Global Fixed Income Annual Program Review

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Program Overview

Role

- Serve as a long-term economic diversifier to equity risk and be a reliable source of income and liquidity
 - The asset segments that comprise the Fixed Income portfolio have different risk and return characteristics. Some are less liquid, provide less diversification of equity risk, but provide more income. Others provide more diversification and are liquid but provide less income

Key Metrics

- GFI AUM: \$122.1B as of June 30, 2023
- Investment Grade Corporates (IG Corp) Segment \$30.7B, Emerging Market Sovereign Bonds (EM Sov) Segment \$23.5B, Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) Segment \$23.5B, High Yield (HY) Segment \$20.9B, Treasury Segment \$17.1B, Total Fund Income \$6.4B

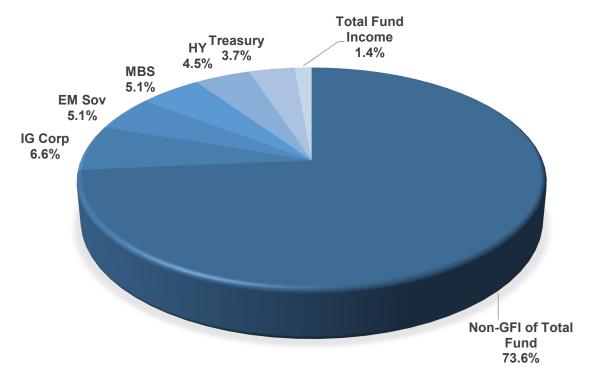
Investment Beliefs

- A long investment horizon is a responsibility and an advantage (IB 2)
- CalPERS will take risk only where we have a strong belief we will be rewarded for it (IB 7)
- Costs matter and need to be effectively managed (IB 8)
- Strong processes and teamwork and deep resources are needed to achieve CalPERS goals and objectives (IB 10)



Strategy and Portfolio Positioning

INCOME OF TOTAL FUND



- GFI AUM: \$122.1B
- GFI: 77.9% internal management at the end of FY 22/23
- Primarily utilizes a bottoms-up, top-down investment philosophy
- Treasury Segment: 100% internal Index
- MBS Segment: 98.4% internal, 1.6% external Active
- IG Corp Segment: 100% internal Active
- HY Segment: 9.9% internal Index Like, 90.1% external Active
- EM Sov Segment: 67.1% internal Index Plus, 32.9% external Active
- Total Fund Income Account: 100% internal Active





Current Concerns

- Will average inflation decline to the Fed's 2% target?
- Is the Fed done tightening?
- Impact on Consumer spending following the resumption of student loan repayments?
- Will lagged effect of Fed Policy cause lower spending and feed through to higher unemployment?

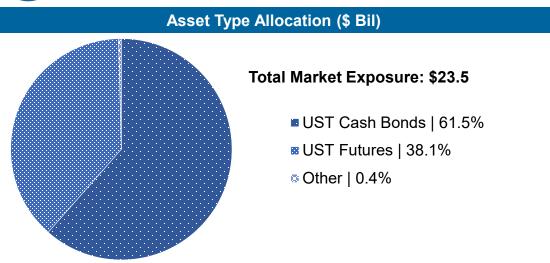
Investment Themes

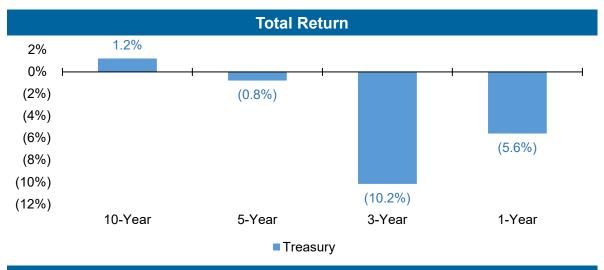
- Yields are relatively high for credit while spreads are rich relative to median history
- Default rates are surprisingly low for this point in the cycle due to lower balance sheet leverage and enhanced liquidity management post pandemic
- Regional banks and commercial real estate expected to face challenges into 2024
- Persistent higher US rates, a stronger US dollar, and weak GDP in China could weigh on emerging markets



