# **Pleasant Ridge Manor Retirement Plan**

Investment Performance Review Period Ending March 31, 2024

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**1st Quarter 2024 Market Environment** 

#### The Economy

- The US Federal Reserve (the Fed) held rates steady during the first quarter. However, domestic equities rallied on the prospect that the Fed could cut rates later in 2024. In its press release for the March meeting, the Fed stated that "In considering any adjustments to the target range for the federal funds rate, the Committee will carefully assess incoming data, the evolving outlook, and the balance of risks." In addition, the Fed will continue reducing its balance sheet as described in its previously announced plans.
- The Fed's prolonged pause in its rate-hiking cycle and the insertion of the word "any" in its December press release gave the market hope that the Fed may be ready to pivot in its stance and begin reducing rates to a less restrictive level in 2024. The Fed's published "Dot Plot" shared expectations of three quarter-point rate cuts during the year, which would be the first rate cut since the COVID pandemic in 2020.
- Growth in the US labor market continued in March, as nonfarm payrolls increased by 303,000 and unemployment held steady at 3.8%. Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell stated, "Strong hiring in and of itself would not be a reason to hold off on rate cuts," adding that the job market is not a primary cause for concern around inflation. Powell added "an unexpected weakening in the labor market could also warrant a policy response."

#### Equity (Domestic and International)

- US equities moved broadly higher during the first quarter based on expectations of a more favorable interest rate environment in the coming year. The S&P 500 Index rose 10.6% for the quarter.
- International stocks experienced robust growth to begin the year, albeit muted by a strengthening US Dollar (USD). USD performance lagged local currency (LCL) performance in most regions for the quarter, though both currency readings were positive.
- GDP growth across regions remains mixed as many regions are dealing with local headwinds and tailwinds as much of the world continues to navigate sticky inflation with varying degrees of success. Conflicts abroad have dragged on performance, but as we have seen with the Russia-Ukraine conflict, market conditions will typically normalize once the broader impact has been reasonably assessed.

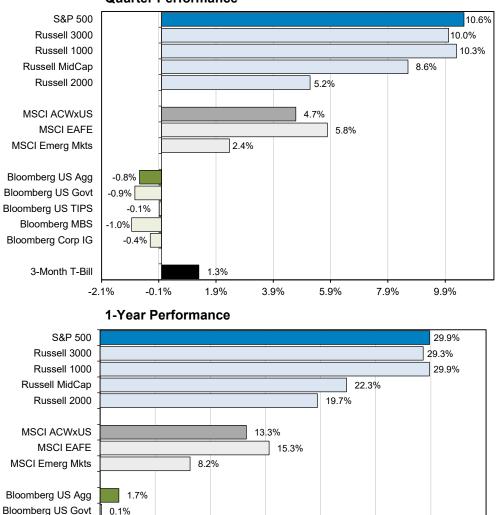
#### Fixed Income

- While sticky inflation numbers and a robust job market likely prompted the Fed to keep the fed funds rate unchanged during the quarter, this lack of action also tempered expectations for potential rate cuts in 2024. Fixed-income markets fell in March (yield rose) on the belief that rates could be higher for longer.
- High-yield bonds outperformed investment-grade issues for the quarter, largely due to narrowing credit spreads and higher coupons. Although the high-yield bond benchmark's duration is almost half of the US Aggregate Bond index's duration, the high-yield index edged out the bellwether bond benchmark due to a relatively stable yield curve and the aforementioned narrowing credit spreads.
- Global bonds lagged the domestic bond market with the US Aggregate Index beating the Global Aggregate ex-US Index by 2.4%. This broke the two indexes' tie in 2023 and left global bonds 2.4% behind the domestic bond market for the full year.

#### Market Themes

- 2024 opened with strong results in domestic and international equity markets, continuing what was a robust 2023. Growth sectors continued to outpace value sectors but by a narrower margin than 2023, showcasing increased breadth across many markets.
- Central banks remained vigilant in their stances to bring inflation under control. While inflation readings remain stubbornly elevated, signs of stable-to-cooling price pressures have shown up in most regions around the world.
- Policy rates remained relatively stable across most developed markets as central banks continued their tight policy stance. However, there are expectations of looser monetary policy to take hold as 2024 progresses.
- Ongoing military conflicts coupled with economic uncertainty around the globe continue to act as headwinds in international markets. While global disruptions from the Russia-Ukraine conflict seemed to subside, the proxy war in the Middle East has spread to other countries in the region and unsettled shipping channels globally.

- Domestic equity markets carried their momentum from late 2023 into the first quarter of 2024. Economic indicators continued to signal improving conditions for growth and softening inflation, resulting in an ongoing tailwind for risk assets. For the period, the S&P 500 large-cap benchmark returned 10.6% versus 8.6% for the Russell Mid Cap Index and 5.2% for the Russell 2000 small-cap index.
- International developed and emerging market equities also posted solid results. European markets continue to face geopolitical risks related to the conflict in Ukraine, the Middle East is grappling with a proxy war that has spread beyond Israel and Palestine, and Asia is feeling contagion effects from China's economic uncertainty. Despite the uncertainty, the developed market MSCI EAFE Index returned 5.8% for the quarter, while the MSCI Emerging Markets Index advanced 2.4%.
- Most broad fixed income indexes fell slightly during the first quarter of 2024. While market participants were generally optimistic about the possibility of a Fed rate cut during the first half of the year, sticky inflation pushed out these expectations and caused markets to re-think the timing of 2024's potential rate cuts. The Bloomberg (BB) US Aggregate Index returned -0.8% for the quarter while investment-grade corporate bonds were down less, returning -0.4%.
- US equity markets posted a stellar 29.9% during the trailing one-year period. The weakest relative performance for the year was the Russell 2000 Index, which nonetheless climbed 19.7% over the last 12 months.
- International markets also showcased a healthy rebound in 2023. Over the trailing one-year period, the MSCI EAFE Index was the best international performer, returning 15.3% while the MSCI Emerging Markets Index added a more modest 8.2%.
- Bond markets were relatively flat over the previous 12 months. Investmentgrade corporate bonds were the best-performing sector, up by 4.4%. Meanwhile, Treasuries have lagged, returning just 0.1% over the previous 12 months. The bellwether fixed-income benchmark, the Bloomberg US Aggregate Index, returned a muted 1.7% for the year.



