

# **Prospectus for MainStay Cushing® MLP Premier Fund**

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	Class A	Investor Class	Class C	Class I			
MainStay Cushing® MLP Premier Fund	CSHAX	CSHNX	CSHCX	CSHZX			

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# MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund

## **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks current income and capital appreciation. In seeking current income, the Fund intends to pay current cash distributions to shareholders, regardless of the character of such distributions for tax or accounting purposes.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and example below.** You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the Fund. In addition, different financial intermediary firms and financial professionals may impose different sales loads and waivers. More information about these and other discounts or waivers is available from your financial professional, in the "Information on Sales Charges" section starting on page 37 of the Prospectus and Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts, and in the "Alternative Sales Arrangements" section on page 147 of the Statement of Additional Information.

	Class A	Investor Class	Class C	Class I
Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)				
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price)	5.50%	5.00%	None	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a percentage of the lesser of the original offering price				
or redemption proceeds)	None <sup>1</sup>	None <sup>1</sup>	1.00%	None
Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of				
your investment)				
Management Fees (as an annual percentage of the Fund's average daily net assets) <sup>2</sup>	1.10%	1.10%	1.10%	1.10%
Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fees	0.25%	0.25%	1.00%	None
Other Expenses	0.14%	0.13%	0.13%	0.14%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	1.49%	1.48%	2.23%	1.24%

<sup>1.</sup> No initial sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more (and certain other qualified purchases). However, a contingent deferred sales charge 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.

#### Example

The Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated whether or not you redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods (except as indicated with respect to Class C shares). The Example reflects Class C shares converting into Investor Class shares in years 9-10; expenses could be lower if you are eligible to convert to Class A shares instead. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. The Example reflects the contractual fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement arrangement, if applicable, for the current duration of the arrangement only. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Expenses After	Class A	Investor	Clas	Class I		
		Class	Assuming no redemption	Assuming redemption at end of period		
1 Year	\$ 693	\$ 643	\$ 226	\$ 326	\$ 126	
3 Years	\$ 995	\$ 945	\$ 697	\$ 697	\$ 393	
5 Years	\$ 1,318	\$ 1,268	\$ 1,195	\$ 1,195	\$ 681	
10 Years	\$ 2,232	\$ 2,180	\$ 2,376	\$ 2,376	\$ 1,500	

#### **Portfolio Turnover**

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 20% of the average value of its portfolio.

## **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund, under normal market conditions, invests at least 80% of its assets (net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in a portfolio of master limited partnerships ("MLPs") and MLP-related investments (together, "MLP Investments"). The Fund's MLP Investments may include, but are not limited to, investments that offer economic exposure to MLPs in the form of common or subordinated units issued by MLPs, securities of entities holding primarily general partner or managing member interests in MLPs, debt securities of MLPs, securities that are

<sup>2.</sup> The management fee is as follows: 1.10% on assets up to \$3 billion and 1.05% on assets over \$3 billion.

derivatives of interests in MLPs, including indirect ownership interests in an MLP issued by an MLP affiliate ("I-Shares") and businesses that operate like MLP Investments and have the economic characteristics of MLP Investments but are organized and taxed as "C"corporations or as limited liability companies. The Fund is non-diversified, which means it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers than a diversified fund, and it may invest in companies of any market capitalization size.

The Fund focuses primarily on midstream MLP Investments ("Midstream MLPs") whose business models are often referred to as "toll road" businesses. Midstream MLPs collect, gather, transport and store natural resources and their byproducts (primarily crude oil, natural gas and refined petroleum products), generally without taking ownership of the physical commodity. Midstream MLPs may also operate ancillary businesses including the marketing of the products and logistical services. The Fund may also invest in MLPs involved in other segments of the natural resources sector, including propane, coal and shipping MLPs, as well as upstream MLPs focused on exploration and production of natural resources.

Cushing® Asset Management, LP, the Fund's Subadvisor, seeks MLP Investments that have distributions that, in the Subadvisor's view, are attractive relative to comparable MLP Investments and available unit pricing. The Subadvisor also focuses on MLP Investments with operations in the development, production, processing, refining, transportation, storage and marketing of natural resources. Among other things, the Subadvisor uses fundamental, proprietary research to seek to identify the most attractive MLP Investments with favorable distribution yields and distribution growth prospects. Distributions made by the Fund to shareholders may be considered dividend income, non-taxable returns of capital, capital gain or a combination thereof.

MLPs are generally treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are generally organized under state law as limited partnerships or limited liability companies. To be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, an MLP must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from qualifying sources, including natural resources-based activities such as the exploration, development, mining, production, processing, refining, transportation, storage and certain marketing of mineral or natural resources. Currently, most MLPs operate in the natural resources, shipping or real estate sectors. Therefore, the Fund will, in normal circumstances, invest more than 25% of its assets (or concentrate its investments) in the natural resources industry, including MLPs operating in such industry.

The Fund may also invest in foreign securities, including among other things, Canadian royalty trusts and Canadian exploration and production companies. A Canadian royalty trust is an oil, gas or mineral company that is organized as a trust rather than as a traditional corporation and holds commodity producing properties. Canadian exploration and production companies are energy companies which focus on searching for and extracting oil and gas. An issuer of a security is considered to be a U.S. or foreign issuer based on the issuer's "country of risk" (or similar designation) as determined by a third party such as Bloomberg.

## **Principal Risks**

You can lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency. The investments selected by the Subadvisor may underperform the market in which the Fund invests or other investments. The Fund may receive large purchase or redemption orders which may have adverse effects on performance if the Fund were required to sell securities, invest cash or hold a relatively large amount of cash at times when it would not otherwise do so.

The principal risks of investing in the Fund are summarized below.

Market Risk: Changes in markets may cause the value of investments to fluctuate, which could cause the Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies. Such changes may be rapid and unpredictable. From time to time, markets may experience periods of stress as a result of various market, economic and geopolitical factors for potentially prolonged periods that may result in: (i) increased market volatility; (ii) reduced market liquidity; and (iii) increased redemptions of shares. Such conditions may add significantly to the risk of volatility in the net asset value of the Fund's shares and adversely affect the Fund and its investments.

The energy markets have experienced significant volatility in recent periods, including a historic drop in the price of crude oil and natural gas prices, and may continue to experience relatively high volatility for a prolonged period. Such conditions may negatively impact the Fund and its shareholders. The Subadvisor will take measures intended to effectively navigate the conditions of the energy markets. There is no guarantee that such efforts will be effective or that the Fund's performance will correlate with any increase in oil and gas prices.

**Portfolio Management Risk:** The investment strategies, practices and risk analyses used by the Subadvisor may not produce the desired results or expected returns.

**Cash Flow Risk:** The Fund will derive substantially all of its cash flow from MLP Investments. The amount of cash that the Fund has available to distribute to shareholders will depend on the ability of the MLP Investments in which the Fund has an interest to make distributions or pay dividends to their investors and the tax character of those distributions or dividends.

**Concentration Risk:** Because the Fund will be concentrated in the natural resources industry, it will be more susceptible to the risks associated with the industry and sector than if it were more broadly diversified over numerous industries and sectors. General changes in market sentiment towards MLP Investments may adversely affect the Fund, and the performance of MLP Investments may lag behind the broader market as a whole.

MLPs and Other Natural Resources Sector Companies Risks: MLPs and other natural resources sector companies are subject to certain risks, including, but not limited to, the following:

- MLPs and other companies operating in the natural resources sector are affected by fluctuations in the prices of energy commodities;
- the highly cyclical nature of the natural resources sector may adversely affect the earnings or operating cash flows of MLPs or the ability of an MLP to borrow money or raise capital needed to fund its continued operations;
- a significant decrease in the production of energy commodities would reduce the revenue, operating income and operating cash flows of MLPs and other natural resources sector companies and, therefore, their ability to make distributions or pay dividends;
- a sustained decline in demand for energy commodities could adversely affect the revenues and cash flows of MLPs and other natural resources sector companies;
- MLPs and other natural resources sector companies may be subject to construction risk, development risk, acquisition risk or other risks arising from their specific business strategies;
- the natural resources sector is highly competitive;
- extreme weather or other conditions could result in substantial damage to the facilities of certain MLPs and other natural resources sector companies and significant volatility in the supply of natural resources, commodity prices and the earnings of such companies, and could therefore adversely affect their securities;
- the amount of cash that the Fund has available to distribute to shareholders will depend on the ability of the companies in which the Fund has an interest to make distributions or pay dividends to their investors:
- the profitability of MLPs and other natural resources sector companies is subject to significant foreign, federal, state and local regulation in virtually every aspect of their operations and could be adversely affected by changes in the regulatory environment;
- there is an inherent risk that MLPs may incur environmental costs and liabilities due to the nature of their businesses and the substances they
  handle and the possibility exists that stricter laws, regulations or enforcement policies could significantly increase the compliance costs of
  MLPs, and the cost of any remediation that may become necessary, which MLPs may not be able to recover from insurance;
- certain MLPs and other natural resources sector companies are dependent on their parents or sponsors for a majority of their revenues and any failure by the parents or sponsors to satisfy their payments or obligations would impact the companies' revenues, cash flows and ability to make distributions;
- the operations of MLPs and other natural resources sector companies are subject to many hazards inherent in their businesses and energy
  assets, specifically infrastructure and certain other assets, may be targeted in future terrorist attacks;
- securities issued by MLPs are generally considered interest rate sensitive and may not provide attractive returns in periods of interest rate volatility; and
- securities issued by MLPs may experience limited trading volumes and, thus, may be relatively illiquid.

**Industry Specific Risk:** MLPs and other natural resources sector companies are also subject to risks that are specific to the particular industry in which they operate, including companies that operate in the pipeline, gathering and processing, exploration and production, oil, propane, coal, and marine shipping industries.

**MLP Structure Risk:** Holders of MLP units are subject to certain risks inherent in the structure of MLPs, including (i) tax risks; (ii) the limited ability to elect or remove management or the general partner or managing member; (iii) limited voting rights, except with respect to extraordinary transactions; and (iv) conflicts of interest between the general partner or managing member and its affiliates, on the one hand, and the limited partners or members, on the other hand, including those arising from incentive distribution payments or corporate opportunities.

**Tax Risks:** An investment in the Fund will involve tax risks, including, but not limited to:

- MLPs generally are not subject to U.S. federal income tax at the partnership level. Rather, each partner is allocated a share of the partnership's income, gains, losses, credits, deductions and expenses. A change in current tax law, a change in the underlying business mix of a given MLP, or an elective change by an MLP itself could result in an MLP being treated, after a taxable conversion, as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which would result in such MLP being subject to U.S. federal income tax on its taxable income as well as additional state and local taxes. The treatment of an MLP as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes would, among other consequences, have the effect of reducing the amount of cash available for distribution by the MLP. Thus, to the extent the MLPs owned by the Fund are treated as corporations for U.S. federal income tax purposes and to the extent the Fund invests in MLP-related investments or other non-partnership entities, this could result in a reduction of the value of your investment in the Fund and lower income.
- The portion, if any, of a distribution received by the Fund as the holder of an MLP equity security that is offset by the MLP's tax deductions or losses generally will be treated as a return of capital to the extent of the Fund's tax basis in the MLP equity security, which will cause income or realized gain to be higher, or realized losses to be lower, upon the sale of the MLP security by the Fund. The actual portion of the distributions received by the Fund that are considered return of capital will not be known until the Fund receives a Form 1065, Schedule K-1 with respect to each of its MLP investments. Distributions received by shareholders from the Fund that are treated as return of capital would

not be subject to U.S. federal income tax, but would have the effect of reducing a shareholder's basis in the shares of the Fund, which would cause gains to be higher, or losses to be lower, upon the sale of shares by such shareholder.

- Individuals and certain other noncorporate entities are generally eligible for a 20% deduction with respect to net taxable income from MLPs through 2025. The Fund will not be eligible for the 20% deduction and as of yet does not have regulatory authority to pass through the 20% deduction for MLP net taxable income, if any, to Fund shareholders. As a result, in comparison, investors investing directly in MLPs generally would be eligible for the 20% deduction for any such taxable income from these investments while investors investing in MLPs held indirectly, if any, through the Fund (unless applicable regulatory authority is released) would not be eligible for the 20% deduction for their share of such taxable income.
- Changes in tax laws, regulations or interpretations of those laws or regulations in the future could adversely affect the Fund or the MLPs in which the Fund will invest.

Canadian Investment Risks: The Fund may invest in the securities of Canadian issuers, including Canadian royalty trusts and Canadian exploration and production companies. The Canadian economy is very dependent on the demand for, and supply and price of, natural resources. The Canadian market is relatively concentrated in issuers involved in the production and distribution of natural resources. There is a risk that any changes in these sectors could have an adverse impact on the Canadian economy. The Canadian economy may be significantly affected by the U.S. economy, given that the United States is Canada's largest trading partner and foreign investor. Reduction in spending on Canadian products and services or the United States' withdrawal from, or renegotiation of, its trade agreements with Canada may cause an impact in the Canadian economy.

Canadian Royalty Trusts Risks: A Canadian royalty trust is an oil, gas or mineral company that is organized as a trust rather than as a traditional corporation and holds commodity producing properties. Potential growth in a Canadian royalty trust may be sacrificed because revenue is passed on to a royalty trust's unit holders, rather than reinvested in the business. Canadian royalty trusts generally do not guarantee minimum distributions or even return of capital, and if the assets underlying a Canadian royalty trust do not perform as expected, the royalty trust may reduce or eliminate distributions.

**Equity Securities Risk:** MLP common units and other equity securities may be affected by macroeconomic, political, global and other factors affecting the stock market in general, expectations concerning interest rate movements, investor sentiment towards MLPs or the natural resources sector, changes in a particular issuer's financial condition, or unfavorable or unanticipated poor performance of a particular issuer (in the case of MLPs, may be measured in terms of distributable cash flow or other factors). Prices of common units of individual MLPs and other equity securities can also be affected by fundamentals unique to the partnership or company, including earnings power and coverage ratios.

**Debt Securities Risk:** The risks of investing in debt or fixed-income securities include (without limitation): (i) credit risk, e.g., the issuer or guarantor of a debt security may be unable or unwilling (or be perceived as unable or unwilling) to make timely principal and/or interest payments or otherwise honor its obligations, or changes in an issuer's credit rating or the market's perception of an issuer's creditworthiness may affect the value of the Fund's investments; (ii) maturity risk, e.g., a debt security with a longer maturity may fluctuate in value more than one with a shorter maturity; (iii) market risk, e.g., low demand for debt securities may negatively impact their price; (iv) interest rate risk, e.g., when interest rates go up, the value of a debt security generally goes down, and when interest rates go down, the value of a debt security generally goes up (long-term debt securities are generally more susceptible to interest rate risk than short-term debt securities); and (v) call or prepayment risk, e.g., during a period of falling interest rates, the issuer may redeem a security by repaying it early, which may reduce the Fund's income if the proceeds are reinvested at lower interest rates.

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of the Fund's investments in fixed-income or debt securities will change because of changes in interest rates. There is a risk that interest rates across the financial system may change, possibly significantly and/or rapidly. Changes in interest rates or a lack of market participants may lead to decreased liquidity and increased volatility in the fixed-income or debt markets, making it more difficult for the Fund to sell its fixed-income or debt holdings. Decreased liquidity in the fixed-income or debt markets also may make it more difficult to value some or all of the Fund's fixed-income or debt holdings. For most fixed-income investments, when market interest rates fall, prices of fixed-rate debt securities rise. However, when market interest rates fall, prices of certain variable and fixed-rate debt securities may be adversely affected (i.e., falling interest rates bring the possibility of prepayment risk, as an instrument may be redeemed before maturity). Very low or negative interest rates may magnify interest rate risk. Low interest rates (or negative interest rates) may magnify the risks associated with rising interest rates. There is a risk that the income generated by investments may not keep pace with inflation. Actions by governments and central banking authorities can result in increases or decreases in interest rates. Periods of higher inflation could cause such authorities to raise interest rates, which may adversely affect the Fund and its investments. The Fund may also be subject to heightened interest rate risk when the Federal Reserve raises interest rates. Changing interest rates, including rates that fall below zero, may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from Fund performance to the extent the Fund is exposed to such interest rates and/or volatility. Other factors that may affect the value of debt securities include, but are not limited to, economic, political, public health, and oth

Not all U.S. government debt securities are guaranteed by the U.S. government—some are backed only by the issuing agency, which must rely on its own resources to repay the debt. The Fund's yield will fluctuate with changes in short-term interest rates.

Market Capitalization Risk: Investments in securities issued by small-, mid-, or large-cap companies will be subject to the risks associated with securities issued by companies of the applicable market capitalization. Securities of small-cap and mid-cap companies may be subject to greater price volatility, significantly lower trading volumes, cyclical, static or moderate growth prospects and greater spreads between their bid and ask prices than securities of larger companies. Smaller capitalization companies frequently rely on narrower product lines and niche markets and may be more vulnerable to adverse business or market developments. Securities issued by larger companies may have less growth potential and may not be able to attain the high growth rates of successful smaller companies, especially during strong economic periods. In addition, larger companies may be less capable of responding quickly to competitive challenges and industry changes, including those resulting from improvements in technology, and may suffer sharper price declines as a result of earnings disappointments. There is a risk that the securities issued by companies of a certain market capitalization may underperform the broader market at any given time.

Liquidity and Valuation Risk: The Fund's investments may be illiquid at the time of purchase or liquid at the time of purchase and subsequently become illiquid due to, among other things, events relating to the issuer of the securities, market events, operational issues, economic conditions, investor perceptions or lack of market participants. The lack of an active trading market may make it difficult to sell or obtain an accurate price for a security. If market conditions or issuer specific developments make it difficult to value securities, the Fund may value these securities using more subjective methods, such as fair value pricing. In such cases, the value determined for a security could be different than the value realized upon such security's sale. As a result, an investor could pay more than the market value when buying shares or receive less than the market value when selling shares. This could affect the proceeds of any redemption or the number of shares an investor receives upon purchase. The Fund is subject to the risk that it could not meet redemption requests within the allowable time period without significant dilution of remaining investors' interests in the Fund. To meet redemption requests or to raise cash to pursue other investment opportunities, the Fund may be forced to sell securities at an unfavorable time and/or under unfavorable conditions, which may adversely affect the Fund's performance. These risks are heightened for fixed-income instruments in a changing interest rate environment.

**Non-Diversification Risk:** The Fund is a non-diversified, open-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. A non-diversified fund may have a significant portion of its investments in a smaller number of issuers than a diversified fund. Having a larger percentage of assets in a smaller number of issuers makes a non-diversified fund, like the Fund, more susceptible to the risk that one single event or occurrence can have a significant adverse impact upon the Fund.

#### **Past Performance**

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns compare with those of a broad measure of market performance, a broad-based securities market index, as well as a tiered benchmark over time. Sales loads, if any, are not reflected in the bar chart. If they were, returns would be less than those shown. In accordance with new regulatory requirements, the Fund has selected the Russell 3000® Index, which represents a broad measure of market performance, as a replacement for the Alerian Midstream Energy Select Index. The table also includes the average annual returns of the Alerian Midstream Energy Select Index, Cushing MLP Premier Tiered Index and Alerian MLP Index, which are generally representative of the market sectors or types of investments in which the Fund invests.

The performance figures for Class A shares, Class C shares and Class I shares reflect the historical performance of the then-existing Class A shares, Class C shares and Class I shares, respectively, of The Cushing<sup>®</sup> MLP Premier Fund (the predecessor to the Fund, which was subject to a different fee structure) for periods prior to July 11, 2014, restated to reflect current sales loads (if any).

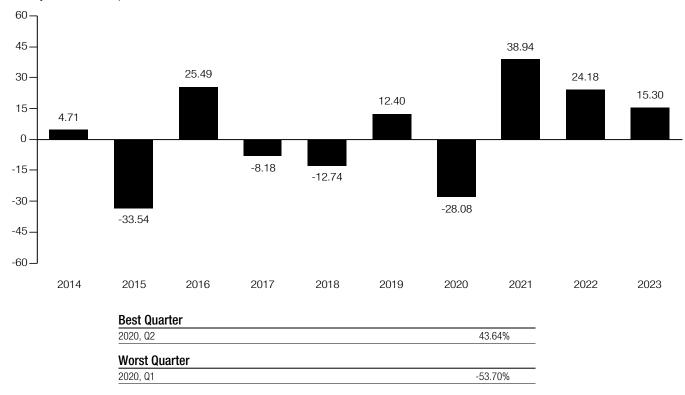
Index returns reflect no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes, except for foreign withholding taxes where applicable.

Performance data for the classes varies based on differences in their fee and expense structures. Performance data is not shown for classes with less than one calendar year of performance.

Past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Please visit newyorklifeinvestments.com/funds for more recent performance information.

## **Annual Returns, Class I Shares**

(by calendar year 2014-2023)



## Average Annual Total Returns (for the periods ended December 31, 2023)

	Inception	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years or Since Inception
Return Before Taxes	40/00/0040	4= 000/		
Class I	10/20/2010	15.30%	9.97%	1.19%
Return After Taxes on Distributions Class I		14.74%	9.08%	0.55%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares Class I		9.10%	7.50%	0.63%
Return Before Taxes				
Class A	10/20/2010	8.68%	8.45%	0.37%
Investor Class	7/11/2014	9.34%	8.48%	-0.94%
Class C	10/20/2010	13.23%	8.87%	0.18%
Russell 3000® Index <sup>1</sup>		25.96%	15.16%	11.48%
Alerian Midstream Energy Select Index <sup>2</sup>		15.79%	12.71%	4.49%
Cushing MLP Premier Tiered Index <sup>3</sup>		15.79%	7.82%	-0.03%
Alerian MLP Index <sup>4</sup>		26.56%	12.03%	1.90%

<sup>1.</sup> The Russell 3000® Index measures the performance of the largest 3,000 U.S. companies representing approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market.

After-tax returns are calculated using the highest individual federal marginal income tax rates in effect at the time of each distribution or capital gain or upon the sale of Fund shares, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. In some cases, the return after taxes may exceed the return before taxes due to an assumed tax benefit from any losses on a sale of shares at the end of the measurement period. Actual after-tax returns depend on your tax situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns are not relevant if you hold your shares through tax-

<sup>2.</sup> The Alerian Midstream Energy Select Index is a broad-based composite of North American energy infrastructure companies. The Alerian Midstream Energy Select Index is a capped, float-adjusted, capitalization-weighted index, whose constituents earn the majority of their cash flow from midstream activities involving energy commodities.

<sup>3.</sup> The returns for the tiered benchmark represent the returns of the Alerian MLP Index prior to December 1, 2020 and the returns of the Alerian Midstream Energy Select Index thereafter.

<sup>4.</sup> The Alerian MLP Index is an unmanaged, capped, float-adjusted, capitalization-weighted index and a leading gauge of energy MLPs.

deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. After-tax returns shown are for Class I shares. After-tax returns for the other share classes may vary.

## Management

New York Life Investment Management LLC serves as the Manager. Cushing® Asset Management, LP serves as the Subadvisor. The individuals listed below are jointly and primarily responsible for day-to-day portfolio management.

Subadvisor	Portfolio Manager	Service Date
Cushing Asset Management, LP	John M. Musgrave, President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager	Since 2020
	Todd Sunderland, Chief Risk Officer, Chief Operating Officer and Portfolio Manager	Since March 2024

## **How to Purchase and Sell Shares**

You may purchase or sell shares of the Fund on any day the Fund is open for business by contacting your financial adviser or financial intermediary firm, or by contacting the Fund by telephone at **800-624-6782**, by mail at MainStay Funds, P.O. Box 219003, Kansas City, MO 64121-9000, by overnight mail to 430 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 219003, Kansas City, MO 64105-1407, or by accessing our website at newyorklifeinvestments.com/accounts. Generally, an initial investment minimum of \$2,500 applies if you invest in Investor Class or Class C shares, \$15,000 for Class A shares and \$1,000,000 for individual investors in Class I shares investing directly (i) with the Fund; or (ii) through certain private banks and trust companies that have an agreement with NYLIFE Distributors LLC, the Fund's principal underwriter and distributor, or its affiliates. A subsequent investment minimum of \$50 applies to investments in Investor Class and Class C shares. These initial investment minimum and subsequent purchase amounts also apply to Investor Class and Class C shares purchased through AutoInvest, MainStay's systematic investment plan. Class A shares have no subsequent investment minimum. Institutional shareholders in Class I shares have no initial or subsequent investment minimums.

Certain financial intermediaries through whom you may invest may impose their own investment minimums, fees, policies and procedures for purchasing and selling Fund shares, which are not described in this Prospectus or the Statement of Additional Information, and which will depend on the policies, procedures and trading platforms of the financial intermediary. Consult a representative of your financial intermediary about the availability of shares of the Fund and the intermediary's policies, procedures and other information.

## **Tax Information**

The Fund's distributions are generally taxable to you as ordinary income, capital gains, or a combination of the two, unless you are investing through a tax-deferred arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or an individual retirement account. The Fund intends to qualify as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes annually. If the Fund did not so qualify, the Fund could incur a tax liability and would not be eligible to pay capital gain distributions.

#### **Compensation to Financial Intermediary Firms**

If you purchase Fund shares through a financial intermediary firm (such as a broker/dealer or bank), the Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the financial intermediary firm or your financial adviser to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your financial adviser or visit your financial intermediary firm's website for more information.

# More About Investment Strategies and Risks

Information about the Fund's investment objective, principal investment strategies, investment practices and principal risks appears in the summary section at the beginning of this Prospectus. The information below describes in greater detail the principal and other investments, investment practices and risks pertinent to the Fund. Not all investments/strategies of the Fund may be described in this Prospectus.

### **Investment Policies and Objectives**

The MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund (the "Fund") has a name that suggests a focus on a particular type of investment. In accordance with Rule 35d-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), the Fund has adopted a policy that it will, in normal circumstances, invest at least 80% of the value of its assets (net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) in investments of the type suggested by its name, as set forth in the Fund's Principal Investment Strategies section. This requirement is applied at the time the Fund invests its assets. If, subsequent to an investment by the Fund, this requirement is no longer met, the Fund's future investments will be made in a manner that will bring the Fund into compliance with this requirement. In addition, in appropriate circumstances, synthetic investments may count toward the 80% minimum if they have economic characteristics similar to the other investments considered for purposes of complying with the 80% policy. To the extent the Fund invests in derivatives, they may be counted for purposes of the 80% policy. The Fund has adopted a policy to provide the Fund's shareholders with at least 60 days' prior notice of any changes in the Fund's non-fundamental policy with respect to investments of a type suggested by its name. The Fund's investment objective is non-fundamental and may be changed without shareholder approval.

The Fund "looks through" its holdings in investments in exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") to the characteristics of the underlying securities held by the ETF for purposes of determining compliance with any stated investment strategy, objective or process.

#### **Russian Securities**

Until further notice, the Fund will not purchase securities of Russian issuers.

#### **Additional Information About Risks**

The principal risks of investing in the Fund are described below, which may result in a loss of your investment. As indicated in the table below, not all of these risks are principal risks of investing in the Fund. The Fund may be subject to risks to different degrees. The fact that a particular risk is not identified as a principal risk for the Fund does not mean that the Fund is prohibited from investing in securities or investments that give rise to that risk. There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

Additional information about the investment practices of the Fund and risks pertinent to these practices is included in the SAI. The following information regarding principal investment strategies and risks is provided in alphabetical order and not necessarily in order of importance.

x Principal Risk ● Additional Risk	MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund
Canadian Investment Risk	Х
Canadian Royalty Trusts Risk	Х
Cash Flow Risk	Х
Common Stock Risk	Х
Concentration Risk	Х
Conflicts of Interest of the Subadvisor Risk	•
Convertible Securities Risk	•
Debt or Fixed-Income Securities Risk	Х
Dependence on Key Personnel Risk	•
Derivative Transactions Risk	•
Equity Securities Risk	Х
Foreign Securities and Currencies Risk	Х
High-Yield Securities Risk	•
Increase in Expenses Risk	•

Inflation Risk	•
Large Investments or Redemptions by Shareholders Risk	X
Liquidity and Valuation Risk	Х
Market Capitalization Risk	X
Market Risk	X
MLPs and Companies in the Natural Resources and Energy Sectors Risk	X
MLP Equity Securities Risk	X
MLP Structure Risk	X
Non-Diversification Risk	X
Non-U.S. Securities Risk	X
Operational and Cyber Security Risk	•
Portfolio Management Risk	X
Portfolio Turnover Risk	•
Preferred Shares Risk	•
Regulatory Risk	•
Restricted Securities Risk	•
Strategic Transactions Risk	•
Tax Risk	X
Temporary Defensive Investments Risk	Х
Terrorism and Market Disruption Risk	X

## **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks current income and capital appreciation. In seeking current income, the Fund intends to pay current cash distributions to shareholders, regardless of the character of such distributions for tax or accounting purposes.

#### **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund, under normal market conditions, invests at least 80% of its assets (net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in a portfolio of master limited partnerships ("MLPs") and MLP-related investments (together, "MLP Investments"). The Fund's MLP Investments may include, but are not limited to, investments that offer economic exposure to MLPs in the form of common or subordinated units issued by MLPs, securities of entities holding primarily general partner or managing member interests in MLPs, debt securities of MLPs, securities that are derivatives of interests in MLPs, including indirect ownership interests in an MLP issued by an MLP affiliate ("I-Shares") and businesses that operate like MLP Investments and have the economic characteristics of MLP Investments but are organized and taxed as "C"corporations or as limited liability companies. The Fund is non-diversified, which means it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers than a diversified fund, and it may invest in companies of any market capitalization size.

The Fund focuses primarily on midstream MLP Investments ("Midstream MLPs") whose business models are often referred to as "toll road" businesses. Midstream MLPs collect, gather, transport and store natural resources and their byproducts (primarily crude oil, natural gas and refined petroleum products), generally without taking ownership of the physical commodity. Midstream MLPs may also operate ancillary businesses including the marketing of the products and logistical services. The Fund may also invest in MLPs involved in other segments of the natural resources sector, including propane, coal and shipping MLPs, as well as upstream MLPs focused on exploration and production of natural resources.

Cushing® Asset Management, LP, the Fund's Subadvisor, seeks MLP Investments that have distributions that, in the Subadvisor's view, are attractive relative to comparable MLP Investments and available unit pricing. The Subadvisor also focuses on MLP Investments with operations in the development, production, processing, refining, transportation, storage and marketing of natural resources. Among other things, the Subadvisor uses fundamental, proprietary research to seek to identify the most attractive MLP Investments with favorable distribution yields and distribution growth prospects. Distributions made by the Fund to shareholders may be considered dividend income, non-taxable returns of capital, capital gain or a combination thereof.

MLPs are generally treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are generally organized under state law as limited partnerships or limited liability companies. To be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, an MLP must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from qualifying sources, including natural resources-based activities such as the exploration, development, mining, production, processing, refining, transportation, storage and certain marketing of mineral or natural resources. Currently, most MLPs operate in the natural resources, shipping or real estate sectors. Therefore, the Fund will, in normal circumstances, invest more than 25% of its assets (or concentrate its investments) in the natural resources industry, including MLPs operating in such industry.

The Fund may also invest in foreign securities, including among other things, Canadian royalty trusts and Canadian exploration and production companies. A Canadian royalty trust is an oil, gas or mineral company that is organized as a trust rather than as a traditional corporation and holds commodity producing properties. Canadian exploration and production companies are energy companies which focus on searching for and extracting oil and gas. An issuer of a security is considered to be a U.S. or foreign issuer based on the issuer's "country of risk" (or similar designation) as determined by a third party such as Bloomberg.

The Fund generally seeks to invest no more than 10% of the Fund's total assets in any one issue and no more than 15% of the Fund's total assets in any one issuer, in each case, determined at the time of investment. For purposes of this calculation, an "issue" is a class of an issuer's securities or a derivative security that tracks that class of securities. The Fund may purchase MLP Investments in secondary market transactions or directly from issuers.

A portion of the Fund's distributions to shareholders may consist of return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In seeking current income, the Fund intends to pay current cash distributions to shareholders, regardless of the character of such distributions for tax or accounting purposes.

## **Additional Information about the Fund's Investments**

#### **Master Limited Partnerships**

Master limited partnerships ("MLPs") are organized as limited partnerships or limited liability companies under state law and are generally subject to tax as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The equity securities issued by many MLPs are publicly listed and traded on a U.S. securities exchange. An MLP typically issues general partner and limited partner interests or managing member and member interests. The general partner or managing member manages and often controls, has an ownership stake in and is normally eligible to receive incentive distribution payments from, the MLP. If publicly traded, to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, an MLP must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from certain qualifying sources as described in the Internal Revenue Code. These qualifying sources include natural resources-based activities such as the exploration, development, mining, production, processing, refining, transportation, storage and certain marketing of mineral or natural resources.

The general partner or managing member may be structured as a private or publicly-traded corporation or other entity. The general partner or managing member typically controls the operations and management of the entity and has an up to 2% general partner or managing member interest in the entity plus, in many cases, ownership of some percentage of the outstanding limited partner or member interests. The limited partners or members, through their ownership of limited partner or member interests, provide capital to the entity, are intended to have no role in the operation and management of the entity and receive cash distributions.

Due to their structure as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and the expected character of their income, MLPs generally are not subject to U.S. federal income taxes. Thus, unlike investors in corporate securities, direct MLP investors are generally not subject to double taxation (i.e., corporate level tax and a separate tax on corporate dividends).

Certain MLPs are dependent on their parents or sponsors for a majority of their revenues. Any failure by an MLP's parents or sponsors to satisfy their payments or obligations would impact the MLP's revenues, cash flows and ability to make distributions. Moreover, the terms of an MLP's transactions with its parent or sponsor are typically not arrived at on an arm's length basis, and may not be as favorable to the MLP as a transaction with a non-affiliate.

*MLP Equity Securities* – Equity securities issued by MLPs typically consist of common units, subordinated units and a general partner or managing member interest.