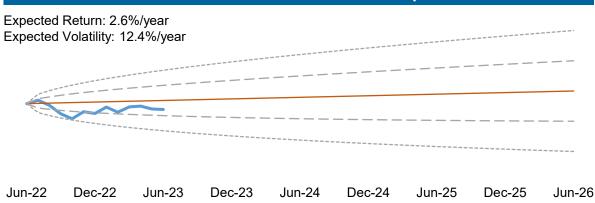


Performance | Treasury Segment (as of June 30, 2023)





Cumulative Total Return vs 2021 SAA Expectations



— Cumul Expected Return — — - +/-1 Std Dev ------ +/-2 Std Dev







Cumul Realized Return

Note: All performance reported net of investment expenses and annualized unless noted otherwise. Risk measures are calculated using monthly returns.

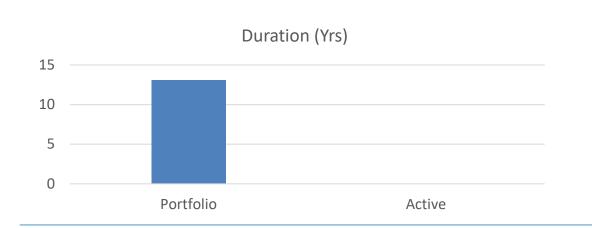


Treasury Segment Risk Summary (as of June 30, 2023)

Segment Risk Statistics (Forecasted)

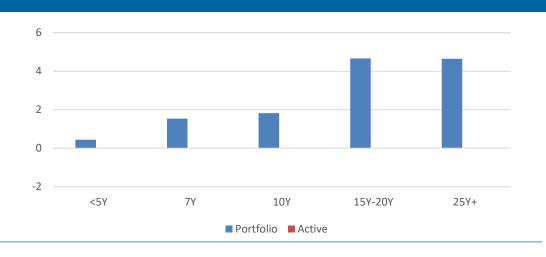
Forecasted Volatility	11.2%
Benchmark Volatility	11.3%
Tracking Error	0.34%

Key Portfolio Characteristics



Risk Decomposition (Forecasted)

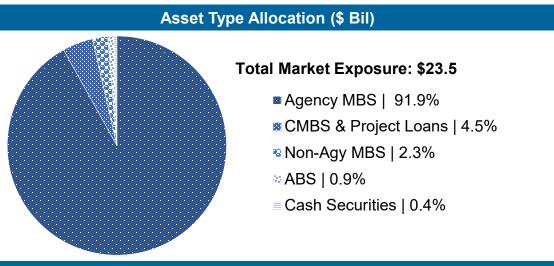
	Portfolio Risk Contribution	% Risk	Active Risk Contribution	% Risk
Total Segment Risk	11.2%	100.0%	0.34%	100.0%
US Interest Rates	11.3%	100.8%	0.00%	0.0%
Money Market Factors	-0.1%	-0.8%	0.32%	94.1%
Convexity	0.0%	0.0%	0.00%	0.0%
Idiosyncratic	0.0%	0.0%	0.02%	5.9%

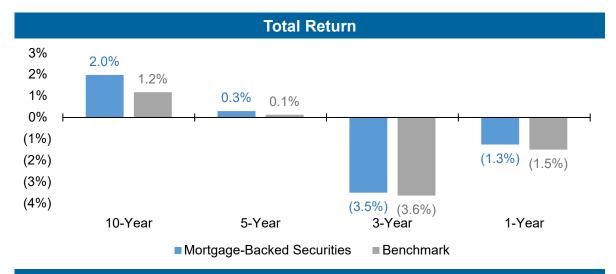




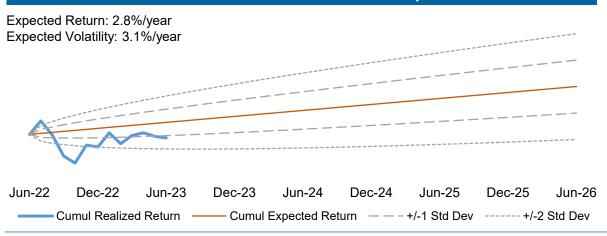


Performance | MBS Segment (as of June 30, 2023)