#### **Quarter Performance**

Bloomberg US TIPS

Bloomberg Corp IG

Bloomberg MBS

3-Month T-Bill

0.5%

0.0%

1.4%

4.4%

5.0%

5.3%

10.0%

15.0%

20.0%

25.0%

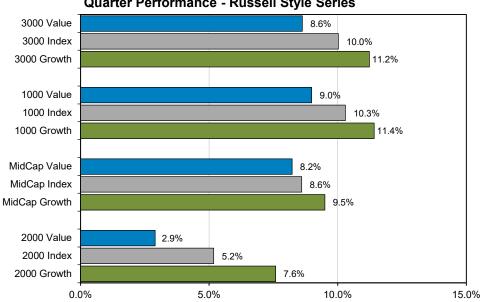
30.0%

35.0%

Source: Investment Metrics

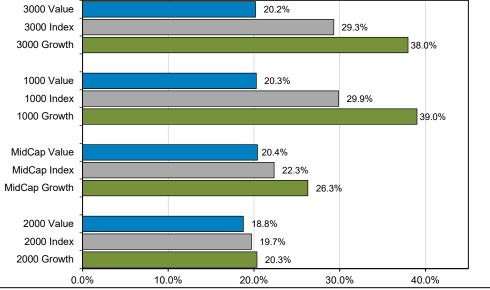
- Domestic equity benchmarks were positive for the second consecutive guarter and growth style issues continued to outpace value. The best-performing area of the equity market was large-cap growth, with the Russell 1000 Growth index returning 11.4%. The worst performing area of the market was small-cap value, with the Russell 2000 Value index returning just 2.9% for the quarter. From a market capitalization perspective, large-cap stocks led their small-cap counterparts, with the Russell 1000 Index returning 10.3% and the Russell 2000 Index lagging with a lower, but still solid, 5.2%.
- The market continued its growth-led rally as growth stocks outpaced value stocks across the market-capitalization spectrum. While growth led the way during the guarter, value benchmarks largely kept pace, signaling that the rally seen in domestic equities may be broadening to other areas of the market.

- For the year, within large-cap stocks, the Russell 1000 Growth Index returned an impressive 39.0%, leading the way among style and market capitalization classifications. The weakest performing index for the year was the Russell 2000 Value, which still posted a double-digit return of 18.8%.
- The dominance of growth sectors is evident in the chart, with all growth benchmarks handily outpacing their core and value index counterparts. However, the strength of the outperformance differs meaningfully between the large cap and small cap segments of the market. The Russell 2000 Growth Index returned 20.3%, outpacing the Russell 2000 Value index return by a narrow margin of just 1.5%. However, this spread widens to 5.9% for the Russell Midcap Growth benchmarks and blows out to a span of 18.7% for the large cap benchmarks.





1-Year Performance - Russell Style Series

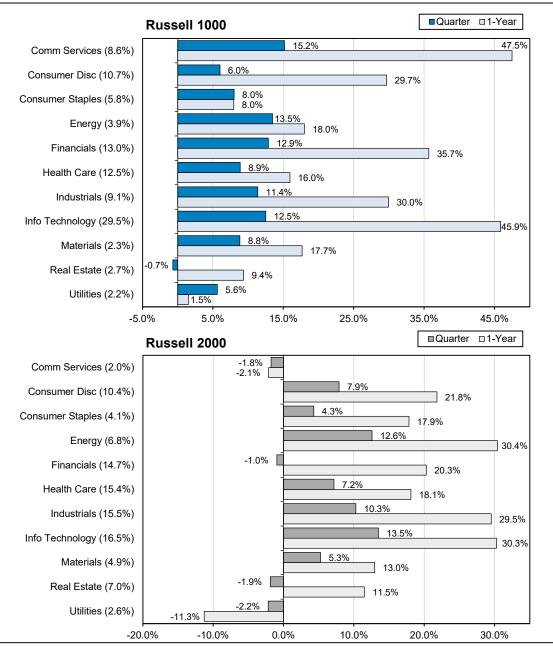


Source: Investment Metrics

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- 2023's year-end rally continued into the first quarter of 2024 and expanded its breadth across styles and market capitalizations.
- Ten of the 11 GICS economic sectors in the large-cap Russell 1000 Index moved higher during the first quarter. Five of the 11 sectors outpaced the broad index return of 10.0%. Communication services led the way at 15.2% followed by energy (up 13.5%), financials (12.9%), information technology (12.5%), and industrials (11.4%).
- For the full year, all 11 economic sectors finished in positive territory with communication services leading the way at 47.5% and information technology following in lock step at 45.9%. Of the 11 sectors, four were up at least 30.0% the past year. Utilities (up 1.5%), consumer staples (8.0%), and real estate (9.4%) were the only three sectors that did not post double-digit results over the trailing year.

- Seven small-cap economic sectors posted positive results during the quarter with six of those sectors exceeding the 5.2% return of the Russell 2000 Index. The information technology (up 13.5%), energy (12.6%), and industrials (10.3%) sectors led the way as the only three sectors to showcase double-digit performance for the quarter. Utilities (-2.2%), real estate (-1.9%), communication services (-1.8%), and financials (-1.0%) sectors all lost ground during the quarter.
- Similar to large-cap sector performance, nine of the 11 small cap sectors were positive over the trailing year. Energy posted the strongest sector results (30.4%) with the information technology (30.3%) sector not far behind. Industrials (29.5%), consumer discretionary (21.8%) and financials (20.3%) each also returned more than 20.0% for the period. Six of the 11 economic sectors fell short of the core small-cap benchmark's return of 19.7% over the trailing year. The two negative sectors for the year were utilities with a return of -11.3% and communication services, which returned -2.1%.



Source: Morningstar Direct

As a result of the GICS classification changes on 9/28/2018 and certain associated reporting limitations, sector performance represents backward looking performance for the prior year of each sector's current constituency, post creation of the Communication Services sector.

