than those used for compliance monitoring purposes.

‡ Less than one-tenth of a percent.

- (a) May be sold to institutional investors only under Rule 144A or securities offered pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (b) All or a portion of this security was held on loan. As of October 31, 2023, the aggregate market value of securities on loan was \$944,348. The Fund received cash collateral with a value of \$983,889. (See Note 2(J))
- (c) Fixed to floating rate—Rate shown was the rate in effect as of October 31, 2023.
- (d) Security is perpetual and, thus, does not have a predetermined maturity date. The date shown, if applicable, reflects the next call date.
- (e) Floating rate—Rate shown was the rate in effect as of October 31, 2023.
- (f) Illiquid security—As of October 31, 2023, the total market value deemed illiquid under procedures approved by the Board of Trustees was \$1,038,082, which represented 0.3% of the Fund's net assets. (Unaudited)
- (g) Step coupon—Rate shown was the rate in effect as of October 31, 2023.

# Portfolio of Investments October 31, 2023<sup>†</sup> (continued)

- (h) Collateralized Mortgage Obligation Interest Only Strip—Pays a fixed or variable rate of interest based on mortgage loans or mortgage pass-through securities. The principal amount of the underlying pool represents the notional amount on which the current interest was calculated. The value of these stripped securities may be particularly sensitive to changes in prevailing interest rates and are typically more sensitive to changes in prepayment rates than traditional mortgage-backed securities.
- (i) Coupon rate may change based on changes of the underlying collateral or prepayments of principal. Rate shown was the rate in effect as of October 31, 2023.
- (j) Collateral strip rate—A bond whose interest was based on the weighted net interest rate of the collateral. The coupon rate adjusts periodically based on a predetermined schedule. Rate shown was the rate in effect as of October 31, 2023.
- (k) Treasury Inflation Protected Security—Pays a fixed rate of interest on a principal amount that is continuously adjusted for inflation based on the Consumer Price Index-Urban Consumers.
- (l) Non-income producing security.
- (m) Current yield as of October 31, 2023.
- (n) Represents a security purchased with cash collateral received for securities on loan.

## Investments in Affiliates (in 000's)

Investments in issuers considered to be affiliate(s) of the Fund during the year ended October 31, 2023 for purposes of Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, were as follows:

Affiliated Investment Companies	Value, Beginning of Year	Purchases at Cost	Proceeds from Sales	Net Realized Gain/(Loss) on Sales	Change in Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation)	Value, End of Year	Dividend Income	Other Distributions	Shares End of Year
MainStay U.S. Government Liquidity Fund	\$ 8,162	\$ 164,651	\$ (169,007)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,806	\$ 214	\$ —	3,806

## Futures Contracts

As of October 31, 2023, the Fund held the following futures contracts<sup>1</sup>:

Type	Number of Contracts	Expiration Date	Value at Trade Date	Current Notional Amount	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) <sup>2</sup>
<b>Long Contracts</b>					
U.S. Treasury 10 Year Notes	114	December 2023	\$ 12,450,486	\$ 12,103,594	\$ (346,892)
U.S. Treasury 10 Year Ultra Bonds	194	December 2023	22,057,915	21,112,656	(945,259)
U.S. Treasury Long Bonds	221	December 2023	26,266,086	24,185,687	(2,080,399)
U.S. Treasury Ultra Bonds	115	December 2023	13,954,339	12,944,688	(1,009,651)
Total Long Contracts					(4,382,201)
<b>Short Contracts</b>					
U.S. Treasury 5 Year Notes	(86)	December 2023	(9,116,428)	(8,984,984)	131,444
Net Unrealized Depreciation					\$ (4,250,757)

- As of October 31, 2023, cash in the amount of \$2,249,033 was on deposit with a broker or futures commission merchant for futures transactions.
- Represents the difference between the value of the contracts at the time they were opened and the value as of October 31, 2023.



Abbreviation(s):

FHLMC—Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

FNMA—Federal National Mortgage Association

FREMF—Freddie Mac Multifamily

GNMA—Government National Mortgage Association

REMIC—Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit

SOFR—Secured Overnight Financing Rate

STACR—Structured Agency Credit Risk

UMBS—Uniform Mortgage Backed Securities

The following is a summary of the fair valuations according to the inputs used as of October 31, 2023, for valuing the Fund's assets and liabilities:

Description	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
<b>Asset Valuation Inputs</b>				
Investments in Securities (a)				
Long-Term Bonds				
Asset-Backed Securities	\$ —	\$ 45,352,030	\$ —	\$ 45,352,030
Corporate Bonds	—	117,899,150	—	117,899,150
Foreign Government Bonds	—	7,107,365	—	7,107,365
Loan Assignments	—	558,139	—	558,139
Mortgage-Backed Securities	—	148,184,524	—	148,184,524
U.S. Government & Federal Agencies	—	34,636,685	—	34,636,685
Total Long-Term Bonds	—	353,737,893	—	353,737,893
Common Stocks	5	—	—	5
Short-Term Investments				
Affiliated Investment Company	3,806,469	—	—	3,806,469
Unaffiliated Investment Company	983,889	—	—	983,889
Total Short-Term Investments	4,790,358	—	—	4,790,358
Total Investments in Securities	4,790,363	353,737,893	—	358,528,256
Other Financial Instruments				
Futures Contracts (b)	131,444	—	—	131,444
Total Investments in Securities and Other Financial Instruments	<u>\$ 4,921,807</u>	<u>\$ 353,737,893</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 358,659,700</u>
<b>Liability Valuation Inputs</b>				
Other Financial Instruments				
Futures Contracts (b)	<u>\$ (4,382,201)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (4,382,201)</u>

(a) For a complete listing of investments and their industries, see the Portfolio of Investments.

(b) The value listed for these securities reflects unrealized appreciation (depreciation) as shown on the Portfolio of Investments.

# Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of October 31, 2023

## Assets

Investment in unaffiliated securities, at value (identified cost \$398,526,558) including securities on loan of \$944,348	\$ 354,721,787
Investment in affiliated investment companies, at value (identified cost \$3,806,469)	3,806,469
Cash	23,258
Cash denominated in foreign currencies (identified cost \$500)	491
Cash collateral on deposit at broker for futures contracts	2,249,033
Receivables:	
Investment securities sold	3,119,301
Interest	2,332,678
Variation margin on futures contracts	60,010
Fund shares sold	25,721
Securities lending	614
Other assets	36,299
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>366,375,661</b>

## Liabilities

Cash collateral received for securities on loan	983,889
Payables:	
Investment securities purchased	4,661,944
Manager (See Note 3)	105,036
Fund shares redeemed	82,706
Transfer agent (See Note 3)	41,653
Shareholder communication	17,840
Custodian	16,779
Professional fees	15,550
NYLIFE Distributors (See Note 3)	14,429
Trustees	109
Accrued expenses	15,952
Distributions payable	13,084
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>5,968,971</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>\$ 360,406,690</b>

## Composition of Net Assets

Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (par value of \$.001 per share) unlimited number of shares authorized	\$ 43,167
Additional paid-in-capital	467,892,152
	467,935,319
Total distributable earnings (loss)	(107,528,629)
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>\$ 360,406,690</b>

## Class A

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 46,425,993
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	5,560,654
Net asset value per share outstanding	\$ 8.35
Maximum sales charge (4.50% of offering price)	0.39
Maximum offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.74

## Investor Class

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 4,109,098
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	489,135
Net asset value per share outstanding	\$ 8.40
Maximum sales charge (4.00% of offering price)	0.35
Maximum offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.75

## Class B

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 416,313
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	49,774
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.36

## Class C

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 3,348,436
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	399,755
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.38

## Class I

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 61,667,480
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	7,382,806
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.35

## Class R1

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 24,375
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	2,920
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.35

## Class R2

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 27,541
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	3,299
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.35

## Class R3

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 458,279
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	54,907
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.35

## Class R6

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$243,908,501
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	29,221,712
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.35

## SIMPLE Class

Net assets applicable to outstanding shares	\$ 20,674
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding	2,462
Net asset value and offering price per share outstanding	\$ 8.40

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# Statement of Operations for the year ended October 31, 2023

## Investment Income (Loss)

### Income

Interest	\$ 20,134,936
Dividends-affiliated	214,284
Securities lending, net	<u>56,641</u>
Total income	<u>20,405,861</u>

### Expenses

Manager (See Note 3)	1,878,427
Transfer agent (See Note 3)	239,581
Distribution/Service—Class A (See Note 3)	133,012
Distribution/Service—Investor Class (See Note 3)	11,522
Distribution/Service—Class B (See Note 3)	5,081
Distribution/Service—Class C (See Note 3)	40,624
Distribution/Service—Class R2 (See Note 3)	72
Distribution/Service—Class R3 (See Note 3)	2,507
Distribution/Service—SIMPLE Class (See Note 3)	108
Registration	138,839
Professional fees	92,778
Custodian	48,155
Trustees	6,035
Shareholder communication	626
Shareholder service (See Note 3)	556
Miscellaneous	<u>12,668</u>
Total expenses before waiver/reimbursement	2,610,591
Expense waiver/reimbursement from Manager (See Note 3)	(428,398)
Reimbursement from prior custodian <sup>(a)</sup>	<u>(872)</u>
Net expenses	<u>2,181,321</u>
Net investment income (loss)	<u>18,224,540</u>

## Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)

Net realized gain (loss) on:	
Unaffiliated investment transactions	(27,136,894)
Futures transactions	(7,265,832)
Foreign currency transactions	<u>(5)</u>
Net realized gain (loss)	<u>(34,402,731)</u>
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Unaffiliated investments	27,838,094
Futures contracts	(887,588)
Translation of other assets and liabilities in foreign currencies	<u>13</u>
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	<u>26,950,519</u>
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	<u>(7,452,212)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	<u>\$ 10,772,328</u>

(a) Represents a refund for overbilling of custody fees.

