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## FORT WASHINGTON STRATEGIC INCOME - 1Q2024

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Inception Date: 07/01/2017 Total Assets: \$999 million<sup>1</sup> Total Fixed Income Assets: \$56.2 billion<sup>2</sup>

Style: Multi-Sector Bond, Income Benchmark: Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index

## VEHICLE AVAILABILITY

- Separate Account
- Mutual Fund
- Commingled Fund

## STRATEGY OVERVIEW

- Invests in diversified sources of income, spanning multiple asset classes
- Diverse asset class combinations and specialized knowledge in niche sectors
- High conviction approach to security selection with rigorous bottom-up fundamental research
- Lead portfolio managers averaging 26 years of experience, supported by 30+ dedicated sector research analysts overseeing \$56.2 billion in fixed income assets

#### **PHILOSOPHY**

- The state of the economy and valuations drive asset prices
- Relative value is best assessed through explicit measurement of risk and return
- Active fixed income security selection adds alpha over time
- Avoid large exposures that are not supported by strong investment rationale

# ABOUT FORT WASHINGTON

- Founded in 1990; \$81.0 billion in current total assets under management<sup>3</sup>
- Organizational hallmarks include: stability of teams, consistency of process, competitive performance, deep resources, and alignment of interests

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM

#### Daniel J. Carter, CFA

Managing Director Senior Portfolio Manager

#### Garrick T. Bauer, CFA

Managing Director Head of Credit Leveraged Credit

#### Scott D. Weston

Managing Director Senior Portfolio Manager Structured Products

#### Austin R. Kummer, CFA

Managing Director Senior Portfolio Manager

#### Paul A. Tomich, CFA

Vice President Senior Portfolio Manager Investment Grade Credit

#### Brendan M. White, CFA

**Sector Allocation** 

Senior Vice President Co-Chief Investment Officer

Supported by 25+ research analysts

# Portfolio Characteristics

Weighted Average YTW	6.3%
► Effective Duration	5.1
Average Credit Quality	A3/Baa1
Number of Securities	240

# Credit Quality (% of Fixed Income) AAA 4% AA 30%

А	4%
BBB	34%
BB	10%
В	8%
CCC and Below	1%
Not Rated	5%

Investment Grade Corporate	24%
High Yield Corporate	12%
U.S. Treasuries	25%
Securitized	23%
Emerging Markets Debt	7%
Other	4%
Cash	5%

Source: Fort Washington and Bloomberg PORT. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Portfolio characteristics subject to change at any time without notice. This supplemental information compliments the Strategic Income GIPS Report.

¹Total strategy assets as of 03/31/2024. ²Includes assets managed across multiple strategies. ³Assets as of 03/31/2024. Includes assets under

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# **Annualized Total Returns**

	Strategic Income (Gross)		gic Income (Net)	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index				
	Return	Return	Percentile Rank	Return				
1Q2024	2.25%	2.16%	14	-0.78%				
1 Year	8.18%	7.79%	32	1.70%				
3 Years	1.01%	0.65%	28	-2.46%				
5 Years	4.11%	3.73%	12	0.36%				
Since Inception (07/01/17)	4.41%	4.02%	12	0.89%				

Source: Fort Washington and eVestment. Peer ranks are percentile rankings versus the eVestment US Multi-Sector Fixed Income Universe relative to peer group. Past performance is not indicative of future results. This supplemental information complements the Strategic Income GIPS Report.