The Market Environment Top 10 Index Weights & Quarterly Performance for the Russell 1000 & 2000 As of March 31, 2024

	Top 10 Weighted Stocks							
Russell 1000	Weight	1-Qtr Return	1-Year Return	Sector				
Microsoft Corp	6.5%	12.1%	47.1%	Information Technology				
Apple Inc	5.2%	-10.8%	4.5%	Information Technology				
NVIDIA Corp	4.5%	82.5%	225.4%	Information Technology				
Amazon.com Inc	3.4%	18.7%	74.6%	Consumer Discretionary				
Meta Platforms Inc Class A	2.2%	37.3%	129.4%	Communication Services				
Alphabet Inc Class A	1.9%	8.0%	45.5%	Communication Services				
Berkshire Hathaway Inc Class B	1.6%	17.9%	36.2%	Financials				
Alphabet Inc Class C	1.6%	8.0%	46.4%	Communication Services				
Eli Lilly and Co	1.4%	33.7%	128.4%	Health Care				
JPMorgan Chase & Co	1.2%	18.5%	58.1%	Financials				

Top 10 Weighted Stocks							
Russell 2000	Weight	1-Qtr Return	1-Year Return	Sector			
Super Micro Computer Inc	1.9%	255.3%	847.9%	Information Technology			
MicroStrategy Inc Class A	0.9%	169.9%	483.1%	Information Technology			
Comfort Systems USA Inc	0.4%	54.6%	118.7%	Industrials			
e.l.f. Beauty Inc	0.4%	35.8%	138.0%	Consumer Staples			
Light & Wonder Inc Ordinary Shares	0.3%	24.3%	70.0%	Consumer Discretionary			
Carvana Co Class A	0.3%	66.1%	798.0%	Consumer Discretionary			
Onto Innovation Inc	0.3%	18.4%	106.1%	Information Technology			
Simpson Manufacturing Co Inc	0.3%	3.8%	88.6%	Industrials			
Viking Therapeutics Inc	0.3%	340.6%	392.5%	Health Care			
Weatherford International PLC	0.3%	18.0%	94.5%	Energy			

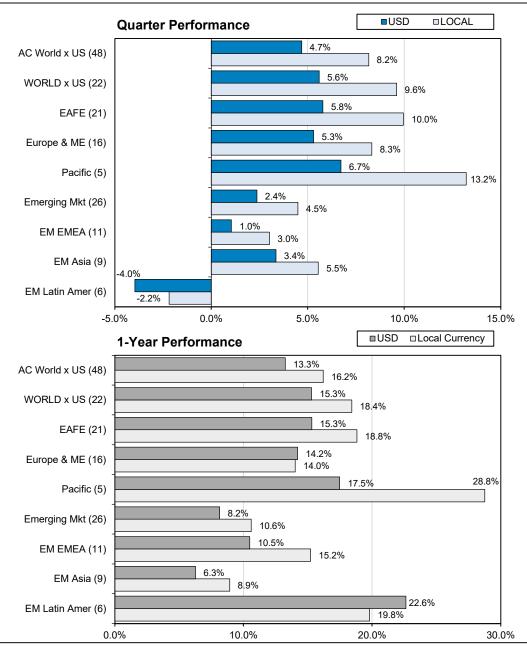
Top 10 Performing Stocks (by Quarter)							
Russell 1000	Weight	1-Qtr Return	1-Year Return	Sector			
NVIDIA Corp	4.5%	82.5%	225.4%	Information Technology			
Vistra Corp	0.1%	81.4%	197.1%	Utilities			
AppLovin Corp Ordinary Shares	0.0%	73.7%	339.5%	Information Technology			
Shockwave Medical Inc	0.0%	70.9%	50.2%	Health Care			
Vertiv Holdings Co Class A	0.1%	70.1%	471.2%	Industrials			
Cava Group Inc	0.0%	63.0%	N/A	Consumer Discretionary			
EMCOR Group Inc	0.0%	62.7%	116.2%	Industrials			
Maplebear Inc	0.0%	58.9%	N/A	Consumer Staples			
Constellation Energy Corp	0.1%	58.5%	138.0%	Utilities			
Williams-Sonoma Inc	0.0%	58.0%	167.4%	Consumer Discretionary			

Top 10 Performing Stocks (by Quarter)						
Russell 2000	Weight	1-Qtr Return	1-Year Return	Sector		
Ocean Biomedical Inc	0.0%	473.5%	-43.0%	Health Care		
Viking Therapeutics Inc	0.3%	340.6%	392.5%	Health Care		
Longboard Pharmaceuticals Inc	0.0%	258.2%	438.7%	Health Care		
Super Micro Computer Inc	1.9%	255.3%	847.9%	Information Technology		
Janux Therapeutics Inc	0.0%	250.9%	211.2%	Health Care		
Arcutis Biotherapeutics Inc	0.0%	206.8%	-9.9%	Health Care		
Veritone Inc	0.0%	190.6%	-9.8%	Information Technology		
Avidity Biosciences Inc	0.1%	182.0%	66.3%	Health Care		
Vera Therapeutics Inc Class A	0.1%	180.4%	455.7%	Health Care		
SoundHound AI Inc Ordinary Shares	0.0%	177.8%	113.4%	Information Technology		