# Statements of Changes in Net Assets

for the years ended October 31, 2023 and October 31, 2022

	2023	2022
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets</b>		
Operations:		
Net investment income (loss)	\$ 18,224,540	\$ 18,747,064
Net realized gain (loss)	(34,402,731)	(19,683,509)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	26,950,519	(113,380,287)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	10,772,328	(114,316,732)
Distributions to shareholders:		
Class A	(2,153,236)	(4,775,382)
Investor Class	(172,568)	(357,428)
Class B	(15,184)	(47,409)
Class C	(121,103)	(435,071)
Class I	(3,929,623)	(8,345,013)
Class R1	(1,072)	(1,751)
Class R2	(1,140)	(1,910)
Class R3	(18,820)	(28,420)
Class R6	(11,688,445)	(28,552,302)
SIMPLE Class	(814)	(1,336)
	(18,102,005)	(42,546,022)
Distributions to shareholders from return of capital:		
Class A	—	(19,314)
Investor Class	—	(1,446)
Class B	—	(192)
Class C	—	(1,760)
Class I	—	(33,752)
Class R1	—	(7)
Class R2	—	(8)
Class R3	—	(115)
Class R6	—	(115,483)
SIMPLE Class	—	(5)
	—	(172,082)
Total distributions to shareholders	(18,102,005)	(42,718,104)
Capital share transactions:		
Net proceeds from sales of shares	49,031,695	60,162,268
Net asset value of shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	17,923,251	42,385,916
Cost of shares redeemed	(130,355,676)	(883,780,161)
Increase (decrease) in net assets derived from capital share transactions	(63,400,730)	(781,231,977)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	(70,730,407)	(938,266,813)
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Beginning of year	431,137,097	1,369,403,910
End of year	\$ 360,406,690	\$ 431,137,097

# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

Class A	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.91	\$ 10.10
Net investment income (loss)	0.36(a)	0.29(a)	0.24(a)	0.24	0.27
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.22)	(2.26)	(0.03)	0.47	0.82
Total from investment operations	0.14	(1.97)	0.21	0.71	1.09
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.36)	(0.31)	(0.25)	(0.27)	(0.28)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.36)	(0.64)	(0.38)	(0.27)	(0.28)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.35	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.91
Total investment return (b)	1.50%	(18.43)%	1.86%	6.55%	10.88%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	4.06%	2.89%	2.14%	2.30%	2.63%
Net expenses (c)	0.83%	0.78%	0.83%	0.85%	0.88%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	0.91%	0.83%	0.83%	0.85%	0.89%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 46,426	\$ 54,484	\$ 87,764	\$ 92,997	\$ 56,473

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Investor Class	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.62	\$ 11.24	\$ 11.42	\$ 10.97	\$ 10.15
Net investment income (loss)	0.34(a)	0.26(a)	0.22(a)	0.24	0.26
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.22)	(2.27)	(0.04)	0.46	0.82
Total from investment operations	0.12	(2.01)	0.18	0.70	1.08
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.34)	(0.28)	(0.23)	(0.25)	(0.26)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.34)	(0.61)	(0.36)	(0.25)	(0.26)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.40	\$ 8.62	\$ 11.24	\$ 11.42	\$ 10.97
Total investment return (b)	1.20%	(18.65)%	1.54%	6.40%	10.74%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	3.77%	2.65%	1.93%	2.11%	2.46%
Net expenses (c)	1.12%	1.04%	1.04%	1.05%	1.05%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	1.18%	1.09%	1.04%	1.05%	1.06%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 4,109	\$ 4,663	\$ 6,894	\$ 7,558	\$ 6,557

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

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# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

Class B	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.58	\$ 11.20	\$ 11.37	\$ 10.92	\$ 10.11
Net investment income (loss)	0.27(a)	0.19(a)	0.13(a)	0.18	0.20
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.22)	(2.28)	(0.03)	0.43	0.79
Total from investment operations	0.05	(2.09)	0.10	0.61	0.99
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.27)	(0.20)	(0.14)	(0.16)	(0.18)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.27)	(0.53)	(0.27)	(0.16)	(0.18)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.36	\$ 8.58	\$ 11.20	\$ 11.37	\$ 10.92
Total investment return (b)	0.44%	(19.34)%	0.85%	5.64%	9.85%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	3.01%	1.88%	1.17%	1.36%	1.73%
Net expenses (c)	1.87%	1.79%	1.79%	1.80%	1.80%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	1.93%	1.84%	1.79%	1.80%	1.81%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 416	\$ 606	\$ 1,087	\$ 1,838	\$ 2,515

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Class C	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.59	\$ 11.21	\$ 11.38	\$ 10.93	\$ 10.12
Net investment income (loss)	0.27(a)	0.18(a)	0.13(a)	0.14	0.20
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.21)	(2.27)	(0.03)	0.47	0.79
Total from investment operations	0.06	(2.09)	0.10	0.61	0.99
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.27)	(0.20)	(0.14)	(0.16)	(0.18)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.27)	(0.53)	(0.27)	(0.16)	(0.18)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.38	\$ 8.59	\$ 11.21	\$ 11.38	\$ 10.93
Total investment return (b)	0.56%	(19.32)%	0.85%	5.64%	9.84%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	3.01%	1.83%	1.17%	1.35%	1.74%
Net expenses (c)	1.87%	1.79%	1.79%	1.80%	1.80%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	1.93%	1.84%	1.79%	1.80%	1.81%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 3,348	\$ 4,480	\$ 10,449	\$ 18,434	\$ 11,916

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

Class I	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.36	\$ 10.91	\$ 10.10
Net investment income (loss)	0.39(a)	0.30(a)	0.27(a)	0.29	0.31
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.21)	(2.25)	(0.04)	0.45	0.81
Total from investment operations	0.18	(1.95)	0.23	0.74	1.12
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.40)	(0.33)	(0.28)	(0.29)	(0.31)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.40)	(0.66)	(0.41)	(0.29)	(0.31)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.35	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.36	\$ 10.91
Total investment return (b)	1.88%	(18.30)%	2.11%	6.91%	11.20%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	4.43%	3.01%	2.39%	2.56%	2.93%
Net expenses (c)	0.45%	0.53%	0.58%	0.60%	0.60%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	0.65%	0.58%	0.58%	0.60%	0.64%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 61,667	\$ 94,122	\$ 720,466	\$ 686,829	\$ 1,056,594

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Class I shares are not subject to sales charges. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Class R1	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.90	\$ 10.10
Net investment income (loss)	0.37(a)	0.31(a)	0.26(a)	0.26	0.29
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.21)	(2.27)	(0.03)	0.47	0.80
Total from investment operations	0.16	(1.96)	0.23	0.73	1.09
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.38)	(0.32)	(0.27)	(0.28)	(0.29)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.38)	(0.65)	(0.40)	(0.28)	(0.29)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.35	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.90
Total investment return (b)	1.65%	(18.31)%	2.01%	6.81%	10.98%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	4.21%	3.10%	2.29%	2.47%	2.97%
Net expenses (c)	0.68%	0.61%	0.68%	0.70%	0.70%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	0.76%	0.67%	0.68%	0.70%	0.74%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 24	\$ 24	\$ 29	\$ 29	\$ 27

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Class R1 shares are not subject to sales charges. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of, and should be read in conjunction with, the financial statements.

# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

Class R2	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.90	\$ 10.09
Net investment income (loss)	0.35(a)	0.28(a)	0.23(a)	0.25	0.27
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.22)	(2.26)	(0.03)	0.46	0.81
Total from investment operations	0.13	(1.98)	0.20	0.71	1.08
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.35)	(0.30)	(0.24)	(0.26)	(0.27)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.35)	(0.63)	(0.37)	(0.26)	(0.27)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.35	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.90
Total investment return (b)	1.39%	(18.52)%	1.75%	6.54%	10.82%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	3.96%	2.85%	2.02%	2.21%	2.57%
Net expenses (c)	0.93%	0.87%	0.93%	0.95%	0.95%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	1.01%	0.93%	0.93%	0.95%	0.99%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 28	\$ 27	\$ 33	\$ 87	\$ 81

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Class R2 shares are not subject to sales charges. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Class R3	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.90	\$ 10.10
Net investment income (loss)	0.33(a)	0.26(a)	0.20(a)	0.22	0.24
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.22)	(2.27)	(0.03)	0.46	0.80
Total from investment operations	0.11	(2.01)	0.17	0.68	1.04
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.33)	(0.27)	(0.21)	(0.23)	(0.24)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.33)	(0.60)	(0.34)	(0.23)	(0.24)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.35	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.90
Total investment return (b)	1.15%	(18.71)%	1.50%	6.28%	10.44%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	3.71%	2.62%	1.79%	1.96%	2.30%
Net expenses (c)	1.18%	1.11%	1.18%	1.20%	1.20%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	1.26%	1.17%	1.18%	1.20%	1.24%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 458	\$ 483	\$ 509	\$ 329	\$ 251

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Class R3 shares are not subject to sales charges. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.



# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

Class R6	Year Ended October 31,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.91	\$ 10.10
Net investment income (loss)	0.39(a)	0.31(a)	0.27(a)	0.28	0.30
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.21)	(2.26)	(0.02)	0.46	0.82
Total from investment operations	0.18	(1.95)	0.25	0.74	1.12
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.40)	(0.33)	(0.29)	(0.30)	(0.31)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00)‡	—	—	—
Total distributions	(0.40)	(0.66)	(0.42)	(0.30)	(0.31)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.35	\$ 8.57	\$ 11.18	\$ 11.35	\$ 10.91
Total investment return (b)	1.89%	(18.20)%	2.16%	6.89%	11.27%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net investment income (loss)	4.44%	3.13%	2.43%	2.61%	2.98%
Net expenses (c)	0.45%	0.50%	0.53%	0.53%	0.53%
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	0.53%	0.54%	0.53%	0.53%	0.53%
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98%(d)	111%(d)	123%	100%(d)
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 243,909	\$ 272,227	\$ 542,147	\$ 716,703	\$ 185,733

‡ Less than one cent per share.

(a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

(b) Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Class R6 shares are not subject to sales charges. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

(c) In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

(d) The portfolio turnover rates not including mortgage dollar rolls were 96%, 108%, 96% and 63% for the years ended October 31, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

SIMPLE Class	Year Ended October 31,			August 31, 2020 <sup>^</sup> through October 31,
	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$ 8.62	\$ 11.24	\$ 11.41	\$ 11.52 <sup>*</sup>
Net investment income (loss)	0.34	0.24 <sup>(a)</sup>	0.19 <sup>(a)</sup>	0.03
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(0.22)	(2.28)	(0.03)	(0.11)
Total from investment operations	0.12	(2.04)	0.16	(0.08)
<b>Less distributions:</b>				
From net investment income	(0.34)	(0.25)	(0.20)	(0.03)
From net realized gain on investments	—	(0.33)	(0.13)	—
Return of capital	—	(0.00) <sup>‡</sup>	—	—
Total distributions	(0.34)	(0.58)	(0.33)	(0.03)
Net asset value at end of year	\$ 8.40	\$ 8.62	\$ 11.24	\$ 11.41
Total investment return (b)	1.21%	(18.85)%	1.39%	(0.66)%
<b>Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:</b>				
Net investment income (loss)	3.79%	2.43%	1.69%	1.80% <sup>††</sup>
Net expenses (c)	1.10%	1.28%	1.29%	1.26% <sup>††</sup>
Expenses (before waiver/reimbursement) (c)	1.18%	1.33%	1.29%	1.26% <sup>††</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate	119%	98% <sup>(d)</sup>	111% <sup>(d)</sup>	123%
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$ 21	\$ 20	\$ 25	\$ 25

<sup>^</sup> Inception date.