Cumulative Total Return vs 2021 SAA Expectations







Realized 5 Year Info Ratio

0.5

Forecasted Volatility

6.0%

Forecasted Tracking Error

28 bps

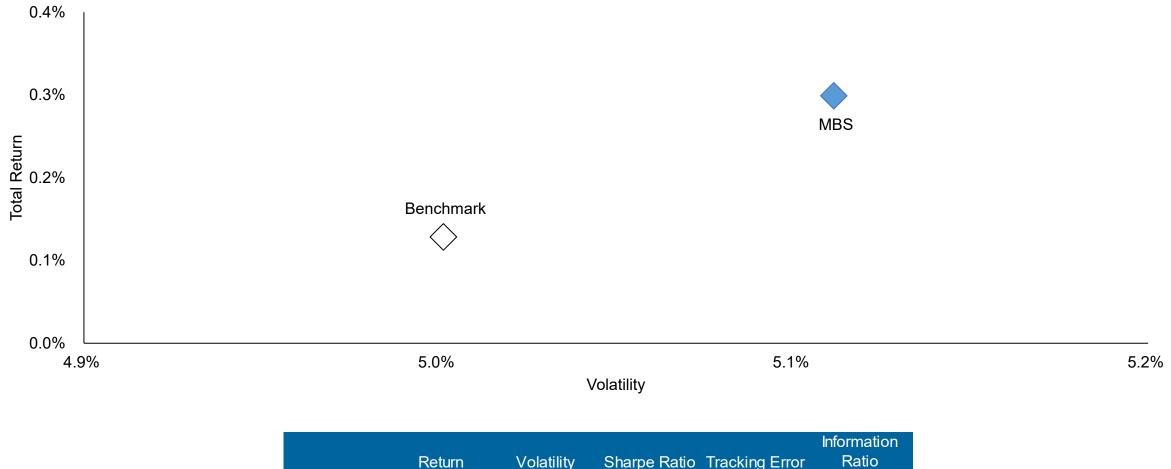


MBS

0.30%



5 Year MBS Segment Risk-Return (as of June 30, 2023)



5.11%

(0.25)



31 bps

0.55

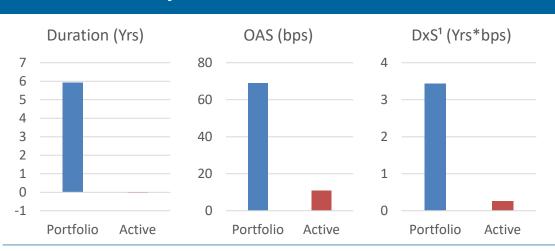


MBS Segment Risk Summary (as of June 30, 2023)

Segment Risk Statistics (Forecasted)

Forecasted Volatility	6.0%
Benchmark Volatility	6.1%
Tracking Error	0.28%

Key Portfolio Characteristics



Risk Decomposition (Forecasted)