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Russell 1000	Weight	1-Qtr Return	1-Year Return	Sector	Russell 2000	Weight	1-Qtr Return	1-Year Return	Sector
New York Community Bancorp Inc	0.0%	-68.2%	-62.3%	Financials	Amylyx Pharmaceuticals Inc	0.0%	-80.7%	-90.3%	Health Care
SSR Mining Inc	0.0%	-58.7%	-70.1%	Materials	Bakkt Holdings Inc Ordinary Shares	0.0%	-79.4%	-73.3%	Financials
Rivian Automotive Inc Class A	0.0%	-53.3%	-29.3%	Consumer Discretionary	WW International Inc	0.0%	-78.9%	-55.1%	Consumer Discretionary
Agilon Health Inc	0.0%	-51.4%	-74.3%	Health Care	iRobot Corp	0.0%	-77.4%	-79.9%	Consumer Discretionary
AMC Entertainment Holdings Inc	0.0%	-39.2%	-91.6%	Communication Services	LivePerson Inc	0.0%	-73.7%	-77.4%	Information Technology
Iridium Communications Inc	0.0%	-36.1%	-57.2%	Communication Services	Office Properties Income Trust	0.0%	-72.1%	-81.1%	Real Estate
Viasat Inc	0.0%	-35.3%	-46.5%	Information Technology	Spirit Airlines Inc	0.0%	-69.6%	-69.3%	Industrials
QuidelOrtho Corp	0.0%	-35.0%	-46.2%	Health Care	2U Inc	0.0%	-68.3%	-94.3%	Consumer Discretionary
Unity Software Inc Ordinary Shares	0.0%	-34.7%	-17.7%	Information Technology	CareMax Inc Ordinary Shares	0.0%	-67.8%	-94.0%	Health Care
10x Genomics Inc Ordinary Shares	0.0%	-32.9%	-32.7%	Health Care	Presto Automation Inc	0.0%	-67.3%	-89.0%	Information Technology

Source: Morningstar Direct

- Many of the international developed- and emerging-market benchmarks posted positive performance in both USD and LCL terms for the first quarter. A strengthening of the USD during the period was a drag on domestic non-US index performance across all regions. The developed-market MSCI EAFE Index still returned a solid 5.8% in USD and 10.0% in LCL terms for the period. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index rose by 2.4% in USD and 4.5% in LCL terms.
- Latin America was the only region to post negative performance for the quarter in both USD and LCL terms. The cyclicality of demand for commodity exports in the region has resulted in greater volatility due to continued uncertainty over central bank policies and global demand.
- The heaviest weighted country in the emerging market index (China, 7.0%) continued its drag on broad index returns, returning -2.2% during the quarter. The Chinese economy grew at a rate of 5.2% in 2023, lower than its prepandemic rate of 6.0% which was a headwind for performance. Troubles in the commercial property and banking sectors have also created challenges for growth in the region.
- Much like domestic markets, trailing one-year results for international developed and emerging markets benchmarks were strong. Outside of EM Latin America, the USD showed strength over broad and regional benchmarks for the year, and as a result, LCL returns finished higher than USD performance.
- MSCI Pacific results led the way in LCL currency terms at 28.8% for the trailing year. USD returns for the region were still strong but returned a more muted 17.5% due to softening currency in the region. Due to demand for commodity exports and rising oil prices, EM Latin America was the only region where the USD weakened relative to LCL returns, resulting in higher USD returns (22.6% vs. 19.8%). The EM Asia regional benchmark was the weakest relative-performing region in the emerging market index, with the EM Asia index returning 6.3% in USD and 8.9% in LCL terms.



Source: MSCI Global Index Monitor (Returns are Net)

The Market Environment

**US Dollar International Index Attribution & Country Detail** 

As of March 31, 2024

MSCI - EAFE	Sector Weight	Quarter Return	1-Year Return
Communication Services	4.0%	4.1%	6.6%
Consumer Discretionary	12.5%	11.1%	15.5%
Consumer Staples	8.6%	-3.1%	-5.9%
Energy	4.1%	2.2%	14.6%
Financials	19.3%	8.6%	25.8%
Health Care	12.7%	4.7%	8.6%
Industrials	16.8%	7.9%	23.1%
Information Technology	9.4%	14.3%	31.1%
Materials	7.2%	-1.1%	10.2%
Real Estate	2.3%	1.5%	13.0%
Utilities	3.1%	-5.0%	2.7%
Total	100.0%	5.8%	15.3%

MSCI - ACWIxUS	Sector Weight	Quarter Return	1-Year Return
Communication Services	5.1%	2.1%	-3.0%
Consumer Discretionary	11.8%	7.2%	8.6%
Consumer Staples	7.4%	-3.2%	-4.6%
Energy	5.5%	5.2%	21.4%
Financials	21.4%	5.9%	21.4%
Health Care	9.2%	3.7%	7.5%
Industrials	13.8%	6.9%	19.8%
Information Technology	13.4%	11.4%	29.4%
Materials	7.4%	-1.6%	4.1%
Real Estate	2.0%	-0.3%	6.8%
Utilities	3.0%	-3.0%	5.2%
Total	100.0%	4.7%	13.3%

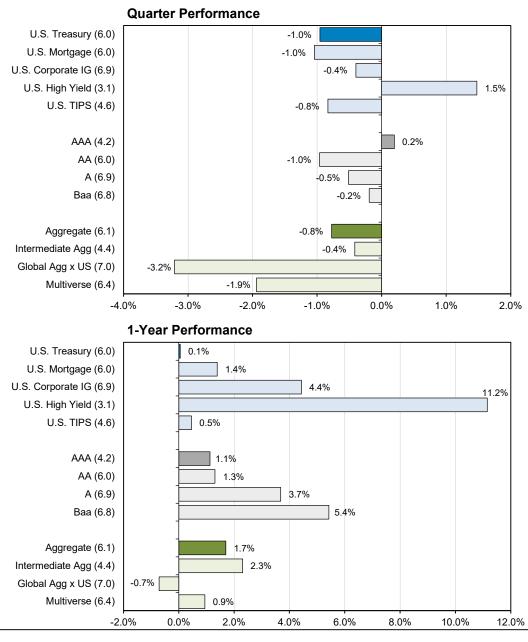
MSCI - Emerging Mkt	Sector Weight	Quarter Return	1-Year Return
Communication Services	8.6%	0.8%	-11.5%
Consumer Discretionary	12.4%	-0.5%	-5.3%
Consumer Staples	5.6%	-4.3%	-2.6%
Energy	5.3%	6.9%	36.0%
Financials	22.4%	2.3%	15.0%
Health Care	3.5%	-4.5%	-0.9%
Industrials	7.0%	1.4%	4.6%
Information Technology	23.7%	9.9%	26.7%
Materials	7.2%	-4.6%	-5.4%
Real Estate	1.5%	-6.0%	-11.3%
Utilities	2.8%	3.5%	17.9%
Total	100.0%	2.4%	8.2%