<sup>‡</sup> Less than one cent per share.

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the net asset value of Investor Class as of August 31, 2020.

<sup>††</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(a)</sup> Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the period.

<sup>(b)</sup> Total investment return is calculated exclusive of sales charges and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. SIMPLE Class shares are not subject to sales charges. For periods of less than one year, total return is not annualized.

<sup>(c)</sup> In addition to the fees and expenses which the Fund bears directly, it also indirectly bears a pro-rata share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds in which it invests. Such indirect expenses are not included in the above expense ratios.

<sup>(d)</sup> The portfolio turnover rate not including mortgage dollar rolls was 96% and 108% for the years ended October 31, 2022 and 2021 respectively.

# Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1-Organization and Business

MainStay Funds Trust (the "Trust") was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on April 28, 2009. The Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company, and is comprised of thirty-seven funds (collectively referred to as the "Funds"). These financial statements and notes relate to the MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund (the "Fund"), a "diversified" fund, as that term is defined in the 1940 Act, as interpreted or modified by regulatory authorities having jurisdiction, from time to time.

The following table lists the Fund's share classes that have been registered and commenced operations:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Commenced Operations</b>
Class A	January 2, 2004
Investor Class	February 28, 2008
Class B <sup>^</sup>	January 2, 2004
Class C	January 2, 2004
Class I	January 2, 1991
Class R1*	June 29, 2012
Class R2*	June 29, 2012
Class R3*	February 29, 2016
Class R6	December 29, 2014
SIMPLE Class	August 31, 2020

<sup>^</sup> Class B shares are closed to all new purchases as well as additional investments by existing Class B shareholders and will be converted into Class A or Investor Class shares based on shareholder eligibility on or about February 28, 2024.

\* As of October 31, 2023, Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are closed to new investors and, upon the close of business on December 29, 2023, Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are closed to additional investments by existing shareholders. Additionally, Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares will be liquidated on or about February 28, 2024 (the "Liquidation Date"). It is expected that the Fund will distribute to remaining shareholders invested in Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares, on or promptly after the Liquidation Date, a liquidating distribution in cash or cash equivalents equal to the net asset value of such shares.

Class B shares of the MainStay Group of Funds are closed to all new purchases as well as additional investments by existing Class B shareholders. Existing Class B shareholders may continue to reinvest dividends and capital gains distributions, as well as exchange their Class B shares for Class B shares of other funds in the MainStay Group of Funds as permitted by the current exchange privileges. Class B shareholders continue to be subject to any applicable contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") at the time of redemption. All other features of the Class B shares, including but not limited to the fees and expenses applicable to Class B shares, remain unchanged. Unless redeemed, Class B shareholders will remain in Class B shares of their respective fund until the Class B shares are converted to Class A or Investor Class shares pursuant to the applicable conversion schedule.

Class A and Investor Class shares are offered at net asset value ("NAV") per share plus an initial sales charge. No initial sales charge applies to

investments of \$1 million or more (and certain other qualified purchases) in Class A and Investor Class shares. However, a CDSC of 1.00% may be imposed on certain redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. Class C shares are offered at NAV without an initial sales charge, although a 1.00% CDSC may be imposed on certain redemptions of such shares made within one year of the date of purchase of Class C shares. When Class B shares were offered, they were offered at NAV without an initial sales charge, although a CDSC that declines depending on the number of years a shareholder held its Class B shares may be imposed on certain redemptions of such shares made within six years of the date of purchase of such shares. Class I, Class R1, Class R2, Class R3, Class R6 and SIMPLE Class shares are offered at NAV without a sales charge. Depending upon eligibility, Class B shares convert to either Class A or Investor Class shares at the end of the calendar quarter eight years after the date they were purchased. In addition, depending upon eligibility, Class C shares convert to either Class A or Investor Class shares at the end of the calendar quarter eight years after the date they were purchased. Additionally, Investor Class shares may convert automatically to Class A shares. SIMPLE Class shares convert to Class A shares, or Investor Class shares if you are not eligible to hold Class A shares, at the end of the calendar quarter, ten years after the date they were purchased. Share class conversions are based on the relevant NAVs of the two classes at the time of the conversion, and no sales load or other charge is imposed. Under certain circumstances and as may be permitted by the Trust's multiple class plan pursuant to Rule 18f-3 under the 1940 Act, specified share classes of the Fund may be converted to one or more other share classes of the Fund as disclosed in the capital share transactions within these Notes. The classes of shares have the same voting (except for issues that relate solely to one class), dividend, liquidation and other rights, and the same terms and conditions, except that under distribution plans pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act, Class B and Class C shares are subject to higher distribution and/or service fees than Class A, Investor Class, Class R2, Class R3 and SIMPLE Class shares. Class I, Class R1 and Class R6 shares are not subject to a distribution and/or service fee. Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are subject to a shareholder service fee, which is in addition to fees paid under the distribution plans for Class R2 and Class R3 shares.

At a meeting held on September 25-26, 2023, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Trust, after careful consideration of a number of factors and upon the recommendation of the Fund's investment adviser, New York Life Investment Management LLC ("New York Life Investments" or the "Manager"), approved a proposal to liquidate Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares of the Fund on or about February 28, 2024, pursuant to the terms of a plan of liquidation.

In addition, the Board approved a proposal to accelerate the conversion of the Fund's Class B shares into Class A shares, or Investor Class shares, based on shareholder eligibility. Class B shareholders of the Fund will receive Class A shares of the Fund if they hold at least \$15,000 of

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Class B shares of the Fund on or around February 28, 2024; otherwise, Class B shareholders of the Fund will receive Investor Class shares of the Fund.

The Fund's investment objective is to seek total return.

## Note 2—Significant Accounting Policies

The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification *Topic 946 Financial Services—Investment Companies*. The Fund prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") in the United States of America and follows the significant accounting policies described below.

**(A) Securities Valuation.** Investments are usually valued as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (the "Exchange") (usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on each day the Fund is open for business ("valuation date").

Pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act, the Board has designated New York Life Investments as its Valuation Designee (the "Valuation Designee"). The Valuation Designee is responsible for performing fair valuations relating to all investments in the Fund's portfolio for which market quotations are not readily available; periodically assessing and managing material valuation risks; establishing and applying fair value methodologies; testing fair valuation methodologies; evaluating and overseeing pricing services; ensuring appropriate segregation of valuation and portfolio management functions; providing quarterly, annual and prompt reporting to the Board, as appropriate; identifying potential conflicts of interest; and maintaining appropriate records. The Valuation Designee has established a valuation committee ("Valuation Committee") to assist in carrying out the Valuation Designee's responsibilities and establish prices of securities for which market quotations are not readily available. The Fund's and the Valuation Designee's policies and procedures ("Valuation Procedures") govern the Valuation Designee's selection and application of methodologies for determining and calculating the fair value of Fund investments. The Valuation Designee may value the Fund's portfolio securities for which market quotations are not readily available and other Fund assets utilizing inputs from pricing services and other third-party sources. The Valuation Committee meets (in person, via electronic mail or via teleconference) on an ad-hoc basis to determine fair valuations and on a quarterly basis to review fair value events with respect to certain securities for which market quotations are not readily available, including valuation risks and back-testing results, and preview reports to the Board.

The Valuation Committee establishes prices of securities for which market quotations are not readily available based on such methodologies and measurements on a regular basis after considering information that is reasonably available and deemed relevant by the Valuation Committee. The Board shall oversee the Valuation Designee and review fair valuation

materials on a prompt, quarterly and annual basis and approve proposed revisions to the Valuation Procedures.

Investments for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith pursuant to the Valuation Procedures. A market quotation is readily available only when that quotation is a quoted price (unadjusted) in active markets for identical investments that the Fund can access at the measurement date, provided that a quotation will not be readily available if it is not reliable. "Fair value" is defined as the price the Fund would reasonably expect to receive upon selling an asset or liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Fair value measurements are determined within a framework that establishes a three-tier hierarchy that maximizes the use of observable market data and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs to establish a classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes.

"Inputs" refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk, such as the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value using a pricing model and/or the risk inherent in the inputs for the valuation technique. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Fund. Unobservable inputs reflect the Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on the information available. The inputs or methodology used for valuing assets or liabilities may not be an indication of the risks associated with investing in those assets or liabilities. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized below.

- Level 1—quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for an identical asset or liability
- Level 2—other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for a similar asset or liability in active markets, interest rates and yield curves, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3—significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in measuring fair value of an asset or liability)

The level of an asset or liability within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of an input, both individually and in the aggregate, that is significant to the fair value measurement. The aggregate value by input level of the Fund's assets and liabilities as of October 31, 2023, is included at the end of the Portfolio of Investments.

The Fund may use third-party vendor evaluations, whose prices may be derived from one or more of the following standard inputs, among others:

• Benchmark yields	• Reported trades
• Broker/dealer quotes	• Issuer spreads
• Two-sided markets	• Benchmark securities
• Bids/offers	• Reference data (corporate actions or material event notices)
• Industry and economic events	• Comparable bonds
• Monthly payment information	

An asset or liability for which a market quotation is not readily available is valued by methods deemed reasonable in good faith by the Valuation Committee, following the Valuation Procedures to represent fair value.

Under these procedures, the Valuation Designee generally uses a market-based approach which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, book values and other relevant information. The Valuation Designee may also use an income-based valuation approach in which the anticipated future cash flows of the asset or liability are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature and/or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the asset or liability. Fair value represents a good faith approximation of the value of a security. Fair value determinations involve the consideration of a number of subjective factors, an analysis of applicable facts and circumstances and the exercise of judgment. As a result, it is possible that the fair value for a security determined in good faith in accordance with the Valuation Procedures may differ from valuations for the same security determined for other funds using their own valuation procedures. Although the Valuation Procedures are designed to value a security at the price the Fund may reasonably expect to receive upon the security's sale in an orderly transaction, there can be no assurance that any fair value determination thereunder would, in fact, approximate the amount that the Fund would actually realize upon the sale of the security or the price at which the security would trade if a reliable market price were readily available. During the year ended October 31, 2023, there were no material changes to the fair value methodologies.