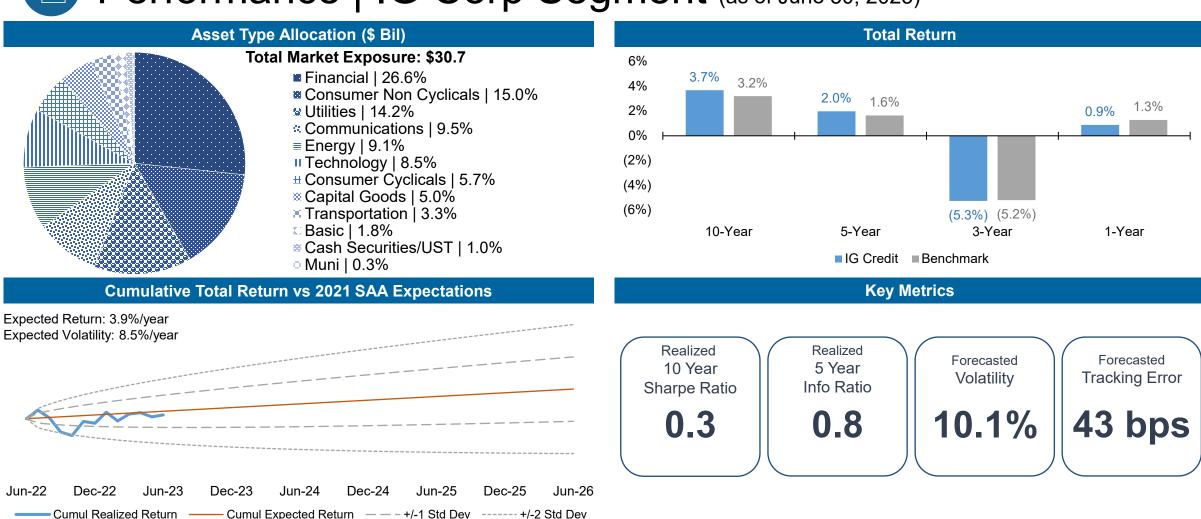
Portfolio Risk		Active Risk	
Contribution	% Risk	Contribution	% Risk
6.0%	100.0%	0.28%	100.0%
4.1%	68.8%	0.02%	8.7%
1.7%	27.6%	0.07%	26.2%
0.1%	1.1%	0.08%	29.8%
0.0%	0.1%	0.08%	30.4%
0.0%	0.0%	0.00%	0.0%
0.0%	0.0%	0.02%	5.8%
0.1%	2.4%	0.00%	-0.9%
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Performance | IG Corp Segment (as of June 30, 2023)







5 Year IG Corp Segment Risk-Return (as of June 30, 2023)



	Return	Volatility	Sharpe Ratio	Tracking Error	Information Ratio
IG Credit	1.98%	11.74%	0.04	44 bps	0.76



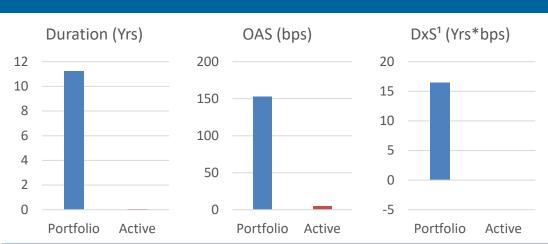


IG Corp Segment Risk Summary (as of June 30, 2023)

Segment Risk Statistics (Forecasted)

Forecasted Volatility	10.1%
Benchmark Volatility	10.1%
Tracking Error	0.43%

Key Portfolio Characteristics



Risk Decomposition (Forecasted)

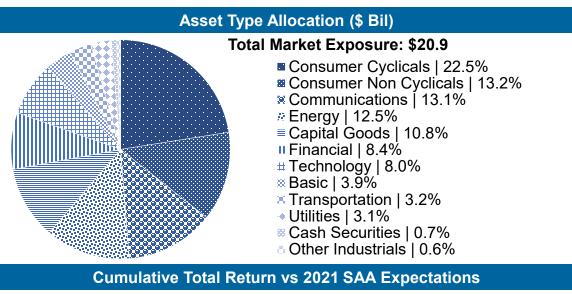
	Portfolio Risk Contribution	% Risk	Active Risk Contribution	% Risk
Total Segment Risk	10.1%	100.0%	0.43%	100.0%
US Interest Rates	7.4%	73.1%	0.01%	3.0%
US Credit	2.7%	26.7%	0.28%	63.9%
Idiosyncratic	0.0%	0.1%	0.13%	28.9%
Others	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	4.2%