	MSCI-EAFE	MSCI-ACWIXUS	Quarter	1- Year
Country	Weight	Weight	Return	Return
Japan	23.3%	15.0%	10.2%	23.5%
United Kingdom	14.6%	9.4%	1.9%	6.4%
France	12.1%	7.8%	5.7%	9.7%
Switzerland	9.3%	6.0%	-2.1%	4.9%
Germany	8.7%	5.6%	6.8%	12.0%
Australia	7.3%	4.7%	-0.5%	8.1%
Netherlands	5.2%	3.3%	15.4%	22.5%
Denmark	3.6%	2.3%	14.4%	33.0%
Sweden	3.1%	2.0%	0.2%	11.6%
Italy	2.8%	1.8%	13.1%	30.6%
Spain	2.7%	1.7%	7.7%	19.6%
Hong Kong	1.8%	1.2%	-12.2%	-25.8%
Singapore	1.3%	0.9%	-0.1%	-6.1%
Finland	1.0%	0.6%	-6.0%	-12.8%
Belgium	0.9%	0.6%	1.7%	-0.2%
Israel	0.7%	0.5%	12.2%	22.1%
Norway	0.6%	0.4%	-7.9%	-0.2%
reland	0.4%	0.2%	14.8%	16.9%
Portugal	0.2%	0.1%	-17.9%	-16.6%
New Zealand	0.2%	0.1%	-4.9%	-8.2%
Austria	0.2%	0.1%	0.5%	10.5%
Total EAFE Countries	100.0%	64.5%	5.8%	15.3%
Canada		7.7%	3.4%	12.3%
Total Developed Countries		71.9%	5.6%	15.3%
China		7.0%	-2.2%	-17.1%
ndia		5.0%	6.1%	36.8%
Taiwan		4.9%	12.4%	27.8%
Korea		3.5%	1.6%	14.2%
Brazil		1.4%	-7.4%	27.0%
Saudi Arabia		1.2%	4.7%	15.8%
South Africa		0.8%	-6.8%	-4.9%
Vexico		0.8%	0.5%	17.7%
ndonesia		0.5%	2.1%	3.4%
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Poland		0.3%		9.2%
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Kuwait		0.2%	8.3%	4.1%
Turkey		0.2%	14.6%	19.3%
Philippines		0.2%	6.1%	7.2%
		0.1%	-4.5%	-5.9%
Greece		0.1%	6.5%	37.4%
Peru		0.1%	15.8%	46.2%
Hungary		0.1%	0.5%	47.4%
Czech Republic		0.0%	-7.7%	-7.6%
Colombia		0.0%	14.2%	48.3%
Egypt		0.0%	-29.7%	3.2%
Total Emerging Countries		27.9%	2.4%	8.2%
Total ACWIxUS Countries		100.0%	4.7%	13.3%

Source: Morningstar Direct, MSCI Global Index Monitor (Returns are Net in USD)

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- Fixed-income markets pulled back slightly to start the year with many domestic and international bond indexes finishing modestly lower during the quarter. Yields remain elevated due to the Federal Reserve's decision to maintain rates at their current levels. While market expectations are that the Fed will eventually begin cutting rates in 2024, which will be a jolt to bond holder performance as yield fall, higher yields and coupon rates on bonds also are also offer an attractive stabilizing, lower-risk benefit for bond allocations in diversified portfolios.
- The Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index, the bellwether US investment grade benchmark, returned a mild negative result of -0.8% for the quarter. Performance across the investment grade index's segments finished the period with similar performance with the Bloomberg US Corporate Investment Grade Index returning -0.4% and the US Mortgage Index sliding by -1.0%.
- Outside of the Aggregate index's sub-components, high-yield bonds continued to rise with a return of 1.5% as credit spreads narrowed during the quarter. US TIPS fell -0.8% for the quarter. The Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex-US Index return of -3.2% for the quarter lagged all domestic fixed-income indexes as well as the multiverse benchmark's return of -1.9%.
- Over the trailing one-year period, the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index climbed 1.7%. The benchmark's sub-components also posted positive performance over the trailing 12 months with the Bloomberg US Corporate Investment Grade Index rising 4.4% and the US Mortgage Index posting a more modest 1.4% return. US TIPS, which are excluded from the aggregate index, rose 0.5% for the year. High-yield corporate bonds, which have a much shorter duration, outpaced their investment grade counterparts with the Bloomberg US High Yield Index posting and equity-like return of 11.2% for the last year.
- Performance for non-US bonds were negative for the trailing year with the Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex-US Index falling by -0.7%. With foreign central banks largely tracking the Fed's tight monetary stance, the negative performance of global bonds is largely attributable to USD strength over the last year.