Securities which may be valued in this manner include, but are not limited to: (i) a security for which trading has been halted or suspended or otherwise does not have a readily available market quotation on a given day; (ii) a debt security that has recently gone into default and for which there is not a current market quotation; (iii) a security of an issuer that has entered into a restructuring; (iv) a security that has been delisted from a national exchange; (v) a security subject to trading collars for which no or limited trading takes place; and (vi) a security whose principal market has been temporarily closed at a time when, under normal conditions, it would be open. Securities valued in this manner are generally categorized as Level 2 or 3 in the hierarchy. No securities held by the Fund as of October 31, 2023, were fair valued in such a manner.

Equity securities, rights and warrants, if applicable, are valued at the last quoted sales prices as of the close of regular trading on the relevant

exchange on each valuation date. Securities that are not traded on the valuation date are valued at the mean of the last quoted bid and ask prices. Prices are normally taken from the principal market in which each security trades. These securities are generally categorized as Level 1 in the hierarchy.

Investments in mutual funds, including money market funds, are valued at their respective NAVs at the close of business each day on the valuation date. These securities are generally categorized as Level 1 in the hierarchy.

Futures contracts are valued at the last posted settlement price on the market where such futures are primarily traded. These securities are generally categorized as Level 1 in the hierarchy.

Debt securities (other than convertible and municipal bonds) are valued at the evaluated bid prices (evaluated mean prices in the case of convertible and municipal bonds) supplied by a pricing agent or broker selected by the Valuation Designee, in consultation with the Subadvisor. The evaluations are market-based measurements processed through a pricing application and represents the pricing agent's good faith determination as to what a holder may receive in an orderly transaction under market conditions. The rules-based logic utilizes valuation techniques that reflect participants' assumptions and vary by asset class and per methodology, maximizing the use of relevant observable data including quoted prices for similar assets, benchmark yield curves and market corroborated inputs. The evaluated bid or mean prices are deemed by the Valuation Designee, in consultation with the Subadvisor, to be representative of market values at the regular close of trading of the Exchange on each valuation date. Debt securities purchased on a delayed delivery basis are marked to market daily until settlement at the forward settlement date. Debt securities, including corporate bonds, U.S. government and federal agency bonds, municipal bonds, foreign bonds, convertible bonds, asset-backed securities and mortgage-backed securities are generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy.

Loan assignments, participations and commitments are valued at the average of bid quotations obtained from the engaged independent pricing service and are generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy. Certain loan assignments, participations and commitments may be valued by utilizing significant unobservable inputs obtained from the pricing service and are generally categorized as Level 3 in the hierarchy. No securities held by the Fund as of October 31, 2023 were fair valued utilizing significant unobservable inputs obtained from the pricing service.

Temporary cash investments acquired in excess of 60 days to maturity at the time of purchase are valued using the latest bid prices or using valuations based on a matrix system (which considers such factors as security prices, yields, maturities and ratings), both as furnished by independent pricing services. Temporary cash investments that mature in 60 days or less at the time of purchase ("Short-Term Investments") are valued using the amortized cost method of valuation, unless the use of such method would be inappropriate. The amortized cost method involves valuing a security at its cost on the date of purchase and thereafter assuming a constant amortization to maturity of the difference between

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such cost and the value on maturity date. Amortized cost approximates the current fair value of a security. Securities valued using the amortized cost method are not valued using quoted prices in an active market and are generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy.

The information above is not intended to reflect an exhaustive list of the methodologies that may be used to value portfolio investments. The Valuation Procedures permit the use of a variety of valuation methodologies in connection with valuing portfolio investments. The methodology used for a specific type of investment may vary based on the market data available or other considerations. The methodologies summarized above may not represent the specific means by which portfolio investments are valued on any particular business day.

A portfolio investment may be classified as an illiquid investment under the Trust's written liquidity risk management program and related procedures ("Liquidity Program"). Illiquidity of an investment might prevent the sale of such investment at a time when the Manager or the Subadvisor might wish to sell, and these investments could have the effect of decreasing the overall level of the Fund's liquidity. Further, the lack of an established secondary market may make it more difficult to value illiquid investments, requiring the Fund to rely on judgments that may be somewhat subjective in measuring value, which could vary materially from the amount that the Fund could realize upon disposition. Difficulty in selling illiquid investments may result in a loss or may be costly to the Fund. An illiquid investment is any investment that the Manager or Subadvisor reasonably expects cannot be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without the sale or disposition significantly changing the market value of the investment. The liquidity classification of each investment will be made using information obtained after reasonable inquiry and taking into account, among other things, relevant market, trading and investment-specific considerations in accordance with the Liquidity Program. Illiquid investments are often fair valued in accordance with the Fund's procedures described above. The liquidity of the Fund's investments was determined as of October 31, 2023, and can change at any time. Illiquid investments as of October 31, 2023, are shown in the Portfolio of Investments.

**(B) Income Taxes.** The Fund's policy is to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Internal Revenue Code"), applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute all of its taxable income to the shareholders of the Fund within the allowable time limits.

The Manager evaluates the Fund's tax positions to determine if the tax positions taken meet the minimum recognition threshold in connection with accounting for uncertainties in income tax positions taken or expected to be taken for the purposes of measuring and recognizing tax liabilities in the financial statements. Recognition of tax benefits of an uncertain tax position is permitted only to the extent the position is "more likely than not" to be sustained assuming examination by taxing authorities. The Manager analyzed the Fund's tax positions taken on federal, state and local income tax returns for all open tax years (for up to

three tax years) and has concluded that no provisions for federal, state and local income tax are required in the Fund's financial statements. The Fund's federal, state and local income tax and federal excise tax returns for tax years for which the applicable statutes of limitations have not expired are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and state and local departments of revenue.

**(C) Dividends and Distributions to Shareholders.** Dividends and distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The Fund intends to declare and pay dividends from net investment income, if any, at least monthly and distributions from net realized capital and currency gains, if any, at least annually. Unless a shareholder elects otherwise, all dividends and distributions are reinvested at NAV in the same class of shares of the Fund. Dividends and distributions to shareholders are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations and may differ from determinations using GAAP.

**(D) Security Transactions and Investment Income.** The Fund records security transactions on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined using the identified cost method. Interest income is accrued as earned using the effective interest rate method and includes any realized gains and losses from repayments of principal on mortgage-backed securities. Distributions received from real estate investment trusts may be classified as dividends, capital gains and/or return of capital. Discounts and premiums on securities purchased for the Fund are accreted and amortized, respectively. Income from payment-in-kind securities is accreted daily based on the effective interest method.

Investment income and realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments of the Fund are allocated pro rata to the separate classes of shares based upon their relative net assets on the date the income is earned or realized and unrealized gains and losses are incurred.

The Fund may place a debt security on non-accrual status and reduce related interest income by ceasing current accruals and writing off all or a portion of any interest receivables when the collection of all or a portion of such interest has become doubtful. A debt security is removed from non-accrual status when the issuer resumes interest payments or when collectability of interest is reasonably assured.

**(E) Expenses.** Expenses of the Trust are allocated to the individual Funds in proportion to the net assets of the respective Funds when the expenses are incurred, except where direct allocations of expenses can be made. Expenses (other than transfer agent expenses and fees incurred under the shareholder services plans and/or the distribution plans further discussed in Note 3(B)) are allocated to separate classes of shares pro rata based upon their relative net assets on the date the expenses are incurred. The expenses borne by the Fund, including those of related parties to the Fund, are shown in the Statement of Operations.

Additionally, the Fund may invest in mutual funds, which are subject to management fees and other fees that may cause the costs of investing in mutual funds to be greater than the costs of owning the underlying securities directly. These indirect expenses of mutual funds are not



included in the amounts shown as expenses in the Statement of Operations or in the expense ratios included in the Financial Highlights.

**(F) Use of Estimates.** In preparing financial statements in conformity with GAAP, the Manager makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions.

**(G) Futures Contracts.** A futures contract is an agreement to purchase or sell a specified quantity of an underlying instrument at a specified future date and price, or to make or receive a cash payment based on the value of a financial instrument (e.g., foreign currency, interest rate, security or securities index). The Fund is subject to risks such as market price risk, leverage risk, liquidity risk, counterparty risk, operational risk, legal risk and/or interest rate risk in the normal course of investing in these contracts. Upon entering into a futures contract, the Fund is required to pledge to the broker or futures commission merchant an amount of cash and/or U.S. government securities equal to a certain percentage of the collateral amount, known as the "initial margin." During the period the futures contract is open, changes in the value of the contract are recognized as unrealized appreciation or depreciation by marking to market such contract on a daily basis to reflect the market value of the contract at the end of each day's trading. The Fund agrees to receive from or pay to the broker or futures commission merchant an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in the value of the contract. Such receipts or payments are known as "variation margin." When the futures contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the proceeds from (or cost of) the closing transaction and the Fund's basis in the contract.

The use of futures contracts involves, to varying degrees, elements of market risk in excess of the amount recognized in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The contract or notional amounts and variation margin reflect the extent of the Fund's involvement in open futures positions. There are several risks associated with the use of futures contracts as hedging techniques. There can be no assurance that a liquid market will exist at the time when the Fund seeks to close out a futures contract. If no liquid market exists, the Fund would remain obligated to meet margin requirements until the position is closed. Futures contracts may involve a small initial investment relative to the risk assumed, which could result in losses greater than if the Fund did not invest in futures contracts. Futures contracts may be more volatile than direct investments in the instrument underlying the futures and may not correlate to the underlying instrument, causing a given hedge not to achieve its objectives. The Fund's activities in futures contracts have minimal counterparty risk as they are conducted through regulated exchanges that guarantee the futures against default by the counterparty. In the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency of a futures commission merchant that holds margin on behalf of the Fund, the Fund may not be entitled to the return of the entire margin owed to the Fund, potentially resulting in a loss. The Fund may invest in futures contracts to seek enhanced returns or to reduce the risk of loss by hedging certain of its holdings. The Fund's investment in futures contracts and other derivatives may increase the

volatility of the Fund's NAVs and may result in a loss to the Fund. Open futures contracts as of October 31, 2023, are shown in the Portfolio of Investments.

**(H) Loan Assignments, Participations and Commitments.** The Fund may invest in loan assignments and participations ("loans"). Commitments are agreements to make money available to a borrower in a specified amount, at a specified rate and within a specified time. The Fund records an investment when the borrower withdraws money on a commitment or when a funded loan is purchased (trade date) and records interest as earned. These loans pay interest at rates that are periodically reset by reference to a base lending rate plus a spread. These base lending rates are generally the prime rate offered by a designated U.S. bank, the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") or an alternative reference rate.