Common Units — The common units of many MLPs are listed and traded on national securities exchanges, including the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), the NYSE MKT, LLC (formerly known as the American Stock Exchange) (the "NYSE MKT") and the NASDAQ Stock Market (the "NASDAQ"). Holders of MLP common units typically have very limited control and voting rights. Holders of such common units are typically entitled to receive the minimum quarterly distribution (the "MQD"), including arrearage rights, from the issuer. In the event of a liquidation, common unit holders are intended to have a preference to the remaining assets of the issuer over holders of subordinated units. The Fund may invest in different classes of common units that may have different voting, trading and distribution rights.

Subordinated Units — Subordinated units, which, like common units, represent limited partner interests, are not typically listed on an exchange or publicly traded. Holders of such subordinated units are generally entitled to receive a distribution only after the MQD and any arrearages from prior quarters have been paid to holders of common units. Holders of subordinated units typically have the right to receive distributions before any incentive distributions are payable to the general partner. Subordinated units generally do not provide arrearage rights. Most MLP subordinated units are convertible into common units after the passage of a specified period of time or upon the achievement by the issuer of specified financial goals. The Fund may invest in different classes of subordinated units that may have different voting, trading and distribution rights.

General Partner Interests — The general partner interest in MLPs is typically retained by the original sponsors of an MLP, such as its founders, corporate partners and entities that sell assets to the MLP. The holder of the general partner interest can be liable in certain circumstances for amounts greater than the amount of the holder's investment. General partner interests often confer direct board participation rights in, and in many cases control over the operations of, the MLP. General partner or managing member interests receive cash distributions, typically in an amount of up to 2% of available cash, which is contractually defined in the partnership or limited liability company agreement. In addition, holders of general partner or managing member interests may receive incentive distribution rights, which provide them with an increasing share of the entity's aggregate cash distributions upon the payment of per common unit distributions that exceed specified threshold levels above the MQD. Due to the incentive distribution rights, some GP MLPs have higher distribution growth prospects than their underlying MLPs, but quarterly incentive distribution payments would also decline at a greater rate than the decline rate in quarterly distributions to common and subordinated unit holders in the event of a reduction in the MLP's quarterly distribution.

*I-Shares* – I Shares represent an ownership interest issued by an MLP affiliate. The MLP affiliate uses the proceeds from the sale of I-Shares to purchase limited partnership interests in the MLP in the form of I-units. Thus, I-Shares represent an indirect limited partner interest in the MLP. I-units have features similar to MLP common units in terms of voting rights, liquidation preference and distribution. I-Shares differ from MLP common units primarily in that instead of receiving cash distributions, holders of I-Shares will receive distributions of additional I-Shares in an amount equal to the cash distributions received by common unit holders. I-Shares are traded on the NYSE.

#### **Other Equity Securities**

The Fund may invest in equity securities of issuers other than MLPs, including common stocks of non-MLP issuers.

#### **Debt or Fixed-Income Securities**

The Fund may invest in debt securities of MLPs and other issuers. The Fund may invest in debt securities without regard to their maturity or duration.

## **Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund**

The principal risks of investing in the Fund are discussed below. In addition to the risks discussed below, the value of the Fund's investments may increase or decrease, which will cause the value of the Fund's shares to increase or decrease. As a result, you may lose money on your investment in the Fund, and there can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of your investment in the Fund will fluctuate, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

#### **Canadian Investment Risk**

The Fund may invest in the securities of Canadian issuers, including Canadian royalty trusts and Canadian exploration and production companies. The Canadian economy is very dependent on the demand for, and supply and price of, natural resources. The Canadian market is relatively concentrated in issuers involved in the production and distribution of natural resources. There is a risk that any changes in these sectors could have an adverse impact on the Canadian economy. The Canadian economy may be significantly affected by the U.S. economy, given that the United States is Canada's largest trading partner and foreign investor. Reduction in spending on Canadian products and services or the United States' withdrawal from, or renegotiation of, its trade agreements with Canada may cause an impact in the Canadian economy. Since the implementation of the North American Free Trade Agreement ("NAFTA") in 1994, total two-way merchandise trade between the United States and Canada has more than doubled. To further this relationship, all three NAFTA countries entered into The Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America in March 2005, which addressed economic and security related issues. These agreements and the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, the recently negotiated successor to NAFTA, may further affect Canada's dependency on the U.S. economy. Past periodic demands by the Province of Quebec for sovereignty have significantly affected equity valuations and foreign currency movements in the Canadian market.

## **Canadian Royalty Trusts Risk**

A Canadian royalty trust is an oil, gas or mineral company that is organized as a trust rather than as a traditional corporation and holds commodity producing properties. Potential growth in a Canadian royalty trust may be sacrificed because revenue is passed on to a royalty trust's unit holders, rather than reinvested in the business. Canadian royalty trusts generally do not guarantee minimum distributions or even return of capital, and if the assets underlying a Canadian royalty trust do not perform as expected, the royalty trust may reduce or eliminate distributions. Canadian royalty trusts are exposed to commodity risk and production and reserve risk, as well as operating risk.

#### **Cash Flow Risk**

The amount of cash that the Fund has available to distribute to shareholders will depend on the ability of the companies in which the Fund has an interest to make distributions or pay dividends to their investors and the tax character of those distributions or dividends. The Fund will likely have no influence over the actions of the companies in which it invests with respect to the payment of distributions or dividends. The amount of cash that any company can distribute to its investors, including the Fund, will depend on the amount of cash it generates from operations, which will vary from guarter to guarter depending on factors affecting the particular business lines of the

issuer. Available cash will depend on the company's operating costs, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, acquisition costs (if any), fluctuations in working capital needs and other factors. The cash that an MLP will have available for distribution will also depend on the incentive distributions payable to its general partner or managing member in connection with distributions paid to its equity investors.

## **Common Stock Risk**

The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services. Although common stocks have historically generated higher average total returns than fixed-income securities over the long-term, common stocks also have experienced significantly more volatility in those returns and may significantly underperform relative to fixed-income securities during certain periods. An adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of a particular common stock held by the Fund. Also, the price of common stocks is sensitive to general movements in the stock market and a drop in the stock market may depress the price of common stocks to which the Fund has exposure. Common stock prices fluctuate for several reasons, including changes in investors' perceptions of the financial condition of an issuer or the general condition of the relevant stock market, or when political or economic events affecting the issuers occur. In addition, common stock prices may be particularly sensitive to rising interest rates, as the cost of capital rises and borrowing costs increase.

## **Concentration Risk**

The Fund will, in normal circumstances, invest more than 25% of its assets (or concentrate its investments) in the natural resources industry, including MLPs operating in such industry. The Fund may be subject to more risks than if it were more broadly diversified over numerous industries and sectors. General changes in market sentiment towards companies in the industries and sectors in which it invests may adversely affect the Fund, and the performance of such industries or sectors may lag behind the broader market as a whole. See "MLPs and Companies in the Natural Resources and Energy Sectors Risk".

#### **Conflicts of Interest of the Subadvisor Risk**

Conflicts of interest may arise because the Subadvisor and its affiliates generally will be carrying on substantial investment activities for other clients, including, but not limited to, other pooled investment vehicles in which the Fund will have no interest. The Subadvisor or its affiliates may have financial incentives to favor certain of such client accounts over the Fund. Any of the Subadvisor's proprietary accounts and other client accounts may compete with the Fund for specific investments. Notwithstanding these potential conflicts of interest, the Board and officers of the Fund have a fiduciary obligation to act in a fund's best interest. The Subadvisor has adopted policies and procedures to ensure the fairness of trade allocations.

## **Convertible Securities Risk**

Convertible securities, until converted, have the same general characteristics as debt securities insofar as they generally provide a stable stream of income with generally higher yields than those of equity securities of the same or similar issuers. By permitting the holder to exchange an investment for common stock or the cash value of a security or a basket or index of securities, convertible securities may also enable the investor to benefit from increases in the market price of the underlying securities. Therefore, convertible securities generally offer lower interest or dividend yields than non-convertible securities of similar quality.

## **Debt or Fixed-Income Securities Risk**

Investors buy debt securities primarily to profit through interest payments. Governments, banks and companies raise cash by issuing or selling debt securities to investors. Debt securities may be bought directly from those issuers or in the secondary trading markets. There are many different types of debt securities, including (without limitation) bonds, notes and debentures.

Some debt securities pay interest at fixed rates of return (referred to as fixed-income securities), while others pay interest at variable rates. Interest may be paid at different intervals. Some debt securities do not make regular interest payments, but instead are initially sold at a discount to the principal amount that is to be paid at maturity.

The risks involved with investing in debt securities include (without limitation):

• **Credit risk:** Credit risk is the risk that an issuer, guarantor, or liquidity provider of a debt security may be unable or unwilling, or may be perceived (whether by market participants, ratings agencies, pricing services or otherwise) as unable or unwilling, to make timely principal and/or interest payments, or to otherwise honor its obligations. By purchasing a debt security, in certain circumstances, a buyer is effectively lending money to the issuer of that security. If the issuer does not pay back the loan, the holder of the security may experience a loss on its investment. Changes in an issuer's credit rating or the market's perception of an issuer's creditworthiness may also affect the value of an investment. Moreover, in a rising interest rate environment, the risk that such issuer or guarantor may default on its obligations is heightened. Actual or perceived changes in economic, social, health, financial or political conditions in general or that affect a particular type of instrument, issuer, guarantor or counterparty can reduce the ability of the party to meet its obligations, which can affect the credit quality, liquidity and/or value of an instrument. The value of an instrument also may decline for reasons that relate directly to the issuer, guarantor or counterparty, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for goods and services. Although credit quality ratings may not accurately reflect the true credit risk or liquidity of an instrument, a change in the credit quality rating of an instrument or an issuer can have a rapid, adverse effect on the instrument's liquidity and make it more difficult to sell the instrument at an advantageous price or

time. Credit ratings assigned by rating agencies are based on a number of factors and subjective judgments and, therefore, do not necessarily represent an issuer's actual financial condition or the volatility or liquidity of the security.

- **Maturity risk:** Maturity is the average expected repayment date of a fund's portfolio, taking into account the expected final repayment dates of the securities in the portfolio. A debt security with a longer maturity may fluctuate in value more than a debt security with a shorter maturity. Therefore, the net asset value ("NAV") of a fund that holds debt securities with a longer average maturity may fluctuate in value more than the NAV of a fund that holds debt securities with a shorter average maturity. 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. However, measures such as average duration may not accurately reflect the true interest rate sensitivity of a fund's investments or its overall portfolio.
- Market risk: Like other securities, debt securities are subject to the forces of supply and demand. Low demand may negatively
  impact the price of a debt security.
- Interest rate risk: A variety of factors can cause interest rates to change, including central bank monetary policies, inflation rates and general economic conditions. The value of a debt security usually changes when interest rates change. Generally, when interest rates go up, the value of a debt security goes down and when interest rates go down, the value of a debt security goes up. During periods of very low or negative interest rates, a fund's susceptibility to interest rate risk may be magnified, its yield may be diminished and its performance may be adversely affected. Low interest rates (or negative interest rates) may magnify the risks associated with rising interest rates. The Fund may also be subject to heightened interest rate risk when the Federal Reserve raises interest rates. For more information on risks associated with inflation, please see "Inflation Risk."
  - Changing interest rates may have unpredictable effects on markets, including market volatility, and may adversely affect performance. A low or negative interest rate environment may pose additional risks because low or negative yields on portfolio holdings may have an adverse impact on the Fund's ability to provide a positive yield to its shareholders. Any such change in interest rates may be sudden and significant, with unpredictable effects on the financial markets and a fund's investments. Should interest rates decrease, investments in certain variable-rate and fixed-rate debt securities may be adversely affected.
- Extension risk and Prepayment risk: An issuer could exercise its right to pay principal on an obligation later than expected. This may happen when there is a rise in interest rates. Under these circumstances, the value of the obligation may decrease, and the Fund may also suffer from the inability to reinvest in higher yielding securities. An issuer may exercise its right to redeem outstanding debt securities prior to their maturity (known as a "call") or otherwise pay principal earlier than expected for a number of reasons (e.g., declining interest rates, changes in credit spreads and improvements in the issuer's credit quality). If an issuer calls or "prepays" a security, the Fund may not recoup the full amount of its initial investment and may be required to reinvest in generally lower-yielding securities, securities with greater credit risks or securities with other, less favorable features or terms.

Debt securities rated below investment grade by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization ("NRSRO") are considered to have speculative characteristics and some may be commonly referred to as "junk bonds." Junk bonds entail default and other risks greater than those associated with higher-rated securities.

The duration of a bond or mutual fund portfolio is an indication of sensitivity to changes in interest rates. In general, the longer a fund's duration, the more it will react to changes in interest rates and the greater the risk and return potential. Duration may not accurately reflect the true interest rate sensitivity of instruments held by the Fund and, in turn, the Fund's susceptibility to changes in interest rates. For example, the price of a bond fund with an average duration of five years would be expected to fall approximately 5% if the interest rates rose by one percentage point.

A laddered maturity schedule means a portfolio is structured so that a certain percentage of the securities will mature each year. This helps the Fund manage duration and risk, and attempts to create a more consistent return.

#### **Dependence on Key Personnel Risk**

The Fund is dependent upon the Subadvisor's key personnel for its future success and upon the Subadvisor's access to certain individuals and investments in the natural resources and energy sectors. In particular, the Fund will depend on the diligence, skill and network of business contacts of the personnel of the Subadvisor and its portfolio manager, who will evaluate, negotiate, structure, close and monitor the Fund's investments.

#### **Derivative Transactions Risk**

Derivative transactions, or "derivatives," may include options, forwards, futures, options on futures and swap agreements. The value of derivatives is based on certain underlying equity or fixed-income securities, interest rates, currencies, commodities or indices. The use of these transactions is a highly specialized activity that involves investment techniques, tax planning and risks that are different from those of ordinary securities transactions. Derivatives may be difficult to sell at an advantageous price or time and typically are very sensitive to changes in the underlying security, interest rate, currency, commodity or index.

As a result, derivatives can be highly volatile. If the Manager or the Subadvisor is incorrect about its expectations of changes to the underlying securities, interest rates, currencies, commodities, indices or market conditions, the use of derivatives could result in a loss,

which in some cases may be unlimited. When using over-the-counter ("OTC") or bilateral derivatives, there is a risk that the Fund will lose money if the contract counterparty does not make the required payments or otherwise fails to comply with the terms of the contract. OTC derivatives are complex and often valued subjectively, which exposes the Fund to heightened liquidity risk, mispricing and valuation risk.

In the event of the bankruptcy or insolvency of a counterparty, the Fund could experience the loss of some or all of its investment in a derivative or experience delays in liquidating its positions, including declines in the value of its investment during the period in which the Fund seeks to enforce its rights, and an inability to realize any gains on its investment during such period. The Fund may also incur fees and expenses in enforcing its rights. Certain derivatives are subject to mandatory clearing and exchange-trading. Central clearing, which interposes a central clearinghouse to each participant's derivatives position, is intended to reduce counterparty credit risk and exchange-trading is intended to increase liquidity, but neither make derivatives transactions risk-free.

In addition, certain derivative transactions can result in leverage. Leverage involves investment exposure in an amount exceeding the initial investment. Leverage can cause increased volatility by magnifying gains or losses. Investments in derivatives may increase or accelerate the amount of taxable income, or result in the deferral of losses, that would otherwise be recognized by the Fund in determining the amount of dividends distributable to shareholders.

Trading of derivatives and other transactions that create future payment or delivery obligations (except reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions) is subject to a limit on notional derivatives exposure as a limited derivatives user or subject to a value-at-risk leverage limit and certain derivatives risk management program and reporting requirements. These requirements may limit the ability of the Fund to invest in derivatives, short sales and similar financing transactions, limit the Fund's ability to employ certain strategies that use these instruments and/or adversely affect the Fund's efficiency in implementing its strategy, liquidity and/or ability to pursue its investment objectives.

Future regulatory developments may impact the Fund's ability to invest or remain invested in certain derivatives. Legislation or regulation may also change the way in which the Fund itself is regulated. These or other legislative or regulatory changes may negatively impact the Fund and/or result in a change in its investment strategy.

## **Equity Securities Risk**

Publicly held corporations may raise needed cash by issuing or selling equity securities to investors. When the Fund buys the equity securities of a corporation it becomes a part owner of the issuing corporation. Equity securities may be bought on domestic stock exchanges, foreign stock exchanges, or in the over-the-counter market. There are many different types of equity securities, including (without limitation) common stocks, preferred stocks, ADRs, and real estate investment trusts.

Investors buy equity securities to make money through dividend payments and/or selling them for more than they paid. The risks involved with investing in equity securities include (without limitation):

- Changing economic conditions: Equity securities may fluctuate as a result of general economic conditions, including changes in interest rates.
- Industry and company conditions: Certain industries or individual companies may come in and out of favor with investors. In
  addition, changing technology and competition may make the equity securities of a company or industry more volatile.
- Security selection: A portfolio manager may not be able to consistently select equity securities that appreciate in value, or anticipate changes that can adversely affect the value of the Fund's holdings. Investments in smaller and mid-size companies may be more volatile than investments in larger companies.

## **Foreign Securities and Currencies Risk**

An issuer of a security is considered to be a U.S. or foreign issuer based on the issuer's "country of risk" (or similar designation) as determined by a third party such as Bloomberg (or another similar third party). The issuer's "country of risk" is determined based on a number of criteria, which may change from time to time and currently include, but are not limited to, its country of domicile, the primary stock exchange on which it trades, the location from which the majority of its revenue comes, and its reporting currency. Although the Fund will generally rely on an issuer's "country of risk" (or similar designation) as determined by Bloomberg (or another similar third party) when categorizing securities as either U.S. or foreign-based, it is not required to do so. Foreign securities may be more difficult to sell than U.S. securities. Foreign securities may be domiciled in the United States and traded on a U.S. market, but possess elements of foreign risk. Investments in foreign securities may involve difficulties in receiving or interpreting financial and economic information. possible imposition of taxes, higher brokerage and custodian fees, possible currency exchange controls or other government restrictions, including possible seizure or nationalization of foreign deposits or assets. Foreign securities may also be less liquid and more volatile than U.S. securities. Additionally, to the extent that the underlying securities held by the Fund trade on foreign exchanges or in foreign markets that may be closed when the U.S. markets are open, there are likely to be deviations between the current price of an underlying security and the last quoted price for the underlying security (i.e., the Fund's quote from the closed foreign market). There may also be difficulty in invoking legal protections across borders and, as a result, the Fund may have limited or no legal recourse with respect to foreign securities. In addition, investments in emerging market countries present unique and greater risks than those presented by investments in countries with developed securities markets and more advanced regulatory systems. For example, some Asia-Pacific

countries can be characterized as emerging markets or newly industrialized and may experience more volatile economic cycles and less liquid markets than developed countries. The Asia-Pacific region has historically been highly dependent on global trade and the growth, development and stability of the region, and can be adversely affected by, among other regional and global developments, trade barriers, exchange controls and other measures imposed or negotiated by the countries with which they trade.

Economic sanctions and other similar measures may be, and have been, imposed against certain countries, organizations, companies, entities and/or individuals. Economic sanctions and other similar governmental actions or developments could, among other things, effectively restrict or eliminate the ability to purchase or sell certain foreign securities or groups of foreign securities, and thus may make investments in such securities less liquid or more difficult to value. Such sanctions may also cause a decline in the value of securities issued by the sanctioned country or companies located in or economically tied to the sanctioned country. In addition, as a result of economic sanctions and other similar governmental actions or developments, the Fund may be forced to sell or otherwise dispose of foreign investments at inopportune times or prices. Sanctions and other similar measures could significantly delay or prevent the settlement of securities transactions or their valuation, and significantly impact the Fund's liquidity and performance. Sanctions and other similar measures may be in place for a substantial period of time and enacted with limited advanced notice.

Many foreign securities are denominated or quoted in a foreign currency. A decline in value of a currency will have an adverse impact on the U.S. dollar value of any investments denominated in that currency. Exchange rate movements can be large and can endure for extended periods of time, affecting either favorably or unfavorably the value of a fund's assets. However, the Fund may engage in foreign currency transactions to attempt to protect itself against fluctuations in currency exchange rates in relation to the U.S. dollar. See "Risk Management Techniques" below.

Changes in the value of foreign (non-U.S.) currencies relative to the U.S. dollar and inflation may adversely affect a fund's investments in foreign currencies or in securities that trade in, and receive revenues in, or in derivatives that provide exposure to, foreign currencies. These changes in value can make the return on an investment go up or down, unrelated to the quality or performance of the investment itself. The Subadvisor may seek to reduce currency risk by hedging all or part of the exposure to various foreign currencies of a fund's assets allocated to the Subadvisor by engaging in hedging transactions, including swaps, futures, forward currency contracts and other derivatives. However, these transactions and techniques may not always work as intended, and in certain cases the Fund may be worse off than if it had not engaged in such hedging practices. In addition, certain market conditions may make it impossible or uneconomical to hedge against currency risk.

## **High-Yield Securities Risk**

High-yield or non-investment grade securities (commonly referred to as "junk bonds") are typically rated below investment grade by one or more NRSROs and are considered speculative with respect to the issuer's continuing ability to meet principal and interest payments, and may be more volatile than higher-rated securities of similar maturity.

Investments in high-yield securities involve greater risks than the risks associated with investments in higher rated securities. High-yield securities may be regarded as predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's continuing ability to meet principal and interest payments. A lack of publicly-available information, irregular trading activity and wide bid/ask spreads among other factors, may, in certain circumstances, make high-yield securities more difficult to sell at an advantageous time or price than other types of securities or instruments. In addition, certain high-yield securities may not be listed on any exchange and a secondary market for such securities may be comparatively illiquid relative to markets for other fixed-income securities. These securities may be subject to higher transaction costs than higher rated securities. In times of economic or market developments, these securities may experience higher than normal default rates. In addition, the high-yield market can experience sudden and sharp price swings attributable to a variety of factors, including changes in economic forecasts, stock market activity, large or sustained sales by major market participants or investors, or a high-profile default.

## **Increase in Expenses Risk**

The actual costs of investing in the Fund may be higher than the expenses shown in "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" for a variety of reasons. For example, expense ratios may be higher than those shown if average net assets decrease, as a result of redemptions or otherwise, or if a fee limitation is changed or terminated. Net assets are more likely to decrease and fund expense ratios are more likely to increase when markets are volatile.

#### **Inflation Risk**

The Fund's investments may be subject to inflation risk, which is the risk that the real value (i.e., nominal price of the asset adjusted for inflation) of assets or income from investments will be less in the future because inflation decreases the purchasing power and value of money (i.e., as inflation increases, the real value of the Fund's assets can decline as can the value of the Fund's distributions). Inflation rates may change frequently and significantly as a result of various factors, including unexpected shifts in the domestic or global economy and changes in monetary or economic policies (or expectations that these policies may change). The market price of debt securities generally falls as inflation increases because the purchasing power of the future income and repaid principal is expected to be worth less when received by the Fund. The risk of inflation is greater for debt instruments with longer maturities and especially those that

pay a fixed rather than variable interest rate. In addition, this risk may be significantly elevated compared to normal conditions because of monetary policy measures and the current interest rate environment and level of government intervention and spending.

## Large Investments or Redemptions by Shareholders Risk

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 performance if the Fund is required to sell securities, invest cash or hold significant cash at times when it otherwise would not do so. This activity could also accelerate the realization of capital gains and increase transaction costs. Certain shareholders, including clients or affiliates of the Manager and/or other funds managed by the Manager or its affiliates, may from time to time own or control a significant percentage of the Fund's shares. Redemptions by these shareholders of their shares may further increase the liquidity risk and may otherwise adversely impact the Fund. These shareholders may include, for example, institutional investors, funds of funds, discretionary advisory clients and other shareholders whose buy-sell decisions are controlled by a single decision-maker. For more information, please see "Liquidity and Valuation Risk."

## **Liquidity and Valuation Risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund could not meet redemption requests within the allowable time period without significant dilution of remaining investors' interests in the Fund. Liquidity risk exists when particular investments are difficult to sell, possibly preventing the Fund from selling the investments at an advantageous time or price. Liquidity risk may also exist because of unusual market conditions, government intervention, political, social, health, economic or market developments, unusually high volume of redemptions, or other reasons. To meet redemption requests, the Fund may be forced to sell securities at an unfavorable time and/or under unfavorable conditions. Liquidity risk includes the risk that the Fund will experience significant net redemptions at a time when it cannot find willing buyers for its portfolio securities or can only sell its portfolio securities at a material loss. The liquidity of any Fund investment may change significantly over time as a result of market, economic, trading, issuer-specific and other factors.

Markets for debt and other fixed-income securities have consistently grown but the growth of capacity for traditional dealer counterparties to engage in trading these securities has not kept pace with the broader market and, in some cases, has decreased over this period. As a result, dealer inventories of certain types of debt securities and similar instruments, which provide a primary indication of the ability of financial intermediaries to "make markets," are at or near historic lows in relation to the size of the market for these instruments. The significant reduction in dealer inventories could potentially lead to decreased liquidity and increased volatility in the debt and fixed-income markets because market makers provide stability to the market through their intermediary services. The potential liquidity and volatility challenges in these markets could be particularly significant during certain economic and financial conditions, such as periods of economic uncertainty. The Fund's ability to sell an instrument under favorable conditions also may be negatively impacted by, among other things, other market participants selling the same or similar instruments at the same time.

Valuation risk refers to the potential that the sales price the Fund could receive for any particular investment may differ from the Fund's valuation of the investment. Valuation of the Fund's investments may be difficult, particularly for securities that trade in thin or volatile markets or that are valued using a fair value methodology that produces an estimate of the fair value of the security/instrument, which are based on good faith, subjective judgments, and available information. Such valuations may prove to be inaccurate. Where no clear or reliable indication of the value of a particular investment is available, the investment will be valued at its fair value according to valuation procedures approved by the Board. These cases include, among others, situations where the secondary markets on which a security has previously been traded are no longer viable for lack of liquidity. The value of illiquid investments may reflect a discount, which may be significant, from the market price of comparable securities for which a liquid market exists, and thus negatively affect the Fund's NAV. In addition, the value of illiquid investments that subsequently become liquid may increase, positively affecting the Fund's NAV. The Manager, as valuation designee, may rely on various sources of information to value investments and calculate NAVs. The Manager may obtain pricing information from third parties that are believed to be reliable. In certain cases, this information may be unavailable or this information may be inaccurate because of errors by the third parties, technological issues, an absence of current market data, or otherwise. These cases increase the risks associated with fair valuation.

Performance attributable to variations in liquidity are not necessarily an indication of future performance. For more information on fair valuation, please see "Fair Valuation and Portfolio Holdings Disclosure."

#### MLPs and Companies in the Natural Resources and Energy Sectors Risk

MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors are subject to certain risks, including, but not limited to, the following:

Commodity Price Risk — MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors may be affected by fluctuations in the prices of commodities, including, for example, natural gas, natural gas liquids, and crude oil, in the short- and long-term. Natural resources commodity prices have been very volatile in the past and such volatility is expected to continue. Fluctuations in commodity prices can result from changes in general economic conditions or political circumstances (especially of key energy-consuming countries); market conditions; weather patterns; domestic production levels; volume of imports; energy conservation; domestic and foreign governmental regulation; international politics; policies of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC"); taxation; tariffs; and the availability and costs of local, intrastate and interstate transportation methods among others. Companies engaged in crude oil and natural gas exploration, development or production, natural gas gathering and processing,

crude oil refining and transportation and coal mining or sales may be directly affected by their respective natural resources commodity prices. The volatility of, and interrelationships between, commodity prices can also indirectly affect certain companies engaged in the transportation, processing, storage or distribution of such commodities due to the potential impact on the volume of commodities transported, processed, stored or distributed. Some companies that own the underlying commodities may be unable to effectively mitigate or manage direct margin exposure to commodity price levels. The natural resources and energy sectors as a whole may also be impacted by the perception that the performance of natural resources and energy sectors companies is directly linked to commodity prices. The prices of companies' securities can be adversely affected by market perceptions that their performance and distributions or dividends are directly tied to commodity prices. High commodity prices may drive further energy conservation efforts and a slowing economy may adversely impact energy consumption which may adversely affect the performance of MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors. Recent economic and market events have fueled concerns regarding potential liquidations of commodity futures and options positions.

Cyclicality Risk — The operating results of MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors are cyclical, with fluctuations in commodity prices and demand for commodities driven by a variety of factors. The highly cyclical nature of the natural resources and energy sectors may adversely affect the earnings or operating cash flows of the issuers in which the Fund will invest.

Supply Risk — A significant decrease in the production of natural gas, crude oil, coal or other energy commodities would reduce the revenue, operating income and operating cash flows of certain MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors and, therefore, their ability to make distributions or pay dividends. The volume of production of energy commodities and the volume of energy commodities available for transportation, storage, processing or distribution could be affected by a variety of factors, including depletion of resources; depressed commodity prices; catastrophic events; labor relations; increased environmental or other governmental regulation; equipment malfunctions and maintenance difficulties; import volumes; international politics, geopolitical conflict, policies of OPEC; and increased competition from alternative energy sources among others.

Demand Risk — A sustained decline in demand for coal, natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil and refined petroleum products could adversely affect the revenues and cash flows of certain MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors. A decline in demand for energy commodities could result from factors such as adverse economic conditions (especially in key energy-consuming countries); increased taxation; increased environmental or other governmental regulation; increased fuel economy; increased energy conservation or use of alternative energy sources; legislation intended to promote the use of alternative energy sources; an increase in the market price of the underlying commodity that is not, or is not expected to be, merely a short-term increase; or a shift in consumer demand for such products among others. Demand may also be adversely affected by consumer sentiment with respect to global warming and by state or federal legislation intended to promote the use of alternative energy sources.

Risks Relating to Expansions and Acquisitions – MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors employ a variety of means to increase cash flow, including increasing utilization of existing facilities, expanding operations through new construction or development activities, expanding operations through acquisitions, or securing additional long-term contracts. Thus, some companies may be subject to construction risk, development risk, acquisition risk or other risks arising from their specific business strategies. Companies that attempt to grow through acquisitions may not be able to effectively integrate acquired operations with their existing operations. In addition, acquisition or expansion projects may not perform as anticipated. A significant slowdown in merger and acquisition activity in the energy sector could reduce the growth rate of cash flows received by the Fund from companies that grow through acquisitions.

Competition Risk — The natural resources and energy sectors are highly competitive. Companies in which the Fund may invest face substantial competition from other companies, many of which have greater financial, technological, human and other resources, in acquiring natural resources assets, obtaining and retaining customers and contracts and hiring and retaining qualified personnel. Larger companies may be able to pay more for assets and may have a greater ability to continue their operations during periods of low commodity prices. To the extent that the companies in which the Fund invests are unable to compete effectively, their operating results, financial position, growth potential and cash flows may be adversely affected, which could in turn adversely affect the investment results of the Fund.

Natural Disaster Risk — Extreme weather conditions could result in substantial damage to the facilities of certain MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors located in the affected areas and significant volatility in the supply of natural resources, commodity prices and the earnings of such companies, and could therefore adversely affect their securities.

Interest Rate Risk — The prices of debt securities of the companies the Fund may hold in its portfolio and the prices of the equity securities held in its portfolio are susceptible in the short term to a decline when interest rates rise. Rising interest rates could limit the capital appreciation of securities of certain companies as a result of the increased availability of alternative investments with yields comparable to those of companies. Rising interest rates could adversely impact the financial performance of companies by increasing their cost of capital. This may reduce their ability to execute acquisitions or expansion projects in a cost effective manner.

Legislation and Regulatory Risk – The profitability of MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors could be adversely affected by changes in the regulatory environment. Such companies are subject to significant foreign, federal, state and local regulation of their operations, including with respect to how facilities are constructed, maintained and operated, environmental and safety controls, and the prices the companies may charge for the products and services they provide. Such regulation can change over time in both scope and intensity. For example, a particular by-product may be declared hazardous by a regulatory agency and unexpectedly increase production costs. Various governmental authorities have the power to enforce compliance with these regulations and the permits issued under them, and violators are subject to administrative, civil and criminal penalties, including civil fines, injunctions or both. Laws, regulations or enforcement policies could be enacted in the future which may increase compliance costs, limit certain operations and may adversely affect the financial performance of MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors. The nature of such regulations cannot be predicted at this time. For example, hydraulic fracturing, a technique used in the completion of certain oil and gas wells, has become a subject of increasing regulatory scrutiny and may be subject in the future to more stringent, and more costly requirements. There have been proposals in Congress to eliminate certain tax incentives widely used by energy and energy-related companies and the imposition of new fees on certain energy producers. The elimination of such tax incentives and imposition of such fees could adversely affect companies in which the Fund may invest and/or the natural resources and energy sectors generally.

Bankruptcy proceedings could be adverse to the Fund's investment in a company in the natural resources or energy sector. For example, the Fund may invest in a company that seeks restructuring through bankruptcy proceedings (or invest in a company that has business relationships with another company that seeks restructuring through bankruptcy proceedings). In bankruptcy proceedings, there can be considerable delay in reaching accord on a restructuring plan and such delays (and other factors) could result in costs or losses to the Fund. In addition, the outcome of bankruptcy proceedings may be disadvantageous to the Fund's investment. Investments in certain companies in the natural resources or energy sector may be particularly susceptible to risks associated with bankruptcy or other court action during downturns in the natural resources or energy markets.

Environmental Risk — There is an inherent risk that MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors may incur environmental costs and liabilities due to the nature of their businesses and the substances they handle. For example, an accidental release from wells or gathering pipelines could subject them to substantial liabilities for environmental cleanup and restoration costs, claims made by neighboring landowners and other third parties for personal injury and property damage, and fines or penalties for related violations of environmental laws or regulations. Companies may not be able to recover these costs from insurance.