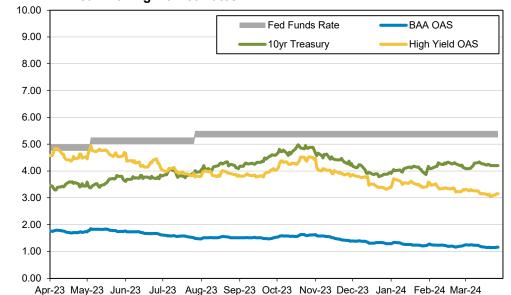


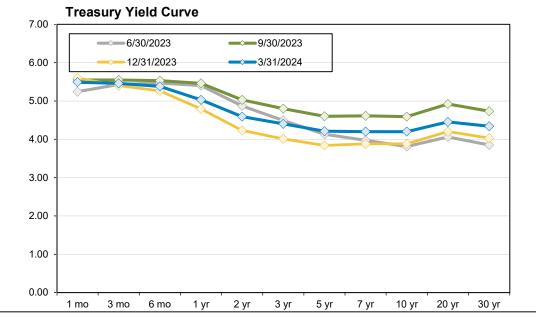
Source: Bloomberg

- The gray band across the graph illustrates the range of the current Fed Funds target rate. During the first guarter, the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) continued to hold the rates steady in the 5.25%-5.50% target range. The last rate increase in the current cycle occurred at the FOMC's July 2023 meeting and while their press releases have continued to push economic datadependent outcomes, subtle press release rewordings since last July have increased the likelihood there will be no additional rate increase in this cycle. With early April's inflation surprise, the CME FedWatch tool, which forecasts rates based on Fed Fund futures pricing, is predicting two 0.25% rate cuts for 2024, with the first occurring in September. Fed officials and market participants have expressed concern about leaving rates at their current levels for an extended period could tip the US economy into a recession, but inflation remains stubbornly elevated and higher rates are the FOMC's primary inflation-fighting tool. Additionally, the FOMC continues to remove liquidity from the market by allowing bonds held on its balance sheet to mature without reinvesting maturity proceeds.
- The yield on the US 10-year Treasury (green line of the top chart) rose modestly, opening at the at 3.88% and finishing the quarter at 4.20%. The 0.32% increase was largely attributable to sticky inflation data released throughout the quarter. The benchmark's rate peaked in October 2023, cresting at just under 5.00% before pulling back in the remainder of the year.
- The blue line in the top chart illustrates changes in the Option Adjusted Spread (OAS) for BAA-rated corporate bonds. This measure quantifies the additional yield premium that investors require to purchase and hold non-US Treasury issues with the lowest investment grade rating. During the quarter, the spread narrowed from 1.29% to 1.17%, which is equivalent to falling rates for BAA bonds. The spread measure has continued to narrow over the trailing 12-month period after concerns about the regional banking sector during March 2023 caused credit spreads to spike. High-yield OAS spreads (represented by the yellow line in the top chart) have also continued to narrow from 3.39% at the end of 2023 to 3.15% at the end of March 2024. This narrowing provided an additional boost to high yield performance.
- The lower graph provides a snapshot of the US Treasury yield curve at the end of each of the last four quarters. If the anticipated rate cuts materialize in 2024, the yield curve will steepen into a positively sloped yield curve, which is the normal shape of the yield. Historically, a persistent inversion of the yield curve, as measured by the spread between 2 and 10-year Treasuries, has been a precursor of an economic recession within six to 24 months. As of quarter-end, the current yield curve inversion has persisted for 21 months.

Source: US Department of Treasury, FRED (Federal Reserve of St. Louis), Federal Reserve of New York

1-Year Trailing Market Rates





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Source: US Department of Treasury, FRED (Federal Reserve of St. Louis), Federal Reserve of New York

- The Fund's 1<sup>st</sup> quarter return was 4.92% and its trailing 12-month return was 15.37%. As of 3-31-2024, the total Fund had an annualized 7-year return of 7.93%.
- The Fund's total equity weighting at 3-31-2024 was 60.9% versus its target equity weighting of 60%. The total Fund's fixed income and Cash weighting was 39.1% versus its target fixed income weighting of 40%.
- In March, Mariner initiated an asset re-balancing to raise cash for current and expected portfolio distributions. \$1,000,000 was transferred from the Vanguard Russell 1000 Growth Index Fund and \$500,000 was transferred from the Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index Fund into the Cash Disbursement account.
- The Plan is conservatively invested with exposures to traditional asset classes only. The Fund's domestic large cap equity segment is 100% passively invested.

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Vanguard Large Cap and International Equity

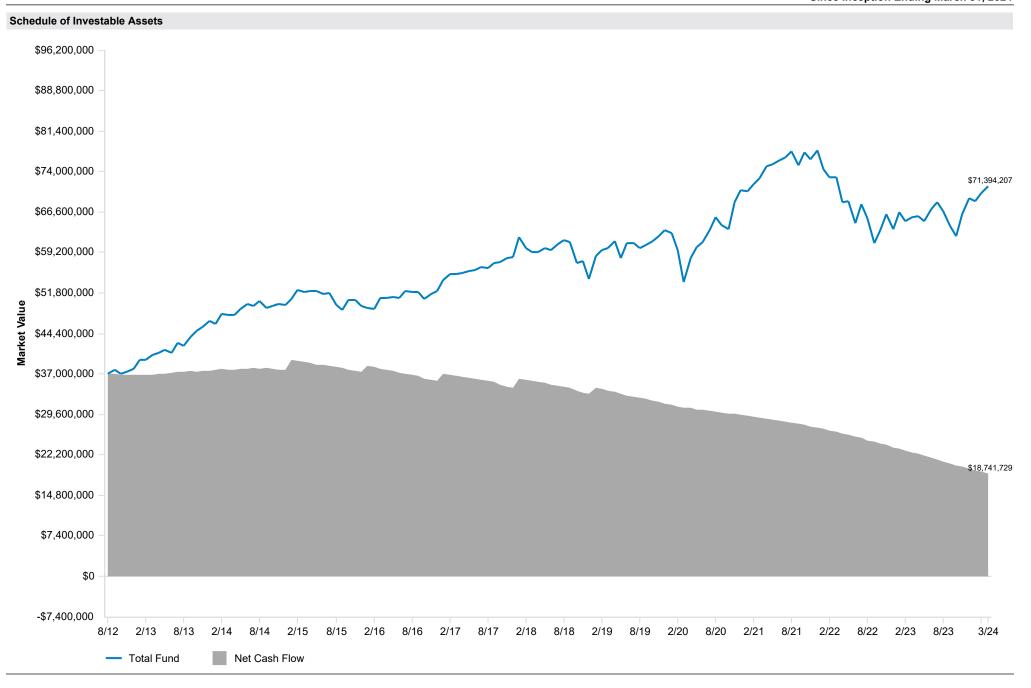
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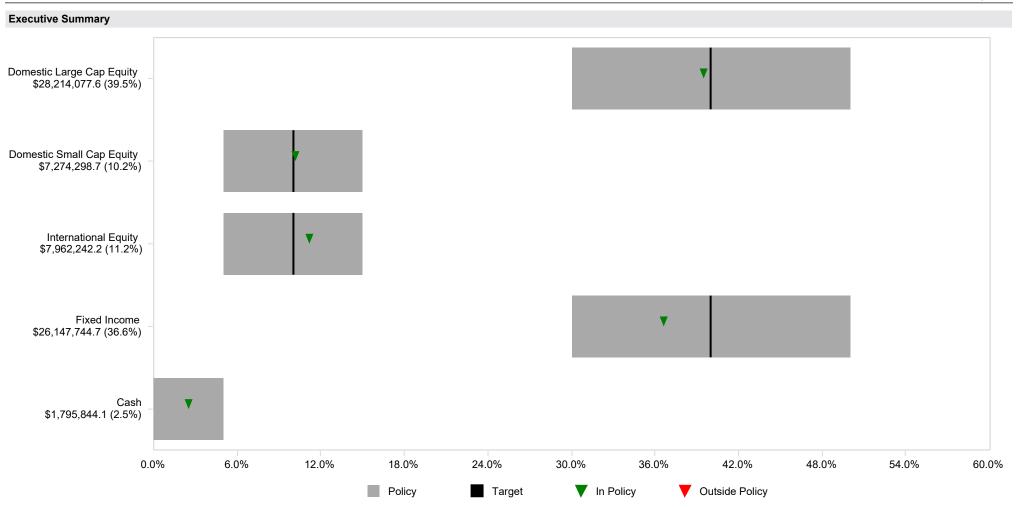
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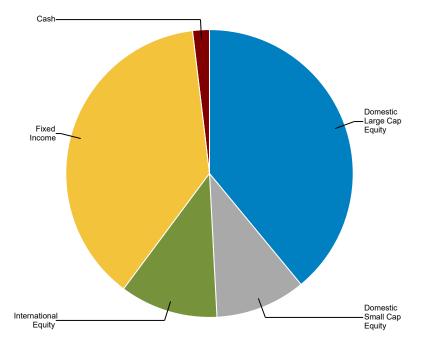