The loans in which the Fund may invest are generally readily marketable, but may be subject to some restrictions on resale. For example, the Fund may be contractually obligated to receive approval from the agent bank and/or borrower prior to the sale of these investments. If the Fund purchases an assignment from a lender, the Fund will generally have direct contractual rights against the borrower in favor of the lender. If the Fund purchases a participation interest either from a lender or a participant, the Fund typically will have established a direct contractual relationship with the seller of the participation interest, but not with the borrower. Consequently, the Fund is subject to the credit risk of the lender or participant who sold the participation interest to the Fund, in addition to the usual credit risk of the borrower. In the event that the borrower, selling participant or intermediate participants become insolvent or enter into bankruptcy, the Fund may incur certain costs and delays in realizing payment, or may suffer a loss of principal and/or interest.

Unfunded commitments represent the remaining obligation of the Fund to the borrower. At any point in time, up to the maturity date of the issue, the borrower may demand the unfunded portion. Unfunded amounts, if any, are marked to market and any unrealized gains or losses are recorded in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. As of October 31, 2023, the Fund did not hold any unfunded commitments.

**(I) Foreign Currency Transactions.** The Fund's books and records are maintained in U.S. dollars. Prices of securities denominated in foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars at the mean between the buying and selling rates last quoted by any major U.S. bank at the following dates:

- (i) market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities— at the valuation date; and
- (ii) purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses—at the date of such transactions.

The assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currency amounts are presented at the exchange rates and market values at the close of the period. The realized and unrealized changes in net assets

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arising from fluctuations in exchange rates and market prices of securities are not separately presented.

Net realized gain (loss) on foreign currency transactions represents net currency gains or losses realized as a result of differences between the amounts of securities sale proceeds or purchase cost, dividends, interest and withholding taxes as recorded on the Fund's books, and the U.S. dollar equivalent amount actually received or paid. Net currency gains or losses from valuing such foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities, other than investments at valuation date exchange rates, are reflected in unrealized foreign exchange gains or losses.

**(J) Securities Lending.** In order to realize additional income, the Fund may engage in securities lending, subject to the limitations set forth in the 1940 Act and relevant guidance by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). If the Fund engages in securities lending, the Fund will lend through its custodian, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., ("JPMorgan"), acting as securities lending agent on behalf of the Fund. Under the current arrangement, JPMorgan will manage the Fund's collateral in accordance with the securities lending agency agreement between the Fund and JPMorgan, and indemnify the Fund against counterparty risk. The loans will be collateralized by cash (which may be invested in a money market fund) and/or non-cash collateral (which may include U.S. Treasury securities and/or U.S. government agency securities issued or guaranteed by the United States government or its agencies or instrumentalities) at least equal at all times to the market value of the securities loaned. Non-cash collateral held at year end is segregated and cannot be transferred by the Fund. The Fund bears the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned. The Fund may also record a realized gain or loss on securities deemed sold due to a borrower's inability to return securities on loan. The Fund bears the risk of any loss on investment of cash collateral. The Fund will receive compensation for lending its securities in the form of fees or it will retain a portion of interest earned on the investment of any cash collateral. The Fund will also continue to receive interest and dividends on the securities loaned and any gain or loss in the market price of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loan will be for the account of the Fund. Income earned from securities lending activities, if any, is reflected in the Statement of Operations. Securities on loan as of October 31, 2023, are shown in the Portfolio of Investments.

**(K) Dollar Rolls.** The Fund may enter into dollar roll transactions in which it sells mortgage-backed securities ("MBS") from its portfolio to a counterparty from whom it simultaneously agrees to buy a similar security on a delayed delivery basis. The Fund generally transfers MBS where the MBS are "to be announced," therefore, the Fund accounts for these transactions as purchases and sales.

When accounted for as purchase and sales, the securities sold in connection with the dollar rolls are removed from the portfolio and a realized gain or loss is recognized. The securities the Fund has agreed to acquire are included at market value in the Portfolio of Investments and liabilities for such purchase commitments are included as payables for investments purchased. During the roll period, the Fund foregoes

principal and interest paid on the securities. The Fund is compensated by the difference between the current sales price and the forward price for the future as well as by the earnings on the cash proceeds of the initial sale. Dollar rolls may be renewed without physical delivery of the securities subject to the contract. Dollar roll transactions involve certain risks, including the risk that the securities returned to the Fund at the end of the roll period, while substantially similar, could be inferior to what was initially sold to the counterparty. During the year ended October 31, 2023, the Fund did not invest in Dollar Rolls.

**(L) Foreign Securities Risk.** The ability of issuers of debt securities held by the Fund to meet their obligations may be affected by, among other things, economic or political developments in a specific country, industry or region. Debt securities are also subject to the risks associated with changes in interest rates. The Fund may invest in foreign securities, which carry certain risks that are in addition to the usual risks inherent in domestic securities. Foreign regulatory regimes and securities markets can have less stringent investor protections and disclosure standards and less liquid trading markets than U.S. regulatory regimes and securities markets, and can experience political, social and economic developments that may affect the value of investments in foreign securities. These risks include those resulting from currency fluctuations, future adverse political or economic developments and possible imposition of currency exchange blockages or other foreign governmental laws or restrictions. Economic sanctions and other similar governmental actions or developments could, among other things, effectively restrict or eliminate the Fund's ability to purchase or sell certain foreign securities or groups of foreign securities, and thus may make the Fund's investments in such securities less liquid or more difficult to value. These risks are likely to be greater in emerging markets than in developed markets. The ability of issuers of debt securities held by the Fund to meet their obligations may be affected by, among other things, economic or political developments in a specific country, industry or region.

**(M) LIBOR Replacement Risk.** The Fund may invest in certain debt securities, derivatives or other financial instruments that have relied or continue to rely on the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), as a "benchmark" or "reference rate" for various interest rate calculations. As of January 1, 2022, the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA"), which regulates LIBOR, ceased its active encouragement of banks to provide the quotations needed to sustain most LIBOR rates due to the absence of an active market for interbank unsecured lending and other reasons. In connection with supervisory guidance from U.S. regulators, certain U.S. regulated entities have generally ceased to enter into certain new LIBOR contracts after January 1, 2022. On March 15, 2022, the Adjustable Interest Rate (LIBOR) Act was signed into law. This law provides a statutory fallback mechanism on a nationwide basis to replace LIBOR with a benchmark rate that is selected by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and based on Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") (which measures the cost of overnight borrowings through repurchase agreement transactions collateralized with U.S. Treasury securities) for tough legacy contracts. On February 27, 2023, the Federal Reserve System's final rule in connection with this law



became effective, establishing benchmark replacements based on SOFR and Term SOFR (a forward-looking measurement of market expectations of SOFR implied from certain derivatives markets) for applicable tough legacy contracts governed by U.S. law. In addition, the FCA has announced that it will require the publication of synthetic LIBOR for the one-month, three-month and six-month U.S. Dollar LIBOR settings after June 30, 2023 through at least September 30, 2024. Certain of the Fund's investments may involve individual tough legacy contracts which may be subject to the Adjustable Interest Rate (LIBOR) Act or synthetic LIBOR and no assurances can be given that these measures will have had the intended effects. Although the transition process away from LIBOR for many instruments has been completed, some LIBOR use is continuing and there are potential effects related to the transition away from LIBOR or continued use of LIBOR on the Fund.

The elimination of LIBOR or changes to other reference rates or any other changes or reforms to the determination or supervision of reference rates could have an adverse impact on the market for, or value of, any securities or payments linked to those reference rates, which may adversely affect the Fund's performance and/or net asset value. It could also lead to a reduction in the interest rates on, and the value of, some LIBOR-based investments and reduce the effectiveness of hedges mitigating risk in connection with LIBOR-based investments. Uncertainty and risk also remain regarding the willingness and ability of issuers and lenders to include enhanced provisions in new and existing contracts or instruments. Consequently, the transition away from LIBOR to other reference rates may lead to increased volatility and illiquidity in markets that are tied to LIBOR, fluctuations in values of LIBOR-related investments or investments in issuers that utilize LIBOR, increased difficulty in borrowing or refinancing and diminished effectiveness of hedging strategies, adversely affecting the Fund's performance. Furthermore, the risks associated with the expected discontinuation of LIBOR and transition may be exacerbated if the work necessary to effect an orderly transition to an alternative reference rate is not completed in a timely manner. The usefulness of LIBOR as a benchmark could deteriorate anytime during this transition period. Any such effects of the transition process, including unforeseen effects, could result in losses to the Fund.

**(N) Large Transaction Risks.** From time to time, the Fund may receive large purchase or redemption orders from affiliated or unaffiliated mutual funds or other investors. Such large transactions could have adverse effects on the Fund's performance if the Fund were required to sell securities or invest cash at times when it otherwise would not do so. This activity could also accelerate the realization of capital gains and increase the Fund's transaction costs. The Fund has adopted procedures designed to mitigate the negative impacts of such large transactions, but there can be no assurance that these procedures will be effective.

**(O) Indemnifications.** Under the Trust's organizational documents, its officers and trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities that may arise out of performance of their duties to the Trust. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with third-party service providers that contain a variety of representations and warranties

and that may provide general indemnifications. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. The Manager believes that the risk of loss in connection with these potential indemnification obligations is remote. However, there can be no assurance that material liabilities related to such obligations will not arise in the future, which could adversely impact the Fund.

**(P) Quantitative Disclosure of Derivative Holdings.** The following tables show additional disclosures related to the Fund's derivative and hedging activities, including how such activities are accounted for and their effect on the Fund's financial positions, performance and cash flows.

The Fund entered into futures contracts to help manage the duration and yield curve positioning of the portfolio while minimizing the exposure to wider bid/ask spreads in traditional bonds. These derivatives are not accounted for as hedging instruments.