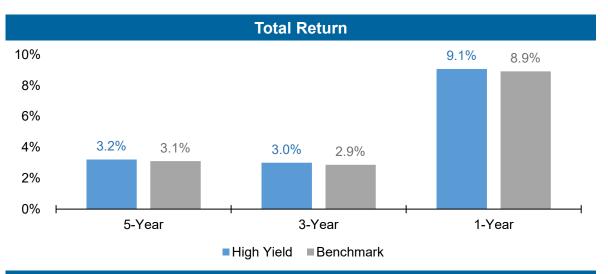


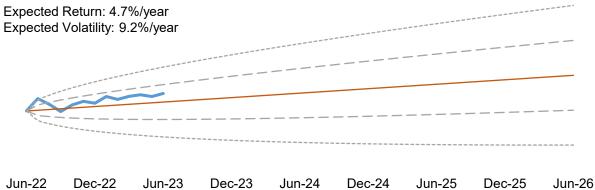




Performance | HY Segment (as of June 30, 20231)







- Cumul Expected Return — — - +/-1 Std Dev ------ +/-2 Std Dev





0.2

Realized 5 Year Info Ratio

0.4

Forecasted Volatility

6.4%

Forecasted
Tracking Error

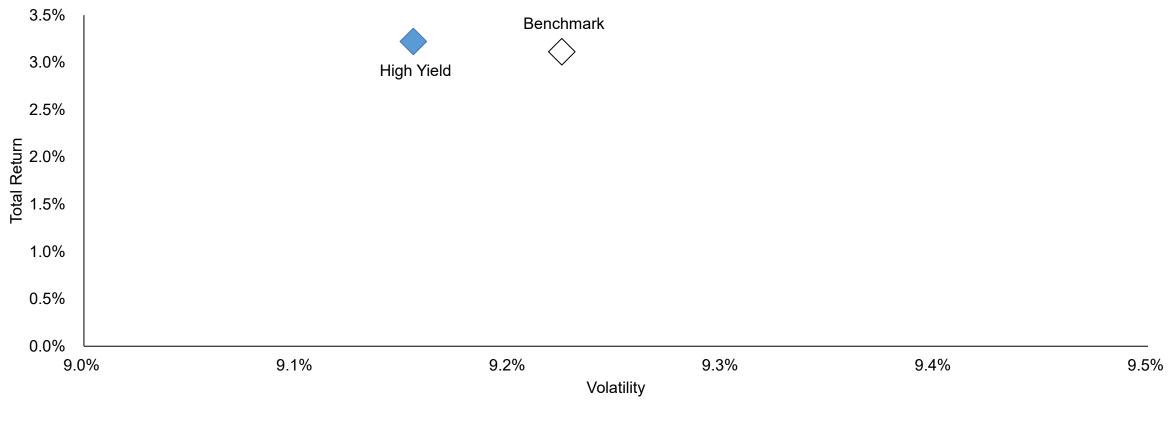
18 bps



Cumul Realized Return



5 Year HY Segment Risk-Return (as of June 30, 2023)



	Return	Volatility	Sharpe Ratio	Tracking Error	Information Ratio
High Yield	3.22%	9.15%	0.18	30 bps	0.37





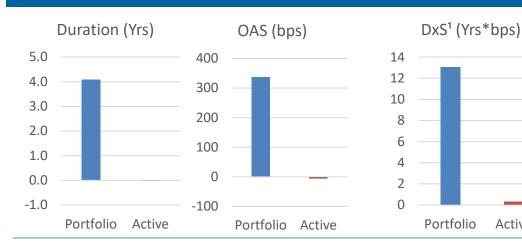
HY Segment Risk Summary (as of June 29, 2023)