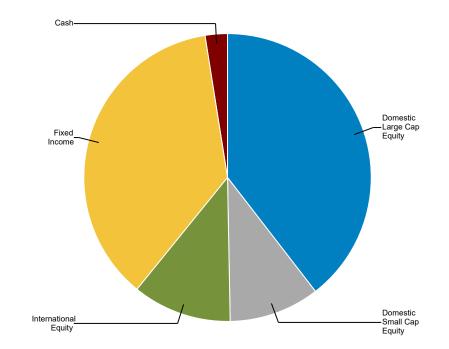
#### Asset Allocation Compliance

	Asset Allocation \$	Current Allocation (%)	Minimum Allocation (%)	Maximum Allocation (%)	Target Allocation (%)
Total Fund	71,394,207	100.0	N/A	N/A	100.0
Domestic Large Cap Equity	28,214,078	39.5	30.0	50.0	40.0
Domestic Small Cap Equity	7,274,299	10.2	5.0	15.0	10.0
International Equity	7,962,242	11.2	5.0	15.0	10.0
Fixed Income	26,147,745	36.6	30.0	50.0	40.0
Cash	1,795,844	2.5	0.0	5.0	0.0

Mar-2024 : \$71,394,207

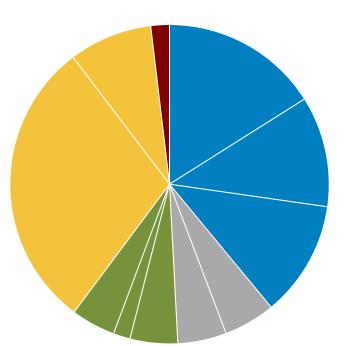
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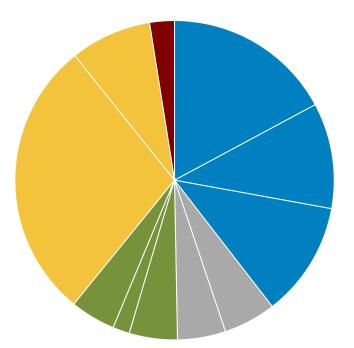




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	Market Value	Allocation		Market Value	Allocation
Domestic Large Cap Equity	26,938,177	39.0	Domestic Large Cap Equity	28,214,078	39.5
Domestic Small Cap Equity	7,019,604	10.2	Domestic Small Cap Equity	7,274,299	10.2
International Equity	7,614,474	11.0	International Equity	7,962,242	11.2
Fixed Income	26,180,753	37.9	Fixed Income	26,147,745	36.6
Cash	1,305,779	1.9	Cash	1,795,844	2.5

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Vanguard S&P 500 Index (VINIX)	11,078,250	16.0	Vanguard S&P 500 Index (VINIX)	12,246,443	17.2
Vanguard R1000 Growth Index (VRGWX)	7,750,335	11.2	Vanguard R1000 Growth Index (VRGWX)	7,639,290	10.7
Vanguard R1000 Value Index (VRVIX)	8,109,592	11.7	Vanguard R1000 Value Index (VRVIX)	8,328,345	11.7
DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX)	3,611,631	5.2	DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX)	3,794,232	5.3
Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX)	3,407,973	4.9	Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX)	3,480,067	4.9
DFA Int'l Core Equity (DFIEX)	3,324,151	4.8	DFA Int'l Core Equity (DFIEX)	3,479,250	4.9
DFA Emerging Markets (DFCEX)	1,184,435	1.7	DFA Emerging Markets (DFCEX)	1,212,675	1.7
Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX)	3,105,887	4.5	Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX)	3,270,318	4.6
FNB Fixed Income	20,346,168	29.5	FNB Fixed Income	20,268,078	28.4
Vanguard High Yield Corp. Fund (VWEAX)	5,834,585	8.4	Vanguard High Yield Corp. Fund (VWEAX)	5,879,667	8.2
PNC Disbursement Account	1,305,779	1.9	PNC Disbursement Account	1,795,844	2.5