Fair value of derivative instruments as of October 31, 2023:

Asset Derivatives	Interest Rate Contracts Risk	Total
Futures Contracts - Net Assets—Net unrealized appreciation on futures contracts (a)	\$131,444	\$131,444
Total Fair Value	<u>\$131,444</u>	<u>\$131,444</u>

(a) Includes cumulative appreciation (depreciation) of futures contracts as reported in the Portfolio of Investments. Only current day's variation margin is reported within the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Liability Derivatives	Interest Rate Contracts Risk	Total
Futures Contracts - Net Assets—Net unrealized depreciation on futures contracts (a)	\$(4,382,201)	\$(4,382,201)
Total Fair Value	<u>\$(4,382,201)</u>	<u>\$(4,382,201)</u>

(a) Includes cumulative appreciation (depreciation) of futures contracts as reported in the Portfolio of Investments. Only current day's variation margin is reported within the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The effect of derivative instruments on the Statement of Operations for the year ended October 31, 2023:

Net Realized Gain (Loss) from:	Interest Rate Contracts Risk	Total
Futures Transactions	\$(7,265,832)	\$(7,265,832)
Total Net Realized Gain (Loss)	<u>\$(7,265,832)</u>	<u>\$(7,265,832)</u>

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Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Interest Rate Contracts Risk	Total
Futures Contracts	\$(887,588)	\$(887,588)
Total Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	\$(887,588)	\$(887,588)

Average Notional Amount	Total
Futures Contracts Long	\$107,922,119
Futures Contracts Short	\$ (8,513,819)

## Note 3—Fees and Related Party Transactions

**(A) Manager and Subadvisor.** New York Life Investments, a registered investment adviser and an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life Insurance Company ("New York Life"), serves as the Fund's Manager, pursuant to an Amended and Restated Management Agreement ("Management Agreement"). The Manager provides offices, conducts clerical, recordkeeping and bookkeeping services and keeps most of the financial and accounting records required to be maintained by the Fund. Except for the portion of salaries and expenses that are the responsibility of the Fund, the Manager pays the salaries and expenses of all personnel affiliated with the Fund and certain operational expenses of the Fund. The Fund reimburses New York Life Investments in an amount equal to the portion of the compensation of the Chief Compliance Officer attributable to the Fund. MacKay Shields LLC ("MacKay Shields" or the "Subadvisor"), a registered investment adviser and an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life, serves as the Subadvisor to the Fund and is responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of the Fund. Pursuant to the terms of an Amended and Restated Subadvisory Agreement ("Subadvisory Agreement") between New York Life Investments and MacKay Shields, New York Life Investments pays for the services of the Subadvisor.

Pursuant to the Management Agreement, the Fund pays the Manager a monthly fee for the services performed and the facilities furnished at an annual rate of the Fund's average daily net assets as follows: 0.45% up to \$1 billion; 0.44% from \$1 billion to \$3 billion; and 0.43% in excess of \$3 billion. During the year ended October 31, 2023, the effective management fee rate was 0.45% of the Fund's average daily net assets, exclusive of any applicable waivers/reimbursements.

New York Life Investments has contractually agreed to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses so that Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (excluding taxes, interest, litigation, extraordinary expenses, brokerage and other transaction expenses relating to the purchase or sale of portfolio investments and acquired (underlying) fund fees and expenses) do not exceed the following percentages of daily net assets: 0.88% for Class A shares and 0.45% for Class I shares. New York Life Investments will apply an equivalent waiver or reimbursement, in an equal number of basis points of the Class A shares waiver/reimbursement to Investor Class shares, Class B shares, Class C shares, Class R1 shares, Class R2

shares, Class R3 shares and SIMPLE Class shares. New York Life Investments has also contractually agreed to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses so that Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (excluding taxes, interest, litigation, extraordinary expenses, brokerage and other transaction expenses relating to the purchase or sale of portfolio investments, and acquired (underlying) fund fees and expenses) of Class R6 do not exceed those of Class I. These agreements will remain in effect until February 28, 2024, and shall renew automatically for one-year terms unless New York Life Investments provides written notice of termination prior to the start of the next term or upon approval of the Board.

Additionally, New York Life Investments has agreed to further voluntarily waive fees and/or reimburse expenses of the appropriate class of the Fund so that Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (excluding taxes, interest, litigation, extraordinary expenses, brokerage and other transaction expenses relating to the purchase and sale of portfolio investments, and acquired (underlying) fund fees and expenses) of Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares of the Fund do not exceed 0.70%, 0.95% and 1.20%, respectively, of the Fund's average daily net assets. These voluntary waivers or reimbursements may be discontinued at any time without notice.

During the year ended October 31, 2023, New York Life Investments earned fees from the Fund in the amount of \$1,878,427 and waived fees and/or reimbursed expenses in the amount of \$428,398 and paid the Subadvisor fees in the amount of \$725,014.

JPMorgan provides sub-administration and sub-accounting services to the Fund pursuant to an agreement with New York Life Investments. These services include calculating the daily NAVs of the Fund, maintaining the general ledger and sub-ledger accounts for the calculation of the Fund's NAVs, and assisting New York Life Investments in conducting various aspects of the Fund's administrative operations. For providing these services to the Fund, JPMorgan is compensated by New York Life Investments.

Pursuant to an agreement between the Trust and New York Life Investments, New York Life Investments is responsible for providing or procuring certain regulatory reporting services for the Fund. The Fund will reimburse New York Life Investments for the actual costs incurred by New York Life Investments in connection with providing or procuring these services for the Fund.

**(B) Distribution and Service Fees.** The Trust, on behalf of the Fund, has entered into a distribution agreement with NYLIFE Distributors LLC (the "Distributor"), an affiliate of New York Life Investments. The Fund has adopted distribution plans (the "Plans") in accordance with the provisions of Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act.

Pursuant to the Class A, Investor Class and Class R2 Plans, the Distributor receives a monthly fee from the Class A, Investor Class and Class R2 shares at an annual rate of 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the Class A, Investor Class and Class R2 shares for distribution and/or service activities as designated by the Distributor. Pursuant to the

Class B and Class C Plans, Class B and Class C shares pay the Distributor a monthly distribution fee at an annual rate of 0.75% of the average daily net assets of the Class B and Class C shares, along with a service fee at an annual rate of 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the Class B and Class C shares, for a total 12b-1 fee of 1.00%. Pursuant to the Class R3 and SIMPLE Class Plans, Class R3 and SIMPLE Class shares pay the Distributor a monthly distribution fee at an annual rate of 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the Class R3 and SIMPLE Class shares, along with a service fee at an annual rate of 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the Class R3 and SIMPLE Class shares, for a total 12b-1 fee of 0.50%. Class I, Class R1 and Class R6 shares are not subject to a distribution and/or service fee.

The Plans provide that the distribution and service fees are payable to the Distributor regardless of the amounts actually expended by the Distributor for distribution of the Fund's shares and service activities.

In accordance with the Shareholder Services Plans for the Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares, the Manager has agreed to provide, through its affiliates or independent third parties, various shareholder and administrative support services to shareholders of the Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares. For its services, the Manager, its affiliates or independent third-party service providers are entitled to a shareholder service fee accrued daily and paid monthly at an annual rate of 0.10% of the average daily net assets of the Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares. This is in addition to any fees paid under the Class R2 and Class R3 Plans.

During the year ended October 31, 2023, shareholder service fees incurred by the Fund were as follows:

Class R1	\$ 26
Class R2	29
Class R3	501

**(C) Sales Charges.** The Fund was advised by the Distributor that the amount of initial sales charges retained on sales of Class A and Investor Class shares during the year ended October 31, 2023, were \$5,430 and \$674, respectively.

The Fund was also advised that the Distributor retained CDSCs on redemptions of Class A, Class B and Class C shares during the year ended October 31, 2023, of \$423, \$82 and \$82, respectively.

**(D) Transfer, Dividend Disbursing and Shareholder Servicing Agent.** NYLIM Service Company LLC, an affiliate of New York Life Investments, is the Fund's transfer, dividend disbursing and shareholder servicing agent pursuant to an agreement between NYLIM Service Company LLC and the Trust. NYLIM Service Company LLC has entered into an agreement with SS&C Global Investor & Distribution Solutions, Inc. ("SS&C"), pursuant to which SS&C performs certain transfer agent services on behalf of NYLIM Service Company LLC. New York Life Investments has contractually agreed to limit the transfer agency expenses charged to the Fund's share classes to a maximum of 0.35% of

that share class's average daily net assets on an annual basis after deducting any applicable Fund or class-level expense reimbursement or small account fees. This agreement will remain in effect until February 28, 2024, and shall renew automatically for one-year terms unless New York Life Investments provides written notice of termination prior to the start of the next term or upon approval of the Board. During the year ended October 31, 2023, transfer agent expenses incurred by the Fund and any reimbursements, pursuant to the aforementioned Transfer Agency expense limitation agreement, were as follows:

Class	Expense	Waived
Class A	\$ 70,979	\$—
Investor Class	18,998	—
Class B	2,094	—
Class C	16,753	—
Class I	119,413	—
Class R1	34	—
Class R2	39	—
Class R3	669	—
Class R6	10,570	—
SIMPLE Class	32	—

**(E) Small Account Fee.** Shareholders with small accounts adversely impact the cost of providing transfer agency services. In an effort to reduce total transfer agency expenses, the Fund has implemented a small account fee on certain types of accounts. As described in the Fund's prospectus, certain shareholders with an account balance of less than \$1,000 (\$5,000 for Class A share accounts) are charged an annual per account fee of \$20 (assessed semi-annually), the proceeds from which offset transfer agent fees as reflected in the Statement of Operations. This small account fee will not apply to certain types of accounts as described further in the Fund's prospectus.

**(F) Capital.** As of October 31, 2023, New York Life and its affiliates beneficially held shares of the Fund with the values and percentages of net assets as follows:

Class I	\$374,661	0.6%
Class R1	24,292	99.7
Class R2	27,457	99.7
Class R3	25,317	5.5
Class R6	26,584	0.0‡
SIMPLE Class	20,611	99.7

‡ Less than one-tenth of a percent.

# Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

## Note 4—Federal Income Tax

As of October 31, 2023, the cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of the Fund's investment portfolio, including applicable derivative contracts and other financial instruments, as determined on a federal income tax basis, were as follows:

	Federal Tax Cost	Gross Unrealized Appreciation	Gross Unrealized Depreciation	Net Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation
Investments in Securities	\$402,584,551	\$1,433,335	\$(45,489,630)	\$(44,056,295)

As of October 31, 2023, the components of accumulated gain (loss) on a tax basis were as follows:

Ordinary Income	Accumulated Capital and Other Gain (Loss)	Other Temporary Differences	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Total Accumulated Gain (Loss)
\$134,777	\$(63,495,657)	\$(13,084)	\$(44,154,665)	\$(107,528,629)

The difference between book-basis and tax-basis unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is primarily due to wash sale adjustments and mark to market on futures contracts.

As of October 31, 2023, for federal income tax purposes, capital loss carryforwards of \$63,495,657, as shown in the table below, were available to the extent provided by the regulations to offset future realized gains of the Fund. Accordingly, no capital gains distributions are expected to be paid to shareholders until net gains have been realized in excess of such amounts.