Active

Segment Risk Statistics (Forecasted)

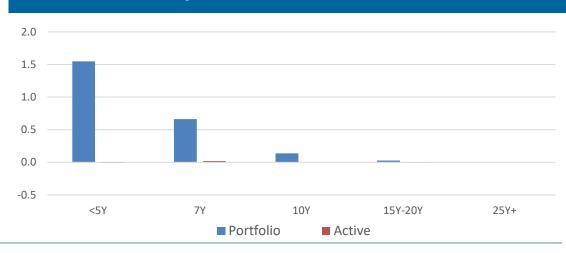
Forecasted Volatility	6.4%
Benchmark Volatility	6.5%
Tracking Error	0.18%

Key Portfolio Characteristics



Risk Decomposition (Forecasted)

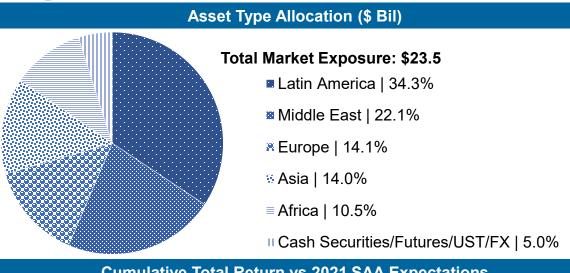
	Portfolio Risk Contribution	% Risk	Active Risk Contribution	% Risk
Total Segment Risk	6.4%	100.0%	0.18%	100.0%
US High Yield	6.4%	99.5%	0.12%	66.6%
US Interest Rates	-0.1%	-1.5%	0.00%	1.1%
Idiosyncratic	0.0%	0.6%	0.06%	30.8%
Others	0.1%	1.4%	0.00%	1.5%

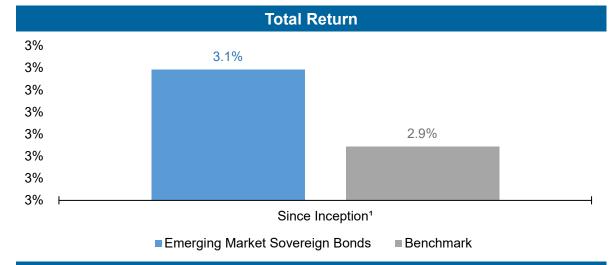




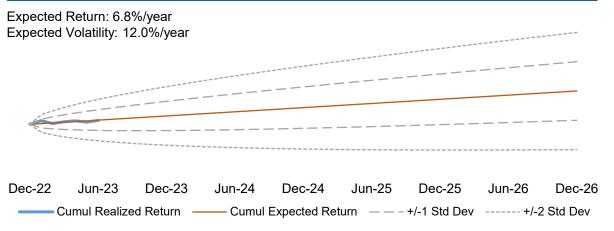


Performance | EM Sov Segment (as of June 30, 2023)





Cumulative Total Return vs 2021 SAA Expectations



Key Metrics



Realized 5 Year Info Ratio n/a

Forecasted Volatility

8.2%

Forecasted **Tracking Error**

72 bps



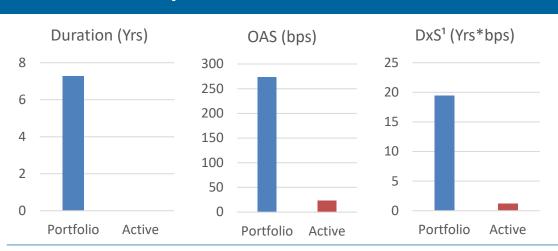


EM Sov Segment Risk Summary (as of June 30, 2023)

Segment Risk Statistics (Forecasted)