Specifically, the operations of wells, gathering systems, pipelines, refineries and other facilities are subject to stringent and complex federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations. These include, for example:

- the federal Clean Air Act of 1990, as amended (the "Clean Air Act"), and comparable state laws and regulations that impose
  obligations related to air emissions,
- the federal Clean Water Act and comparable state laws and regulations that impose obligations related to discharges of
  pollutants into regulated bodies of water,
- the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA") and comparable state laws and regulations that impose requirements for the handling and disposal of waste from facilities; and
- the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 ("CERCLA"), also known as
   "Superfund," and comparable state laws and regulations that regulate the cleanup of hazardous substances that may have
   been released at properties currently or previously owned or operated by MLPs or at locations to which they have sent waste
   for disposal.

Failure to comply with these laws and regulations may trigger a variety of administrative, civil and criminal enforcement measures, including the assessment of monetary penalties, the imposition of remedial requirements, and the issuance of orders enjoining future operations. Certain environmental statutes, including RCRA, CERCLA, the federal Oil Pollution Act and analogous state laws and regulations, impose strict, joint and several liability for costs required to clean up and restore sites where hazardous substances have been disposed of or otherwise released. Moreover, it is not uncommon for neighboring landowners and other third parties to file claims for personal injury and property damage allegedly caused by the release of hazardous substances or other waste products into the environment.

Voluntary initiatives and mandatory controls have been adopted or are being discussed both in the United States and worldwide to reduce emissions of "greenhouse gases" such as carbon dioxide, a byproduct of burning fossil fuels, and methane, the major constituent of natural gas. These measures and future measures could result in increased costs to certain companies in which the Fund may invest to operate and maintain facilities and administer and manage a greenhouse gas emissions program and may reduce demand for fuels that generate greenhouse gases and that are managed or produced by companies in which the Fund may invest.

In the wake of a Supreme Court decision holding that the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has some legal authority to deal with climate change under the Clean Air Act, the EPA and the Department of Transportation jointly wrote regulations to cut gasoline use and control greenhouse gas emissions from cars and trucks. These measures, and other programs addressing greenhouse gas emissions, could reduce demand for energy or raise prices, which may adversely affect the total return of the Fund's investments.

The types of regulations described above can change over time in both scope and intensity, may have adverse effects on MLPs companies in the natural resources and energy sectors and may be implemented in unforeseen manners on an "emergency" basis in response to catastrophes or other events.

Affiliated Party Risk — Certain MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors are dependent on their parents or sponsors for a majority of their revenues. Any failure by a parent or sponsor to satisfy its payments or obligations would impact the company's revenues and cash flows and ability to make distributions. Moreover, the terms of a company's transactions with its parent or sponsor are typically not arrived at on an arm's-length basis, and may not be as favorable to the company as a transaction with a non-affiliate.

Technology Risk — Companies that are focused on developing new technologies are strongly influenced by technological changes. Technology development efforts by companies in the natural resources and energy sectors may not result in viable methods or products. These companies may bear high research and development costs, which can limit their ability to maintain operations during periods of organizational growth or instability. Some companies may be in the early stages of operations and may have limited operating histories and smaller market capitalizations on average than companies in other sectors. As a result of these and other factors, the value of investments in such companies may be considerably more volatile than that in more established segments of the economy.

Pipeline Companies Risk - Pipeline companies are subject to the demand for natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil or refined petroleum products in the markets they serve, changes in the availability of products for gathering, transportation, processing or sale due to natural declines in reserves and production in the supply areas serviced by the companies' facilities, sharp decreases in crude oil or natural gas prices that cause producers to curtail production or reduce capital spending for exploration activities, and environmental regulation. Demand for gasoline, which accounts for a substantial portion of refined product transportation, depends on price, prevailing economic conditions in the markets served, and demographic and seasonal factors. Companies that own interstate pipelines that transport natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil or refined petroleum products are subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") with respect to the tariff rates they may charge for transportation services. An adverse determination by FERC with respect to the tariff rates of such a company could have a material adverse effect on its business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of those companies and their ability to pay cash distributions or dividends. In addition, FERC has a tax allowance policy, which permits such companies to include in their cost of service an income tax allowance to the extent that their owners have an actual or potential tax liability on the income generated by them. If FERC's income tax allowance policy were to change in the future to disallow a material portion of the income tax allowance taken by such interstate pipeline companies, it would adversely impact the maximum tariff rates that such companies are permitted to charge for their transportation services, which would in turn adversely affect the results of operations and cash flows of those companies and their ability to pay cash distributions or dividends to their unit holders or shareholders.

Gathering and Processing Companies Risk – Gathering and processing companies are subject to natural declines in the production of oil and natural gas fields, which utilize their gathering and processing facilities as a way to market their production, prolonged declines in the price of natural gas or crude oil, which curtails drilling activity and therefore production, and declines in the prices of natural gas liquids and refined petroleum products, which cause lower processing margins. In addition, some gathering and processing contracts subject the gathering or processing company to direct commodities price risk.

Exploration and Production Companies Risk — Exploration, development and production companies are particularly vulnerable to declines in the demand for and prices of crude oil and natural gas. Reductions in prices for crude oil and natural gas can cause a given reservoir to become uneconomic for continued production earlier than it would if prices were higher, resulting in the plugging and abandonment of, and cessation of production from, that reservoir. In addition, lower commodity prices not only reduce revenues but also can result in substantial downward adjustments in reserve estimates. The accuracy of any reserve estimate is a function of the quality of available data, the accuracy of assumptions regarding future commodity prices and future exploration and development costs and engineering and geological interpretations and judgments. Different reserve engineers may make different estimates of reserve quantities and related revenue based on the same data. Actual oil and gas prices, development expenditures and operating expenses will vary from those assumed in reserve estimates, and these variances may be significant. Any significant variance from the assumptions used could result in the actual quantity of reserves and future net cash flow being materially different from those estimated in reserve reports. In addition, results of drilling, testing and production and changes in prices after the date of reserve estimates may result in downward revisions to such estimates. Substantial downward adjustments in reserve estimates could have a material adverse effect on a given exploration and production company's financial position and results of operations. In addition, due to natural declines in reserves and production, exploration and production companies must economically find or acquire and develop additional reserves in order to maintain and grow their revenues and distributions.

Oil Companies Risk — In addition to the risks applicable to pipeline companies described above, gathering and processing companies and exploration and production companies, companies involved in the transportation, gathering, processing, exploration, development or production of crude oil or refined petroleum products may be adversely affected by increased regulations, increased operating costs and reductions in the supply of and/or demand for crude oil and refined petroleum products. Increased regulation may result in a decline in production and/or increased cost associated with offshore oil exploration in the United States and around the world, which may adversely affect certain MLPs, Energy Companies, and the oil industry in general.

*Propane Companies Risk* – Propane companies are subject to earnings variability based upon weather patterns in the locations where they operate and increases in the wholesale price of propane, which reduce profit margins. In addition, propane companies are facing increased competition due to the growing availability of natural gas, fuel oil and alternative energy sources for residential heating.

Coal Companies Risk — Coal companies are subject to declines in the demand for and prices of coal. Demand variability can be based on weather conditions, the strength of the domestic economy, the level of coal stockpiles in their customer base, and the prices of competing sources of fuel for electric generation. They are also subject to supply variability based on geological conditions that reduce the productivity of mining operations, the availability of regulatory permits for mining activities and the availability of coal that meets the standards of the Clean Air Act.

Marine Shipping Companies Risk – Marine shipping companies are subject to the supply of, demand for, and level of consumption of, natural gas, liquefied natural gas, crude oil, refined petroleum products and liquefied petroleum gases in the supply and market areas they serve, which affect the demand for marine shipping services and therefore charter rates. Shipping companies' vessels and cargoes are also subject to the risk of being damaged or lost due to marine disasters, extreme weather, mechanical failures, grounding, fire, explosions, collisions, human error, piracy, war and terrorism.

## **Market Capitalization Risk**

To the extent the Fund invests in securities issued by small-, mid-, or large-cap companies, it will be subject to the risks associated with securities issued by companies of the applicable market capitalization. Securities issued by companies of different market capitalizations tend to go in and out of favor based on market and economic conditions. During a period when securities of a particular market capitalization underperform other types of investments, the Fund's performance could be adversely impacted.

Securities of small-cap and mid-cap companies may be subject to greater price volatility, significantly lower trading volumes, cyclical, static or moderate growth prospects and greater spreads between their bid and ask prices than securities of larger companies. In addition, securities of small-cap and mid-cap companies may trade in an over-the-counter market or on a regional exchange, or may otherwise have limited liquidity. Smaller capitalization companies frequently rely on narrower product lines, niche markets, limited financial resources, a few key employees and inexperienced management. Smaller capitalization companies have more speculative prospects for future growth, sustained earnings and market share than larger companies and may be more vulnerable to adverse business or market developments. Accordingly, it may be difficult for the Fund to sell small-cap securities at a desired time or price. Generally, the smaller the company, the greater these risks become. Although securities issued by larger companies tend to have less overall volatility than securities issued by smaller companies, securities issued by larger companies may have less growth potential and may not be able to attain the high growth rates of successful smaller companies, especially during strong economic periods. In addition, larger companies may be less capable of responding quickly to competitive challenges and industry changes, including those resulting from improvements in technology, and may suffer sharper price declines as a result of earnings disappointments.

#### **Market Risk**

The value of the Fund's investments may fluctuate and/or decline because of changes in the markets in which the Fund invests, which could cause the Fund to underperform other funds with similar investment objectives and strategies. Security markets are volatile and may decline significantly in response to adverse issuer, regulatory, political, or economic developments. Different sectors of the market and different security types may react differently to such developments. Changes in these markets may be rapid and unpredictable. Fluctuations in the markets generally or in a specific industry or sector may impact the securities in which the Fund invests. From time to time, markets may experience periods of stress for potentially prolonged periods that may result in: (i) increased market volatility; (ii) reduced market liquidity; and (iii) increased redemptions. Such conditions may add significantly to the risk of volatility in the NAV of the Fund's shares. Market changes may impact equity and fixed income securities in different and, at times, conflicting manners. The Fund potentially will be prevented from executing investment decisions at an advantageous time or price as a result of any domestic or global market disruptions, particularly disruptions causing heightened market volatility and reduced market liquidity, as well as increased or changing regulations. Thus, investments that the Subadvisor believes represent an attractive opportunity or in which the Fund seeks to obtain exposure may be unavailable entirely or in the specific quantities sought by the Subadvisor and the Fund may need to obtain the exposure through less advantageous or indirect investments or forgo the investment at the time.

The energy markets have experienced significant volatility in recent periods, including a historic drop in the price of crude oil and natural gas prices, and may continue to experience relatively high volatility for a prolonged period. To the extent that energy markets continue to experience these adverse conditions, this will adversely affect the ability of MLPs and other issuers in which the Fund invests to sustain

their historical distribution levels, which in turn, may adversely affect the Fund. The Subadvisor will take measures intended to effectively navigate the conditions of the energy markets, but there is no guarantee that such efforts will be effective or that the Fund's performance will correlate with any increases in oil and gas prices. The Fund and its shareholders could therefore lose money as a result of the conditions in the energy market.

Political and diplomatic events within the United States and abroad, such as the U.S. budget, trade tensions and the imposition of economic sanctions, have in the past resulted, and may in the future result, in developments that present additional risks to the Fund's investments and operations. Geopolitical and other events, such as war, acts of terrorism, natural disasters, the spread of infectious illnesses, epidemics and pandemics, environmental and other public health issues, supply chain disruptions, inflation, recessions or other events, and governments' reactions to such events, may lead to increased market volatility and instability in world economies and markets generally and may have adverse effects on the performance of the Fund and its investments. It is difficult to accurately predict or foresee when events or conditions affecting the U.S. or global financial markets, economies, and issuers may occur, the effects of such events or conditions, potential escalations or expansions of these events, possible retaliations in response to sanctions or similar actions and the duration or ultimate impact of those events. There is an increased likelihood that these types of events or conditions can, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably, result in a variety of adverse developments and circumstances, such as reduced liquidity, supply chain disruptions and market volatility, as well as increased general uncertainty and broad ramifications for markets, economies, issuers, and businesses in many sectors and societies globally. Stocks of large capitalization issuers that are included as components of indices replicated by passively-managed funds may be particularly susceptible to declines in value, including declines in value that are not believed to be representative of the issuer's fundamentals, due to market and investor reactions to such events. Additional and/or prolonged geopolitical or other events may affect investor and consumer confidence and may adversely impact financial markets and the broader economy, perhaps suddenly and to a significant degree. Any such market, economic and other disruptions could also prevent the Fund from executing its investment strategies and processes in a timely manner.

## **MLP Equity Securities Risk**

MLP common units and other equity securities can be affected by macro-economic political, global and other factors affecting the stock market in general, expectations of interest rates, investor sentiment towards MLPs or the energy sector, changes in a particular issuer's financial condition, or unfavorable or unanticipated poor performance of a particular issuer (which in the case of MLPs generally measured in terms of distributable cash flow). Prices of common units of individual MLPs and other equity securities also can be affected by fundamentals unique to the partnership or company, including earnings power and coverage ratios.

#### **MLP Structure Risk**

Holders of MLP units are subject to certain risks inherent in the structure of MLPs, including (i) tax risks (described further below), (ii) the limited ability to elect or remove management or the general partner or managing member, (iii) limited voting rights, except with respect to extraordinary transactions, and (iv) conflicts of interest between the general partner or managing member and its affiliates, on the one hand, and the limited partners or members, on the other hand, including those arising from incentive distribution payments or corporate opportunities.

## **Non-Diversification Risk**

The Fund is a non-diversified, open-end management investment company registered under the 1940 Act. A non-diversified Fund may invest a greater portion of its assets in a more limited number of issuers than a diversified Fund. A non-diversified Fund may select its investments from a relatively small pool of issuers together with securities issued by any newly public issuers consistent with its stated investment objective and policies. An investment in a non-diversified Fund may present greater risk to an investor than an investment in a diversified Fund because changes in the financial condition or market assessment of a single issuer or small number of issuers may cause greater fluctuations in the value of the Fund's shares.

#### Non-U.S. Securities Risk

The Fund may invest in non-U.S. securities, including, among other things, non-U.S. securities represented by American Depositary Receipts or "ADRs." ADRs are certificates evidencing ownership of shares of a non-U.S. issuer that are issued by depositary banks and generally trade on an established market in the United States or elsewhere.

## **Operational and Cyber Security Risk**

Operational risk arises from a number of factors, including but not limited to, human error, processing and communication errors, errors of service providers, counterparties or other third-parties, failed or inadequate processes and technology or system failures and may arise from external or internal sources. Additionally, the Fund and its service providers are susceptible to risks resulting from breaches in cyber security, including the theft, corruption, destruction or denial of access to data maintained online or digitally, denial of service on websites and other disruptions. Successful cyber security breaches may adversely impact the Fund and its shareholders by, among other things, interfering with the processing of shareholder transactions, impacting its ability to calculate its NAV, causing the release of confidential shareholder or Fund information, impeding trading, causing reputational damage and subjecting the Fund to fines, penalties or financial losses. The Fund seeks to reduce these operational and cyber security risks through controls and procedures. However, these measures do not address every possible risk and may be inadequate for those risks that they are intended to address.

## **Portfolio Management Risk**

The investment strategies, practices and risk analysis used may not produce the desired results. In addition, the Fund may not achieve its investment objective, including during periods in which it takes temporary positions in response to unusual or adverse market, economic or political conditions, or other unusual or abnormal circumstances. The Subadvisor may be incorrect in its assessment of a particular security or market trend, which could result in losses. The Subadvisor's judgment about whether securities will increase or decrease in value may prove to be incorrect, and the value of these securities could change unexpectedly.

#### **Portfolio Turnover Risk**

Portfolio turnover measures the amount of trading the Fund does during the year. Portfolio turnover rate is not considered a limiting factor in the execution of investment decisions for the Fund. The Fund's annual portfolio turnover rate may vary greatly from year to year. A higher portfolio turnover rate results in correspondingly greater brokerage commissions and other transactional expenses that are borne by the Fund. Greater transaction costs may reduce the Fund's performance. The Fund's sale of a portfolio security may trigger a recapture of certain deductions and may cause all or a portion of the Fund's current year distributions to be characterized as ordinary income rather than return of capital.

## **Preferred Shares Risk**

Preferred shares in which the Fund may invest represents an equity or ownership interest in an issuer that pays dividends at a specified rate and that has precedence over common shares in the payment of dividends. In the event an issuer is liquidated or declares bankruptcy, the claims of owners of bonds take precedence over the claims of those who own preferred and common shares. If interest rates rise, the fixed dividend on preferred stocks may be less attractive, causing the price of preferred shares to decline. Preferred shares may have mandatory sinking fund provisions, as well as provisions allowing the shares to be called or redeemed prior to its maturity, which can have a negative impact on the share's price when interest rates decline.

#### **Regulatory Risk**

Government regulation and/or intervention may change the way the Fund is regulated, affect the expenses incurred directly by the Fund, affect the value of its investments, and limit the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. Government regulation may change frequently and may have significant adverse consequences. Moreover, government regulation may have unpredictable and unintended effects. In addition to exposing the Fund to potential new costs and expenses, additional regulation or changes to existing regulation may also require changes to the Fund's investment practices. Certain regulatory authorities may also prohibit or restrict the ability of the Fund to engage in certain derivative transactions or short-selling of certain securities. Although there continues to be uncertainty about the full impact of these and other regulatory changes, the Fund may be subject to a more complex regulatory framework, and incur additional costs to comply with new requirements as well as to monitor for compliance with any new requirements going forward.

At any time after the date of this Prospectus, legislation may be enacted that could negatively affect the assets of the Fund. Legislation or regulation may change the way in which the Fund is managed. Neither the Manager nor the Subadvisor can predict the effects of any new governmental regulation that may be implemented, and there can be no assurance that any new governmental regulation will not adversely affect the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. The Fund's activities may be limited or restricted because of laws and regulations applicable to the Manager, the Subadvisor or the Fund.

## **Restricted Securities Risk**

Restricted securities are securities that are sold only through negotiated private transactions and not to the general public, due to certain restrictions imposed by federal securities laws or the terms of the security. The principal risk of investing in restricted securities is that the Fund may be limited or prevented by law or the terms of the security from selling the security and, as a result, the Fund may be unable to dispose of the security at an advantageous time or price. In addition, there is no assurance that a trading market will develop or exist for a restricted security, which also may result in difficulties in selling the security.

#### **Strategic Transactions Risk**

The Fund may, but is not required to, use strategic transactions, which involve the purchase and sale of derivative instruments for hedging, risk management or portfolio management purposes or to earn income. The Fund may purchase and sell exchange-listed and over-the-counter put and call options on securities, indices and other instruments, enter into forward contracts, purchase and sell futures contracts and options thereon, enter into swap, cap, floor or collar transactions, purchase structured investment products and enter into transactions that combine multiple derivative instruments. Strategic transactions often have risks similar to the securities underlying the strategic transactions. However, the use of strategic transactions also involves risks that are different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with other portfolio investments. Strategic transactions may involve the use of highly specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analyses different from those associated with other portfolio investments. The use of derivative instruments has risks, including the imperfect correlation between the value of the derivative instruments and the underlying assets, the possible default of the counterparty to the transaction or illiquidity of the derivative investments. Furthermore, the ability to successfully use these techniques depends on the Subadvisor's ability to predict pertinent market movements, which cannot be assured. Thus, the use of strategic transactions may (i) result in losses greater than if they had not been used, (ii) require the Fund to sell or purchase portfolio securities at inopportune times or for prices other than current market values, (iii) limit the amount of appreciation the Fund can realize on an investment or (iv) cause the Fund to hold a security that it might otherwise sell. In addition, amounts paid by the Fund as

premiums and cash, or other assets held in margin accounts with respect to strategic transactions are not otherwise available to the Fund for investment purposes. It is possible that government regulation of various types of derivative instruments, including regulations enacted pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"), which was signed into law in July 2010, may impact the availability, liquidity and cost of derivative instruments. There can be no assurance that regulation of derivative instruments and markets will not have a material adverse effect on the Fund or will not impair the ability of the Fund to implement certain strategic transactions or to achieve its investment objective. Although the Subadvisor seeks to use strategic transactions to further the Fund's investment objective, no assurance can be given that the use of strategic transactions will achieve this result.

#### **Tax Risk**

In addition to other risk considerations, an investment in the Fund's shares will involve certain tax risks, including, but not limited to, the risks summarized below and discussed in more detail elsewhere in this Prospectus. Tax matters are complicated, and the foreign and U.S. federal, state and local tax consequences of the purchase and ownership of the Fund's shares will depend on the facts of each investor's situation. Prospective investors are encouraged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the specific tax consequences that may affect such investors.

MLP Tax Risk — Changes in tax laws, regulations or interpretations of those laws or regulations in the future could adversely affect the Fund or the MLPs or other natural resource sector companies in which the Fund invests. Any such changes could negatively impact the Fund's shareholders. Legislation could also negatively impact the amount and tax characterization of distributions received by the Fund's shareholders. There have been proposals in Congress to eliminate certain tax incentives widely used by energy and energy-related companies and to impose new fees on certain energy producers. The elimination of such tax incentives and imposition of such fees could adversely affect MLPs and other natural resources sector companies in which the Fund invests and/or the energy sector generally.

The Fund's ability to meet its investment objective will depend partially on the amounts of taxable income, distributions and dividends it receives from the securities in which it will invest, a factor over which it will have no control. The benefit the Fund will derive from its investment in MLPs is largely dependent on the MLPs generally being treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, an MLP is generally not subject to U.S. federal income tax liability at the entity level. If, as a result of a change in current law or a change in an MLP's business, an MLP were to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its income at the tax rate applicable to corporations (currently 21%) as well as could be subject to state and local taxes. In addition, if an MLP were to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the amount of cash available for distribution by it would be reduced and distributions received by the Fund from it would be subject to tax under U.S. federal income tax laws applicable to corporate distributions (as dividend income, return of capital, or capital gain). Therefore, treatment of MLPs as corporations for U.S. federal income tax purposes would result in a reduction in the after-tax return to the Fund, likely causing a reduction in the value of the Fund's shares.

Tax Law Changes Risk — Changes in tax laws, regulations or interpretations of those laws or regulations in the future could adversely affect the Fund or the companies in which the Fund invests. Any such changes could negatively impact the Fund's shareholders. Legislation could also negatively impact the amount and tax characterization of dividends received by the Fund's shareholders.

## **Temporary Defensive Investments Risk**

In times of unusual or adverse market, economic or political conditions or abnormal circumstances (such as large cash inflows or anticipated large redemptions), the Fund may, for temporary defensive purposes or for liquidity purposes (which may be for a prolonged period), invest outside the scope of its principal investment strategies. Under such conditions, the Fund may not invest in accordance with its investment objective or principal investment strategies and, as a result, there is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. Under such conditions, each Fund may also invest without limit in cash, money market securities or other investments.

## **Terrorism and Market Disruption Risk**

Terrorist attacks and other geopolitical events have led to, and may in the future lead to, increased short-term market volatility and may have long-term effects on U.S. and world economies and markets.

Global political and economic instability could affect the operations of companies in which the Fund invests in unpredictable ways, including through disruptions of natural resources supplies and markets and the resulting volatility in commodity prices. The operations of MLPs and companies in the natural resources and energy sectors are subject to many hazards inherent in the exploration for, and development, production, gathering, transportation, processing, storage, refining, distribution, mining or marketing of natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil, refined petroleum products or other hydrocarbons, including damage to production equipment, pipelines, storage tanks or related equipment and surrounding properties caused by hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, fires and other natural disasters or by

acts of terrorism; inadvertent damage from construction or other equipment; leaks of natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil, refined petroleum products or other hydrocarbons; and fires and explosions.

The U.S. government has issued warnings that natural resources assets, specifically pipeline infrastructure and production, transmission and distribution facilities, may be future targets of terrorist activities. These dangers give rise to risks of substantial losses as a result of loss or destruction of commodity reserves; damage to or destruction of property, facilities and equipment; pollution and environmental damage; and personal injury or loss of life. Any occurrence of such catastrophic events could bring about a limitation, suspension or discontinuation of the operations of impacted companies.

In addition, changes in the insurance markets have made certain types of insurance more difficult, if not impossible, to obtain and have generally resulted in increased premium costs. Companies may not be fully insured against all risks inherent in their business operations and therefore accidents and catastrophic events could adversely affect such companies' operations, financial conditions and ability to pay distributions to shareholders.

## **Shareholder Guide**

The following pages are intended to provide information regarding how to buy and sell shares of the MainStay Funds and certain other information designed to help you understand the costs and certain other considerations associated with buying, holding and selling your MainStay Fund investments. Not all of the MainStay Funds discussed below are offered in this Prospectus. Furthermore, certain share classes are not available for all MainStay Funds or to all investors and may be offered through a separate prospectus.

The information described in this Shareholder Guide is available free of charge by calling toll-free 800-624-6782 or by visiting our website at newyorklifeinvestments.com. The information contained in or otherwise accessible through the MainStay website does not form part of this Prospectus. For additional details, please contact your financial adviser or the MainStay Funds free of charge by calling toll-free 800-624-6782.

Please note that shares of the MainStay Funds are generally not available for purchase by foreign investors, except to certain qualified investors. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to: (i) pay dividends from net investment income and distributions from net capital gains in a check mailed to any investor who becomes a non-U.S. resident; (ii) redeem shares and close the account of an investor who becomes a non-U.S. resident; and (iii) redeem shares and close the account of an investor in the case of actual or suspected threatening conduct or actual or suspected fraudulent, suspicious or illegal activity by that investor or any other individual associated with that account.

SIMPLE IRA Plan accounts and certain other retirement plan accounts may not be eligible to invest in certain MainStay Funds.

The following terms are used in this Shareholder Guide:

- "MainStay Asset Allocation Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay Conservative Allocation Fund, MainStay Equity Allocation Fund, MainStay Growth Allocation Fund and MainStay Moderate Allocation Fund.
- "MainStay Epoch Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund, MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund and MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund.
- "MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay Conservative ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Equity ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund and MainStay Moderate ETF Allocation Fund.
- "MainStay Funds" collectively refers to each mutual fund managed by New York Life Investment Management LLC.
- "MainStay International/Global Equity Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay
  CBRE Global Infrastructure Fund, MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund, MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund, MainStay Epoch
  International Choice Fund, MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund and MainStay
  WMC International Research Equity Fund.
- "MainStay Mixed Asset Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay Balanced Fund, MainStay Income Builder Fund and MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund.
- "MainStay Tax-Exempt Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund.
- "MainStay Taxable Bond Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Debt Fund, MainStay Floating Rate
  Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund, MainStay MacKay
  Strategic Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund, MainStay
  Money Market Fund and MainStay Short Term Bond Fund.
- "MainStay U.S. Equity Funds" collectively refers to the MainStay CBRE Real Estate Fund, MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund, MainStay Fiera SMID Growth Fund, MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund, MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund, MainStay Winslow Large Cap Growth Fund, MainStay WMC Enduring Capital Fund, MainStay WMC Growth Fund, MainStay WMC Small Companies Fund and MainStay WMC Value Fund.
- The Board of Trustees of MainStay Funds Trust and the Board of Trustees of The MainStay Funds are collectively referred to as the "Board."
- The Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, is referred to as the "1940 Act."
- New York Life Investment Management LLC is referred to as the "Manager" or "New York Life Investments."
- New York Life Insurance Company is referred to as "New York Life."
- NYLIM Service Company LLC is referred to as the "Transfer Agent" or "NYLIM Service Company."
- NYLIFE Distributors LLC, the MainStay Funds' principal underwriter and distributor, is referred to as the "Distributor" or "NYLIFE Distributors."

- The New York Stock Exchange is referred to as the "Exchange."
- Net asset value is referred to as "NAV."
- The Securities and Exchange Commission is referred to as the "SEC."
- Automated Clearing House, the electronic process by which shares may be purchased or redeemed, is referred to as "ACH."

#### BEFORE YOU INVEST — DECIDING WHICH CLASS OF SHARES TO BUY

The MainStay Funds offer Investor Class, Class A, A2, C, C2, I, P, R1, R2, R3, R6 and SIMPLE Class shares, as applicable. Each share class may not currently be offered by each MainStay Fund or through your financial intermediary and may be offered through a separate prospectus. Effective February 28, 2017, Class B shares were closed to all new purchases and additional investments by existing Class B shareholders. Each share class of a MainStay Fund represents an interest in the same portfolio of securities, has the same rights and is identical in all respects to the other classes (unless otherwise disclosed in this Shareholder Guide or as set forth in the MainStay Funds' multiple class plan adopted pursuant to Rule 18f-3 under the 1940 Act), except that, to the extent applicable, each class also bears its own service and distribution expenses and may bear incremental transfer agency costs resulting from its investor base. In addition, each class has its own sales charge and expense structure, providing you with different choices for meeting the needs of your situation. Depending upon the number of shares of a MainStay Fund you choose to purchase, how you wish to purchase shares of a MainStay Fund and the MainStay Fund in which you wish to invest, the share classes available to you may vary.

The decision as to which class of shares is best suited to your needs depends on a number of factors that you should consider and discuss with your financial adviser. Important factors you may wish to consider include, among others:

- how much you plan to invest;
- how long you plan to hold your shares;
- the fees (e.g., sales charge) and total expenses associated with each class of shares; and
- whether you qualify for any reduction or waiver of the sales charge, if any, as discussed below in the section "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers" and in Appendix A Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts.

The MainStay Funds, the Distributor and the Transfer Agent do not provide investment advice or recommendations or any form of tax or legal advice to existing or potential shareholders with respect to investment transactions involving the Funds. A shareholder transacting in (or holding) Fund shares through an intermediary should carefully review the fees and expenses charged by the intermediary relating to holding and transacting in Fund shares. These fees and expenses, including commissions, may vary by intermediary and customers of certain intermediaries are eligible only for the sales charge reductions or waivers set forth in Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts. As a result, a shareholder purchasing or redeeming Fund shares through an intermediary may incur higher or lower costs than a shareholder purchasing or redeeming Fund shares through another intermediary or directly with the MainStay Funds. You may be required to pay a commission or other transaction charge to your financial intermediary when buying or selling shares of a share class that has no initial sales charge, contingent deferred sales charge, or asset-based fee for sales or distribution, such as Class I or Class R6 shares. These commissions or transaction charges are not reflected in the fee and expense table or expense examples for the share classes. The Funds make available other share classes that have different fees and expenses, which are disclosed and described in this Prospectus. Please contact your financial intermediary for more information on commissions or other transaction charges applicable to the purchase or redemption of shares of the Funds.

As with any business, operating a mutual fund involves costs. There are regular operating costs, such as investment advisory fees, distribution expenses, and custodial, transfer agency, legal and accounting fees, among others. These operating costs are typically paid from the assets of a MainStay Fund, and thus, all investors in the MainStay Fund (or share class, if applicable) indirectly share such costs. The expenses for each MainStay Fund are presented in the Funds' respective Prospectuses in the tables entitled, "Fees and Expenses of the Fund," under the heading, "Annual Fund Operating Expenses." As the fee and expense tables show, certain costs are borne equally by each share class. In cases where services or expenses are class-specific, such as distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees, the fees payable for transfer agency services or certain other expenses, the costs are typically allocated differently among the share classes or among groups of share classes.

In addition to the direct expenses that a MainStay Fund bears, MainStay Fund shareholders indirectly bear the expenses of the other funds in which the MainStay Fund invests ("Underlying Funds"), where applicable. The tables entitled "Fees and Expenses of the Fund" reflect a MainStay Fund's estimated indirect expenses from investing in Underlying Funds based on the allocation of the MainStay Fund's assets among the Underlying Funds (if any) during the MainStay Fund's most recent fiscal year. These expenses may be higher or lower over time depending on the actual investments of the MainStay Fund's assets in the Underlying Funds and the actual expenses of the Underlying Funds.

In some cases, the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses reflected in the tables entitled "Fees and Expenses of the Fund" may differ in part from the amounts shown in the Financial Highlights section of the applicable Prospectuses, which reflect only the operating

expenses of a MainStay Fund for its prior fiscal year and do not include the MainStay Fund's share of the fees and expenses of any Underlying Fund in which the MainStay Fund invested during its prior fiscal year.

#### 12b-1 and Shareholder Service Fees

Most significant among the class-specific costs are:

- **Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fee**—named after the SEC rule that permits their payment, 12b-1 fees are paid by a class of shares to compensate the Distributor for distribution and/or shareholder services such as marketing and selling MainStay Fund shares, compensating brokers and others who sell MainStay Fund shares, advertising, printing and mailing of prospectuses and responding to shareholder inquiries.
- Shareholder Service Fee—this fee covers certain services provided to retirement plans investing in Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares that are not included under a 12b-1 plan for such class (if any), such as certain account establishment and maintenance, order processing, and communication services.

An important point to keep in mind about 12b-1 fees and shareholder service fees, which are paid out of Fund assets on an ongoing basis, is that they reduce the value of your shares, and therefore, will proportionately reduce the returns you receive on your investment and any dividends that are paid. See "Information on Fees" in this section for more information about these fees.

## **Sales Charges**

In addition to regular operating costs, there are costs associated with an individual investor's transactions and account, such as the compensation paid to your financial adviser for helping you with your investment decisions. The MainStay Funds typically cover such costs by imposing sales charges and other fees directly on the investor either at the time of purchase or upon redemption for certain share classes. These charges and fees for each MainStay Fund are presented earlier in the tables entitled "Fees and Expenses of the Fund," under the heading, "Shareholder Fees." Such charges and fees include:

- Initial Sales Charge—also known as a "front-end sales load," refers to a charge that is deducted from your initial investment in Investor Class, Class A and Class A2 shares that is used to compensate the Distributor and/or your financial adviser for their efforts and assistance to you in connection with the purchase. The key point to keep in mind about a front-end sales load is that it reduces the initial amount invested in MainStay Fund shares.
- Contingent Deferred Sales Charge—also known as a "CDSC" or "back-end sales load," refers to a charge that is deducted from the proceeds when you redeem MainStay Fund shares (that is, sell shares back to the MainStay Fund). The amount of CDSC that you pay will depend on how long you hold your shares and decreases to zero if you hold your shares long enough. Although you pay no sales charge at the time of purchase, the Distributor typically pays your financial adviser a commission up-front. In part to compensate the Distributor for this expense, you will pay a higher ongoing 12b-1 fee over time for Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares. Subsequently, these fees may cost you more than paying an initial sales charge.

Distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees, shareholder service fees, initial sales charges and contingent deferred sales charges are each discussed in more detail later in this Shareholder Guide in the section "Information on Sales Charges." Certain intermediaries impose different sales charges and make only specified waivers from sales charges available to their customers. These variations are described in Appendix A — Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts. The following table provides a summary of the differences among share classes with respect to such fees and other important factors:

## **Summary of Important Differences Among Share Classes**

	Class A <sup>1</sup>	Class A2	Investor Class <sup>1</sup>	Class B <sup>2</sup>	Class C <sup>1</sup>	Class C2	Class I	Class R1	Class R2	Class R3	Class R6	Class P	SIMPLE Class
Initial sales charge	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Contingent deferred sales charge	None <sup>3</sup>	None <sup>3</sup>	None <sup>3</sup>	Sliding scale during the first six years after purchase	1% on sale of shares held for one year or less <sup>4</sup>	1% on sale of shares held for one year or less	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees	0.25%	0.25%	0.25%	0.75% <sup>5</sup> distribution and 0.25% service (1.00% total) <sup>6</sup>	0.75% <sup>5</sup> distribution and 0.25% service (1.00% total) <sup>6</sup>	0.40% distribution and 0.25% service (0.65% total)	None	None	0.25%	0.25% distribution and 0.25% service (0.50% total)	None	None	0.25% distribution and 0.25% service (0.50% total)
Shareholder service fee	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	0.10%	0.10%	0.10%	None	None	None
Conversion feature	Yes <sup>7</sup>	No	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	No	Yes <sup>7</sup>
Purchase maximum <sup>8</sup>	None	None	None	N/A	\$1,000,0009	\$250,000	None	None	None	None	None	None	None

- 1. Class A, Investor Class and Class C shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund are sold with no initial sales charge or CDSC and have no 12b-1 fees.
- 2. Class B shares are closed to all new purchases and additional investments by existing Class B shareholders.
- 3. No initial sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more (\$250,000 or more with respect to MainStay Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay Balanced Fund, MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay Income Builder Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund and MainStay Short Term Bond Fund). However, for purchases of Class A and Investor Class shares of each Fund (except MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund and MainStay Short Term Bond Fund), a CDSC of 1.00% (0.50% for MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds) may be imposed on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased of MainStay Short Term Bond Fund, a CDSC of 0.50% may be imposed on redemptions made within 12 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.
- $4. \quad 18 \ months \ or \ less \ with \ respect \ to \ MainStay \ MacKay \ Short \ Duration \ High \ Income \ Fund.$
- 5. 0.25% for MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund.
- 6. 0.50% for MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund.
- 7. See the sections discussing Share Class Considerations and the section entitled "Buying, Selling, Converting and Exchanging Fund Shares—Conversions Between Share Classes" for more information on the voluntary and/or automatic conversions that apply to each share class.
- 8. Does not apply to purchases by certain retirement plans.
- 9. \$250,000 for MainStay Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay Balanced Fund, MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay Income Builder Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund and MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund.

The discussions in this Shareholder Guide are not intended to be investment advice or a recommendation because each investor's financial situation and considerations are different. Additionally, certain MainStay Funds have sales charge and expense structures that may alter your analysis as to which share class is most appropriate for your needs. This analysis can best be made by discussing your situation and the factors mentioned above with your financial adviser. Generally, however, Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares are more economical than Class C or Class C2 shares if you intend to invest larger amounts and hold your shares long-term (more than six years, for most MainStay Funds). Class C or Class C2 shares may be more economical than Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares if you intend to hold your shares for a shorter term. Class I, Class R6 and Class P shares are the most economical, regardless of amount invested or intended holding period. Class I shares are generally available only to certain institutional investors or through certain financial intermediary accounts or retirement plans. Class R6 shares are generally available only to certain retirement plans invested in a MainStay Fund through omnibus accounts (either at the plan level or omnibus accounts held on the books of the MainStay Fund). Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are available only to certain employer-sponsored retirement plans. Class P shares are generally only available to investors that have a relationship with PineStone Asset Management, Inc. and are investing directly with the Fund. SIMPLE Class shares are generally only available to SIMPLE IRA Plan accounts.

If the share class that is most economical for you, given your individual financial circumstances and goals, is not offered through your financial intermediary and you are otherwise eligible to invest in that share class, you can open an account and invest directly in the

MainStay Funds by submitting an application. Please see the section entitled "How to Open Your Account" in this Shareholder Guide and the SAI for details.

#### **Investor Class Share Considerations**

- Your Investor Class shares may convert automatically to Class A shares. Investor Class share balances are examined Fund-by-Fund on a quarterly basis. If, at that time, the value of your Investor Class shares in any one MainStay Fund equals or exceeds \$15,000 (\$10,000 in the case of IRA or 403(b)(7) accounts that are making required minimum distributions via the systematic withdrawal plan or systematic exchange program), whether by shareholder action or change in market value, or if you have otherwise become eligible to invest in Class A shares, your Investor Class shares of that MainStay Fund will be automatically converted into Class A shares. Eligible Investor Class shares may also convert upon request. Please note that, in most cases, you may not aggregate your holdings of Investor Class shares in multiple MainStay Funds/accounts or rely on a Right of Accumulation or Letter of Intent (each discussed below) to qualify for this conversion feature. Certain holders of Investor Class shares are not subject to this automatic conversion feature. For more information, please see the SAI.
- 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 upon conversion. The MainStay Funds expect all share class conversions described in this section to be made
  on a tax-free basis. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to modify or eliminate the share class conversion feature at any time.
  When a conversion occurs, reinvested dividends and capital gains convert with the shares that are converting.
- When you invest in Investor Class shares, you pay the public offering price, which is the share price, or NAV, plus the initial sales charge that may apply to your purchase. The amount of the initial sales charge varies based on the size of your investment (see "Information on Sales Charges"). We also describe below how you may reduce or eliminate the initial sales charge (see "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers").
- Since some of your investment goes to pay an upfront sales charge when you purchase Investor Class shares, you will purchase fewer shares than you would with the same investment in certain other share classes. However, the net income attributable to Class C or Class C2 shares and the dividends payable on Class C or Class C2 shares will be reduced by the amount of the higher distribution and/or service (12b-1) fee and incremental expenses associated with each such class. Likewise, the NAV of the Class C or Class C2 shares generally will be reduced by such class-specific expenses (to the extent a MainStay Fund has undistributed net income) and investment performance of Class C or Class C2 shares will be lower than that of Investor Class shares. As a result, you are usually better off purchasing Investor Class shares rather than Class C or Class C2 shares and paying an up-front sales charge if you:
  - plan to own the shares for an extended period of time, since the higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees on Class C or Class C2 shares may eventually exceed the cost of the up-front sales charge; or
  - qualify for a reduced or waived sales charge.

#### **Class A and Class A2 Share Considerations**

- Generally, Class A and Class A2 shares have a minimum initial investment amount of \$15,000 per MainStay Fund, however Class A shares of the MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds have a minimum initial investment amount of \$2,500.
- When you invest in Class A or Class A2 shares, you pay the public offering price, which is the share price, or NAV, plus the initial sales charge that may apply to your purchase. The amount of the initial sales charge is based on the size of your investment (see "Information on Sales Charges"). We also describe below how you may reduce or eliminate the initial sales charge (see "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers").
- Since some of your investment goes to pay an up-front sales charge when you purchase Class A or Class A2 shares, you will purchase fewer shares than you would with the same investment in certain other share classes. However, the net income attributable to Class C or Class C2 shares and the dividends payable on Class C or Class C2 shares will be reduced by the amount of the higher distribution and/or service (12b-1) fee and incremental expenses associated with such class. Likewise, the NAV of the Class C or Class C2 shares generally will be reduced by such class-specific expenses (to the extent a MainStay Fund has undistributed net income) and investment performance of Class C or Class C2 shares will be lower than that of Class A or Class A2 shares. As a result, you are usually better off purchasing Class A or Class A2 shares rather than Class C or Class C2 shares and paying an up-front sales charge if you:
  - plan to own the shares for an extended period of time, since the higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees on Class C or Class C2 shares may eventually exceed the cost of the up-front sales charge; or
  - qualify for a reduced or waived sales charge.

#### **Class B Share Considerations**

• Effective February 28, 2017, Class B shares of the MainStay Funds were 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 MainStay Funds as permitted by the applicable exchange privileges. Class B shareholders will continue to be subject to any applicable contingent deferred sales charge at the

time of redemption. All other features of Class B shares, including but not limited to the fees and expenses applicable to Class B shares, will remain unchanged. Unless redeemed, Class B Shares 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.

- When Class B shares were offered, no initial sales charge was incurred upon investment in Class B shares. However, you will pay
  higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees over the life of your investment. Over time these fees may cost you more
  than paying an initial sales charge on Investor Class or Class A shares. Consequently, it is important that you consider your
  investment goals and the length of time you intend to hold your shares when comparing your share class options.
- You should consult with your financial adviser to assess your Class B share investments in light of your particular circumstances.
- In most circumstances, you will pay a CDSC if you sell Class B shares within six years of buying them (see "Information on Sales Charges"). Exchanging Class B shares into the MainStay Money Market Fund may impact your holding period. Please see "Exchanging Shares Among MainStay Funds" for more information. There are exceptions, which are described in the SAI.
- Selling Class B shares during the period in which the CDSC applies can significantly diminish the overall return on an investment.
- When you sell Class B shares of a MainStay Fund, to minimize your sales charges, the MainStay Funds first redeem the shares
  that have no sales charges (shares representing the amount of any appreciation on the original value of your shares, fully aged
  shares, and any shares received through the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains) and then the shares you have held
  longest.
- Class B 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, eight years after the date they were purchased. This reduces distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees from 1.00% to 0.25% of average daily net assets (or from 0.50% to 0.25% with respect to MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund). Conversion features do not apply to Class B shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund that were exchanged from another MainStay Fund before their CDSC periods expired. Exchanging Class B shares into the MainStay Money Market Fund may impact your eligibility to convert at the end of the calendar quarter, eight years after the date they were purchased. Please see "Exchanging Shares Among MainStay Funds" for more information.
- 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 upon conversion. The MainStay Funds expect all share class conversions described in this section to be
  made on a tax-free basis. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to modify or eliminate this share class conversion feature at any
  time. When a conversion occurs, reinvested dividends and capital gains convert proportionately with the shares that are
  converting.

## **Class C and Class C2 Share Considerations**

- You pay no initial sales charge on an investment in Class C or Class C2 shares. However, for certain Funds, you will pay higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees over the life of your investment than for each other share class.
- In most circumstances, you will pay a 1.00% CDSC if you redeem shares held for one year or less (18 months with respect to Class C shares of MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund). Exchanging Class C or Class C2 shares may impact your holding period. Please see "Exchanging Shares Among MainStay Funds" for more information.
- When you sell Class C or Class C2 shares of a MainStay Fund, to minimize your sales charges, the MainStay Funds first redeem
  the shares that have no sales charges (shares representing the amount of any appreciation on the original value of your shares,
  fully aged shares, and any shares received through the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains) and then the shares you have
  held longest.
- Class C and, with respect to MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund, Class C2 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, eight years after the date they were purchased. This reduces distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees from 1.00% to 0.25% of average daily net assets for Class C shares (or from 0.50% to 0.25% for Class C shares and from 0.65% to 0.25% for Class C2 shares with respect to MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund). Conversion features do not apply to Class C shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund that were exchanged from another MainStay Fund before their CDSC periods expired. Exchanging Class C or Class C2 shares into the MainStay Money Market Fund and/or holding Class C or Class C2 shares through a financial intermediary in an omnibus account may impact your eligibility to convert at the end of the calendar quarter, eight years after the date they were purchased. Please see "Conversions Between Share Classes" for more information.
- 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 upon conversion. The MainStay Funds expect all share class conversions described in this section to be
  made on a tax-free basis. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to modify or eliminate this share class conversion feature at any
  time.

- The MainStay Funds will generally not accept a purchase order for Class C or Class C2 shares in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more (\$250,000 or more with respect to the MainStay Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay Balanced Fund, MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay Income Builder Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund and MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund).
- Please note that Class C2 shares may not be available for initial or subsequent purchases through certain financial intermediary firms, investment platforms or in certain types of investment accounts. See the SAI for additional information.

#### **Class I Share Considerations**

- You pay no initial sales charge or CDSC on an investment in Class I shares.
- You do not pay any ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees.
- You may buy Class I shares if you are an:

## Institutional Investor

- Certain employer-sponsored, association or other group retirement plans or employee benefit trusts with a service arrangement through the Distributor or its affiliates;
- Certain financial institutions, endowments, foundations, government entities or corporations investing on their own behalf;
- Clients transacting through financial intermediaries that purchase Class I shares through: (i) fee-based accounts that charge such clients an ongoing fee for advisory, investment, consulting or similar services; (ii) a no-load network or platform that has entered into an agreement with the Distributor or its affiliates to offer Class I shares through a no-load network or platform; or (iii) brokerage accounts held at a broker that charges such clients transaction fees.
- Individual Investor who is initially investing at least \$1 million in any single MainStay Fund: (i) directly with the MainStay Fund; or (ii) through certain private banks and trust companies that have an agreement with the Distributor or its affiliates.
- Existing Class I Shareholder; or
- Existing or retired MainStay Funds Trustee or Officer, current Portfolio Manager of a MainStay Fund or an employee of a Subadvisor.
- The MainStay asset allocation funds may invest in Class I shares, if Class R6 shares for a Fund are unavailable.

#### **Class P Share Considerations**

- You pay no initial sales charge or CDSC on an investment in Class P shares.
- You do not pay any ongoing distribution and/or service fees (12b-1) fees.
- Generally, Class P shares are only available to investors that have a relationship with PineStone Asset Management Inc. and are investing directly with the Fund.

## Class R1, Class R2, Class R3, Class R6 and SIMPLE Class Share Considerations

- You pay no initial sales charge or CDSC on an investment in Class R1, Class R2, Class R3, Class R6 or SIMPLE Class shares.
- You pay ongoing shareholder service fees for Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares. You also pay ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees for Class R2, and Class R3 shares.
- You do not pay ongoing shareholder service fees or ongoing distribution and/or service fees (12b-1) fees for Class R6 shares.
- You pay ongoing distribution and/or service fees (12b-1) fees but do not pay ongoing shareholder service fees for SIMPLE Class shares.
- Class R1, Class R2 and Class R3 shares are available in certain individual retirement accounts and in certain retirement plans that have a service arrangement with the Distributor, including:
  - Section 401(a) and 457 plans;
  - Certain Section 403(b)(7) plans;
  - Section 401(k), profit sharing, money purchase pension, Keogh and defined benefit plans; and
  - Non-qualified deferred compensation plans.
- Generally, Class R6 shares are only available to certain employer-sponsored retirement plans held with a Fund through omnibus accounts (either at the plan level or omnibus accounts held on the books of the Fund) that have a service arrangement with the Distributor or its affiliate, such as Section 401(k), profit sharing, money purchase pension and defined benefit plans. However, the Fund reserves the right in its sole discretion to waive this eligibility requirement.
- SIMPLE Class shares are generally only available to SIMPLE IRA Plan accounts.

- 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. The MainStay Funds expect all share
  class conversions described in this section to be made on a tax-free basis. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to modify or
  eliminate this share class conversion feature at any time.
- The MainStay asset allocation funds may invest in Class R6 shares, if available.

#### INVESTMENT MINIMUMS AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The following minimums apply if you are investing in a MainStay Fund. A minimum initial investment amount may be waived for purchases by the Trustees and directors and employees of New York Life and its affiliates and subsidiaries. The MainStay Funds may also waive investment minimums for certain qualified purchases and accept additional investments of smaller amounts at their discretion. Please see the SAI for additional information.

### **Investor Class Shares**

All MainStay Funds except MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay Epoch Funds, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund and MainStay WMC Growth Fund:

- \$1,000 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds, or
- if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases (except MainStay Money Market Fund, which requires an initial investment amount of \$1,000).

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay Epoch Funds, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund and MainStay WMC Growth Fund:

- \$2,500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds, or
- if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$2,500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases.

#### **Class A Shares**

All MainStay Funds except MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay Money Market Fund:

• \$15,000 minimum initial investment with no minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds.

MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds:

- \$2,500 minimum for initial and no minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds, or
- if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases.

MainStay Money Market Fund:

- There are no minimums for initial and subsequent purchases if all of your other accounts contain Class A shares only.
- Please note that if at any time you hold any class of shares other than Class A shares, your holdings in the MainStay Money Market
  Fund will immediately become subject to the applicable investment minimums, subsequent purchase minimums and subsequent
  conversion features for Class A shares.

Broker/dealers (and their affiliates) or certain service providers with customer accounts that trade primarily on an omnibus level or through the National Securities Clearing Corporation's Fund/SERV network (Levels 1-3 only); certain retirement plan accounts, including investment-only plan accounts; directors and employees of New York Life and its affiliates; investors who obtained their Class A shares through certain reorganizations (including holders of Class P shares of any of the predecessor funds to the MainStay Epoch Funds as of November 16, 2009); and subsidiaries and employees of the Subadvisors are not subject to the minimum investment requirement for Class A shares, however MainStay Funds reserve the right to impose other minimum initial investment amounts on these accounts. See the SAI for additional information.

#### **Class A2 Shares**

MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund:

• \$15,000 minimum for initial and no minimum for subsequent purchases.

## **Class C Shares**

All MainStay Funds except MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay Epoch Funds, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund and MainStay WMC Growth Fund:

\$1,000 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds, or

• if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases (except MainStay Money Market Fund, which requires an initial investment amount of \$1,000).

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay Epoch Funds, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund and MainStay WMC Growth Fund:

- \$2,500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds, or
- if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$2,500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases.

Investors who obtained their Class C shares through certain reorganizations are not subject to the minimum investment requirements for Class C shares. See the SAI for additional information.

## **Class C2 Shares**

MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund:

- \$1,000 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent purchases, or
- if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases.

MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund and MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund:

- \$2,500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds, or
- if through AutoInvest, a monthly systematic investment plan: \$2,500 minimum for initial and \$50 minimum for subsequent monthly purchases.

#### **Class I Shares**

- Individual Investors—\$1 million minimum for initial purchases of any single MainStay Fund and no minimum for subsequent purchases of any other MainStay Fund; and
- Institutional Investors, the MainStay Funds' existing and retired Trustees and Officers, current Portfolio Managers of the MainStay Funds and employees of Subadvisors—no minimums for initial and subsequent purchases of any MainStay Fund.

Please note that Class I shares may not be available for initial or subsequent purchases through certain financial intermediary firms, investment platforms or in certain types of investment accounts. See the SAI for additional information.

Investors who obtained their Class I shares through certain reorganizations are not subject to the minimum investment requirements for Class I shares. See the SAI for additional information.

## **Class P Shares**

MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund and MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund:

If you are eligible to invest in Class P shares, \$5,000,000 minimum for initial and no minimum for subsequent purchases.

Please note that Class P shares may not be available for initial or subsequent purchases through certain financial intermediary firms, investment platforms or in certain types of investment accounts. See the SAI for additional information.

## Class R1, Class R2, Class R3 and Class R6 Shares

If you are eligible to invest in Class R1, Class R2, Class R3 or Class R6 shares of the MainStay Funds, there are no minimums for initial and subsequent purchases.

#### **SIMPLE Class Shares**

All MainStay Funds except MainStay Money Market Fund, MainStay Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds:

\$1,000 minimum for initial and no minimum for subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds.

MainStay Money Market Fund, MainStay Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds:

• There are no minimums for initial and subsequent purchases of any of these MainStay Funds.

#### INFORMATION ON SALES CHARGES

The MainStay Funds make available (free of charge) information regarding sales charges at newyorklifeinvestments.com/salescharges.

# **Investor Class, Class A and Class A2 Shares**

The initial sales charge you pay when you buy Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares differs depending upon the MainStay Fund you choose and the amount you invest, as indicated in the following tables. The sales charge may be reduced or eliminated for larger purchases, as described below, or as described under "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers" or for shares purchased or accounts held through particular financial intermediaries as set forth in Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts. Any applicable sales charge will be deducted directly from your investment. All or a portion of the sales charge may be retained by the Distributor or paid to your financial intermediary firm as a concession. Investor Class shares and Class A shares of MainStay Money Market Fund are not subject to a sales charge.

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Fund, MainStay CBRE Real Estate Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund, MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund, MainStay Epoch International Choice Fund, MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund, MainStay Fiera SMID Growth Fund, MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund, MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund, MainStay Winc Cap Growth Fund, MainStay WMC Enduring Capital Fund, MainStay WMC Growth Fund, MainStay WMC International Research Equity Fund, MainStay WMC Small Companies Fund and MainStay WMC Value Fund

#### **Class A Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges as a percentage of <sup>1</sup>		Typical dealer concession	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price	
Less than \$50,000	5.50%	5.82%	4.75%	
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4.50%	4.71%	4.00%	
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3.50%	3.63%	3.00%	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2.50%	2.56%	2.00%	
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2.00%	2.04%	1.75%	
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None	

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

#### **Investor Class Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$50,000	5.00%	5.26%	4.25%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4.00%	4.17%	3.50%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3.00%	3.09%	2.50%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2.00%	2.04%	1.50%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1.50%	1.52%	1.25%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

<sup>2.</sup> No sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

<sup>2.</sup> No sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

# MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund

# **Class A Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of <sup>1</sup>	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$50,000	1.50%	1.52%	1.25%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1.25%	1.27%	1.00%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1.00%	1.01%	0.75%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	0.75%	0.76%	0.50%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	0.50%	0.50%	0.25%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

# **Investor Class Shares**

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Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of <sup>1</sup>	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$50,000	1.00%	1.01%	0.75%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	0.75%	0.76%	0.50%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	0.50%	0.50%	0.35%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	0.25%	0.25%	0.25%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

<sup>2.</sup> No sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

<sup>2.</sup> No sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Debt Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Bond Fund and MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund

#### **Class A Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$100,000	4.50%	4.71%	4.00%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3.50%	3.63%	3.00%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2.50%	2.56%	2.00%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2.00%	2.04%	1.75%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

- 1. The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.
- 2. No sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

#### **Investor Class Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of <sup>1</sup>	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$100,000	4.00%	4.17%	3.50%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3.00%	3.09%	2.50%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2.00%	2.04%	1.50%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1.50%	1.52%	1.25%
\$1,000,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

- 1. The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.
- 2. No sales charge applies on investments of \$1 million or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

MainStay Balanced Fund, MainStay Conservative Allocation Fund, MainStay Conservative ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Equity Allocation Fund, MainStay Equity ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay Growth Allocation Fund, MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Income Builder Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund, MainStay Moderate Allocation Fund and MainStay Moderate ETF Allocation Fund

# **Class A Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges as	narges as a percentage of <sup>1</sup> Typical dea	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$100,000	3.00%	3.09%	2.75%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2.00%	2.04%	1.75%
\$250,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

- 1. The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.
- 2. No sales charge applies on investments of \$250,000 or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% (0.50% for each MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Fund) may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

#### **Investor Class Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	Typical dealer concession as a % of offering price
Less than \$100,000	2.50%	2.56%	2.25%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1.50%	1.52%	1.25%
\$250,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

# MainStay Short Term Bond Fund and MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund

#### Class A Shares

Purchase	Sales charges as a percentage of 1		Typical dealer concession	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price	
Less than \$250,000	1.00%	1.01%	1.00%	
\$250,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None	

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

# Class A2 Shares (MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund only)

Purchase	Sales charges as a percentage of <sup>1</sup>		Typical dealer concession
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$250,000	2.00%	2.04%	1.75%
\$250,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

# **Investor Class Shares**

Purchase	Sales charges a	Sales charges as a percentage of	
amount	Offering price	Net investment	as a % of offering price
Less than \$250,000	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%
\$250,000 or more <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None

<sup>1.</sup> The sales charge you pay may differ slightly from the amounts listed here due to rounding calculations.

Sales charges that are specific to customers of a specific intermediary are set forth in Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts.

#### **Class B Shares**

Effective February 28, 2017, Class B shares were closed to all new purchases and additional investments by existing Class B shareholders. Class B shares were sold without an initial sales charge. However, if Class B shares are redeemed within six years of their purchase, a CDSC will be deducted from the redemption proceeds, except under circumstances described below. Additionally, for certain Funds, Class B shares have higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees than for other share classes and, over time, these fees may cost you more than paying an initial sales charge. The Class B share CDSC and the higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees are paid to compensate the Distributor for its expenses in connection with the sale of Class B shares. Class B shares of

<sup>2.</sup> No sales charge applies on investments of \$250,000 or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

<sup>2.</sup> No sales charge applies on investments of \$250,000 or more. A contingent deferred sales charge of 0.50% may be imposed, however, on redemptions made within 12 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

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MainStay Money Market Fund are not subject to a sales charge. The amount of the CDSC will depend on the number of years you have held the shares that you are redeeming, according to the following schedule:

# All MainStay Funds which offer Class B Shares

For shares sold in the:	Contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) as a % of amount redeemed subject to charge
First year	5.00%
Second year	4.00%
Third year	3.00%
Fourth year	2.00%
Fifth year	2.00%
Sixth year	1.00%
Thereafter	None

#### **Class C Shares**

Class C shares are sold without an initial sales charge. However, if Class C shares are redeemed within one year of purchase (18 months with respect to MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund), a CDSC of 1.00% will be deducted from the redemption proceeds, except under circumstances described below. Additionally, Class C shares have higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees than other share classes (except Class B and, with respect to MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund, Class C2 shares) and, over time, these fees may cost you more than paying an initial sales charge. The Class C share CDSC and the higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees are paid to compensate the Distributor for its expenses in connection with the sale of Class C shares. Class C shares of MainStay Money Market Fund are not subject to a sales charge.

# **Class C2 Shares**

Class C2 shares are redeemed within one year of purchase, a CDSC of 1.00% will be deducted from the redemption proceeds, except under circumstances described below. Additionally, for certain Funds, Class C2 shares have higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees than other share classes and, over time, these fees may cost you more than paying an initial sales charge. The Class C2 share CDSC and the higher ongoing distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees are paid to compensate the Distributor for its expenses in connection with the sale of Class C2 shares.

# Computing Contingent Deferred Sales Charge on Class B, Class C and Class C2 Shares

Subject to certain exceptions, a CDSC will be imposed on redemptions of Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares of a MainStay Fund, at the rates previously described, at the time of any redemption by a shareholder that reduces the current value of the shareholder's Class B, Class C or Class C2 share account to an amount that is lower than the amount of all payments by the shareholder for the purchase of Class B shares during the preceding six years or Class C or Class C2 shares during the preceding year (18 months with respect to Class C shares of MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund). The CDSC is calculated based on the lesser of the offering price or the market value of the shares being sold. The MainStay Funds first redeem the shares that have no sales charges (shares representing the amount of any appreciation on the original value of your shares, fully aged shares, and any shares received through the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains) and then the shares you have held longest.

For example, no CDSC will be imposed to the extent that the NAV of the Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares redeemed does not exceed:

- the current aggregate NAV of Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares of the MainStay Fund purchased more than six years prior to the redemption for Class B shares or more than one year (18 months with respect to Class C shares of MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund) prior to the redemption for Class C or Class C2 shares; plus
- the current aggregate NAV of Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares of the MainStay Fund purchased through reinvestment of dividends or capital gain distributions; plus
- increases in the NAV of the investor's Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares of the MainStay Fund above the total amount of
  payments for the purchase of Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares of the MainStay Fund made during the preceding six years for
  Class B shares or one year (18 months with respect to Class C shares of MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund) for
  Class C or Class C2 shares.

There are exceptions, which are described below.

Further information regarding sales charges is available in the SAI.

# **SALES CHARGE REDUCTIONS AND WAIVERS**

The MainStay Funds make available (free of charge) information regarding sales charge reductions and waivers on our website at newyorklifeinvestments.com/salescharges.

# Reducing the Initial Sales Charge on Investor Class, Class A and Class A2 Shares

You may be eligible to buy Investor Class, Class A and Class A2 shares of the MainStay Funds at one of the reduced sales charge rates shown in the tables above through a Right of Accumulation or a Letter of Intent, as briefly described below. You may also be eligible for a waiver of the initial sales charge as set forth below or in Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts. Each MainStay Fund reserves the right to modify or eliminate these programs at any time. However, please note the Right of Accumulation or Letter of Intent may only be used to reduce sales charges and may not be used to satisfy investment minimums or to avoid the automatic conversion feature of Investor Class shares.

#### • Right of Accumulation

A Right of Accumulation allows you to reduce the initial sales charge as shown in the tables above by combining the amount of your current purchase with the current market value of investments made by you, your spouse, and your children under age 21 in Investor Class, Class A, Class A2, Class B, Class C, Class C2 or SIMPLE Class shares of most MainStay Funds. You may not include investments of previously non-commissioned shares in the MainStay Money Market Fund, investments in Class I shares, or your interests in any MainStay Fund held through a 401(k) plan or other employee benefit plan. For example, if you currently own \$45,000 worth of Class C shares of a MainStay Fund, your spouse owns \$50,000 worth of Class B shares of another MainStay Fund, and you wish to invest \$15,000 in a MainStay Fund, using your Right of Accumulation you can invest that \$15,000 in Investor Class or Class A shares and pay the reduced sales charge rate normally applicable to a \$110,000 investment. For more information, please see the SAI.

# · Letter of Intent

Whereas the Right of Accumulation allows you to use prior investments to reach a reduced initial sales charge, a Letter of Intent allows you to qualify for a discount by combining your current purchase amount with purchases you, your spouse or children under age 21 intend to make in the near future. A Letter of Intent is a written statement of your intention to purchase Investor Class, Class A, Class A2, Class C, Class C2 or SIMPLE Class shares of one or more MainStay Funds (excluding investments of non-commissioned shares in the MainStay Money Market Fund) over a 24-month period. The total amount of your intended purchases will determine the reduced sales charge rate that will apply to Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares of the MainStay Funds purchased during that period. You can also apply a Right of Accumulation to these purchases.

Your Letter of Intent goal must be at least \$100,000. Submitting a Letter of Intent does not obligate you to purchase the specified amount of shares. If you do not meet your intended purchase goal, the initial sales charge that you paid on your purchases will be recalculated to reflect the actual value of shares purchased. A certain portion of your shares will be held in escrow by the Transfer Agent for this purpose. For more information, please see the SAI.

# Your Responsibility

To receive the reduced sales charge, you must inform the Transfer Agent of your eligibility and holdings at the time of your purchase if you are buying shares directly from the MainStay Funds. If you are buying MainStay Fund shares through a financial intermediary firm, you must tell your financial adviser of your eligibility for a Right of Accumulation or a Letter of Intent at the time of your purchase.

To combine shares of eligible MainStay Funds held in accounts at other intermediaries under your Right of Accumulation or a Letter of Intent, you may be required to provide the Transfer Agent or your financial adviser a copy of each account statement showing your current holdings of each eligible MainStay Fund, including statements for accounts held by you, your spouse or your children under age 21, as described above. The Transfer Agent or intermediary through which you are buying shares will combine the value of all your eligible MainStay Fund holdings based on the current NAV per share to determine what Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 sales charge rate you may qualify for on your current purchase. If you do not inform the Transfer Agent or your financial adviser of all of your MainStay Fund holdings or planned MainStay Fund purchases that make you eligible for a sales charge reduction or do not provide requested documentation, you may not receive the discount to which you are otherwise entitled.

"Spouse," with respect to a Right of Accumulation and Letter of Intent, is defined as the person to whom you are legally married. We also consider your spouse to include one of the following: (i) an individual of the same gender with whom you have been joined in a civil union or legal contract similar to marriage; (ii) a domestic partner, who is an individual (including one of the same gender) to whom you are not related by blood and with whom you have shared a primary residence for at least six months in a relationship as a couple where you, your domestic partner or both of you provide for the personal or financial welfare of the other without a fee; or (iii) an individual with whom you have a common law marriage, which is a marriage in a state where such marriages are recognized between a man and a woman arising from the fact that the two live together and hold themselves out as being married.

#### **Purchases at Net Asset Value**

A Fund's Class A or Class A2 shares may be purchased at NAV, without payment of any sales charge, by its current and former Trustees; New York Life and its subsidiaries and their employees, officers, directors, or agents or former employees (and immediate family members); individuals and other types of accounts purchasing through "wrap fee" or other programs sponsored by a financial intermediary firm; employees (and immediate family members) of the Subadvisors; any employee or registered representative of a financial intermediary firm (and immediate family members) and any employee of SS&C GIDS, Inc. that is assigned to the Fund. Individuals and other types of accounts may purchase Class A2 shares at NAV, without payment of any sales charge, if exchanged for Class A shares of the same fund through a financial intermediary's share class conversion program. Class A shares, Class A2 shares or Investor Class shares may be purchased without an initial sales load by qualified tuition programs operating under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code.

There is no sales charge on shares purchased through the automatic reinvestment of dividends or capital gains.

Class A shares of the MainStay Funds also may be purchased at NAV, without payment of any sales charge, by shareholders:

- (i) who owned Service Class shares of a series of Eclipse Trust (the predecessor trust for certain Funds) or certain series of MainStay Funds Trust, as of December 31, 2003, and who are invested directly with and have maintained their account with the Fund; and
- (ii) who owned Class P shares of certain Epoch Funds as of the closing date of their reorganization and who are invested directly with and have maintained their account with the Funds.

# **Purchases Through Financial Intermediaries**

The MainStay Funds have authorized financial intermediary firms (such as a broker/dealers, financial advisers or financial institutions), and other intermediaries that the firms may designate, to accept orders. When an authorized firm or its designee has received your order, together with the purchase price of the shares, it is considered received by the MainStay Funds and will be priced at the next computed NAV. Financial intermediary firms may charge transaction fees or other fees and may modify other features such as minimum investment amounts, share class eligibility and exchange privileges.