Capital Loss Available Through	Short-Term Capital Loss Amounts (000's)	Long-Term Capital Loss Amounts (000's)
Unlimited	\$26,683	\$36,812

During the years ended October 31, 2023 and October 31, 2022, the tax character of distributions paid as reflected in the Statements of Changes in Net Assets was as follows:

	2023	2022
Distributions paid from:		
Ordinary Income	\$18,102,005	\$23,740,154
Long-Term Capital Gains	—	18,805,868
Return of Capital	—	172,082
Total	\$18,102,005	\$42,718,104

## Note 5—Custodian

JPMorgan is the custodian of cash and securities held by the Fund. Custodial fees are charged to the Fund based on the Fund's net assets and/or the market value of securities held by the Fund and the number of certain transactions incurred by the Fund.

## Note 6—Line of Credit

The Fund and certain other funds managed by New York Life Investments maintain a line of credit with a syndicate of banks in order to secure a source of funds for temporary purposes to meet unanticipated or excessive redemption requests.

Effective July 25, 2023, under the credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement"), the aggregate commitment amount is \$600,000,000 with an additional uncommitted amount of \$100,000,000. The commitment fee is an annual rate of 0.15% of the average commitment amount payable quarterly, regardless of usage, to JPMorgan, who serves as the agent to the syndicate. The commitment fee is allocated among the Fund and certain other funds managed by New York Life Investments based upon their respective net assets and other factors. Interest on any revolving credit loan is charged based upon the Federal Funds Rate, Daily Simple SOFR + 0.10%, or the Overnight Bank Funding Rate, whichever is higher. The Credit Agreement expires on July 23, 2024, although the Fund, certain other funds managed by New York Life Investments and the syndicate of banks may renew the Credit Agreement for an additional year on the same or different terms or enter into a credit agreement with a different syndicate of banks. Prior to July 25, 2023, the aggregate commitment amount and the commitment fee were the same as those under the current Credit Agreement. During the year ended October 31, 2023, there were no borrowings made or outstanding with respect to the Fund under the Credit Agreement.

## Note 7—Interfund Lending Program

Pursuant to an exemptive order issued by the SEC, the Fund, along with certain other funds managed by New York Life Investments, may participate in an interfund lending program. The interfund lending program provides an alternative credit facility that permits the Fund and certain other funds managed by New York Life Investments to lend or borrow money for temporary purposes directly to or from one another, subject to the conditions of the exemptive order. During the year ended October 31, 2023, there were no interfund loans made or outstanding with respect to the Fund.

## Note 8—Purchases and Sales of Securities (in 000's)

During the year ended October 31, 2023, purchases and sales of U.S. government securities were \$238,410 and \$288,321, respectively. Purchases and sales of securities, other than U.S. government securities and short-term securities, were \$246,170 and \$261,552, respectively.

## Note 9—Capital Share Transactions

Transactions in capital shares for the years ended October 31, 2023 and October 31, 2022, were as follows:

<b>Class A</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	1,336,524	\$ 12,009,159
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	225,233	1,995,767
Shares redeemed	(2,404,821)	(21,340,980)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(843,064)	(7,336,054)
Shares converted into Class A (See Note 1)	45,479	403,871
Shares converted from Class A (See Note 1)	(790)	(6,740)
Net increase (decrease)	(798,375)	\$ (6,938,923)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	789,544	\$ 8,073,585
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	437,720	4,500,205
Shares redeemed	(2,750,861)	(27,384,604)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(1,523,597)	(14,810,814)
Shares converted into Class A (See Note 1)	33,307	341,580
Net increase (decrease)	(1,490,290)	\$ (14,469,234)

<b>Investor Class</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	21,347	\$ 190,107
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	19,166	170,877
Shares redeemed	(86,094)	(765,645)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(45,581)	(404,661)
Shares converted into Investor Class (See Note 1)	22,716	202,510
Shares converted from Investor Class (See Note 1)	(28,987)	(258,759)
Net increase (decrease)	(51,852)	\$ (460,910)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	18,401	\$ 187,043
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	34,395	355,385
Shares redeemed	(116,449)	(1,174,918)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(63,653)	(632,490)
Shares converted into Investor Class (See Note 1)	11,696	117,451
Shares converted from Investor Class (See Note 1)	(20,166)	(213,878)
Net increase (decrease)	(72,123)	\$ (728,917)

<b>Class B</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	9	\$ 91
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	1,659	14,733
Shares redeemed	(12,098)	(107,511)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(10,430)	(92,687)
Shares converted from Class B (See Note 1)	(10,455)	(92,850)
Net increase (decrease)	(20,885)	\$ (185,537)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	215	\$ 2,273
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	4,337	45,048
Shares redeemed	(21,775)	(214,657)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(17,223)	(167,336)
Shares converted from Class B (See Note 1)	(9,185)	(91,192)
Net increase (decrease)	(26,408)	\$ (258,528)

<b>Class C</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	28,064	\$ 251,509
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	13,540	120,424
Shares redeemed	(135,149)	(1,207,734)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(93,545)	(835,801)
Shares converted from Class C (See Note 1)	(27,977)	(249,422)
Net increase (decrease)	(121,522)	\$ (1,085,223)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	43,235	\$ 437,164
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	41,654	435,954
Shares redeemed	(476,819)	(4,733,579)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(391,930)	(3,860,461)
Shares converted from Class C (See Note 1)	(18,813)	(184,493)
Net increase (decrease)	(410,743)	\$ (4,044,954)



# Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Class I	Shares	Amount
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	1,328,814	\$ 11,845,018
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	441,739	3,925,913
Shares redeemed	(5,368,675)	(47,194,900)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(3,598,122)	(31,423,969)
Shares converted into Class I (See Note 1)	158	1,390
Net increase (decrease)	(3,597,964)	\$ (31,422,579)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	2,135,672	\$ 21,568,533
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	815,917	8,370,485
Shares redeemed	(56,387,869)	(623,435,691)
Net increase (decrease) in shares outstanding before conversion	(53,436,280)	(593,496,673)
Shares converted into Class I (See Note 1)	3,262	30,532
Net increase (decrease)	(53,433,018)	\$(593,466,141)

Class R1	Shares	Amount
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	121	\$ 1,072
Net increase (decrease)	121	\$ 1,072
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	173	\$ 1,758
Net increase (decrease)	173	\$ 1,758

Class R2	Shares	Amount
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	128	\$ 1,140
Net increase (decrease)	128	\$ 1,140
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	188	\$ 1,917
Net increase (decrease)	188	\$ 1,917

Class R3	Shares	Amount
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	6,133	\$ 53,842
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	460	4,066
Shares redeemed	(8,063)	(71,558)
Net increase (decrease)	(1,470)	\$ (13,650)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	12,519	\$ 120,023
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	591	6,037
Shares redeemed	(2,289)	(23,247)
Net increase (decrease)	10,821	\$ 102,813

Class R6	Shares	Amount
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares sold	2,791,732	\$ 24,681,969
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	1,319,851	11,688,445
Shares redeemed	(6,668,713)	(59,667,348)
Net increase (decrease)	(2,557,130)	\$ (23,296,934)
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares sold	3,239,611	\$ 29,773,647
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	2,775,072	28,667,785
Shares redeemed	(22,728,520)	(226,813,465)
Net increase (decrease)	(16,713,837)	\$(168,372,033)

SIMPLE Class	Shares	Amount
Year ended October 31, 2023:		
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	92	\$ 814
Net increase (decrease)	92	\$ 814
Year ended October 31, 2022:		
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	130	\$ 1,342
Net increase (decrease)	130	\$ 1,342

## Note 10—Other Matters

As of the date of this report, the Fund faces a heightened level of risk associated with current uncertainty, volatility and state of economies, financial markets, rising interest rates, and labor and health conditions around the world. Events such as war, acts of terrorism, recessions, rapid inflation, the imposition of international sanctions, earthquakes, hurricanes, epidemics and pandemics and other unforeseen natural or human disasters may have broad adverse social, political and economic effects on the global economy, which could negatively impact the value of the Fund's investments. Developments that disrupt global economies and financial markets may magnify factors that affect the Fund's performance.

**Note 11—Subsequent Events**

In connection with the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund as of and for the year ended October 31, 2023, events and transactions subsequent to October 31, 2023, through the date the financial statements were issued, have been evaluated by the Manager for possible adjustment and/or disclosure. No subsequent events requiring financial statement adjustment or disclosure have been identified.

# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders of the Fund and Board of Trustees  
MainStay Funds Trust:

## ***Opinion on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund (the Fund), one of the funds constituting MainStay Funds Trust, including the portfolio of investments, as of October 31, 2023, the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended, and the related notes (collectively, the financial statements) and the financial highlights for each of the years or periods in the five-year period then ended. In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of October 31, 2023, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the years or periods in the five-year period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

## ***Basis for Opinion***

These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and financial highlights, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights. Such procedures also included confirmation of securities owned as of October 31, 2023, by correspondence with custodians, the transfer agent, agent banks and brokers; when replies were not received from agent banks and brokers, we performed other auditing procedures. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements and financial highlights. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**KPMG LLP**

We have served as the auditor of one or more New York Life Investment Management investment companies since 2003.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

December 22, 2023



## Federal Income Tax Information

### (Unaudited)

The Fund is required under the Internal Revenue Code to advise shareholders in a written statement as to the federal tax status of dividends paid by the Fund during such fiscal years.

In February 2024, shareholders will receive an IRS Form 1099-DIV or substitute Form 1099, which will show the federal tax status of the distributions received by shareholders in calendar year 2023. The amounts that will be reported on such 1099-DIV or substitute Form 1099 will be the amounts you are to use on your federal income tax return and will differ from the amounts which we must report for the Fund's fiscal year ended October 31, 2023.

## Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures and Proxy Voting Record

The Fund is required to file with the SEC its proxy voting record for the 12-month period ending June 30 on Form N-PX. A description of the policies and procedures that are used to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities of the Fund is available free of charge upon request by calling 800-624-6782 or visiting the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). The most recent Form N-PX or proxy voting record is available free of charge upon request by calling 800-624-6782; visiting [newyorklifeinvestments.com](http://newyorklifeinvestments.com); or visiting the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

## Shareholder Reports and Quarterly Portfolio Disclosure

The Fund is required to file its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC 60 days after its first and third fiscal quarter on Form N-PORT. The Fund's holdings report is available free of charge upon request by calling New York Life Investments at 800-624-6782.