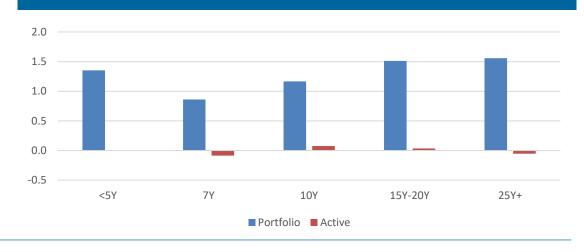
Forecasted Volatility	8.2%
Benchmark Volatility	7.7%
Tracking Error	0.72%

Key Portfolio Characteristics



Risk Decomposition (Forecasted)

	Portfolio Risk Contribution	% Risk	Active Risk Contribution	% Risk
Total Segment Risk	8.2%	100.0%	0.72%	100.0%
EM Sovereigns	6.6%	80.8%	0.57%	78.4%
US Interest Rates	1.5%	18.7%	0.00%	-0.4%
US Credit	0.0%	0.0%	0.00%	0.3%
Idiosyncratic	0.0%	0.3%	0.14%	19.1%
Others	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	2.6%







Operational Updates and Key Initiatives | Evaluation

What Worked



Areas for Refinement



- Significant in-house portfolio management capability with strong long-term value proposition
- Collaboration across INVO asset classes (e.g. fundamental GFI analyst co-underwriting a Private Equity insurance strategy)
- SAA leverage implementation via repo and synthetic funding pathways in the Mortgage and Treasury segments and recently expanding to the IG Corporate segment in collaboration with the Portfolio Design and Investment Treasury and Trading teams
- Emerging Market Debt active management deployment of \$22B of capital
- Siloed approach to technology/data/risk/performance across GFI portfolios
- Broaden the investment opportunity set that can be considered for the Total Fund-Fixed Income Portfolio
- Consider tactical OW/UW allocation capability across GFI segments



Key Initiatives | Fiscal Year 2023-24

- Collaborate with Sustainable Investments team to develop INVO's Net Zero Strategy
- Assist in the evaluation and selection of analytic systems that improve Capital Markets' and Total Fund's Base
 Capabilities as part of the Data and Tech Modernization Strategic Initiative
- Ongoing evolution of Sustainable Investing strategies across GFI sectors
- Identify and Implement Strategic Alliances to increase alpha potential and knowledge transfer
- Continue to evaluate external manager capabilities to enhance alpha potential, gain portfolio insights, and access to world-class thought leaders





Key Initiatives | Integration of Governance and Sustainability

Sustainable Investment Activities	Description / Status
EM Sov Segment	 Leverage our relationship with our EM Sov external managers to learn about their ESG and sustainability portfolio framework. (Status: Ongoing). Sourcing ESG & World Bank Governance Indicator data at country level to determine active ESG contribution on country and portfolio levels. (Status: Ongoing). Participate, when offered, in benchmark sustainable and ESG bond new issuance provided reasonable valuation (Status: Ongoing). Participate on Credit Roundtable ESG committee, training/conferences that address the topics of EM ESG and sustainability investing. (Status: As available)
IG Corp & HY Segments	 Utilized internal ESG risk screen based on rating agency scores (Status: Ongoing) Invested in select new issues of green, sustainability and sustainability-linked bonds (Status: Ongoing) Collaborated with Corporate Governance on engagements in the energy sector (Status: As applicable) Distributed ESG questionnaire to external high yield managers for review (Status: Ongoing) Participated on Credit Roundtable ESG committee as the Co-Chair (Status: Ongoing)
MBS Portfolio	 Engaged directly with Fannie Mae to give feedback on their new social scoring index, which scores MBS pools based on factors of the underlying loans that meet any one of eight social criteria including low-income borrowers, minority/first time homebuyers and designated disaster areas (Status: Ongoing) Participated in new issuance of high social scoring bonds at attractive valuations, including Home Ready/Home Possible programs that are targeted to make homeownership more affordable for low-income borrowers (Status: Ongoing)