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#### COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURES

	1Q2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017¹
Strategic Income (Gross)	2.25%	8.64%	-9.86%	3.24%	10.72%	12.84%	0.49%	3.10%
Strategic Income (Net)	2.16%	8.24%	-10.17%	2.84%	10.28%	12.46%	0.09%	2.90%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate	-0.78%	5.53%	-13.01%	-1.54%	7.51%	8.72%	0.01%	1.24%
Strategic Income 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>2</sup>		6.96%	8.41%	6.68%	6.87%			
Bloomberg Aggregate 3-Year Annual Standard Deviation <sup>2</sup>		7.14%	5.77%	3.35%	3.36%			
Dispersion <sup>3</sup>	0.68%							
Number of Accounts	6	5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5
Composite Assets (\$ millions)	\$1,000.1	\$879.5	\$604.8	\$1,053.4	\$385.6	\$285.5	\$57.5	\$51.1
Total Firm Assets (\$ millions)	\$75,762	\$74,613	\$66,365	\$73,804	\$65,086	\$59,174	\$49,225	\$52,774

Composite inception and creation date: 07/01/17. ¹2017 returns are partial-year returns, reflecting the composite inception date of 07/01/17. ²The 3-Year annualized ex-post standard deviation is calculated using monthly gross-of-fee returns to measure the average deviations of returns from its mean. ³Dispersion is not calculated for years in which the composite contains five portfolios or less. Dispersion is calculated as the equal weighted standard deviation of quarterly gross-of-fee returns for those portfolios held in the composite during the full measurement period. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

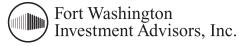
The Strategic Income strategy employs a high conviction, yield oriented investment approach coupled with sector diversification and diligent risk management resulting in attractive risk adjusted returns via high levels of income. The primary objective of Strategic Income is to produce a high level of current income with a secondary objective of capital appreciation. The strategy will invest in public fixed income, private fixed income, common stock and derivatives. The strategy will incorporate the best investment ideas available to Fort Washington, exploiting Fort Washington's core competencies of bottom up credit and structure analysis. Risk monitoring, performance measurement, and active management is a key component to achieving attractive risk adjusted returns. All fee-paying, fully discretionary portfolios, managed in the Strategic Income style, with a minimum of \$100 million under our management, are included in this composite. Effective 10/26/18, the Strategic Income fee is 0.40% for separate accounts. The benchmark for this composite is the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. This benchmark covers the USD-denominated, investment grade, fixed-rate, and taxable areas of the bond market. Portfolios in this composite include cash, cash equivalents, investment securities, interest and dividends. Cash is maintained, within each separately managed account segment, in accordance with our asset allocation ratio. The U.S. dollar is the base currency. The specific securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended. Returns are presented gross and net of management fees and include the reinvestment of all income. Gross returns will be reduced by investment advisory fees and other expenses that may be incurred in the management of the account. Net of fee performance was calculated using the actual management fees charged. Individual portfolios in carried in the management of the account. Net of fee performance was calculated using the actual management fees c

#### RISK DISCLOSURES

The Strategic Income strategy invests in fixed-income securities which can experience reduced liquidity during certain market events, lose their value as interest rates rise and are subject to credit risk which is the risk of deterioration in the financial condition of an issuer and/or general economic conditions that can cause the issuer to not make timely payments of principal and interest also causing the securities to decline in value and an investor can lose principal. The strategy invests in non-investment grade debt securities which are considered speculative with respect to the issuers' ability to make timely payments of interest and principal, may lack liquidity and has had more frequent and larger price changes than other debt securities. The strategy invests in mortgage-backed securities and asset-backed securities which are subject to the risks of prepayment, defaults, changing interest rates and at times, the financial condition of the issuer. The strategy invests in equities which are subject to market volatility and loss. The strategy invests in preferred stocks which are relegated below bonds for payment should the issuer be liquidated. The strategy invests in foreign securities which carry the associated risks of economic and political instability, market liquidity, currency volatility and accounting standards that differ from those of U.S. markets and may offer less protection to investors. The strategy invests in derivatives such as futures contracts. Derivatives can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, subject to counterparty and leverage risks and there is risk that changes in the value of a derivative held by the strategy will not correlate with the strategy's other investments. The strategy invests in mortgage dollar rolls which involve increased risk and volatility, as the securities the strategy is required to repurchase may be worth less than the securities that the strategy originally held.

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