Please read your financial intermediary firm's program materials for any special provisions or additional service features that may apply to investing in the MainStay Funds through the firm.

The availability of initial sales charge waivers (and discounts) may depend on the particular financial intermediary or type of account through which you purchase MainStay Fund shares. The MainStay Funds' initial sales charge waivers disclosed in this Prospectus and the SAI are available through financial intermediaries. The initial sales charge waivers available only to customers of certain other financial intermediaries are set forth in Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts to this Prospectus. For these customers, the sales charge waivers offered by the MainStay Funds may not be available for transactions through the intermediary. Please contact your financial intermediary regarding the availability of applicable sales charge waivers and information regarding the intermediary's related policies and procedures.

#### Contingent Deferred Sales Charge on Certain Investor Class. Class A and Class A2 Share Redemptions

For purchases of Class A and Investor Class shares of each MainStay Fund (except MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund and MainStay Short Term Bond Fund), a CDSC of 1.00% (0.50% for the MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds) may be imposed on redemptions made within 18 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge. For purchases of Class A, Class A2 and Investor Class shares of MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund and Class A and Investor Class shares of MainStay Short Term Bond Fund, a CDSC of 0.50% may be imposed on redemptions made within 12 months of the date of purchase on shares that were purchased without an initial sales charge.

The Distributor may pay a commission to financial intermediary firms on these purchases from its own resources. See "Sales Charge Reductions and Waivers - Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

# **Waivers of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges**

A CDSC may not be imposed on redemptions of Class A, Class A2 and Investor Class shares purchased at NAV through financial intermediaries or by persons that are affiliated with New York Life or its affiliates. Any applicable CDSC on Class A, Class A2 and Investor Class shares may be waived for redemptions made through a financial intermediary firm that has waived its finder's fee or other similar compensation.

In addition, the CDSC on subject Class A, Class A2, Investor Class, Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares may be waived for: (i) withdrawals from qualified retirement plans and nonqualified deferred compensation plans resulting from separation of service, loans, hardship withdrawals, Qualified Domestic Relations Orders ("QDROs") and required excess contribution returns pursuant to applicable IRS rules; and Required Minimum Distributions (based on MainStay holdings only) for IRA and 403(b)(7) TSA participants in the year following the year in which such participant attains age 73. However, different rules relating to mandatory distributions apply to individuals who attained age 70 1/2 before 2020; (ii) withdrawals related to the termination of a retirement plan where no successor plan has been established; (iii) transfers within a retirement plan where the proceeds of the redemption are invested in any guaranteed investment contract written by New York Life or any of its affiliates, transfers to products offered within a retirement plan which uses

NYLIM Service Company or an affiliate as the recordkeeper; as well as participant transfers or rollovers from a retirement plan to a MainStay IRA; (iv) required distributions by charitable trusts under Section 664 of the Internal Revenue Code for accounts held directly with a MainStay Fund; (v) redemptions following the death of the shareholder or the beneficiary of a living revocable trust or within one year (18 months with respect to Class A, Investor Class and Class C shares of the MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund) following the disability of a shareholder occurring subsequent to the purchase of shares; (vi) redemptions under the Systematic Withdrawal Plan for accounts held directly with the Fund used to pay scheduled monthly premiums on insurance policies issued by New York Life or an affiliate; (vii) continuing, periodic systematic withdrawals within one year of the date of the initial purchase, under the Systematic Withdrawal Plan, up to an annual total of 10% of the value of a shareholder's Class A, Class A2, Investor Class, Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares in a Fund; (viii) redemptions by New York Life or any of its affiliates; (ix) redemptions effected by registered investment companies by virtue of transactions with a Fund; and (x) redemptions by shareholders of shares purchased with the proceeds of a settlement payment made in connection with the liquidation and dissolution of a limited partnership sponsored by New York Life or one of its affiliates.

The availability of contingent deferred sales charge waivers may depend on the particular financial intermediary or type of account through which you purchase or hold MainStay Fund shares. The MainStay Funds' contingent deferred sales charge waivers disclosed in this Prospectus and the SAI are available for direct accounts and through financial intermediaries. The contingent deferred sales charge waivers available through certain other financial intermediaries are set forth in Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts to this Prospectus. Please contact your financial intermediary regarding applicable sales charge waivers and information regarding the intermediary's related policies and procedures.

For information about these considerations, call your financial adviser or the Transfer Agent toll free at **800-624-6782**; see our website at newyorklifeinvestments.com/salescharges; and read the information under "Reduced Sales Charges on Class A, Class A2 and Investor Class Shares—Contingent Deferred Sales Charge, Class A, Class A2 and Investor Class Shares" in the SAI.

# **INFORMATION ON FEES**

#### Rule 12b-1 Plans

Each MainStay Fund (except the MainStay Money Market Fund) has adopted a distribution plan pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act for certain classes of shares pursuant to which distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees are paid to the Distributor. Rule 12b-1 fees are calculated and accrued daily and paid monthly. The Investor Class, Class A, Class A2 and Class R2 12b-1 plans provide for payment for distribution and/or service activities of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the respective class. The Class B and Class C 12b-1 plans each provide for payment of 0.75% for distribution (0.25% for MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund) and 0.25% for service activities for a total 12b-1 fee of up to 1.00% of the average daily net assets of Class B and Class C shares, respectively (0.50% for MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund and MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund). The Class C2 12b-1 plan provides for payment of 0.40% for distribution and 0.25% for service activities for a total 12b-1 fee of up to 0.65% of the average daily net assets of Class C2 shares. The Class R3 and SIMPLE Class 12b-1 plans each provide for payment of 0.25% for distribution and/or 0.25% for service activities for a total 12b-1 fee of up to 0.50% of the average daily net assets of Class R3 and SIMPLE Class shares, respectively. The distribution activities paid for by this distribution fee are those activities that are primarily intended to result in the sale of MainStay Fund shares. The service activities paid for by this service fee are personal shareholder services and maintenance of shareholder accounts. With respect to Class R2 and Class R3 shares, the portion of the 12b-1 fee dedicated to service activities is in addition to the 0.10% of annual net assets paid under the Class R2 and Class R3 Shareholder Services Plans, as discussed in the section entitled "Shareholder Services Plans." The Distributor may pay all or a portion of the 12b-1 fee to your investment professional. Because 12b-1 fees are ongoing, over time they will increase the cost of an investment in the MainStay Fund and may cost more than certain types of sales charges.

#### **Shareholder Services Plans**

Each MainStay Fund that offers Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares has adopted a Shareholder Services Plan with respect to those classes. Under the terms of the Shareholder Services Plans, each MainStay Fund's Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares pay New York Life Investments, its affiliates or independent third-party service providers, as compensation for services rendered to the shareholders of the Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares, a shareholder service fee at the rate of 0.10% on an annualized basis of the average daily net assets of Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares of such MainStay Fund.

Pursuant to the Shareholder Services Plans, each MainStay Fund's Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares may pay for shareholder services or account maintenance services, including assistance in establishing and maintaining shareholder accounts, processing purchase and redemption orders, communicating periodically with shareholders and assisting shareholders who have questions or other needs relating to their account. Because service fees are ongoing, over time they will increase the cost of an investment in the MainStay Fund and may cost more than certain types of sales charges. With respect to the Class R2 and R3 shares, these services and fees are in addition to those services and fees that may be provided under the Class R2 or Class R3 12b-1 plan.

#### **Small Account Fee**

Several of the MainStay Funds have a relatively large number of shareholders with small account balances. Small accounts increase the transfer agency expenses borne by the Funds. In an effort to reduce total transfer agency expenses, the MainStay Funds (except the MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds) have implemented a small account fee. Each shareholder with an account balance of less than \$1,000 (\$5,000 for Class A share accounts) will be charged an annual per account fee of \$20 (assessed semi-annually, as discussed below). The fee may be deducted directly from your account balance. This small account fee will not apply to certain types of accounts including:

- accounts held by employees of New York Life and its subsidiaries and their employees, officers, directors or agents or former employees (and immediate family members);
- Class B share, Class I share, Class R1 share, Class R2 share, Class R3 share, Class R6 share and Class P share accounts, retirement plan services bundled accounts and investment-only retirement accounts;
- accounts with active AutoInvest plans where the MainStay Funds deduct funds directly from the client's checking or savings
  account;
- New York Life Investments SIMPLE IRA Plan Accounts and SEP IRA Accounts that have been funded/established for less than 1 year;
- certain 403(b)(7) accounts;
- accounts serviced by unaffiliated financial intermediary firms or third-party administrators (other than New York Life Investments SIMPLE IRA Plan Accounts);
- certain Investor Class accounts where the small account balance is due solely to the conversion from Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares; and
- Investors who obtained their Class A shares through certain reorganizations.

This small account fee will be deducted in \$10 increments on or about March 1st and September 1st of each year. For accounts with balances of less than \$10, the remaining balance will be deducted and the account will be closed. The MainStay Funds may, from time to time, consider and implement additional measures to increase the average shareholder account size and/or otherwise reduce the cost of transfer agency services. Please contact the MainStay Funds by calling toll-free **800-624-6782** for more information.

#### **COMPENSATION TO FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY FIRMS**

Financial intermediary firms and their associated financial advisers are paid in different ways for the services they provide to the MainStay Funds and shareholders. Such compensation may vary depending upon the financial intermediary firm, the MainStay Fund sold, the amount invested, the share class sold, the amount of time that shares are held and/or the services provided by the particular financial intermediary firm.

The Distributor will pay sales concessions to financial intermediary firms, as described in the tables under "Information on Sales Charges" above, on the purchase price of Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares sold subject to a sales charge. The Distributor retains the difference, if any, between the sales charge that you pay and the portion that it pays to financial intermediary firms as a sales concession. The Distributor and/or an affiliate, from its/their own resources, also may pay a finder's fee or other compensation up to 1.00% of the purchase price of Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares, sold at NAV, to financial intermediary firms at the time of sale. The Distributor may pay a sales concession of up to 1.00% on purchases of Class C or Class C2 shares to financial intermediary firms at the time of sale.

For share classes that have adopted a 12b-1 plan, the Distributor will also pay, pursuant to the 12b-1 plan, distribution-related and other service fees to qualified financial intermediary firms for providing certain services.

In addition to the payments described above, the Distributor and/or an affiliate will pay from its/their own resources additional fees to certain financial intermediary firms, including an affiliated broker/dealer, in connection with the sale of any class of MainStay Fund shares (other than Class R6) and/or shareholder or account servicing arrangements. The amount paid to financial intermediary firms pursuant to these sales and/or servicing fee arrangements varies and may involve payments of up to 0.25% on new sales and/or up to 0.35% annually on assets held or fixed dollar amounts according to the terms of the agreement between the Distributor and/or its affiliate and the financial intermediary. The Distributor or an affiliate may make these payments based on factors including, but not limited to, the distribution potential of the financial intermediary, the types of products and programs offered by the financial intermediary, the level and/or type of marketing and administrative support provided by the financial intermediary, the level of assets attributable to and/or sales by the financial intermediary and the quality of the overall relationship with the financial intermediary. Such payments may qualify a MainStay Fund for preferred status with the financial intermediary receiving the payments or provide the representatives of the Distributor with access to representatives of the financial intermediary's sales force, in some cases on a preferential basis over the mutual funds and/or representatives of the Funds' competitors.

The Distributor, from its own resources or from those of an affiliate, also may reimburse financial intermediary firms in connection with their marketing activities supporting the MainStay Funds. To the extent permitted under applicable SEC and Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") rules and other applicable laws and regulations, the Distributor or an affiliate may sponsor training or informational meetings or provide other non-monetary benefits for financial intermediary firms and their associated financial advisers and may make other payments or allow other promotional incentives or payments to financial intermediaries.

Wholesaler representatives of the Distributor communicate with financial intermediary firms on a regular basis to educate their financial advisers about the MainStay Funds and to encourage the advisers to recommend the purchase of MainStay Fund shares to their clients. The Distributor, from its own resources or from those of an affiliate, may absorb the costs and expenses associated with the marketing efforts of these firms and financial advisers, which may include travel, lodging, sponsorship at educational seminars and conferences, entertainment and meals to the extent permitted by law and FINRA rules. The Distributor, from its own resources or from those of an affiliate, provides compensation to its wholesaler representatives for their sales efforts in promoting sales of the MainStay Funds, which may vary based on the MainStay Funds being promoted and/or which financial intermediary firms and/or financial advisers are involved in selling MainStay Fund shares or are listed on MainStay Fund accounts.

To the extent that financial intermediaries receiving payments from the Distributor or an affiliate sell more shares of the MainStay Funds or retain more shares of the MainStay Funds for their clients' accounts, New York Life Investments and its affiliates benefit from the incremental management and other fees they receive with respect to those assets.

In addition to the payments described above, NYLIM Service Company or an affiliate may make payments to financial intermediary firms that provide sub-transfer agency and other administrative services in addition to supporting distribution of the MainStay Funds. NYLIM Service Company uses a portion of the transfer agent fees it receives from the MainStay Funds to make these sub-transfer agency and other administrative payments. To the extent that the fee amounts payable by NYLIM Service Company or an affiliate for such sub-transfer agency and other administrative services exceed the corresponding transfer agent fees that the MainStay Funds pay to NYLIM Service Company, then NYLIM Service Company or an affiliate will pay the difference from its own resources. In connection with these arrangements, NYLIM Service Company may retain a portion of the fees for the sub-transfer agency oversight, support and administrative services it provides.

For Class R6 shares, no compensation, administrative payments, sub-transfer agency payments or service payments are paid to financial intermediary firms from MainStay Fund assets or the Distributor's or an affiliate's resources. The Distributor or an affiliate may pay de minimis amounts to intermediaries for setup, connectivity or other technological expenses. Class R6 shares do not provide for the payment of sales charges, Rule 12b-1 fees, or other compensation to financial intermediaries for their efforts in assisting in the sale of, or in selling the MainStay Fund's shares.

Although financial firms that sell MainStay Fund shares may execute brokerage transactions for a MainStay Fund's portfolio, the MainStay Funds, New York Life Investments and the Subadvisors do not consider the sale of MainStay Fund shares as a factor when choosing financial firms to effect portfolio transactions for the MainStay Funds.

The types and amounts of payments described above can be significant to the financial intermediary. Payments made from the Distributor's or an affiliate's resources do not increase the price or decrease the amount or value of the shares you purchase. However, if investment advisers, distributors or affiliates of mutual funds make such payments in differing amounts, financial intermediary firms and their financial advisers may have financial incentives and be subject to conflicts of interest for recommending a particular mutual fund or a particular share class of that fund over other mutual funds. For example, payments made by the Distributor or an affiliate, as described above, may be used by the financial intermediary firm to reduce or eliminate transaction charges associated with purchases of MainStay Fund shares. Payments made from the Distributor's or an affiliate's own resources are not reflected in tables in the "Fees and Expenses of the Fund" sections of the MainStay Funds' Prospectuses because the payments are not made by the MainStay Funds.

For more information regarding the types of compensation described above, see the SAI or consult with your financial intermediary firm or financial adviser. You should also review carefully any disclosure by your financial intermediary firm as to compensation received by that firm and/or your financial adviser.

# BUYING, SELLING, CONVERTING AND EXCHANGING MAINSTAY FUND SHARES HOW TO OPEN YOUR ACCOUNT

# **Investor Class. Class A or Class C Shares**

Return your completed MainStay Funds application in good order with a check payable to the MainStay Funds for the amount of your investment to your financial adviser or directly to MainStay Funds, P.O. Box 219003, Kansas City, Missouri 64121-9000. Alternatively, you may choose to have your initial deposit processed via ACH from your bank account. You can do this by selecting the initial deposit via ACH option and submitting bank information on your application. Please note that if you select Class A shares on your application and you are not eligible to invest in Class A shares, we will treat your application as being in good order but will invest you in Investor Class shares of the same MainStay Fund provided Investor Class shares are available through your intermediary if you are not purchasing

shares directly from the MainStay Funds. Similarly, if you select Investor Class shares and you are eligible to invest in Class A shares we will treat your application as being in good order, but will invest you in Class A shares of the same MainStay Fund.

**Good order** means all the necessary information, signatures and documentation have been fully completed. With respect to a redemption request, good order generally means that a letter must be signed by the record owner(s) exactly as the shares are registered, and a Medallion Signature Guarantee may be required. See "Medallion Signature Guarantees" below. In cases where a redemption is requested by a corporation, partnership, trust, fiduciary or any other person other than the record owner, written evidence of authority acceptable to NYLIM Service Company must be submitted before the redemption request will be processed.

#### Class A2 Shares

Class A2 shares are available only through certain financial intermediary firms. The financial intermediary firm will assist you with opening an account.

# Class I, Class R1, Class R2, Class R3, Class R6 and SIMPLE Class Shares

If you are participating in a company savings plan, such as a 401(k) plan, profit sharing plan, defined benefit plan, Keogh or other employee-directed plan, your company will provide you with the information you need to open an account and buy or sell Class I, Class R1, Class R2, Class R3, Class R6 or SIMPLE Class shares of the MainStay Funds.

If you are investing through a financial intermediary firm, the financial intermediary firm will assist you with opening an account.

#### **Class C2 Shares**

Class C2 shares are available only through certain financial intermediary firms. The financial intermediary firm will assist you with opening an account.

#### **Class P Shares**

Return your completed MainStay Funds application in good order with a check payable to the MainStay Funds for the amount of your investment directly to MainStay Funds, P.O. Box 219003, Kansas City, Missouri 64121-9000. Alternatively, you may choose to have your initial deposit processed via ACH from your bank account. You can do this by selecting the initial deposit via ACH option and submitting bank information on your application.

# **All Classes**

You buy shares at NAV (plus, for Investor Class, Class A and Class A2 shares, any applicable front-end sales charge). NAV is generally calculated by each MainStay Fund as of the Fund's close (usually 4:00 pm Eastern time) on the Exchange every day the Exchange is open. The MainStay Funds do not usually calculate their NAVs on days when the Exchange is scheduled to be closed. When you buy shares, you must pay the NAV next calculated after we receive your purchase request in good order. Alternatively, the MainStay Funds have arrangements with certain financial intermediary firms whereby purchase requests through these entities are considered received in good order when received by the financial intermediary firm together with the purchase price of the shares ordered. The order will then be priced at a MainStay Fund's NAV next computed after receipt in good order of the purchase request by these entities. Such financial intermediary firms are responsible for timely and accurately transmitting the purchase request to the MainStay Funds.

If the Exchange is closed due to inclement weather, technology problems or any other reason on a day it would normally be open for business, or the Exchange has an unscheduled early closing on a day it has opened for business, each MainStay Fund reserves the right to treat such day as a business day and accept purchase and redemption orders until, and calculate its NAV as of, the normally scheduled close of regular trading on the NYSE for that day, so long as New York Life Investments believes there generally remains an adequate market to obtain reliable and accurate market quotations. On any business day when the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the bond markets close trading early, each MainStay Fund reserves the right to close at such earlier closing time, and therefore accept purchase and redemption orders until, and calculate a Fund's NAV as of, such earlier closing time.

When you open your account, you may also want to choose certain buying and selling options, including transactions by wire. In most cases, these choices can be made later in writing, but it may be quicker and more convenient to decide on them when you open your account. Please note that your bank may charge a fee for wire transfers.

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens a new account and to determine whether such person's name appears on government lists of known or suspected terrorists and terrorist organizations. As a result, the MainStay Funds, or your financial adviser on their behalf, must obtain the following information for each person who opens a new account:

- Name:
- Date of birth (for individuals);
- Residential or business street address (although post office boxes are still permitted for mailing); and

• Social security number or taxpayer identification number.

You may also be asked for a copy of your driver's license, passport or other identifying document in order to verify your identity. In addition, it may be necessary to verify your identity by cross-referencing your identification information with a consumer report or other electronic database. Additional information may be required to open accounts for corporations and other entities. Certain information regarding beneficial ownership will be verified, including information about the identity of beneficial owners of such entities.

# Federal law prohibits the MainStay Funds and other financial institutions from opening a new account unless they receive the minimum identifying information listed above.

After an account is opened, the MainStay Funds may restrict your ability to purchase additional shares until your identity is verified, and, for legal entities, the identities of beneficial owners are verified. The MainStay Funds also may close your account or take other appropriate action if they are unable to verify your identity within a reasonable time. If your account is closed for this reason, your shares will be redeemed at the NAV next calculated after the account is closed, and the MainStay Funds, New York Life Investments and its affiliates and the Board will not be responsible for any loss in your account or tax liability resulting therefrom.

# **CONVERSIONS BETWEEN SHARE CLASSES**

In addition to any automatic conversion features described above in this Shareholder Guide with respect to Investor Class, Class B, Class C, Class C2 and SIMPLE Class shares, you generally may also elect on a voluntary basis to convert, for example:

- Investor Class shares into Class A shares, or Investor Class shares that are no longer subject to a CDSC into Class I shares, of the same MainStay Fund, subject to satisfying the eligibility requirements of Class A or Class I shares.
- Class A shares that are no longer subject to a CDSC into Class I shares of the same MainStay Fund, subject to satisfying the eligibility requirements of Class I shares.
- Class C or Class C2 shares that are no longer subject to a CDSC into Class A or Class I shares of the same MainStay Fund to
  facilitate participation in a fee-based advisory program, subject to satisfying the eligibility requirements of Class A or Class I
  shares.

Also, you generally may elect on a voluntary basis to convert your Investor Class, Class A, Class C or Class C2 shares that are no longer subject to a CDSC, or Class I, Class R1, Class R2 or Class R3 shares, into Class R6 shares of the same MainStay Fund, subject to satisfying the eligibility requirements of Class R6 shares.

These limitations do not impact any automatic conversion features described elsewhere in this Shareholder Guide with respect to Investor Class, Class B, Class C, Class C2 and SIMPLE Class shares. An investor may directly or through his or her financial intermediary contact the MainStay Funds to request a voluntary conversion between share classes of the same MainStay Fund as described above. You may be required to provide sufficient information to establish eligibility to convert to the new share class. Class B shares are ineligible for a voluntary conversion. All permissible conversions will be made on the basis of the relevant NAVs of the two classes without the imposition of any sales load, fee or other charge. If you fail to remain eligible for the new share class, you may be converted automatically back to your original share class. Although the MainStay Funds expect that a conversion (or intra-MainStay Fund exchange) between share classes of the same MainStay Fund should not result in the recognition of a gain or loss for tax purposes, you should consult with your own tax adviser with respect to the tax treatment of your investment in a MainStay Fund. The MainStay Funds may change, suspend or terminate this conversion feature at any time.

Class C or Class C2 shares held through a financial intermediary in an omnibus account will be converted into Class A shares or Investor Class shares only if the intermediary can document that the shareholder has met the required holding period. In certain circumstances, for example, when shares are invested through retirement plans or omnibus accounts, a financial intermediary may not have transparency into how long a shareholder has held Class C or Class C2 shares for purposes of determining whether such Class C or Class C2 shares are eligible for automatic conversion into Class A shares or Investor Class shares. Thus, the financial intermediary may not have the ability to track purchases to credit individual shareholders' holding periods. In these circumstances, a Fund may not be able to automatically convert Class C or Class C2 shares into Class A shares or Investor Class shares as described above. In order to determine eligibility for conversion in these circumstances, it is the responsibility of the shareholder or its financial intermediary to notify the Fund that the shareholder is eligible for the conversion of Class C or Class C2 shares to Class A shares or Investor Class shares, and the shareholder or their financial intermediary may be required to maintain and provide the Fund with records that substantiate the holding period of Class C or Class C2 shares. For clients of financial intermediaries, it is the financial intermediary's responsibility (and not the Funds') to keep records and to ensure that the shareholder is credited with the proper holding period. Please consult with your financial intermediary about your shares' eligibility for this conversion feature.

Following a share class conversion (or other similar shareholder transaction event, such as an intra-MainStay Fund exchange), the ongoing fees and expenses of the new share class will differ from and may be higher or lower than those of the share class that you previously held. You should carefully review information in this Prospectus relating to the new share class, including the fees, expenses and features of the new share class, or contact your financial intermediary for more information.

You should also consult your financial intermediary to learn more about the details of these types of shareholder transaction events for Fund shares held through the intermediary.

# Opening Your Account - Individual Shareholders

	How	Details	
By wire:	You or your financial adviser should call us toll-free at <b>800-624-6782</b> to obtain an account number and wiring instructions. Wire the purchase amount to:	Please take note of the applicable minimum initial investment amounts for your MainStay Fund and share class.	
		The wire must include:	
	<ul> <li>State Street Bank and Trust Company</li> <li>ABA #011-0000-28</li> <li>MainStay Funds (DDA #99029415)</li> <li>Attn: Custody and Shareholder Services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>name(s) of investor(s);</li> <li>your account number; and</li> <li>MainStay Fund name and share class.</li> </ul> Your bank may charge a fee for the wire transfer. An application must be received by NYLIM Service Company within three business days.	
By mail:	Return your completed MainStay Funds Application with a check for the amount of your investment to:	Make your check payable to MainStay Funds. Please take note of the applicable minimum initial investment amounts for your MainStay Fund and share class.	
	MainStay Funds P.O. Box 219003 Kansas City, MO 64121-9000	Be sure to write on your check:	
		name(s) of investor(s); and	
	Send overnight orders to:	MainStay Fund name and share class.	
	MainStay Funds 430 West 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 219003 Kansas City, MO 64105-1407	Alternatively, you may choose to have your initial deposit processed via ACH from your bank account. You can do this by selecting the initial deposit via ACH option and submitting bank information on your application. Please take note of the applicable minimum investment amounts for your Fund and share class.	
		<ul> <li>The maximum ACH purchase amount is \$100,000.</li> <li>If the bank information section of your application is not completed correctly or in its entirety, we will be unable to process your initial deposit.</li> </ul>	

# Buying additional shares of the MainStay Funds - Individual Shareholders

	How	Details	
By wire:	Wire the purchase amount to:	Please take note of the applicable minimum investment amounts for your MainStay Fund and share class.	
	State Street Bank and Trust Company		
	• ABA #011-0000-28	The wire must include:	
	<ul> <li>MainStay Funds (DDA #99029415)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>name(s) of investor(s);</li></ul>	
	Attn: Custody and Shareholder Services	<ul><li>your account number; and</li><li>MainStay Fund name and share class.</li></ul>	
		• Mainstay Fund hame and shale class.	
		Your bank may charge a fee for the wire transfer.	
By phone:	Call, or have your financial adviser call us toll-free at <b>800-624-6782</b> between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Eastern time any day the Exchange is open to make an ACH purchase.	Eligible investors can purchase shares by using electronic debits from a designated bank account on file. Please take note of the applicable minimum investment amounts for your MainStay Fund and share class.	
		<ul> <li>The maximum ACH purchase amount is \$100,000.</li> <li>We must have your bank information on file.</li> </ul>	
By mail:	Address your order to:	Make your check payable to MainStay Funds. Please take note of the applicable minimum investment amounts for your MainStay Fund an share class.	
	MainStay Funds		
	P.O. Box 219003 Kansas City, MO 64121-9000	Be sure to write on your check:	
	•	<ul> <li>name(s) of investor(s);</li> </ul>	
	Send overnight orders to:	<ul><li>your account number; and</li></ul>	
	MainStay Funds 430 West 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 219003 Kansas City, MO 64105-1407	MainStay Fund name and share class.	
By internet:	Visit us at newyorklifeinvestments.com/accounts	Eligible investors can purchase shares via ACH by using electronic debits from a designated bank account on file. Please take note of the applicable minimum investment amounts for your MainStay Fund and share class.	
		<ul><li>The maximum ACH purchase amount is \$100,000.</li><li>We must have your bank information on file.</li></ul>	

By internet:

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By contacting your financial adviser:		You may sell (redeem) your shares through your financial adviser or by any of the methods described below.	
By phone:	To receive proceeds by check: Call us toll-free at 800-624-6782 between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Eastern time any day the Exchange is open. You should have your account number and social security or taxpayer identification number available.	<ul> <li>Generally, after receiving your sell order by phone, we will send a check to the account owner at the owner's address of record the next business day, although it may take up to seven days to do so. Generally, we will not send checks to addresses on record for 30 days or less.</li> <li>The maximum order we can process by phone is \$100,000.</li> </ul>	
	To receive proceeds by wire: Call us toll-free at 800-624-6782 between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Eastern time any day the Exchange is open. You should have your account number and social security or taxpayer identification number available. Eligible investors may sell shares and have proceeds electronically credited to their designated bank account on file.	<ul> <li>Generally, after receiving your sell order by phone, we will send the proceeds by bank wire to your bank account on file the next business day, although it may take up to seven days to do so. Your bank may charge you a fee to receive the wire transfer.</li> <li>We must have your bank account information on file.</li> <li>There is an \$11 fee for wire redemptions, except no fee applies to redemptions of Class I shares.</li> <li>Generally, the minimum wire transfer amount is \$1,000.</li> </ul>	
	To receive proceeds electronically by ACH: Call us toll-free at 800-624-6782 between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Eastern time any day the Exchange is open. You should have your account number and social security or taxpayer identification number available. Eligible investors may sell shares and have proceeds electronically credited to their designated bank account on file.	<ul> <li>Generally, after receiving your sell order by phone, we will send the proceeds by ACH transfer to your designated bank account on file the next business day, although it may take up to seven days to do so.</li> <li>We must have your bank account information on file.</li> <li>After we initiate the ACH transfer, proceeds may take 2-3 business days to reach your bank account.</li> <li>The MainStay Funds do not charge fees for ACH transfers.</li> <li>The maximum ACH transfer amount is \$100,000.</li> </ul>	
By mail:	Address your order to:	Write a letter of instruction that includes:	
	MainStay Funds P.O. Box 219003 Kansas City, MO 64121-9000 Send overnight orders to:	<ul> <li>your name(s) and signature(s);</li> <li>your account number;</li> <li>MainStay Fund name and share class; and</li> <li>dollar amount or share amount you want to sell.</li> </ul>	
	MainStay Funds	A <b>Medallion Signature Guarantee</b> may be required.	
	430 West 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 219003 Kansas City, MO 64105-1407	There is a \$15 fee for Class A or Class A2 shares (\$25 fee for Investor Class, Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares) for checks mailed to you via overnight service.	

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#### **GENERAL POLICIES**

The following are our general policies regarding the purchase and sale of MainStay Fund shares. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to change these policies at any time. Certain retirement plans and/or financial intermediaries may adopt different policies. Consult your plan or account documents for the policies applicable to you or contact your financial intermediary for more information.

# **Buying Shares**

- All investments must be in U.S. dollars with funds drawn on a U.S. bank. We generally will not accept payment in the following forms: travelers checks, personal money orders, credit card convenience checks, cash or starter checks.
- Generally, we do not accept third-party checks, and we reserve the right to limit the number of checks processed at one time.
- The MainStay Funds may not allow investments in accounts that do not have a correct address for the investor.
- If your investment check or ACH purchase does not clear, your order will be canceled and your account will be responsible for any
  losses or fees a MainStay Fund incurs as a result. Your account will also be charged a \$20 fee for each returned check or
  canceled ACH purchase. In addition, a MainStay Fund may also redeem shares to cover any losses it incurs as a result. If an
  AutoInvest payment is returned unpaid for two consecutive periods, the privilege will be suspended until you notify us to reinstate
  it.
- If you wish to defer or stop an ACH purchase, please contact the MainStay Funds at least 3 days prior to the scheduled purchase.
- A MainStay Fund may, in its discretion, reject, restrict or cancel, in whole or in part, without prior notice, any order for the purchase of shares.
- The MainStay Funds do not issue share certificates at this time.
- To buy shares by wire the same day, we generally must receive your wired money by 4:00 pm Eastern time. Your bank may charge a fee for the wire transfer.
- To buy shares electronically via ACH, generally call before 4:00 pm Eastern time to buy shares at the current day's NAV.

# **Selling Shares**

- Your shares will be sold at the next NAV calculated after we receive your request in good order. Generally, we will make the payment, less any applicable CDSC, on the next business day for all forms of payment after receiving your request in good order. However, it may take up to seven days to do so.
- If you redeem shares that were purchased by check or ACH shortly before such redemption, MainStay Funds will process your
  redemption but may delay sending the proceeds up to 10 days to reasonably ensure that the check or ACH payment has cleared.
- When you sell Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares, or Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares, when applicable, MainStay
  Funds will recover any applicable sales charges either by selling additional shares, if available, or by reducing your proceeds by the
  amount of those charges.
- The right to redeem shares of a Fund may be suspended and the payment of redemption proceeds may be postponed for any period beyond seven days:
  - during which the Exchange is closed other than customary weekend and holiday closings or during which trading on the Exchange is restricted:
  - when the SEC determines that a state of emergency exists that may make payment or transfer not reasonably practicable;
  - as the SEC may by order permit for the protection of the shareholders of MainStay Funds; or
  - at any other time as the SEC, laws or regulations may allow.
- In addition, in the case of the MainStay Money Market Fund, the Board may impose a fee upon the sale of shares. The Board also may suspend redemptions and irrevocably approve the liquidation of the MainStay Money Market Fund as permitted by applicable law.
- Unless you decline telephone privileges on your application, you may be responsible for any fraudulent telephone order as long as the MainStay Funds take reasonable measures to verify the order.
- Reinvestment will not relieve you of any tax consequences on gains realized from a sale. The deductions for losses, however, may be denied.
- We require a written order to sell shares if an account has submitted a change of address during the previous 30 days, unless the proceeds of the sell order are directed to your bank account on file with us.
- We may require a written order to sell shares and a Medallion Signature Guarantee if:
  - the proceeds from the sale are to be wired and we do not have on file required bank information to wire funds;

- the proceeds from the sale are being sent via wire or ACH to bank information that was added or changed within the past 30 days;
- the proceeds from the sale will exceed \$100,000 to the address of record;
- the proceeds of the sale are to be sent to an address other than the address of record;
- the account was designated as a lost shareholder account within 30 days of the redemption request; or
- the proceeds are to be payable to someone other than the registered account holder(s).
- In the interests of all shareholders, we reserve the right to:
  - temporarily hold redemption proceeds of natural persons (i) age 65 or older or (ii) age 18 and older who the Transfer Agent reasonably believes has a mental or physical impairment that renders the individual unable to protect his or her own interests from actual or attempted financial exploitation; however, the Transfer Agent is not required to hold redemption proceeds in these circumstances and does not assume any obligation to do so;
  - change or discontinue exchange privileges upon notice to shareholders, or temporarily suspend this privilege without notice under extraordinary circumstances;
  - change or discontinue the systematic withdrawal plan upon notice to shareholders:
  - close accounts with balances less than \$250 invested in Investor Class shares or \$750 invested in all other classes of shares (by redeeming all shares held and sending proceeds to the address of record); and/or
  - change the minimum investment amounts.
- There is no fee for wire redemptions of Class I or Class P shares.
- Calls received before 4:00 pm Eastern time will generally receive the current day's NAV.
- Calls received after 4:00 pm Eastern time will receive the following business day's NAV.