# Board of Trustees and Officers (Unaudited)

The Trustees and officers of the Fund are listed below. The Board oversees the MainStay Group of Funds (which consists of MainStay Funds and MainStay Funds Trust), MainStay VP Funds Trust, MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund, the Manager and the Subadvisors, and elects the officers of the Funds who are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Fund. Information pertaining to the Trustees and officers is set forth below. Each Trustee serves until his or her successor is elected and qualified or until his or her resignation, death or

removal. Under the Board's retirement policy, unless an exception is made, a Trustee must tender his or her resignation by the end of the calendar year during which he or she reaches the age of 75. Officers are elected annually by the Board. The business address of each Trustee and officer listed below is 51 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010. A majority of the Trustees are not "interested persons" (as defined by the 1940 Act and rules adopted by the SEC thereunder) of the Fund ("Independent Trustees").

	<b>Name and Year of Birth</b>	<b>Term of Office, Position(s) Held and Length of Service</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years</b>	<b>Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee</b>	<b>Other Directorships Held by Trustee</b>
<b>Interested Trustee</b>	<b>Naïm Abou-Jaoudé*</b> 1966	<b>MainStay Funds:</b> Trustee since 2023 <b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Trustee since 2023	Chief Executive Officer of New York Life Investment Management LLC (since 2023). Chief Executive Officer of Candriam (an affiliate of New York Life Investment Management LLC) (2007 to 2023).	81	<i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Trustee since 2023 (31 portfolios); <i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Trustee since 2023; <i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since 2023; and <i>New York Life Investment Management International (Chair)</i> since 2015

\* This Trustee is considered to be an "interested person" of the MainStay Group of Funds, MainStay VP Funds Trust, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund and MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund, within the meaning of the 1940 Act because of his affiliation with New York Life Investment Management LLC and Candriam, as described in detail above in the column entitled "Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years."

Independent Trustees

Name and Year of Birth	Term of Office, Position(s) Held and Length of Service	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee	Other Directorships Held by Trustee
David H. Chow 1957	<p><b>MainStay Funds:</b> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015);</p> <p><b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015)</p>	Founder and CEO, DanCourt Management, LLC (since 1999)	81	<p><i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015) (31 portfolios);</p> <p><i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015);</p> <p><i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since 2021;</p> <p><i>VanEck Vectors Group of Exchange-Traded Funds:</i> Trustee since 2006 and Independent Chairman of the Board of Trustees from 2008 to 2022 (57 portfolios); and</p> <p><i>Berea College of Kentucky:</i> Trustee since 2009, Chair of the Investment Committee since 2018</p>
Karen Hammond 1956	<p><b>MainStay Funds:</b> Trustee since December 2021, Advisory Board Member (June 2021 to December 2021);</p> <p><b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Trustee since December 2021, Advisory Board Member (June 2021 to December 2021)</p>	Retired, Managing Director, Devonshire Investors (2007 to 2013); Senior Vice President, Fidelity Management & Research Co. (2005 to 2007); Senior Vice President and Corporate Treasurer, FMR Corp. (2003 to 2005); Chief Operating Officer, Fidelity Investments Japan (2001 to 2003)	81	<p><i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Trustee since December 2021, Advisory Board Member (June 2021 to December 2021) (31 portfolios);</p> <p><i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Trustee since December 2021, Advisory Board Member (June 2021 to December 2021);</p> <p><i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since December 2021, Advisory Board Member (June 2021 to December 2021);</p> <p><i>Two Harbors Investment Corp.:</i> Director since 2018;</p> <p><i>Rhode Island State Investment Commission:</i> Member since 2017; and</p> <p><i>Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island:</i> Director since 2019</p>
Susan B. Kerley 1951	<p><b>MainStay Funds:</b> Chair since January 2017 and Trustee since 2007;</p> <p><b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Chair since January 2017 and Trustee since 1990***</p>	President, Strategic Management Advisors LLC (since 1990)	81	<p><i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Chair since January 2017 and Trustee since 2007 (31 portfolios)**;</p> <p><i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Chair since January 2017 and Trustee since 2011;</p> <p><i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since June 2021; and</p> <p><i>Legg Mason Partners Funds:</i> Trustee since 1991 (45 portfolios)</p>

# Board of Trustees and Officers (Unaudited) (continued)

	Name and Year of Birth	Term of Office, Position(s) Held and Length of Service	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee	Other Directorships Held by Trustee
Independent Trustees	<b>Alan R. Latschaw</b> 1951	<b>MainStay Funds:</b> Trustee since 2006; <b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Trustee since 2007***	Retired; Partner, Ernst & Young LLP (2002 to 2003); Partner, Arthur Andersen LLP (1989 to 2002); Consultant to the MainStay Funds Audit and Compliance Committee (2004 to 2006)	81	<i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Trustee since 2007 (31 portfolios)**; <i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Trustee since 2011; and <i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since June 2021
	<b>Jacques P. Perold</b> 1958	<b>MainStay Funds:</b> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015); <b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015)	Founder and Chief Executive Officer, CapShift Advisors LLC (since 2018); President, Fidelity Management & Research Company (2009 to 2014); President and Chief Investment Officer, Geode Capital Management, LLC (2001 to 2009)	81	<i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015) (31 portfolios); <i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Trustee since January 2016, Advisory Board Member (June 2015 to December 2015); <i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since June 2021; <i>Allstate Corporation:</i> Director since 2015; and <i>MSCI Inc.:</i> Director since 2017
	<b>Richard S. Trutanic</b> 1952	<b>MainStay Funds:</b> Trustee since 1994; <b>MainStay Funds Trust:</b> Trustee since 2007***	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Somerset & Company (financial advisory firm) (since 2004); Managing Director, The Carlyle Group (private investment firm) (2002 to 2004); Senior Managing Director, Partner and Board Member, Groupe Arnault S.A. (private investment firm) (1999 to 2002)	81	<i>MainStay VP Funds Trust:</i> Trustee since 2007 (31 portfolios)**; <i>MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund:</i> Trustee since 2011; and <i>MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund:</i> Trustee since June 2021

\*\* Includes prior service as a Director of MainStay VP Series Fund, Inc., the predecessor to MainStay VP Funds Trust.

\*\*\* Includes prior service as a Director/Trustee of certain predecessor entities to MainStay Funds Trust.

## Officers of the Trust (Who are not Trustees)\*

Name and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held and Length of Service	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years
<b>Kirk C. Lehneis</b> 1974	President, MainStay Funds, MainStay Funds Trust (since 2017)	Chief Operating Officer and Senior Managing Director (since 2016), New York Life Investment Management LLC and New York Life Investment Management Holdings LLC; Member of the Board of Managers (since 2017) and Senior Managing Director (since 2018), NYLIFE Distributors LLC; Chairman of the Board and Senior Managing Director, NYLIM Service Company LLC (since 2017); Trustee, President and Principal Executive Officer of IndexIQ Trust, IndexIQ ETF Trust and IndexIQ Active ETF Trust (since 2018); President, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund (since 2021), MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund and MainStay VP Funds Trust (since 2017)**; Senior Managing Director, Global Product Development (2015 to 2016); Managing Director, Product Development (2010 to 2015), New York Life Investment Management LLC
<b>Jack R. Benintende</b> 1964	Treasurer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, MainStay Funds (since 2007), MainStay Funds Trust (since 2009)	Managing Director, New York Life Investment Management LLC (since 2007); Treasurer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund (since 2021), MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund (since 2011) and MainStay VP Funds Trust (since 2007)**; and Assistant Treasurer, New York Life Investment Management Holdings LLC (2008 to 2012)
<b>J. Kevin Gao</b> 1967	Secretary and Chief Legal Officer, MainStay Funds and MainStay Funds Trust (since 2010)	Managing Director and Associate General Counsel, New York Life Investment Management LLC (since 2010); Secretary and Chief Legal Officer, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund (since 2021), MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund (since 2011) and MainStay VP Funds Trust (since 2010)**
<b>Kevin M. Gleason</b> 1967	Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer, MainStay Funds and MainStay Funds Trust (since June 2022)	Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer, IndexIQ Trust, IndexIQ ETF Trust and Index IQ Active ETF Trust (since June 2022); Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund, MainStay VP Funds Trust and MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund (since June 2022); Senior Vice President, Voya Investment Management and Chief Compliance Officer, Voya Family of Funds (2012 to 2022)
<b>Scott T. Harrington</b> 1959	Vice President—Administration, MainStay Funds (since 2005), MainStay Funds Trust (since 2009)	Managing Director, New York Life Investment Management LLC (including predecessor advisory organizations) (since 2000); Member of the Board of Directors, New York Life Trust Company (since 2009); Vice President—Administration, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund (since 2021), MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund (since 2011) and MainStay VP Funds Trust (since 2005)**

\* The officers listed above are considered to be “interested persons” of the MainStay Group of Funds, MainStay VP Funds Trust, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Megatrends Term Fund and MainStay MacKay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund within the meaning of the 1940 Act because of their affiliation with the MainStay Group of Funds, New York Life Insurance Company and/or its affiliates, including New York Life Investment Management LLC, New York Life Insurance Company, NYLIM Service Company LLC, NYLIFE Securities LLC and/or NYLIFE Distributors LLC, as described in detail in the column captioned “Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years.” Officers are elected annually by the Board.

\*\* Includes prior service as an Officer of MainStay VP Series Fund, Inc., the predecessor to MainStay VP Funds Trust.

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# MainStay Funds

## Equity

### U.S. Equity

MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund  
MainStay Fiera SMID Growth Fund  
MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund  
MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund  
MainStay Winslow Large Cap Growth Fund  
MainStay WMC Enduring Capital Fund  
MainStay WMC Growth Fund  
MainStay WMC Small Companies Fund  
MainStay WMC Value Fund

### International Equity

MainStay Epoch International Choice Fund  
MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund  
MainStay WMC International Research Equity Fund

### Emerging Markets Equity

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund

### Global Equity

MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund  
MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund  
MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund

## Fixed Income

### Taxable Income

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Debt Fund  
MainStay Floating Rate Fund  
MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund  
MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Yield Fund  
MainStay MacKay Strategic Bond Fund  
MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund  
MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund  
MainStay Short Term Bond Fund

### Tax-Exempt Income

MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund<sup>1</sup>  
MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund  
MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund<sup>2</sup>  
MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund  
MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund  
MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund

### Money Market

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### Mixed Asset

MainStay Balanced Fund  
MainStay Income Builder Fund  
MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund

### Speciality

MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Fund  
MainStay CBRE Real Estate Fund  
MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund

### Asset Allocation

MainStay Conservative Allocation Fund  
MainStay Conservative ETF Allocation Fund  
MainStay Defensive ETF Allocation Fund  
MainStay Equity Allocation Fund  
MainStay Equity ETF Allocation Fund  
MainStay ESG Multi-Asset Allocation Fund  
MainStay Growth Allocation Fund  
MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund  
MainStay Moderate Allocation Fund  
MainStay Moderate ETF Allocation Fund

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