Each MainStay Fund typically expects to meet redemption requests by using holdings of cash or cash equivalents or proceeds from the sale of portfolio holdings (or a combination of these methods), unless it believes circumstances warrant otherwise. For example, under stressed market conditions, as well as during emergency or temporary circumstances, each MainStay Fund may distribute redemption proceeds in-kind (rather than in cash), access its line of credit or overdraft facility, or borrow through other sources (e.g., reverse repurchase agreements or engage in certain types of derivatives) to meet redemption requests. See "Redemptions-In-Kind" below and the SAI for more details regarding redemptions-in-kind.

# **MainStay Money Market Fund**

The MainStay Money Market Fund (the "Fund") intends to qualify as a "retail money market fund" pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act or the rules governing money market funds. As a "retail money market fund," the Fund has adopted policies and procedures reasonably designed to limit all beneficial owners of the Fund to natural persons. In order to be eligible to invest in the Fund, you may be required to furnish the Fund or your financial intermediary with certain information (e.g., social security number or government-issued identification, such as a driver's license or passport) that confirms your eligibility to invest in the Fund. Accounts that are not beneficially owned by natural persons (for example, accounts not associated with a social security number), such as those opened by businesses, including small businesses, defined benefit plans and endowments, are not eligible to invest in the Fund and the Fund will deny purchases of Fund shares by such accounts.

Natural persons may invest in the Fund through certain tax-advantaged savings accounts, trusts and other retirement and investment accounts, which may include, among others: participant-directed defined contribution plans; individual retirement accounts; simplified employee pension arrangements; simple retirement accounts; custodial accounts; deferred compensation plans for government or tax-exempt organization employees; Archer medical savings accounts; college savings plans; health savings account plans; ordinary trusts and estates of natural persons; or certain other retirement and investment accounts with ultimate investment power held by the natural person beneficial owner, notwithstanding having an institutional decision maker making day-to-day decisions (e.g., a plan sponsor in certain retirement arrangements or an investment adviser managing discretionary investment accounts).

Financial intermediaries are required to take steps to remove any shareholders on behalf of whom they hold shares in the Fund that are not eligible to invest in, or are no longer eligible to invest in, the Fund. Further, financial intermediaries may only submit purchase orders if they have implemented policies and procedures reasonably designed to limit all investors on behalf of whom they submit orders to accounts beneficially owned by natural persons. Financial intermediaries may be required by the Fund or a service provider to provide a written statement or other representation that they have in place, and operate in compliance with, such policies and procedures prior to submitting purchase orders.

The Fund may involuntarily redeem investors that do not satisfy the eligibility requirements for a "retail money market fund" or accounts that the Fund cannot confirm to its satisfaction are beneficially owned by natural persons. Neither the Fund, the Manager nor the Subadvisor will be responsible for any loss in an investor's account or tax liability resulting from an involuntary redemption.

#### **Additional Information**

Wiring money to the MainStay Funds reduces the time a shareholder must wait before redeeming shares. Wired funds are generally available for redemption on the next business day. A 10-day hold may be placed on purchases made by check or ACH payment from the date the purchase is received, making them unavailable for immediate redemption.

You may receive confirmation statements that describe your transactions. You should review the information in the confirmation statements carefully. If you notice an error, you should call the MainStay Funds or your financial adviser immediately. If you or your financial adviser fails to notify the MainStay Funds within one year of the transaction, you may be required to bear the costs of any correction.

The policies and fees described in this Prospectus govern transactions with the MainStay Funds. If you invest through a third party—bank, broker/dealer, 401(k), financial intermediary firm or financial supermarket—there may be transaction fees for, and you may be subject to, different investment minimums or limitations on buying or selling shares. Accordingly, the return to investors who purchase through financial intermediaries may be less than the return earned by investors who invest in a MainStay Fund directly. Consult a representative of your plan or financial institution if in doubt.

From time to time, any of the MainStay Funds may close and reopen to new investors or new share purchases at their discretion. Due to the nature of their portfolio investments, certain MainStay Funds may be more likely to close and reopen than others. If a MainStay Fund is closed, either to new investors or new share purchases, and you redeem your total investment in the MainStay Fund, your account will be closed and you will not be able to make any additional investments in that MainStay Fund. If a MainStay Fund is closed to new investors, you may not exchange shares of other MainStay Funds for shares of that MainStay Fund unless you are already a shareholder of such MainStay Fund.

It is important that the MainStay Funds maintain a correct address for each investor. An incorrect address may cause an investor's account statements and other mailings to be returned to the MainStay Funds. It is the responsibility of an investor to ensure that the MainStay Funds are aware of the correct address for the investor's account(s). It is important to promptly notify us of any name or address changes.

# Mutual fund accounts can be considered abandoned property.

States increasingly are looking at inactive mutual fund accounts and uncashed checks as possible abandoned or unclaimed property. Under certain circumstances, the MainStay Funds may be legally obligated to escheat (or transfer) an investor's account to the appropriate state's unclaimed property administrator. Escheatment with respect to a retirement account is subject to a 10% federal withholding on the account. The MainStay Funds, the Board, and NYLIM Service Company and its affiliates will not be liable to investors or their representatives for good faith compliance with state unclaimed or abandoned property (escheatment) laws. If you invest in a MainStay Fund through a financial intermediary, we encourage you to contact the financial intermediary regarding applicable state escheatment laws.

Escheatment laws vary by state, and states have different criteria for defining inactivity and abandoned property. Generally, a mutual fund account may be subject to "escheatment" (i.e., considered to be abandoned or unclaimed property) if the account owner has not initiated any activity in the account or contacted the MainStay Funds for an "inactivity period" as specified in applicable state laws. If a MainStay Fund is unable to establish contact with an investor, the MainStay Fund will determine whether the investor's account must legally be considered abandoned and whether the assets in the account must be transferred to the appropriate state's unclaimed property administrator. Typically, an investor's last known address of record determines the state that has jurisdiction.

We strongly encourage you to contact us at least annually to review your account information. Below are ways in which you can assist us in safeguarding your MainStay Fund investments.

- Log in to your account by entering your user ID and Personal ID (PIN) at newyorklifeinvestments.com/accounts to view your
  account information. Please note, simply visiting our public website may not be considered establishing contact with us under state
  escheatment laws.
- Call our 24-hour automated service line at 800-624-6782 and select option 1 for an account balance using your PIN.
- Call one of our customer service representatives at **800-624-6782** Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Eastern time. Certain state escheatment laws do not consider contact by phone to be customer-initiated activity and such activity may be achieved only by contacting MainStay Funds in writing or through the MainStay Funds' website.
- Take action on letters received in the mail from MainStay concerning account inactivity, outstanding checks and/or escheatment or abandoned property and follow the directions in these letters. To avoid escheatment, we advise that you promptly respond to any such letters.
- If you are a resident of Texas, you may designate a representative to receive escheatment or abandoned property notices
  regarding MainStay Fund shares by completing and submitting a designation form that can be found on the website of the Texas

Comptroller. The completed designation form may be mailed to the MainStay Funds. For more information, please call **800-624-6782**.

The Prospectus and SAI, related regulatory filings, and any other MainStay Fund communications or disclosure documents do not purport to create any contractual obligations between the Funds and shareholders. The MainStay Funds may amend any of these documents or enter into (or amend) a contract on behalf of the Funds without shareholder approval except where shareholder approval is specifically required. Further, shareholders are not intended third-party beneficiaries of any contracts entered into by (or on behalf of) the Funds, including contracts with New York Life Investments, a Subadvisor or other parties who provide services to the Funds.

# **Medallion Signature Guarantees**

A Medallion Signature Guarantee helps protect against fraud. To protect your account, each MainStay Fund and the Transfer Agent from fraud, Medallion Signature Guarantees may be required to enable us to verify the identity or capacity of the person who has authorized redemption proceeds to be sent to a third party or a bank not previously established on the account. Medallion Signature Guarantees may be also required for redemptions of \$100,000 or more from an account by check to the address of record and for share transfer requests. Medallion Signature Guarantees must be obtained from certain eligible financial institutions that are participants in the Securities Transfer Association Medallion Program, the Stock Exchange Medallion Program, or the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program. Eligible guarantor institutions provide Medallion Signature Guarantees that are covered by surety bonds in various amounts. It is your responsibility to ensure that the Medallion Signature Guarantee that you acquire is sufficient to cover the total value of your transaction(s). If the surety bond amount is not sufficient to cover the requested transaction(s), the Medallion Signature Guarantee will be rejected.

Signature guarantees that are not a part of these programs will not be accepted. Please note that a notary public stamp or seal is not acceptable.

# **Investing for Retirement**

You can purchase shares of most, but not all, of the MainStay Funds for retirement plans providing tax-deferred investments for individuals and institutions. You can use MainStay Funds in established plans or the Distributor may provide the required plan documents for selected plans. A plan document must be adopted for a plan to be in existence.

Custodial services are available for IRA, Roth IRA and Coverdell Education Savings Accounts ("CESAs") (previously named Education IRA) as well as SEP and SIMPLE IRA plans. Plan administration is also available for select qualified retirement plans. An investor should consult with his or her tax advisor before establishing any tax-deferred retirement plan.

Not all MainStay Funds are available for all types of retirement plans or through all distribution channels. Please contact the MainStay Funds at **800-624-6782** and see the SAI for further details.

# **Purchases-In-Kind**

You may purchase shares of a MainStay Fund by transferring securities to a MainStay Fund in exchange for MainStay Fund shares ("inkind purchase"). In-kind purchases may be made only upon the MainStay Funds' approval and determination that the securities are acceptable investments for the MainStay Fund and are purchased consistent with that MainStay Fund's procedures relating to in-kind purchases. The MainStay Funds reserve the right to amend or terminate this practice at any time. You must call the MainStay Funds at 800-624-6782 before sending any securities. Please see the SAI for additional details.

# **Redemptions-In-Kind**

The MainStay Funds reserve the right to pay redemptions, either totally or partially, by redemption-in-kind of securities (instead of cash) from the applicable MainStay Fund's portfolio, consistent with the MainStay Fund's procedures relating to in-kind redemptions and in accordance with the 1940 Act and rules and interpretations of the SEC thereunder. Each Fund may distribute redemption proceeds in-kind under normal and stressed market conditions as well as during emergency or temporary circumstances. In addition, a Fund may distribute redemption proceeds in-kind to any type of shareholder or account, including retail and omnibus accounts. The MainStay Funds may also redeem shares in-kind upon the request of a shareholder. The securities distributed in such a redemption would be effected through a distribution of the MainStay Fund's portfolio securities (generally pro rata) and valued at the same value as that assigned to them in calculating the NAV of the shares being redeemed. Such securities may be illiquid, which means that they may be difficult or impossible to sell at an advantageous time or price. If a shareholder receives a redemption-in-kind, he or she should expect that the in-kind distribution would be subject to market and other risks, such as liquidity risk, before sale, and to incur transaction costs, including brokerage costs, when he or she converts the securities to cash. Gains or losses on the disposition of securities may also be tax reportable. Please see the SAI for additional details.

# The Reinvestment Privilege May Help You Avoid Sales Charges

When you sell shares, you have the right—for 90 days—to reinvest any or all of the money in the same account and class of shares of the same or another MainStay Fund without paying another sales charge (so long as (i) those shares have not been reinvested once already; (ii) your account is not subject to a 30-day block as described in "Excessive Purchases and Redemptions or Exchanges;" and (iii)

you are not reinvesting your required minimum distribution). If you paid a sales charge when you redeemed, you will receive a pro rata credit for reinvesting in the same account and class of shares.

Reinvestment will not relieve you of any tax consequences on gains realized from a sale. The deductions for losses may, however, be denied and, in some cases, sales charges may not be taken into account in computing gains or losses if the reinvestment privilege is exercised.

Convenient, yes...but not risk-free. Telephone and internet redemption privileges are convenient, but with them you give up some security. When you sign the application to buy shares, you agree that the MainStay Funds, the Board, and NYLIM Service Company and its affiliates will not be liable for following phone instructions that NYLIM Service Company or its affiliates reasonably believe are genuine. When using the MainStay Audio Response System or the internet, you bear the risk of any loss from your errors unless we fail to use established safeguards for your protection. The following safeguards are among those currently in place at MainStay Funds:

- all phone calls with service representatives are recorded; and
- written confirmation of every transaction is sent to your address of record.

We reserve the right to suspend the MainStay Audio Response System and website at any time or if the systems become inoperable due to technical problems.

# **MainStay Money Market Fund Check Writing**

You can sell shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund by writing checks for an amount that meets or exceeds the pre-set minimum stated on your check. You need to complete special forms to set up check writing privileges. You cannot close your account by writing a check. This option is not available for IRAs, CESAs, 403(b)(7)s or qualified retirement plans.

# Information on Liquidity Fees for the MainStay Money Market Fund

Pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act, the Board is permitted to impose a liquidity fee on redemptions from the MainStay Money Market Fund (the "Fund") of up to 2%.

The Board (or its delegate), based on its determination that the liquidity fee is in the best interests of the Fund, may, as early as the same day, impose a liquidity fee of no more than 2% on redemptions from the Fund.

The Board may, in its discretion, terminate a liquidity fee at any time, if it believes such action to be in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders. When a fee is in place, the Fund may determine to halt purchases and exchanges or to subject any purchases to certain conditions, including, for example, a written affirmation of the purchaser's knowledge that a fee is in effect. During periods when the Fund is imposing a liquidity fee, shareholders may exchange out of the Fund but will be subject to the applicable liquidity fee, which will reduce the value of the shares exchanged.

Liquidity fees are most likely to be imposed, if at all, during times of extraordinary market stress. The imposition and termination of a liquidity fee will be reported by the Fund to the SEC on Form N-CR. Such information will also be available on the Fund's website. In addition, the Fund will communicate such action through a supplement to its registration statement and may further communicate such action through a press release or by other means. Liquidity fees would reduce the amount you receive upon redemption of your shares. The Fund would retain the liquidity fees for the benefit of remaining shareholders.

The Board may, in its discretion, permanently suspend redemptions and liquidate the Fund, if, among other things, at the end of a business day the Fund has less than 10% of its total assets invested in weekly liquid assets.

# **SHAREHOLDER SERVICES**

# **Automatic Services**

Buying or selling shares automatically is easy with the services described below. You select your schedule and amount, subject to certain restrictions. You can set up most of these services on your application, by accessing your shareholder account on the internet at newyorklifeinvestments.com/accounts, by contacting your financial adviser for instructions, or by calling us toll-free at **800-624-6782** for a form.

# Systematic Investing—Individual Shareholders Only

MainStay offers four automatic investment plans:

1. AutoInvest

If you obtain authorization from your bank, you can automatically debit your designated bank account to:

· make regularly scheduled investments; and/or

· purchase shares whenever you choose.

# 2. Dividend or Capital Gains Reinvestment

Automatically reinvest dividends, distributions or capital gains from one MainStay Fund into the same MainStay Fund or the same class of any other MainStay Fund. Accounts established with dividend or capital gains reinvestment must meet the initial minimum investment amounts and any other eligibility requirements of the selected share class.

# 3. Payroll Deductions

If your employer offers this option, you can make automatic investments through payroll deduction.

# 4. Systematic Exchange

Exchanges must be at least \$100. You must have at least \$10,000 in your account for Investor Class, Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares at the time of the initial request. You may systematically exchange a share or dollar amount from one MainStay Fund into any other MainStay Fund in the same share class. Accounts established with a systematic exchange must meet the initial minimum investment amounts and any other eligibility requirements of the selected share class. Please see "Exchanging Shares Among MainStay Funds" for more information.

# Systematic Withdrawal Plan—Individual Shareholders Only

Withdrawals must be at least \$100. You must have at least \$10,000 in your account for Investor Class, Class B, Class C and Class C2 shares at the time of the initial request. The above minimums are waived for IRA and 403(b)(7) accounts where the systematic withdrawal represents required minimum distributions.

NYLIM Service Company acts as the agent for the shareholder in redeeming sufficient full and fractional shares to provide the amount of the systematic withdrawal payment and any CDSC, if applicable.

The MainStay Funds will not knowingly permit systematic withdrawals if, at the same time, you are making periodic investments.

# **Exchanging Shares Among MainStay Funds**

Exchanges will be based upon each MainStay Fund's NAV next determined following receipt of a properly executed exchange request.

Generally, you exchange shares when you sell all or a portion of shares in one MainStay Fund and use the proceeds to purchase shares of the same class of another MainStay Fund at NAV. Investment minimums and eligibility requirements apply to exchanges. Please note that certain MainStay Funds have higher investment minimums. An exchange of shares of one MainStay Fund for shares of another MainStay Fund will be treated as a sale of shares of the first MainStay Fund and as a purchase of shares of the second MainStay Fund. Any gain on the transaction may be subject to taxes. You may make exchanges from one MainStay Fund to another by phone. There is also a systematic exchange program that allows you to make regularly scheduled, systematic exchanges from one MainStay Fund to the same class of another MainStay Fund. When you redeem exchanged shares without a corresponding purchase of another MainStay Fund, you may have to pay any applicable contingent deferred sales charge. If you choose to sell Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares and then separately buy Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares, you may have to pay a deferred sales charge on the Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares, as well as pay an initial sales charge on the purchase of Investor Class, Class A or Class A2 shares.

In addition, if you exchange Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares of a MainStay Fund into Class B or Class C shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund or if you exchange Investor Class shares or Class A shares of a MainStay Fund subject to the 1.00% CDSC into Investor Class shares or Class A shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund, the holding period for purposes of determining the CDSC stops until you exchange back into Investor Class, Class B, Class C or Class C2 shares, as applicable, of another non-money market MainStay Fund. The holding period for purposes of determining conversion of Class B shares, Class C or Class C2 shares into Investor Class or Class A shares also stops until you exchange back into Class B shares, Class C or Class C2 shares of another non-money market MainStay Fund. Shareholders who hold Class C shares of a MainStay Fund may exchange those shares into Class A shares of another MainStay Fund, or vice versa, depending on eligibility at the time of the exchange. Likewise, shareholders who hold Class A shares of a MainStay Fund may exchange those shares into Class A2 shares of another MainStay Fund, or vice versa, depending on eligibility at the time of the exchange. The CDSC holding period applicable to any Class C or Class A shares will continue in the same manner when exchanged into Class A2 or Class C2 shares, or vice versa, subject to stoppage during any period such shares are exchanged into either Class C or Class A shares of the MainStay Money Market Fund, as described above.

You also may exchange shares of a MainStay Fund for shares of an identical class, if offered, of any series of certain other open-end investment companies sponsored, advised or administered by New York Life Investments or any affiliate thereof (provided such series is registered for sale in your state of residence or an exemption from registration is available) some of which are offered in this Prospectus and some of which are offered in separate prospectuses, including:

MainStay Balanced Fund MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Debt Fund MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Fund MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund\*\*
MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund
MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund
MainStay MacKay Strategic Bond Fund

MainStay CBRE Real Estate Fund
MainStay Conservative Allocation Fund
MainStay Conservative ETF Allocation Fund
MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund
MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund
MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund
MainStay Epoch International Choice Fund
MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund
MainStay Equity Allocation Fund
MainStay Equity ETF Allocation Fund
MainStay Fiera SMID Growth Fund
MainStay Floating Rate Fund
MainStay Growth Allocation Fund
MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund
MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund
MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund
MainStay Income Builder Fund

MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund\*

MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund

MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund

MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund

MainStay Moderate Allocation Fund MainStay Moderate ETF Allocation Fund

MainStay Money Market Fund MainStay Short Term Bond Fund MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund

MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund MainStay Winslow Large Cap Growth Fund

MainStay WMC Enduring Capital Fund MainStay WMC Growth Fund

MainStay WMC International Research Equity Fund

MainStay WMC Small Companies Fund

MainStay WMC Value Fund

- \* The Fund is registered for sale in AZ, CA, NV, OR, TX, UT, WA, and MI (Class A and I shares only), and CO, FL, GA, HI, ID, MA, MD, NH, NJ and NY (Class I only).
- \*\* The Fund is registered for sale in CA, CT, DE, FL, MA, NJ, NY and VT.

You may not exchange shares of one MainStay Fund for shares of another MainStay Fund that is closed to new investors unless you are already a shareholder of that MainStay Fund or are otherwise eligible for purchase. You may not exchange shares of one MainStay Fund for shares of another MainStay Fund that is closed to new share purchases or not offered for sale in your state.

Selling and exchanging shares may result in a gain or loss and therefore may be subject to taxes. Consult your tax advisor on the consequences.

Before making an exchange request, read the prospectus of the MainStay Fund you wish to purchase by exchange. You can obtain a prospectus for any MainStay Fund by contacting your broker, financial adviser or other financial intermediary, by visiting newyorklifeinvestments.com or by calling the MainStay Funds at **800-624-6782**. Following an exchange, the ongoing fees and expenses of the new MainStay Fund will differ from and may be higher or lower than those of the MainStay Fund that you previously held. The Prospectus relating to the new MainStay Fund includes information regarding the fees, expenses and other characteristics of the new MainStay Fund.

The exchange privilege is not intended as a vehicle for short-term trading, nor are the MainStay Funds designed for professional market timing organizations or other entities or individuals that use programmed frequent exchanges in response to market fluctuations. Excessive exchange activity may interfere with portfolio management and have an adverse effect on all shareholders (see "Excessive Purchases and Redemptions or Exchanges").

The MainStay Funds reserve the right to revise or terminate the exchange privilege, limit the amount or number of exchanges or reject any exchange consistent with the requirements of the 1940 Act and rules and interpretations of the SEC thereunder.

In certain circumstances you may have to pay a sales charge when exchanging shares.

# **Daily Dividend MainStay Fund Exchanges**

If you exchange all your shares in the MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund or MainStay Money Market Fund for shares of the same class in another MainStay Fund, any dividends that have been declared but not yet distributed will be credited to the new MainStay Fund account. If you exchange all your shares in the MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund or MainStay Money Market Fund for shares of the same class in more than one MainStay Fund, undistributed dividends will be credited to the last MainStay Fund account that you exchange to.

We try to make investing easy by offering a variety of programs to buy, sell and exchange MainStay Fund shares. These programs make it convenient to add to your investment and easy to access your money when you need it.

# **Excessive Purchases and Redemptions or Exchanges**

The MainStay Funds are not intended to be used as a vehicle for frequent, excessive or short-term trading (such as market timing). The interests of a MainStay Fund's shareholders and the MainStay Fund's ability to manage its investments may be adversely affected by

excessive purchases and redemptions or exchanges (if applicable) of the MainStay Fund shares over the short term. The risks posed by excessive trading include the disruption of efficient implementation of a MainStay Fund's investment strategies, triggering the recognition of taxable gains and losses on the sale of portfolio investments, requiring a MainStay Fund to maintain higher levels of cash to meet redemption requests, experiencing increased transaction costs, all of which may adversely affect a MainStay Fund's performance to the detriment of long-term shareholders. These risks are more pronounced in MainStay Funds that invest in thinly-traded or foreign securities. Accordingly, the Board has adopted and implemented policies and procedures designed to discourage, detect and prevent frequent purchases and redemptions or exchanges of MainStay Fund shares in order to protect long-term MainStay Fund shareholders. These policies are discussed more fully below. Although MainStay Funds' policies and procedures are designed to discourage frequent, excessive or short-term trading, there is no assurance that the MainStay Funds will be able to effectively detect such activity or participants engaged in such activity, or, if it is detected, to prevent its recurrence, particularly with respect to omnibus accounts as the MainStay Funds must rely on the cooperation of and/or information provided by third-parties, such as financial intermediaries or retirement plans. A MainStay Fund may change its policies or procedures at any time without prior notice to shareholders.

The MainStay Funds reserve the right to restrict, reject or cancel, without prior notice, any purchase or exchange order for any reason, including any purchase or exchange order accepted by any investor's financial intermediary firm. Any such rejection or cancellation of an order placed through a financial intermediary will occur, under normal circumstances, within one business day of the financial intermediary transmitting the order to the MainStay Funds. If an order is cancelled due to a violation of this policy, and such cancellation causes a monetary loss to a MainStay Fund, such loss may become the responsibility of the party that placed the transaction or the account owner. In addition, the MainStay Funds reserve the right to reject, limit, or impose other conditions (that are more restrictive than those otherwise stated in the Prospectuses) on purchases or exchanges or to close or otherwise limit accounts based on a history of frequent purchases and redemptions of MainStay Fund shares that could adversely affect a MainStay Fund or its operations, including those from any individual or group who, in the MainStay Funds' judgment, is likely to harm MainStay Fund shareholders.

The MainStay Funds, through New York Life Investments, the Transfer Agent and the Distributor, maintain surveillance procedures to detect frequent, excessive or short-term trading in MainStay Fund shares. As part of this surveillance process, the MainStay Funds examine transactions in MainStay Fund shares that exceed certain monetary thresholds or numerical limits within a specified period of time, including reviewing "round trips" in the MainStay Funds by investors. Round trips include purchases or exchanges into a MainStay Fund followed or preceded by a redemption or exchange out of the same MainStay Fund that is substantially similar in dollar terms. The MainStay Funds also may consider the history of trading activity in all accounts known to be under common ownership, control or influence. To the extent identified under these surveillance procedures, a MainStay Fund may place a 30-day "block" on any account if, during any 30-day period, there is a redemption or exchange from the account following a purchase or exchange into such account. An account that is blocked will not be permitted to place future purchase or exchange requests for at least an additional 30-day period in that MainStay Fund. The MainStay Funds may modify their surveillance procedures and criteria from time to time without prior notice, as necessary or appropriate to improve the detection of frequent, excessive or short-term trading or to address specific circumstances. In certain instances when deemed appropriate, the MainStay Funds will rely on a financial intermediary to apply the intermediary's market timing procedures to an omnibus account. In certain cases, these procedures may be more or less restrictive than the MainStay Funds' procedures.

In addition to these measures and other deterrents, the MainStay Funds may from time to time impose a redemption fee on redemptions or exchanges of MainStay Fund shares made within a certain period of time in order to deter frequent, excessive or short-term trading and to offset certain costs associated with such trading.

The MainStay Funds will seek to apply their frequent trading policies and procedures as uniformly as practicable to accounts with the MainStay Funds, with the following exceptions:

- Short-term purchases or exchanges that it believes, in the exercise of its judgment, are not disruptive or harmful to the MainStay Fund's long-term shareholders;
- Purchases, reinvestments, redemptions and exchanges made on a systematic or automatic basis, such as dollar-cost averaging, dividend diversification and systematic withdrawals;
- Certain purchases, redemptions or exchanges that are part of a rebalancing program, such as a wrap, advisory or bona fide asset allocation program;
- Any transactions not initiated by a shareholder or registered representative, such as redemptions of shares to pay fund or account fees;
- Permitted conversions of shares from one share class to another share class within the same MainStay Fund;
- Transactions initiated by the trustee or adviser to a donor-advised charitable gift fund;
- Transactions in qualified tuition programs operating under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- Transactions by fund of fund products where New York Life Investments or an affiliate is the program manager.

In addition, on a case-by-case basis, requests for one-time exceptions to the MainStay Funds' frequent trading policies and procedures may be granted by the MainStay Funds' Chief Compliance Officer based on the facts and circumstances of the request.

The MainStay Money Market Fund and the MainStay U.S. Government Liquidity Fund are intended for short-term investment horizons and do not monitor for nor prohibit short-term trading activity. Although these MainStay Funds are managed in a manner that is consistent with their investment objectives, frequent trading by shareholders may disrupt their management and increase their expenses.

Apart from trading permitted or exceptions enumerated above in accordance with the MainStay Funds' policies and procedures, no MainStay Fund accommodates, nor has any arrangement to permit, frequent purchases and redemptions of MainStay Fund shares.

#### FAIR VALUATION AND PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS DISCLOSURE

# Determining the MainStay Funds' Share Prices and the Valuation of Securities and Other Assets

Each MainStay Fund generally calculates its NAV at the Fund's close (usually 4:00 pm Eastern time) every day the Exchange is open. The MainStay Funds do not calculate their NAVs on days on which the Exchange is closed. The NAV per share for a class of shares is determined by dividing the value of the net assets attributable to that class by the number of shares of that class outstanding on that day.

The value of a MainStay Fund's investments is generally based (in whole or in part) on current market prices (amortized cost, in the case of the MainStay Money Market Fund and other MainStay Funds that hold debt securities with a remaining maturity of 60 days or less). If current market values of a MainStay Fund's investments are not available or, in the judgment of New York Life Investments, do not accurately reflect the fair value of a security, the fair value of the investment will be determined in good faith in accordance with procedures approved by the Board. Changes in the value of a MainStay Fund's portfolio securities after the close of trading on the principal markets in which the portfolio securities trade will not be reflected in the calculation of NAV unless New York Life Investments, in consultation with the Subadvisor(s) (if applicable), determines that a particular event could materially affect the NAV. In this case, an adjustment in the valuation of the securities may be made in accordance with procedures approved by the Board. A MainStay Fund may invest in portfolio securities that are primarily listed on foreign exchanges that trade on weekends or other days when the MainStay Fund does not price its shares. Consequently, the value of portfolio securities of a MainStay Fund may change on days when shareholders will not be able to purchase or redeem shares.

With respect to any portion of a MainStay Fund's assets invested in one or more Underlying Funds, the MainStay Fund's NAV is calculated based upon the NAVs of those Underlying Funds, except for exchange-traded Underlying Funds, which are generally valued based on market prices.

The Board has adopted joint valuation procedures of the MainStay Funds and New York Life Investments establishing methodologies for the valuation of the MainStay Funds' portfolio securities and other assets. Pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act, the Board has designated New York Life Investments as the valuation designee to perform fair valuation determinations for each MainStay Fund with respect to all Fund investments and/or other assets for which market quotations are not readily available. New York Life Investments, in its role as valuation designee, utilizes the assistance of a Valuation Committee to support its obligations in determining fair value of the MainStay Funds' securities and/or other assets. Fair value determinations may be based upon developments related to a specific security or events affecting securities markets and the specific methodologies used for a particular security may vary based on the market data available for a specific security at the time the MainStay Fund calculates its NAV or based on other considerations. Fair valuation involves subjective judgments, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security may differ materially from the value that could be realized upon the sale of the security.

The MainStay Funds expect to use fair value pricing for securities actively traded on U.S. exchanges only under very limited circumstances. The MainStay Funds may use fair value pricing more frequently for foreign securities. Where foreign securities markets close earlier than U.S. markets, the value of the securities may be affected by significant events or volatility in the U.S. markets occurring after the close of those foreign securities markets. To account for this, certain MainStay Funds, notably the MainStay International/Global Equity Funds, have fair valuation procedures which include a procedure whereby foreign securities may be valued based on third-party vendor modeling tools to the extent available. For Underlying Funds in which the MainStay Funds may invest, additional information about the circumstances when those Underlying Funds may use fair value pricing may be found in each Underlying Fund's respective prospectus.

There may be other instances where market quotations are not readily available or standard pricing principles do not apply. Please see the SAI for additional information about the valuations of the MainStay Funds' securities and other assets and on how NAV is calculated.

# **Portfolio Holdings Information**

A description of the MainStay Funds' policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of each of the MainStay Funds' portfolio securities holdings is available in the SAI. Generally, a complete schedule of each of the MainStay Funds' portfolio holdings will be made public on the MainStay Funds' website at newyorklifeinvestments.com 30 days after month-end, except as noted below. You may also obtain this information by calling toll-free **800-624-6782**.

The MainStay Money Market Fund will post on the MainStay Funds' website its complete schedule of portfolio holdings as of the last business day of the prior month, no later than the fifth business day following month-end. MainStay Money Market Fund's postings will remain on the MainStay Funds' website for a period of at least six months after posting. Also, in the case of the MainStay Money Market Fund, certain portfolio information will be provided in monthly holdings reports to the SEC on Form N-MFP. Form N-MFP will be made immediately available to the public by the SEC, and a link to each of the most recent 12 months of filings on Form N-MFP will be provided on the MainStay Funds' website.

The portfolio holdings for MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund will be made public 60 days after guarter end.

The portfolio holdings for MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund, MainStay Short Duration High Income Fund, MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund and MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund will be made public 30 days after quarter end.

The portfolio holdings for MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund, MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund, MainStay Epoch International Choice Fund and MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund will be made public 15 days after month end.

The portfolio holdings for MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund and MainStay Tax-Exempt Funds will be made public 60 days after month end.

All portfolio holdings will be posted on the appropriate MainStay Fund's website and remain accessible until an updated shareholder report on Form N-CSR is filed or a Form N-PORT is filed.

# **OPERATION AS A MANAGER OF MANAGERS**

Section 15(a) of the 1940 Act requires that all contracts pursuant to which persons serve as investment advisers to investment companies be approved by shareholders. As interpreted, this requirement also applies to the appointment of subadvisors to the MainStay Funds. The Manager and the MainStay Group of Funds, including the MainStay Funds that are covered by this Prospectus, have obtained an exemptive order (the "Order") from the SEC permitting the Manager, on behalf of a MainStay Fund and subject to the approval of the Board, including a majority of the Independent Trustees, to hire and to modify any existing or future subadvisory agreement with unaffiliated subadvisors and subadvisors that are "wholly-owned subsidiaries" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of New York Life Investments, or a sister company of New York Life Investments that is a wholly-owned subsidiary of a company that, indirectly or directly, wholly owns New York Life Investments ("Wholly-Owned Subadvisors"). The Order supersedes a prior SEC exemptive order, which applied only to hiring, or modifying existing or future subadvisory agreements with unaffiliated subadvisors. In addition, pursuant to a no-action position issued by the staff of the SEC, Funds covered by this Prospectus may hire and modify any existing or future subadvisory agreement with subadvisors that are not Wholly-Owned Subadvisors, but are otherwise an "affiliated person" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of New York Life Investments ("Affiliated Subadvisors") provided that certain conditions are met ("Interpretive Relief"). This authority is subject to certain conditions, including that each MainStay Fund will notify shareholders and provide them with certain information within 90 days of hiring a new subadvisor.

Certain MainStay Funds, including those listed in the table below, have approved operating under a manager-of-managers structure with respect to any affiliated or unaffiliated subadvisor, and may rely on the Order and Interpretive Relief as they relate to Wholly-Owned Subadvisors, Affiliated Subadvisors and unaffiliated subadvisors, while other MainStay Funds may rely on the Order only as it relates to unaffiliated subadvisors. Certain other MainStay Funds may not rely on any aspect of the Order without obtaining shareholder approval.

Fund	May Rely on Order for Wholly-Owned Subadvisors and Unaffiliated Subadvisors and the Interpretive Relief for Affiliated Subadvisors	May Rely on Order Only for Unaffiliated Subadvisors*	Currently May Not Rely on Order**
MAINSTAY FUNDS			
MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Debt Fund	Х		
MainStay Income Builder Fund		Х	
MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund		Χ	
MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund		Χ	
MainStay MacKay Strategic Bond Fund		Χ	
MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund		Χ	
MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund		Χ	
MainStay Money Market Fund		Χ	
MainStay Winslow Large Cap Growth Fund		Χ	
MainStay WMC Enduring Capital Fund		Χ	
MainStay WMC Value Fund		Χ	

Fund	May Rely on Order for Wholly-Owned Subadvisors and Unaffiliated Subadvisors and the Interpretive Relief for Affiliated Subadvisors	May Rely on Order Only for Unaffiliated Subadvisors*	Currently May Not Rely on Order**
MAINSTAY FUNDS TRUST			
MainStay Balanced Fund		Х	
MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund	X		
MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Fund	X		
MainStay CBRE Real Estate Fund	X		
MainStay Conservative Allocation Fund			Х
MainStay Conservative ETF Allocation Fund	X		
MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund		Х	
MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund	X		
MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund		X	
MainStay Epoch International Choice Fund		X	
MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund		Х	
MainStay Equity Allocation Fund			Х
MainStay Equity ETF Allocation Fund	X		
MainStay Fiera SMID Growth Fund	X		
MainStay Floating Rate Fund			Х
MainStay Growth Allocation Fund			Х
MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund	Х		
MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund		X	
MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund		X	
MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund		Х	
MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund		X	
MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund			Х
MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund	X		
MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund			Х
MainStay Moderate Allocation Fund			Х
MainStay Moderate ETF Allocation Fund	Х		
MainStay Short Term Bond Fund			Х
MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund			Х
MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund	X		
MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund	X		
MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund	X		
MainStay WMC Growth Fund	X		
MainStay WMC International Research Equity Fund	••	Χ	
MainStay WMC Small Companies Fund		X	

<sup>\*</sup> The shareholders of these MainStay Funds must separately approve the use of the Order as it relates to Wholly-Owned Subadvisors before it may be relied upon to hire, or to modify existing or future subadvisory agreements with, Wholly-Owned Subadvisors.

# **FUND EARNINGS**

#### **Dividends and Interest**

Most funds earn either dividends from stocks, interest from bonds and other securities, or both. A mutual fund, however, pays this income to you as "dividends." The dividends paid by each MainStay Fund will vary based on the income from its investments and the expenses incurred by the MainStay Fund.

Each Fund reserves the right to automatically reinvest dividend distributions of less than \$10.00.

# **Dividends and Distributions**

Each MainStay Fund intends to distribute substantially all of its net investment income and capital gains to shareholders at least once a year to the extent that dividends and/or capital gains are available for distribution. For the purpose of seeking to maintain its share price at \$1.00, among other things, the MainStay Money Market Fund will distribute all or a portion of its capital gains and may reduce or withhold any income and/or gains generated by its portfolio. The MainStay Funds declare and pay dividends as set forth below:

<sup>\*\*</sup> The shareholders of each of these MainStay Funds must approve the operation of the respective MainStay Fund in accordance with the Order for the Manager and the MainStay Fund to rely on the Order as it relates to Wholly-Owned Subadvisors and/or unaffiliated subadvisors.

Dividends from the net investment income (if any) of the following MainStay Funds are declared and paid at least annually:

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay Epoch Capital Growth Fund, MainStay Epoch International Choice Fund, MainStay Equity Allocation Fund, MainStay Equity ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Fiera SMID Growth Fund, MainStay Growth Allocation Fund, MainStay Growth ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Moderate Allocation Fund, MainStay Moderate ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund, MainStay PineStone Global Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone International Equity Fund, MainStay PineStone U.S. Equity Fund, MainStay Winslow Large Cap Growth Fund, MainStay WMC Enduring Capital Fund, MainStay WMC Growth Fund, MainStay WMC International Research Equity Fund, MainStay WMC Small Companies Fund and MainStay WMC Value Fund

Dividends from the net investment income (if any) of the following MainStay Funds are declared and paid at least guarterly:

MainStay Balanced Fund, MainStay CBRE Global Infrastructure Fund, MainStay CBRE Real Estate Fund, MainStay Conservative Allocation Fund, MainStay Conservative ETF Allocation Fund, MainStay Epoch Global Equity Yield Fund, MainStay Epoch U.S. Equity Yield Fund and MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund

Dividends from the net investment income (if any) of the following MainStay Funds are declared and paid at least monthly:

MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Debt Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay Income Builder Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Corporate Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Duration High Income Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay Total Return Bond Fund and MainStay Short Term Bond Fund

Dividends from the net investment income (if any) of the following MainStay Funds are declared daily and paid at least monthly:

MainStay Floating Rate Fund, MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay High Yield Municipal Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund, MainStay MacKay Strategic Municipal Allocation Fund, MainStay MacKay Tax Free Bond Fund, MainStay MacKay U.S. Infrastructure Bond Fund and MainStay Money Market Fund

Dividends are generally paid during the last week of the month after a dividend is declared, except in December when they may be paid earlier in the month.

You generally begin earning dividends the next business day after the MainStay Funds receives your purchase request in good order.

Shareholders generally prefer to buy after the dividend payment. Shareholders may prefer to avoid buying shares shortly before a dividend payment because part of their investment may be returned in the form of a dividend, which may be taxable.

#### **Capital Gains**

The MainStay Funds earn capital gains when they sell securities at a profit.

# When the Funds Pay Capital Gains

The MainStay Funds will normally declare and distribute any capital gains, if any, to shareholders annually, typically in December.

# **How to Take Your Earnings**

You may receive your portion of MainStay Fund earnings in one of seven ways. You can make your choice at the time of application, and change it as often as you like by notifying your financial adviser (if permitted) or the MainStay Funds directly. The seven choices are:

- 1. Reinvest dividends and capital gains in:
  - the same MainStay Fund; or
  - another MainStay Fund of your choice (other than a MainStay Fund that is closed, either to new investors or to new share purchases).
- 2. Take the dividends in cash and reinvest the capital gains in the same MainStay Fund.
- 3. Take the capital gains in cash and reinvest the dividends in the same MainStay Fund.
- 4. Take a percentage of dividends or capital gains in cash and reinvest the remainder in the same MainStay Fund.
- 5. Take dividends and capital gains in cash.
- 6. Reinvest all or a percentage of the capital gains in another MainStay Fund of your choice (subject to eligibility requirements and other than a MainStay Fund that is closed, either to new investors or to new share purchases) and reinvest the dividends in the original MainStay Fund.
- 7. Reinvest all or a percentage of the dividends in another MainStay Fund (other than a MainStay Fund that is closed, either to new investors or to new share purchases) and reinvest the capital gains in the original MainStay Fund.

If you do not make one of these choices on your application, your earnings will be automatically reinvested in the same class of shares of the same MainStay Fund.

If you prefer to reinvest dividends and/or capital gains in another MainStay Fund, you must first establish an account in that class of shares of the MainStay Fund. There is no sales charge on shares purchased through the automatic reinvestment of dividends or capital gains.

# **UNDERSTAND THE TAX CONSEQUENCES**

# MainStay Candriam Emerging Markets Equity Fund, MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund, MainStay International/Global Equity Funds, MainStay Mixed Asset Funds, MainStay Money Market Fund, MainStay Taxable Bond Funds and MainStay U.S. Equity Funds

Distributions received by tax-exempt shareholders will not be subject to federal income tax to the extent permitted under applicable law. If you are not a tax-exempt shareholder virtually all of the dividends and capital gains distributions you receive from the MainStay Funds are subject to tax, whether you take them as cash or automatically reinvest them. Distributions from a MainStay Fund's realized capital gains are subject to tax based on the length of time a MainStay Fund holds its investments, regardless of how long you hold MainStay Fund shares. Generally, if a MainStay Fund realizes long-term capital gains, the capital gains distributions are subject to tax as long-term capital gains; earnings realized from short-term capital gains and income generated on debt investments, dividend income and other sources are generally subject to tax as ordinary income upon distribution.

For individual and certain other non-corporate shareholders, a portion of the dividends received from the MainStay Funds may be treated as "qualified dividend income," which is subject to tax to individuals and certain other non-corporate shareholders at preferential rates, to the extent that such MainStay Funds earn qualified dividend income from domestic corporations and certain qualified foreign corporations and that certain holding period and other requirements are met. Individual and certain other non-corporate shareholders must also generally satisfy a more than 60-day holding period and other requirements with respect to each distribution of qualified dividends in order to qualify for the preferential rates on such distributions. For certain corporate shareholders, a portion of the dividends received from the MainStay Funds may qualify for the corporate dividends received deduction if certain conditions are met. The maximum individual federal income tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income and long-term capital gains is either 15% or 20%, depending on whether the individual's income exceeds certain threshold amounts.

Under certain circumstances, the MainStay Money Market Fund may impose a liquidity fee on Fund redemptions. A liquidity fee will reduce the amount a shareholder will receive upon the redemption of the shareholder's shares, and will decrease the amount of any capital gain or increase the amount of any capital loss the shareholder will recognize from such redemption. There is some degree of uncertainty with respect to the tax treatment of liquidity fees received by the Fund, and such tax treatment may be the subject of future guidance issued by the IRS. If a Fund earns liquidity fees, it will consider the appropriate tax treatment of such fees to the Fund at such time. Please see the section entitled "Information on Liquidity Fees for the MainStay Money Market Fund" above for additional information regarding liquidity fees.

# **MainStay Tax-Exempt Funds**

The MainStay Tax-Exempt Funds' distributions to shareholders are generally expected to be exempt from regular federal income taxes, and in the case of MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund and MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund, California and New York personal income taxes, respectively. A portion of the distributions may be subject to the alternative minimum tax. In addition, these MainStay Funds may also derive taxable income and/or capital gains. Distributions to shareholders of any such taxable income or capital gains would generally be subject to tax whether you take them as cash or automatically reinvest them. These MainStay Funds' realized earnings, if any, from capital gains are subject to tax based on the length of time such MainStay Fund holds investments, regardless of how long you hold MainStay Fund shares. If any of the MainStay Tax-Exempt Funds realize long-term capital gains, the earnings distributions are subject to tax as long-term capital gains; earnings from short-term capital gains and taxable income generated on debt investments and other sources are generally subject to tax as ordinary income upon distribution. Interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to be incurred by a shareholder of a MainStay Tax-Exempt Fund to purchase or carry shares of such a Fund is not deductible to the extent it is deemed related to the Fund's distributions from tax-exempt income.

"Tax-Free" Rarely Means "Totally Tax-Free"

- A tax-free fund or municipal bond fund may earn taxable income—in other words, you may have taxable income even from a generally tax-free fund.
- Tax-exempt dividends may still be subject to state and local taxes.
- Any time you sell shares—even shares of a tax-free fund—you will generally be subject to tax on any gain (the rise in the share price above the price at which you purchased the shares).
- If you sell shares of a tax-free fund at a loss after receiving a tax-exempt dividend, and you have held the shares for six months or less, then you may not be allowed to claim a loss on the sale.
- Some tax-exempt income may be subject to the alternative minimum tax.
- Capital gains declared in a tax-free fund are not tax-free.
- Acquisitions of municipal securities at a market discount may also result in ordinary income.

# MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund

So long as, at the close of each quarter of the MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund's taxable year, at least 50% of the value of the MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund's assets consists of California municipal bonds, distributions

not exceeding the interest received on such California municipal bonds less deductible expenses allocable to such interest will be treated as interest excludable from the income of California residents for purposes of the California personal income tax. Such distributions paid to a shareholder subject to the California corporate franchise tax will be taxable as ordinary income for purposes of such tax. Interest income from other investments may produce taxable dividend distributions. If you are subject to income tax in a state other than California, distributions derived from interest on California municipal bonds may, depending on the treatment of out-of-state municipal bonds by that state, not be exempt from tax in that state. Distributions of taxable income and capital gains will be subject to tax at ordinary income tax rates for California state income tax purposes. Interest on indebtedness incurred or continued by a shareholder of the MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund to purchase or carry shares of that Fund generally will not be deductible for California personal income tax purposes. Interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to be incurred by a shareholder of MainStay MacKay California Tax Free Opportunities Fund to purchase or carry shares of the Fund is not deductible to the extent that it is deemed related to the Fund's distributions from tax-exempt income.

# **MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund**

MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund seeks to comply with certain state tax requirements so that individual shareholders of MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund that are residents of New York State will not be subject to New York State income tax on distributions that are derived from interest on obligations exempt from taxation by New York State. To meet those requirements, MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund will invest in New York State or municipal bonds. Individual shareholders of MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund who are residents of New York City will also be able to exclude such distributions for New York City personal income tax purposes. Distributions by MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund derived from interest on obligations exempt from taxation by New York State may be subject to New York State and New York City taxes imposed on corporations. If you are subject to tax in a state other than New York, any distributions by the Fund derived from interest in New York municipal bonds may, depending on the treatment of out-of-state municipal bonds by that state, not be exempt from tax in that state. Interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to be incurred by a shareholder of the MainStay MacKay New York Tax Free Opportunities Fund to purchase or carry shares of that Fund is not deductible to the extent it is deemed related to the Fund's distributions from tax-exempt income.

# MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund

MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund will normally invest at least 80% of its assets (net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in an actively managed, diversified portfolio of tax-exempt municipal debt securities, including securities with special features (e.g., puts and variable or floating rates) which have price volatility characteristics similar to debt securities. At least 50% of the MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund's total assets must be invested in tax-exempt municipal securities as of the end of each fiscal quarter in order for the MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund to be able to pay distributions from its net tax-exempt income. Although the MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund normally will seek to qualify to pay distributions from its net tax-exempt income, there is no guarantee that the MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund will achieve such result. Distributions of net income from taxable bonds would be taxable as ordinary income. All distributions by the MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund, including any distributions from tax-exempt income, may be includible in taxable income for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to be incurred by a shareholder of a MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund to purchase or carry shares of that Fund is not deductible to the extent it is deemed related to the MainStay MacKay Short Term Municipal Fund's distributions from tax-exempt income.

# MainStay Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds

Distributions received by tax-exempt shareholders will not be subject to federal income tax to the extent permitted under applicable tax law. If you are not a tax-exempt shareholder, virtually all of the dividends and capital gains distributions you receive from the MainStay Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds are subject to tax, whether you take them as cash or automatically reinvest them. These MainStay Funds can have income, gains or losses from any distributions or redemptions in the Underlying Funds and Underlying ETFs. Distributions of the long-term capital gains of the MainStay Asset Allocation Funds, MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds or Underlying Funds and Underlying ETFs will generally be subject to tax as long-term capital gains. The maximum individual federal income tax rate applicable to long-term capital gains is either 15% or 20%, depending on whether the individual's income exceeds certain threshold amounts. Other distributions, including short-term capital gains, will be subject to tax as ordinary income. The structure of these MainStay Funds and the reallocation of investments among Underlying Funds and Underlying ETFs could affect the amount, timing and character of distributions.

For individual and certain other non-corporate shareholders, a portion of the dividends received from the MainStay Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds may be treated as "qualified dividend income," which is currently taxable to individuals at preferential rates, to the extent that the Underlying Funds and Underlying ETFs earn qualified dividend income from domestic corporations and certain qualified foreign corporations and that certain holding periods and other requirements are met. The shareholder must also satisfy a more than 60-day holding period and other requirements with respect to each distribution of qualified dividends in order to qualify for the preferential rates on such distributions. For U.S. corporate shareholders, a portion of the dividends received from the MainStay Asset Allocation Funds and MainStay ETF Asset Allocation Funds may qualify for the corporate dividends received

deduction. The maximum individual federal income tax rate applicable to "qualified dividend income" is either 15% or 20%, depending on whether the individual's income exceeds certain threshold amounts.

# **MainStay Cushing MLP Premier Fund**

As a regulated investment company ("RIC"), the Fund generally will not pay corporate-level federal income taxes on any ordinary income or capital gains that is distributed to shareholders as dividends. To obtain and maintain the federal income tax benefits of RIC status, the Fund must meet specified source-of-income and asset diversification requirements and distribute annually an amount equal to at least 90% of the sum of net ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any, out of assets legally available for distribution. In accordance with the tax requirements applicable to a RIC, the Fund will, as of the end of each quarter of its taxable year going forward, invest no more than 25% of the value of its total assets in the securities of MLPs and other entities treated as qualified publicly traded partnerships, which are treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are defined more specifically in the provisions applicable to RICs.

To the extent that the MLP Premier Fund invests in the equity securities of an MLP, the MLP Premier Fund will be a partner in such MLP. Accordingly, the MLP Premier Fund will be required to include in its taxable income the MLP Premier Fund's allocable share of the income, gains, losses, deductions and expenses recognized by each such MLP, regardless of whether the MLP distributes cash to the MLP Premier Fund. Based upon a review of the historic results of the type of MLPs in which the MLP Premier Fund intends to invest, the MLP Premier Fund expects that the cash distributions it will receive with respect to an investment in equity securities of MLPs will exceed the taxable income allocated to the MLP Premier Fund from such MLPs.

The MLP Premier Fund will recognize a gain or loss on the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of an equity security of an MLP equal to the difference between the amount realized by the MLP Premier Fund on the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition and the MLP Premier Fund's adjusted tax basis in such equity security. The amount realized by the MLP Premier Fund generally will be the amount paid by the purchaser of the equity security plus the MLP Premier Fund's allocable share, if any, of the MLP's debt that will be allocated to the purchaser as a result of the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition. The MLP Premier Fund's tax basis in its equity securities in an MLP is generally equal to the amount the MLP Premier Fund paid for the equity securities, (a) increased by the MLP Premier Fund's allocable share of the MLP's net taxable income and certain MLP nonrecourse debt. if any, and (b) decreased by the MLP Premier Fund's allocable share of the MLP's net losses, any decrease in the amount of MLP nonrecourse debt allocated to the MLP Premier Fund, and any distributions received by the MLP Premier Fund from the MLP. Depreciation or other cost recovery deductions passed through to the Fund from investments in MLPs in a given year will generally reduce the Fund's taxable income (and earnings and profits), but those deductions may be recaptured in the Fund's income (and earnings and profits) in subsequent years when the MLPs dispose of their assets or when the Fund disposes of its interests in the MLPs. When deductions are recaptured, the Fund may realize taxable income and distributions to the Fund's shareholders may be taxable, even though the shareholders at the time of the recapture might not have held Shares in the Fund at the time the deductions were taken by the Fund, and even though the Fund does not have corresponding economic gain on its investment at the time of the recapture. Such taxable income from recapture may be realized even if an MLP interest is sold at a loss or may exceed the gain if the MLP interest is sold at a gain. Losses allocated to the Fund from one MLP investment will carry forward as separate activity passive losses until such investment generates income or is itself sold, with such losses not being available in the meantime to offset income or gains allocated to the Fund from other MLP investments. Any distribution by an MLP to the MLP Premier Fund in excess of the MLP Premier Fund's allocable share of such MLP's net taxable income will decrease the MLP Premier Fund's tax basis in the MLP equity security and, as a result, increase the amount of gain (or decrease the amount of loss) that will be recognized on the sale of the equity security in the MLP by the MLP Premier Fund. If the MLP Premier Fund is required to sell equity securities in the MLPs to meet redemption requests, the MLP Premier Fund likely will recognize income and/or realized gain or losses for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The MLP Premier Fund's investment practices are subject to special and complex U.S. federal income tax provisions that may, among other things, (i) disallow, suspend or otherwise limit the allowance of certain losses or deductions, (ii) convert an ordinary loss or a deduction into a capital loss (the deductibility of which is more limited), (iii) cause the MLP Premier Fund to recognize income or gain without a corresponding receipt of cash, (iv) adversely affect the time as to when a purchase or sale of stock or securities is deemed to occur, and (v) adversely alter the characterization of certain complex financial transactions.

# Tax Reporting and Withholding (All MainStay Funds)

We will mail your tax report for each calendar year by February 15 of the following calendar year. This report will tell you which dividends and redemption proceeds should be treated as taxable ordinary income, which portion, if any, as qualified dividends, and which portion, if any, as long-term capital gains.

For MainStay Fund shares acquired January 1, 2012 or later, cost basis will be reported to you and the IRS for any IRS Form 1099-B reportable transactions (*e.g.*, redemptions and exchanges). The cost basis accounting method you select will be used to report transactions. If you do not select a cost basis accounting method, the MainStay Funds' default method (i.e., average cost if available) will be used.

The MainStay Funds may be required to withhold U.S. federal income tax, currently at the rate of 24%, of all taxable distributions payable to you if you fail to provide the MainStay Funds with your correct taxpayer identification number or fail to make required certifications, or if you have been notified by the IRS that you are subject to backup withholding. Such withholding is not an additional tax and any amounts withheld may be credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability.

Non-U.S. shareholders will generally be subject to U.S. tax withholding at the rate of 30% (or a lower rate under a tax treaty if applicable) on dividends paid by the MainStay Funds.

The MainStay Funds are required to withhold U.S. tax (at a 30% rate) on payments of taxable dividends made to certain entities that fail to comply (or to be deemed compliant) with extensive reporting and withholding requirements in the Internal Revenue Code designed to inform the U.S. Department of the Treasury of U.S.-owned foreign investment accounts. Shareholders may be requested to provide additional information to the Funds to enable the MainStay Funds to determine whether withholding is required.

# **Return of Capital (All MainStay Funds)**

If a MainStay Fund's distributions exceed its taxable income and capital gains realized in any year, such excess distributions generally will constitute a return of capital for federal income tax purposes. A return of capital generally will not be taxable to you at the time of the distribution, but will reduce the cost basis of your shares and result in a higher reported capital gain or a lower reported capital loss when you sell shares.

# Tax Treatment of Exchanges (All MainStay Funds)

An exchange of shares of one MainStay Fund for shares of another generally will be treated as a sale of shares of the first MainStay Fund and a purchase of shares of the second MainStay Fund. Any gain or loss on the transaction will be tax reportable by a shareholder if you are not a tax-exempt shareholder.

# **Medicare Tax (All MainStay Funds)**

An additional 3.8% Medicare tax is imposed on certain net investment income (including ordinary dividends and capital gain distributions received from a MainStay Fund and net gains from redemptions or other taxable dispositions of Fund shares) of U.S. individuals, estates and trusts to the extent that such person's "modified adjusted gross income" (in the case of an individual) or "adjusted gross income" (in the case of an estate or trust) exceeds certain threshold amounts.

# General U.S. Tax Treatment U.S. Nonresident Shareholders (All MainStay Funds)

Non-U.S. shareholders generally will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at the rate of 30% on distributions treated as ordinary income, and may be subject to estate tax with respect to their MainStay Fund shares. However, non-U.S. shareholders may not be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax on certain distributions derived from certain U.S. source interest income and/or certain short-term capital gains earned by the MainStay Funds, to the extent reported by the MainStay Funds. There can be no assurance as to whether any of a MainStay Fund's distributions will be eligible for this exemption from withholding of U.S. federal income tax or, if eligible, will be reported as such by the MainStay Funds. Moreover, depending on the circumstances, a MainStay Fund may report all, some or none of the MainStay Fund's potentially eligible dividends as derived from such U.S. interest income or from such short-term capital gains, and a portion of the MainStay Fund's distributions (e.g., interest from non-U.S. sources or any foreign currency gains) would be ineligible for this potential exemption from withholding when paid to non-U.S. shareholders.

Non-U.S. shareholders who fail to furnish any MainStay Fund with the proper IRS Form W-8 (i.e., IRS Form W-8BEN, IRS Form W-8BEN, IRS Form W-8IMY or IRS Form W-8EXP), or an acceptable substitute, may be subject to backup withholding (currently at a rate of 24%) rate on dividends (including capital gain dividends) and on the proceeds of redemptions and exchanges. The MainStay Funds are also required to withhold U.S. tax (at a 30% rate) on payments of dividends made to certain non-U.S. shareholders that fail to comply (or be deemed compliant) with extensive reporting and withholding requirements in the Internal Revenue Code designed to inform the U.S. Department of the Treasury of U.S.-owned foreign investment accounts. Shareholders may be requested to provide additional information to determine whether such withholding is required. Non-U.S. shareholders are advised to consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the particular tax consequences to them of an investment in the MainStay Funds.

**Seek professional assistance.** Your financial adviser can help you keep your investment goals coordinated with your tax considerations. However, regarding tax advice, always rely on your tax advisor. For additional information on federal, state and local taxation, see the SAI.

Do not overlook sales charges. The amount you pay in sales charges reduces gains and increases losses for tax purposes.

# **Know With Whom You Are Investing**

#### WHO RUNS THE FUND'S DAY-TO-DAY BUSINESS?

The Fund's Board oversees the actions of the Manager, the Subadvisor and the Distributor and decides on general policies governing the operations of the Fund. The Board also oversees the Fund's officers, who conduct and supervise the daily business of the Fund.

New York Life Investments is located at 51 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010. New York Life Investments, a Delaware limited liability company, commenced operations in April 2000 and is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life. As of December 31, 2023, New York Life Investments and its affiliates managed approximately \$716 billion in assets.

In accordance with the stated investment objectives, policies and restrictions of the Fund and subject to the oversight of the Board, the Manager provides various advisory services to the Fund. The Manager is responsible for, among other things, managing all aspects of the advisory operations of the Fund and the composition of the investment portfolio of the Fund. The Manager has delegated certain advisory duties with regard to the Fund (including management of all or a portion of the Fund's assets) to the Subadvisor. The Manager oversees the services provided by the Subadvisor by performing due diligence, evaluating the performance of the Subadvisor and periodically reporting to the Board regarding the results of the Manager's evaluation and monitoring functions. The Manager periodically makes recommendations to the Board regarding the renewal, modification or termination of agreements with the Subadvisor.

The Manager is also responsible for providing (or procuring) certain administrative services, such as furnishing the Fund with office facilities and ordinary clerical, bookkeeping and recordkeeping services. In addition, the Manager is responsible for maintaining certain financial, accounting and other records for the Fund and providing various compliance services.

The Manager pays the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer's compensation (a portion of which may be reimbursed by the Fund), the salaries and expenses of all personnel affiliated with the Fund, except for the independent members of the Board, and all operational expenses that are not the responsibility of the Fund, including the fees paid to the Subadvisor. Pursuant to a management agreement with the Fund, the Manager is entitled to receive fees from the Fund, accrued daily and payable monthly.

For the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023, the Fund paid the Manager an effective management fee (exclusive of any applicable waivers / reimbursements) for services performed as a percentage of the average daily net assets of the Fund at a rate of 1.10%.

For information related to the Board's approval of the management agreement and subadvisory agreement for the Fund, please refer to the Fund's Semi-Annual Report to shareholders for the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023.

The Manager is not responsible for records maintained by the Fund's Subadvisor, custodian, transfer agent or dividend disbursing agent except to the extent expressly provided in the management agreement between the Manager and the Fund.

Pursuant to an agreement with New York Life Investments, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179 ("JPMorgan") provides sub-administration and sub-accounting services for the Fund. These services include, among other things, calculating daily NAV of the Fund, maintaining general ledger and sub-ledger accounts for the calculation of the Fund's NAV, 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.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING FEE WAIVERS

# Contractual

New York Life Investments has contractually agreed to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses so that the transfer agency expenses charged to each of the Fund's share classes do not exceed 0.35% of that share class's average daily net assets on an annual basis after deducting any applicable Fund or class-level expense reimbursements or small account fees.

This agreement will remain in effect until March 31, 2025, and thereafter 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.

# WHO MANAGES YOUR MONEY?

New York Life Investments serves as Manager of the Fund.

Under the supervision of the Manager, the Subadvisor listed below is responsible for making the specific decisions about the following: (i) buying, selling and holding securities; (ii) selecting brokers and brokerage firms to trade for them; (iii) maintaining accurate records; and, if possible, (iv) negotiating favorable commissions and fees with the brokers and brokerage firms for the Fund. For these services, the Subadvisor is paid a monthly fee by the Manager out of its management fee, not the Fund. See the SAI for a breakdown of fees.

**Cushing® Asset Management, LP** ("Cushing") is located at 600 N Pearl Street, Suite 1205, Dallas, Texas 75201. Cushing is a whollyowned investment advisory subsidiary of Swank Capital. Cushing was founded in 2003 and serves as investment adviser to registered and unregistered funds which invest primarily in securities of MLPs and other energy and energy-related companies. As of December 31, 2023, Cushing managed approximately \$1 billion in assets.

# **PORTFOLIO MANAGER BIOGRAPHIES**

The following section provides biographical information about the Fund's portfolio managers. Additional information regarding the portfolio managers' compensation, other accounts managed and ownership of shares of the Fund is available in the SAI.

John M. Musgrave	Mr. Musgrave has managed the Fund since 2020. He is President, Chief Executive Officer, Portfolio Manager and Chief Investment Officer of Cushing. Mr. Musgrave joined the firm in 2007. His responsibilities include portfolio management and research coverage of midstream companies. Prior to joining Cushing, Mr. Musgrave worked in the investment banking division of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. where he focused on corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions in a wide range of industries, including midstream energy companies. He also worked previously as an analyst for the Global Energy Group of UBS Investment Bank. He received his BBA in Finance from Texas A&M University.
Todd Sunderland, CFA	Mr. Sunderland has managed the Fund since 2024. He is the Chief Risk Officer, Chief Operation Officer and Portfolio Manager at Cushing. Mr. Sunderland has worked in investment and risk management since 2004 and had previously worked in the engineering field. Before coming to the firm in 2007 he was portfolio analyst at Spinnerhawk Capital Management. Prior to that, he was programmer and risk analyst for Hunt Financial Ventures. His engineering experience includes Carter & Burgess (Jacobs) and United Technologies Carrier. Mr. Sunderland earned his M.B.A. from Southern Methodist University and his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Cornell University. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst®, a Financial Risk Manager (FRM), Chartered Market Technician (CMT), and a registered Professional Engineer (PE) — inactive.

# **ORGANIZATIONAL DOCUMENTS**

# MainStay Funds Trust

MainStay Funds Trust's Declaration of Trust provides that by virtue of becoming a shareholder of MainStay Funds Trust, each shareholder shall be held expressly to have agreed to be bound by the provisions of the Declaration of Trust, However, shareholders should be aware that they generally cannot waive their rights under the federal securities laws notwithstanding any of the provisions of the Declaration of Trust. The Declaration of Trust provides a detailed process for the bringing of derivative actions by shareholders for claims beyond the process otherwise required by law. This derivative actions process is intended to permit legitimate inquiries and claims while avoiding the time, expense, distraction, and other harm that can be caused to a Fund or its shareholders as a result of spurious shareholder demands and derivative actions. Prior to bringing a derivative action, a demand by the complaining shareholder must first be made on the Board of Trustees. The Declaration of Trust details conditions that must be met with respect to the demand. Within 30 days following receipt of a demand meeting these conditions, the Trustees must investigate and consider the demand. Except with regard to claims arising under the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, any rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under any of these statutes, the Bank Secrecy Act as it applies to mutual funds, and any rules adopted thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Department of the Treasury (collectively, the "federal securities laws"), if the demand for derivative action has been considered by the Board of Trustees, and a majority of the Independent Trustees, after considering the merits of the claim, has determined that maintaining a suit would not be in the best interests of MainStay Funds Trust or the affected Fund or class, as applicable, the complaining shareholders shall be barred from commencing the derivative action. Furthermore, except for an action arising under the federal securities laws, at least 10% of the shareholders of MainStay Funds Trust or the affected Fund or class, applicable, must join in bringing any derivative action. MainStay Funds Trust's process for bringing derivative

suits may be more restrictive than other investment companies. The process for derivative actions for MainStay Funds Trust also may make it more expensive for a shareholder to bring a suit than if the shareholder was not required to follow such a process.

MainStay Funds Trust's By-Laws require that actions by shareholders against a Fund shall be exclusively brought in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware, or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction. However, any actions arising under the federal securities laws must be exclusively brought in the federal district courts of the United States of America. MainStay Funds Trust's By-Laws also require that the right to jury trial be waived to the fullest extent permitted by law for any such action. Other investment companies may not be subject to similar restrictions. In addition, the designation of certain courts as exclusive jurisdictions for certain claims may make it more expensive for a shareholder to bring a suit than if the shareholder was permitted to select another jurisdiction. The exclusive jurisdiction designation and the waiver of jury trials would limit a shareholder's ability to litigate certain claims in a jurisdiction or in a manner that may be more favorable to the shareholder.

# **Financial Highlights**

The financial highlights tables are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five fiscal years. Certain information reflects financial results for a single Fund share. The total returns in the tables represent the rate that an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in the Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and capital gain distributions and excluding all sales charges).

This information has been audited by KPMG LLP, whose report, along with the Fund's financial statements, is included in the Annual Report, which is available upon request.

	Year Ended November 30,									
Class A	2023		2022			2021		2020		2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$	8.87	\$	7.28	\$	5.93	\$	9.09	\$	10.64
Net investment income (loss)(a)		0.09		0.04		0.03		(0.01)		(0.09)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		0.64		2.33		2.22		(2.25)		(0.52)
Total from investment operations		0.73		2.37		2.25		(2.26)		(0.61)
Less distributions:										
From net investment income		(0.13)		(0.60)		(0.06)		_		_
Return of capital		(0.63)		(0.18)		(0.84)		(0.90)		(0.94)
Total distributions		(0.76)		(0.78)		(0.90)		(0.90)		(0.94)
Net asset value at end of year	\$	8.84	\$	8.87	\$	7.28	\$	5.93	\$	9.09
Total investment return(b)		9.11%		34.02%		39.57%		(24.48)%		(6.40)%
Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:										
Net investment income (loss) (including net deferred income tax benefit (expense))		1.04%		0.45%		0.48%(c)		(0.13)%(c)		(0.92)%(c)
Net investment income (loss) (excluding net deferred income		1.02%		0.45%		0.50%(c)		(0.11)%(c)		(0.90)%(c)
tax benefit (expense)) Net expenses (including net deferred income tax benefit		1.49%		1.45%		1.61%(c)		1.60%(c)		1.54%(c)
(expense))(d)(e) Portfolio turnover rate		20%		32%		28%		33%		50%
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	_\$	288,606	\$	283,004	\$	209,634	\$	168,532	\$	249,399

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

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>c) Ratios including/excluding tax benefit (expense) includes applicable franchise tax expense for the period.

For the year ended November 30, 2021, the Fund accrued \$(94,246) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(32,777) is attributable to Class A.

For the year ended November 30, 2020, the Fund accrued \$(111,509) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(30,329) is attributable to Class A.

For the year ended November 30, 2019, the Fund accrued \$(209,064) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(48,618) is attributable to Class A.

<sup>(</sup>d) The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets before waiver and recoupment was 1.51%, 1.45%, 1.59%, and 1.53% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019, respectively. The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets after waiver and recoupment was 1.51%, 1.45%, 1.59%, 1.59%, and 1.53% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) 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.

	Year Ended November 30,									
Investor Class		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$	8.89	\$	7.29	\$	5.94	\$	9.10	\$	10.65
Net investment income (loss)(a)		0.09		0.03		0.03		(0.01)		(0.09)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		0.64		2.35		2.22		(2.25)		(0.52)
Total from investment operations		0.73	<u> </u>	2.38		2.25		(2.26)		(0.61)
Less distributions:		<del></del>								
From net investment income		(0.13)		(0.60)		(0.07)		_		_
Return of capital		(0.63)		(0.18)		(0.83)		(0.90)		(0.94)
Total distributions		(0.76)		(0.78)		(0.90)		(0.90)		(0.94)
Net asset value at end of year	\$	8.86	\$	8.89	\$	7.29	\$	5.94	\$	9.10
Total investment return(b)		9.08%		34.12%		39.50%		(24.45)%		(6.04)%
Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:										
Net investment income (loss) (including net deferred income tax benefit (expense))		1.03%		0.42%		0.40%(c)		(0.18)%(c)		(0.92)%(c)
Net investment income (loss) (excluding net deferred income tax benefit (expense))		1.01%		0.42%		0.42%(c)		(0.17)%(c)		(0.91)%(c)
Net expenses (including net deferred income tax benefit (expense))(d)(e)		1.48%		1.44%		1.64%(c)		1.64%(c)		1.54%(c)
Portfolio turnover rate		20%		32%		28%		33%		50%
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$	2,896	\$	3,011	\$	2,105	\$	1,783	\$	2,446

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

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>c) Ratios including/excluding tax benefit (expense) includes applicable franchise tax expense for the period.

For the year ended November 30, 2021, the Fund accrued \$(94,246) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(311) is attributable to Investor Class.

For the year ended November 30, 2020, The Fund accrued \$(111,509) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(313) is attributable to Investor Class.

For the year ended November 30, 2019, the Fund accrued \$(209,064) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(466) is attributable to Investor Class.

<sup>(</sup>d) The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets before waiver was 1.50%, 1.44%, 1.62%, 1.63%, and 1.53% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019, respectively. The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets after waiver was 1.50%, 1.44%, 1.62%, 1.63%, and 1.53% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) 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.

	Year Ended November 30,									
Class C		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$	7.31	\$	6.16	\$	5.17	\$	8.14	\$	9.69
Net investment income (loss)(a)		0.02		(0.02)		(0.03)		(0.05)		(0.15)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		0.51		1.95		1.92		(2.02)		(0.46)
Total from investment operations		0.53		1.93		1.89		(2.07)		(0.61)
Less distributions:										
From net investment income		(0.13)		(0.60)		(80.0)		_		_
Return of capital		(0.63)		(0.18)		(0.82)		(0.90)		(0.94)
Total distributions		(0.76)		(0.78)		(0.90)		(0.90)		(0.94)
Net asset value at end of year	\$	7.08	\$	7.31	\$	6.16	\$	5.17	\$	8.14
Total investment return(b)		8.27%		33.01%		38.36%		(25.03)%		(7.06)%
Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:										
Net investment income (loss) (including net deferred income		0.28%		(0.33)%		(0.41)%(c)		(0.87)%(c)		(1.65)%(c)
tax benefit (expense))										
Net investment income (loss) (excluding net deferred income		0.26%		(0.33)%		(0.39)%(c)		(0.85)%(c)		(1.64)%(c)
tax benefit (expense))		0.000/		0.400/		0.000(/-)		0.000(())		0.000((:)
Net expenses (including net deferred income tax benefit		2.23%		2.19%		2.39%(c)		2.39%(c)		2.29%(c)
(expense))(d)(e) Portfolio turnover rate		20%		32%		28%		33%		50%
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	ф	20% 149,821	Ф	159,900	Ф	140,379	Ф	138,776	Ф	272,423
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<sup>(</sup>a) Per share data based on average shares outstanding during the year.

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>c) Ratios including/excluding tax benefit (expense) includes applicable franchise tax expense for the period.

For the year ended November 30, 2021, the Fund accrued \$(94,246) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(22,323) is attributable to Class C.

For the year ended November 30, 2020, the Fund accrued \$(111,509) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(29,666) is attributable to Class C.

For the year ended November 30, 2019, the Fund accrued \$(209,064) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(60,864) is attributable to Class C.

<sup>(</sup>d) The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets before waiver and recoupment was 2.25%, 2.19%, 2.37%, 2.38%, and 2.28% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets after waiver and recoupment was 2.25%, 2.19%, 2.37%, 2.38%, and 2.28% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) 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.

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	Year Ended November 30					0,					
Class I	2023			2022		2021		2020		2019	
Net asset value at beginning of year	\$	9.40	\$	7.66	\$	6.19	\$	9.41	\$	10.95	
Net investment income (loss)(a)		0.11		0.06		0.05		0.01		(0.07)	
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		0.69		2.46		2.32		(2.33)		(0.53)	
Total from investment operations		0.80		2.52		2.37		(2.32)		(0.60)	
Less distributions:											
From net investment income		(0.13)		(0.60)		(0.07)		_		_	
Return of capital		(0.63)		(0.18)		(0.83)		(0.90)		(0.94)	
Total distributions		(0.76)		(0.78)		(0.90)		(0.90)		(0.94)	
Net asset value at end of year	\$	9.44	\$	9.40		7.66	\$	6.19	\$	9.41	
Total investment return(b)		9.34%		34.30%		39.87%		(24.27)%		(6.12)%	
Ratios (to average net assets)/Supplemental Data:											
Net investment income (loss) (including net deferred income tax benefit (expense))		1.28%		0.67%		0.72%(c)		0.19%(c)		(0.65)%(c)	
Net investment income (loss) (excluding net deferred income tax benefit (expense))		1.26%		0.67%		0.74%(c)		0.21%(c)		(0.63)%(c)	
Net expenses (including net deferred income tax benefit (expense))(d)(e)		1.24%		1.20%		1.36%(c)		1.35%(c)		1.29%(c)	
Portfolio turnover rate		20%		32%		28%		33%		50%	
Net assets at end of year (in 000's)	\$	328,433	\$	328,387	\$	263,978	\$	218,903	\$	461,177	

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

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>c) Ratios including/excluding tax benefit (expense) includes applicable franchise tax expense for the period.

For the year ended November 30, 2021, the Fund accrued \$(94,246) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(38,835) is attributable to Class I.

For the year ended November 30, 2020, the Fund accrued \$(111,509) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(51,201) is attributable to Class I.

For the year ended November 30, 2019, the Fund accrued \$(209,064) in franchise tax expense, of which \$(99,116) is attributable to Class I.

<sup>(</sup>d) The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets before waiver and recoupment was 1.26%, 1.20%, 1.34%, 1.34%, and 1.27% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The ratio of expenses excluding tax expense to average net assets after waiver and recoupment was 1.26%, 1.20%, 1.34%, 1.34%, and 1.27% for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>e) 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.

# Appendix A – Intermediary-Specific Sales Charge Waivers and Discounts

This Appendix A discloses intermediary-specific sales charge waivers and discounts, if any. Please see the "Information on Sales Charges" section of the Prospectus for information about sales charge waivers and discounts available if you invest directly with a MainStay Fund or intermediaries not identified on this Appendix A. The terms or availability of waivers or discounts may be changed at any time.

The availability of initial and contingent deferred sales charge waivers and discounts may depend on the particular financial intermediary or type of account through which you purchase or hold Fund shares. Financial intermediaries specified on Appendix A may have different policies and procedures regarding, among other things, the availability of these waivers and discounts. To qualify for waivers or discounts not available through a particular financial intermediary, investors will have to purchase shares directly from the Funds (or the Distributor) or through another financial intermediary that makes available such waivers or discounts.

Purchases through any financial intermediary identified below are subject to sales charge waivers and/or discounts that are different from the sales charge waivers and/or discounts available for shares purchased directly from the Funds (or the Distributor). Financial intermediary-specific sales charge waivers and/or discounts are implemented and administered by each financial intermediary. This Appendix will be updated when required with changes to this Appendix or to add additional intermediaries.

In all instances, it is an investor's responsibility to notify the financial intermediary of any facts that may qualify the investor for sales charge waivers or discounts. You may wish to contact your financial intermediary to ensure that you have the most current information regarding the sales charge waivers and discounts available to you and the steps you must take to qualify for available waivers and discounts.

# **Ameriprise Financial**

The following information applies to Class A shares purchases if you have an account with or otherwise purchase Fund shares through Ameriprise Financial:

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an Ameriprise Financial retail brokerage account are eligible for the following front-end sales charge waivers, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in the Fund's prospectus or SAI:

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs.
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the MainStay Funds).
- Shares exchanged from Class C shares of the same fund in the month of or following the 7-year anniversary of the purchase date. To the extent that this prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to exchanges of Class C shares or conversion of Class C shares following a shorter holding period, that waiver will apply.
- Employees and registered representatives of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates and their immediate family members.
- Shares purchased by or through qualified accounts (including IRAs, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, 401(k)s, 403(b) TSCAs subject to ERISA and defined benefit plans) that are held by a covered family member, defined as an Ameriprise financial advisor and/or the advisor's spouse, advisor's lineal ascendant (mother, father, grandmother, grandfather, great grandmother, great grandmother, great granddaughter), advisor's lineal descendant (son, step-son, daughter, step-daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson, great granddaughter) or any spouse of a covered family member who is a lineal descendant.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the MainStay Funds, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a frontend or deferred sales load (i.e. Rights of Reinstatement).

## **Edward Jones**

Effective on or after January 1, 2024, the following information supersedes prior information with respect to transactions and positions held in fund shares through an Edward Jones system. Clients of Edward Jones (also referred to as "shareholders") purchasing fund shares on the Edward Jones commission and fee-based platforms are eligible only for the following sales charge discounts (also referred to as "breakpoints") and waivers, which can differ from discounts and waivers described elsewhere in the mutual fund prospectus or statement of additional information ("SAI") or through another broker-dealer. In all instances, it is the shareholder's responsibility to inform Edward Jones at the time of purchase of any relationship, holdings of MainStay Funds, or other facts qualifying the purchaser for discounts or waivers. Edward Jones can ask for

documentation of such circumstance. Shareholders should contact Edward Jones if they have questions regarding their eligibility for these discounts and waivers.

#### **Breakpoints**

Breakpoint pricing, otherwise known as volume pricing, at dollar thresholds as described in the prospectus.

# Rights of Accumulation ("ROA")

- The applicable sales charge on a purchase of Class A shares is determined by taking into account all share classes (except certain money market funds and any assets held in group retirement plans) of MainStay Funds held by the shareholder or in an account grouped by Edward Jones with other accounts for the purpose of providing certain pricing considerations ("pricing groups"). If grouping assets as a shareholder, this includes all share classes held on the Edward Jones platform and/or held on another platform. The inclusion of eligible fund family assets in the ROA calculation is dependent on the shareholder notifying Edward Jones of such assets at the time of calculation. Money market funds are included only if such shares were sold with a sales charge at the time of purchase or acquired in exchange for shares purchased with a sales charge.
- The employer maintaining a SEP IRA plan and/or SIMPLE IRA plan may elect to establish or change ROA for the IRA accounts associated with the plan to a plan-level grouping as opposed to including all share classes at a shareholder or pricing group level.
- ROA is determined by calculating the higher of cost minus redemptions or market value (current shares x NAV).

#### Letter of Intent ("LOI")

- Through a LOI, shareholders can receive the sales charge and breakpoint discounts for purchases shareholders intend to make over a 13-month period from the date Edward Jones receives the LOI. The LOI is determined by calculating the higher of cost or market value of qualifying holdings at LOI initiation in combination with the value that the shareholder intends to buy over a 13-month period to calculate the front-end sales charge and any breakpoint discounts. Each purchase the shareholder makes during that 13-month period will receive the sales charge and breakpoint discount that applies to the total amount. The inclusion of eligible fund family assets in the LOI calculation is dependent on the shareholder notifying Edward Jones of such assets at the time of calculation. Purchases made before the LOI is received by Edward Jones are not adjusted under the LOI and will not reduce the sales charge previously paid. Sales charges will be adjusted if LOI is not met.
- If the employer maintaining a SEP IRA plan and/or SIMPLE IRA plan has elected to establish or change ROA for the IRA accounts
  associated with the plan to a plan-level grouping, LOIs will also be at the plan-level and may only be established by the employer.

# Sales Charge Waivers

Sales charges are waived for the following shareholders and in the following situations:

- Associates of Edward Jones and its affiliates and other accounts in the same pricing group (as determined by Edward Jones under its
  policies and procedures) as the associate. This waiver will continue for the remainder of the associate's life if the associate retires from
  Edward Jones in good-standing and remains in good standing pursuant to Edward Jones' policies and procedures.
- Shares purchased in an Edward Jones fee-based program.
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment. Shares purchased from the proceeds of redeemed shares of the same fund family so long as the following conditions are met: the proceeds are from the sale of shares within 60 days of the purchase, the sale and purchase are made from a share class that charges a front load and one of the following:
  - o The redemption and repurchase occur in the same account.
  - The redemption proceeds are used to process an: IRA contribution, excess contributions, conversion, recharacterizing of contributions, or distribution, and the repurchase is done in an account within the same Edward Jones grouping for ROA.
- Shares exchanged into Class A shares from another share class so long as the exchange is into the same fund and was initiated at the discretion of Edward Jones. Edward Jones is responsible for any remaining CDSC due to the fund company, if applicable. Any future purchases are subject to the applicable sales charge as disclosed in the prospectus.
- Exchanges from Class C shares to Class A shares of the same fund, generally, in the 84<sup>th</sup> month following the anniversary of the purchase date or earlier at the discretion of Edward Jones.
- Purchases of Class 529-A shares through a rollover from either another education savings plan or a security used for qualified distributions.
- Purchases of Class 529 shares made for recontribution of refunded amounts.

#### Contingent Deferred Sales Charge ("CDSC") Waivers

If the shareholder purchases shares that are subject to a CDSC and those shares are redeemed before the CDSC is expired, the shareholder is responsible to pay the CDSC except in the following conditions:

• The death or disability of the shareholder.

- Systematic withdrawals with up to 10% per year of the account value.
- Return of excess contributions from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA).
- Shares redeemed as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts if the redemption is taken in or after the
  year the shareholder reaches qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations.
- Shares redeemed to pay Edward Jones fees or costs in such cases where the transaction is initiated by Edward Jones.
- Shares exchanged in an Edward Jones fee-based program.
- Shares acquired through NAV reinstatement.
- Shares redeemed at the discretion of Edward Jones for Minimum Balances, as described below.

### Other Important Information Regarding Transactions Through Edward Jones

#### **Minimum Purchase Amounts**

- Initial purchase minimum: \$250
- Subsequent purchase minimum: none

#### Minimum Balances

- Edward Jones has the right to redeem at its discretion fund holdings with a balance of \$250 or less. The following are examples of accounts that are not included in this policy:
  - A fee-based account held on an Edward Jones platform
  - o A 529 account held on an Edward Jones platform
  - An account with an active systematic investment plan or LOI

# **Exchanging Share Classes**

At any time it deems necessary, Edward Jones has the authority to exchange at NAV a shareholder's holdings in a fund to Class A shares
of the same fund.

# E\*TRADE

# Front-End Sales Charge Waiver

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an E\*TRADE brokerage account will be eligible for a waiver of the front-end sales charge with respect to Class A shares (or the equivalent). This includes shares purchased through the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions.

#### J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

Effective September 29, 2023, if you purchase or hold fund shares through an applicable J.P. Morgan Securities LLC brokerage account, you will be eligible for the following sales charge waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC"), or back-end sales charge, waivers), share class conversion policy and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this fund's prospectus or Statement of Additional Information.

Front-end sales charge waivers on Class A shares available at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

- Shares exchanged from Class C (i.e., level-load) shares that are no longer subject to a CDSC and are exchanged into Class A shares of the same fund pursuant to J.P. Morgan Securities LLC's share class exchange policy.
- Qualified employer-sponsored defined contribution and defined benefit retirement plans, nonqualified deferred compensation plans, other employee benefit plans and trusts used to fund those plans. For purposes of this provision, such plans do not include SEP IRAs, SIMPLE IRAs, SAR-SEPs or 501(c)(3) accounts.
- Shares of funds purchased through J.P. Morgan Securities LLC Self-Directed Investing accounts.
- Shares purchased through rights of reinstatement.
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family).
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC or its affiliates and their spouse or financial dependent as defined by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC.

Class C to Class A share conversion

• A shareholder in the fund's Class C shares will have their shares converted by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the same fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is consistent with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC's policies and procedures.

CDSC waivers on Class A and C shares available at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

- Shares sold upon the death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Shares purchased in connection with a return of excess contributions from an IRA account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

Front-end load discounts available at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC: breakpoints, rights of accumulation & letters of intent

- Breakpoints as described in the prospectus.
- Rights of Accumulation ("ROA") which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts as described in the fund's prospectus will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC. Eligible fund family assets not held at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (including 529 program holdings, where applicable) may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies their financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of Intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, through J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, over a 13-month period of time (if applicable).

# Janney Montgomery Scott LLC

Shareholders purchasing MainStay Fund shares through a Janney Montgomery Scott LLC ("Janney") account will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Prospectus or SAI.

# Front-end sales charge waivers on Class A shares available at Janney

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the MainStay Funds family).
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of Janney or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Janney.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the MainStay Funds family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within ninety (90) days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e., right of reinstatement).
- Class C shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are exchanged to Class A shares of the same MainStay Fund pursuant to Janney's policies and procedures.

#### Sales charge waivers on Class A and C shares available at Jannev

- · Shares sold upon the death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the MainStay Fund's Prospectus.
- Shares purchased in connection with a return of excess contributions from an IRA account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and other retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.
- Shares sold to pay Janney fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Janney.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

### Front-end load discounts available at Janney: breakpoints, and/or rights of accumulation

- Breakpoints as described in the MainStay Fund's Prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation ("ROA"), which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts, will be automatically calculated based on the
  aggregated holding of MainStay Funds family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Janney. Eligible MainStay
  Funds family assets not held at Janney may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor
  about such assets.

#### LPL Financial

Shareholders purchasing Class A shares of a Fund through LPL Financial's mutual fund only platform will be able to purchase shares without imposition of a front-end sales charge, which may differ from the waiver eligibility requirements otherwise disclosed in the Prospectus or SAI.

# Merrill Lynch

Purchases or sales of front-end (i.e. Class A) or level-load (i.e., Class C) mutual fund shares through a Merrill platform or account will be eligible only for the following sales load waivers (front-end, contingent deferred, or back-end waivers) and discounts, which differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus. Purchasers will have to buy mutual fund shares directly from the mutual fund company or through another intermediary to be eligible for waivers or discounts not listed below.

It is the client's responsibility to notify Merrill at the time of purchase or sale of any relationship or other facts that qualify the transaction for a waiver or discount. A Merrill representative may ask for reasonable documentation of such facts and Merrill may condition the granting of a waiver or discount on the timely receipt of such documentation.

Additional information on waivers and discounts is available in the Merrill Sales Load Waiver and Discounts Supplement (the "Merrill SLWD Supplement") and in the Mutual Fund Investing at Merrill pamphlet at ml.com/funds. Clients are encouraged to review these documents and speak with their financial advisor to determine whether a transaction is eliqible for a waiver or discount.

#### Front-end Load Waivers Available at Merrill

Shares of mutual funds available for purchase by employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation, and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans provided the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan. For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAS, Simple IRAS, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans

Shares purchased through a Merrill investment advisory program

Brokerage class shares exchanged from advisory class shares due to the holdings moving from a Merrill investment advisory program to a Merrill brokerage account

Shares purchased through the Merrill Edge Self-Directed platform

Shares purchased through the systematic reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same mutual fund in the same account

Shares exchanged from level-load shares to front-end load shares of the same mutual fund in accordance with the description in the Merrill SLWD Supplement

Shares exchanged from back-end load (i.e. Class B) shares to front-end load shares of the same mutual fund<sup>1</sup>

Shares purchased by eligible employees of Merrill or its affiliates and their family members who purchase shares in accounts within the employee's Merrill Household (as defined in the Merrill SLWD Supplement)

Shares purchased by eligible persons associated with the fund as defined in this prospectus (e.g. the fund's officers or trustees)

Shares purchased from the proceeds of a mutual fund redemption in front-end or back-end load shares provided (1) the repurchase is in a mutual fund within the same fund family; (2) the repurchase occurs within 90 calendar days from the redemption trade date, and (3) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account (known as Rights of Reinstatement). Automated transactions (i.e. systematic purchases and withdrawals) and purchases made after shares are automatically sold to pay Merrill's account maintenance fees are not eligible for Rights of Reinstatement

1. On or around April 15, 2024, Merrill will exchange all back-end load shares held in Merrill accounts to front-end load shares of the same mutual fund.

# Contingent Deferred Sales Charge ("CDSC") Waivers on Front-end, Back-end, and Level Load Shares Available at Merrill

Shares sold due to the client's death or disability (as defined by Internal Revenue Code Section 22(e)(3))

Shares sold pursuant to a systematic withdrawal program subject to Merrill's maximum systematic withdrawal limits as described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement

Shares sold due to return of excess contributions from an IRA account

Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the investor reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulation

Shares exchanged from back-end load shares to front-end load shares of the same mutual fund<sup>1</sup>

Front-end or level-load shares held in commission-based, non-taxable retirement brokerage accounts (e.g. traditional, Roth, rollover, SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans) that are transferred to fee-based accounts or platforms and exchanged for a lower cost share class of the same mutual fund

# Front-end Load Discounts Available at Merrill: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent

Breakpoint discounts, as described in this prospectus, where the sales load is at or below the maximum sales load that Merrill permits to be assessed to a front-end load purchase, as described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement

Rights of Accumulation (ROA), as described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement, which entitle clients to breakpoint discounts based on the aggregated holdings of mutual fund family assets held in accounts in their Merrill Household

Letters of Intent (LOI), which allow for breakpoint discounts on eligible new purchases based on anticipated future eligible purchases within a fund family at Merrill, in accounts within your Merrill Household, as further described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement

## Morgan Stanley Wealth Management

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Morgan Stanley Wealth Management transactional brokerage account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers with respect to Class A shares, which may differ from and may be more limited than those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI.

Front-end Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares available at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans
- Morgan Stanley employee and employee-related accounts according to Morgan Stanley's account linking rules
- · Shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions when purchasing shares of the same fund
- · Shares purchased through a Morgan Stanley self-directed brokerage account
- Morgan Stanley, on your behalf, can also convert Class A shares to Class A2 shares of the same fund, without a sales charge and on a tax free basis, if they are held in a brokerage account.
- Class C (i.e., level-load) and Class C2 shares, as applicable, that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are converted to Class A shares (or equivalent) of the same fund pursuant to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management's share class conversion program.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (i) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (ii) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (iii) redeemed shares were subject to a frontend or deferred sales charge.

#### Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. ("OPCO") platform or account are eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus or SAI.

#### Front-end Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares and Investor Class Shares available at OPCO

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan
- Shares purchased by or through a 529 Plan
- · Shares purchased through an OPCO-affiliated investment advisory program
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family)

- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a frontend or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).
- A shareholder in the Fund's Class C shares that are converted by OPCO at net asset value to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of OPCO
- Employees and registered representatives of OPCO or its affiliates and their family members
- Trustees of the Fund and employees of the Fund's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this prospectus

#### CDSC Waivers on Class A. B and C Shares and Investor Class Shares available at OPCO

- · Death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's prospectus
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations as described in the prospectus
- Shares sold to pay OPCO fees but only if the transaction is initiated by OPCO
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement

# Front-end load Discounts Available at OPCO: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus.
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the
  aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at OPCO. Eligible fund family assets not held
  at OPCO may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

#### **Raymond James**

# Raymond James & Associates, Inc., Raymond James Financial Services Inc. and each entity's affiliates ("Raymond James")

Shareholders purchasing fund shares through a Raymond James platform or account, or through an introducing broker-dealer or independent registered investment adviser for which Raymond James provides trade execution, clearance, and/or custody services, will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in the Prospectus or SAI.

#### Front-end sales load waivers on Class A shares available at Raymond James

- Shares purchased in an investment advisory program.
- Shares purchased within the MainStay Funds through a systematic reinvestment of capital gains and dividend distributions.
- Employees and registered representatives of Raymond James or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Raymond James.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the MainStay Funds, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a frontend or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).
- A shareholder in the Fund's Class C shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class A shares (or the appropriate share
  class) of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of
  Raymond James.

### CDSC Waivers on Classes A, B and C shares available at Raymond James

- Death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70½ as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Shares sold to pay Raymond James fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Raymond James.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

### Front-end load discounts available at Raymond James: breakpoints, and/or rights of accumulation, and/or letters of intent

Breakpoints as described in this prospectus.

- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated
  holding of MainStay Fund assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Raymond James. Eligible MainStay Fund assets
  not held at Raymond James may be included in the rights of accumulation calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial
  advisor about such assets.
- Letters of intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within the MainStay Funds over a 13-month time
  period. Eligible MainStay Fund assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the calculation of letters of intent only if the
  shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

#### Robert W. Baird & Co.

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Robert W. Baird & Co. ("Baird") platform or account will only be eligible for the following sales charge waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and CDSC waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this prospectus or the SAI.

# Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Investor Class and Class A shares Available at Baird

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of Baird or its affiliate and their family members as designated by Baird
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions from another MainStay Fund, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days
  following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a frontend or deferred sales charge (known as rights of reinstatement)
- A shareholder in a Fund's Class C Shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class A shares of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of Baird
- Employer-sponsored retirement plans or charitable accounts in a transactional brokerage account at Baird, including 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans. For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs

# CDSC Waivers on Investor Class, Class A and Class C shares Available at Baird

- · Shares sold due to death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's Prospectus
- · Shares bought due to returns of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code
- Shares sold to pay Baird fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Baird
- · Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement

# Front-End Sales Charge Discounts Available at Baird: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulations, and/or Letters of Intent

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated
  holding of assets in the MainStay Group of Funds held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Baird. Eligible MainStay Fund
  assets not held at Baird may be included in the rights of accumulation calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial
  advisor about such assets
- Letters of Intent (LOI) allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases of MainStay Funds through Baird, over a 13-month period of time

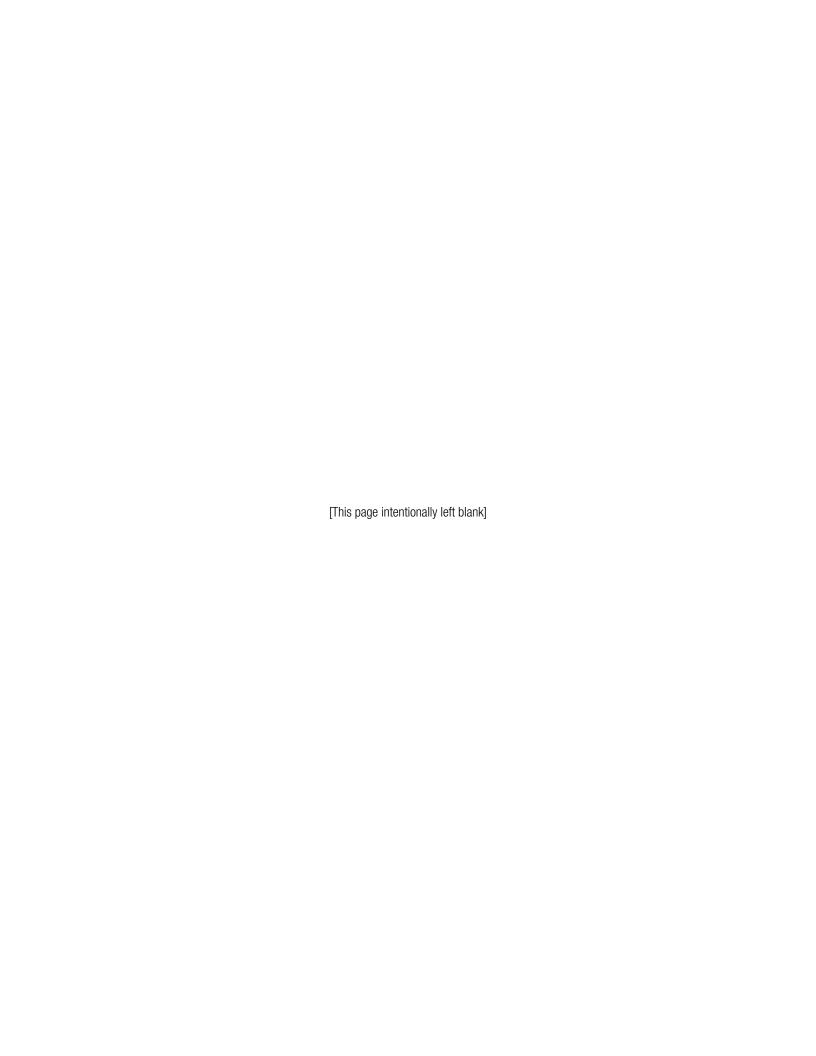
#### Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated

Shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated ("Stifel") platform or account or who own shares for which Stifel or an affiliate is the broker-dealer of record are eligible for the following additional sales charge waiver.

#### Front-end Sales Load Waiver on Class A Shares

• Class C shares that have been held for more than seven (7) years will be converted to Class A shares of the same Fund pursuant to Stifel's policies and procedures

All other sales charge waivers and reductions described elsewhere in the Fund's Prospectus or SAI still apply.



No dealer, sales representative or any other person is authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Prospectus and in the Statement of Additional Information, in connection with the offer contained in this Prospectus, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Fund or the Distributor. This Prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information do not constitute an offer by the Fund or by the Distributor to sell or a solicitation of any offer to buy any of the securities offered hereby in any jurisdiction or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such jurisdiction.

#### HOUSEHOLD MAILINGS AND E-DELIVERY

Each year you are automatically sent an updated Summary Prospectus and Annual and Semiannual Reports (or notice of such reports) for the Fund. You may also occasionally receive proxy statements for the Fund. In order to reduce the volume of mail you receive, when possible, only one copy of these documents may be sent to shareholders who are part of the same family and share the same household address. You may elect to receive these documents electronically in lieu of paper form by enrolling in e-delivery on our website, newyorklifeinvestments.com/accounts. If you would like to opt out of household-based mailings, please call toll free 800-624-6782.

# STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ("SAI")

Provides more details about the Fund. The current SAI is incorporated by reference into the Prospectus and has been filed with the SEC.

### ANNUAL/SEMIANNUAL REPORTS

Provide additional information about the Fund's investments and include discussions of market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Fund's performance during the last fiscal year or period, if applicable, in the annual and semiannual reports and in Form N-CSR. In the Fund's Form N-CSR, you will find the Fund's annual and semi-annual financial statements.

#### **TO OBTAIN INFORMATION**

More information about the Fund, including the SAI, the Annual/Semiannual Reports and other information such as the Fund's financial statements, when available, may be obtained without charge, upon request. To obtain information, or for shareholder inquiries, call toll-free 800-624-6782, visit our website at newyorklifeinvestments.com, or write to NYLIFE Distributors LLC, Attn: New York Life Investments Marketing Dept., 30 Hudson Street, Jersey City, New Jersey 07302.

Other information about the Fund (including the Statement of Additional Information) is available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's internet site at http://www.sec.gov. You may obtain copies of this information, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov.

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