Financial Reconciliation								
	Market Value 01/01/2024	Net Transfers	Contributions	Distributions	Management Fees	Other Expenses	Return On Investment	Market Value 03/31/2024
Total Fund	69,058,786	-	197,176	-1,182,221	-11,617	-23,477	3,355,560	71,394,207
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Total Equity	41,572,254	-1,500,000	-	-	-	-	3,378,364	43,450,618
Domestic Large Cap Equity	26,938,177	-1,500,000	-	-	-	-	2,775,901	28,214,078
Vanguard S&P 500 Index (VINIX)	11,078,250	-	-	-	-	-	1,168,193	12,246,443
Vanguard R1000 Growth Index (VRGWX)	7,750,335	-1,000,000	-	-	-	-	888,955	7,639,290
Vanguard R1000 Value Index (VRVIX)	8,109,592	-500,000	-	-	-	-	718,753	8,328,345
Domestic Small Cap Equity	7,019,604	-	-	-	-	-	254,695	7,274,299
DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX)	3,611,631	-	-	-	-	-	182,601	3,794,232
Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX)	3,407,973	-	-	-	-	-	72,094	3,480,067
International Equity	7,614,474	-	-	-	-	-	347,769	7,962,242
DFA Int'l Core Equity (DFIEX)	3,324,151	-	-	-	-	-	155,098	3,479,250
DFA Emerging Markets (DFCEX)	1,184,435	-	-	-	-	-	28,239	1,212,675
Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX)	3,105,887	-	-	-	-	-	164,431	3,270,318
Fixed Income	26,180,753	-	-	-	-	-1,032	-31,976	26,147,745
FNB Fixed Income	20,346,168	-	-	-	-	-1,032	-77,057	20,268,078
Vanguard High Yield Corp. Fund (VWEAX)	5,834,585	-	-	-	-	-	45,081	5,879,667
Cash	1,305,779	1,500,000	197,176	-1,182,221	-11,617	-22,445	9,171	1,795,844
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Asset Allocation & Performance										
	Allocati	on				Perform	ance(%)			
	Market Value \$	%	QTR	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	7 YR	Inception	Inception Date
Total Fund (Gross)	71,394,207	100.0	4.92 (13)	4.92 (13)	15.37 (8)	4.45 (6)	8.45 (2)	7.93 (2)	6.75 (1)	Jan-1998
Total Fund Policy Index			4.88	4.88	15.79	4.48	8.25	7.89	6.66	
All Corporate Plans (\$20M to \$250M)-Total Fund Median			2.05	2.05	7.80	0.76	4.95	5.42	5.97	
Total Fund (Net)	71,394,207	100.0	4.90	4.90	15.30	4.38	8.39	7.87	6.76	Sep-2005
Total Fund Policy Index			4.88	4.88	15.79	4.48	8.25	7.89	6.95	
Total Equity	43,450,618	60.9	8.16	8.16	23.46	-	-	-	7.09	Apr-2022
Domestic Large Cap Equity	28,214,078	39.5	10.35	10.35	29.18	-	-	-	9.18	Apr-2022
Vanguard S&P 500 Index (VINIX)	12,246,443	17.2	10.54 (9)	10.54 (9)	29.84 (16)	11.45 (10)	-	-	16.67 (9)	Nov-2020
S&P 500 Index			10.56	10.56	29.88	11.49	-	-	16.71	
IM S&P 500 Index (MF) Median			10.47	10.47	29.53	11.16	-	-	16.34	
Vanguard R1000 Growth Index (VRGWX)	7,639,290	10.7	11.39 (67)	11.39 (67)	38.97 (58)	12.45 (9)	18.46 (9)	18.00 (11)	16.38 (6)	Jul-2015
Russell 1000 Growth Index			11.41	11.41	39.00	12.50	18.52	18.06	16.44	
IM U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity (MF) Median			12.60	12.60	39.96	9.52	15.73	15.85	14.15	
Vanguard R1000 Value Index (VRVIX)	8,328,345	11.7	8.98 (55)	8.98 (55)	20.22 (64)	8.04 (77)	10.26 (74)	9.11 (77)	9.18 (69)	Jul-2015
Russell 1000 Value Index			8.99	8.99	20.27	8.11	10.31	9.16	9.23	
IM U.S. Large Cap Value Equity (MF) Median			9.15	9.15	22.21	9.36	11.39	10.22	9.78	
Domestic Small Cap Equity	7,274,299	10.2	3.63	3.63	16.56	-	-	-	4.22	Apr-2022
DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX)	3,794,232	5.3	5.06 (53)	5.06 (53)	19.82 (40)	5.61 (24)	10.91 (19)	8.85 (22)	11.07 (18)	Oct-2012
50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Value	-, - , -		4.04	4.04	19.25	1.08	8.18	7.17	9.58	
IM U.S. Small Cap Core Equity (MF) Median			5.16	5.16	18.71	3.91	9.28	7.84	9.95	
Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX)	3,480,067	4.9	2.12 (94)	2.12 (94)	13.70 (84)	2.26 (65)	-	-	11.74 (77)	Sep-2020
50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Growth			6.38	6.38	20.04	-1.37	-	-	8.16	·
IM U.S. Small Cap Core Equity (MF) Median			5.16	5.16	18.71	3.91	-	-	14.17	

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	Allocatio	on				Perform	ance(%)		AS OT N	larch 31, 2024
	Market Value \$	%	QTR	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	7 YR	Inception	Inception Date
International Equity	7,962,242	11.2	4.57	4.57	11.08	-	-	-	2.66	Apr-2022
DFA Int'l Core Equity (DFIEX) MSCI EAFE Value Index (Net) IM International Multi-Cap Core Equity (MF) Median	3,479,250	4.9	4.67 (64) 4.48 5.14	4.67 (64) 4.48 5.14	14.39 (45) 17.32 13.66	4.53 (31) 6.59 3.30	7.61 (20) 6.39 6.53	6.57 (29) 5.30 5.98	7.11 (15) 5.66 6.22	Oct-2012
DFA Emerging Markets (DFCEX) MSCI Emerging Markets (Net) Index IM Emerging Markets Equity (SA+CF+MF) Median	1,212,675	1.7	2.38 (56) 2.37 2.79	2.38 (56) 2.37 2.79	11.94 (33) 8.15 8.50	-0.23 (21) -5.05 -5.82	4.93 (23) 2.22 2.50	-	3.12 (-) 1.31 -	Dec-2017
Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX) MSCI AC World ex USA Growth (Net) IM International Large Cap Growth Equity (MF) Median	3,270,318	4.6	5.29 (68) 5.91 6.85	5.29 (68) 5.91 6.85	7.46 (89) 11.22 12.49	-5.67 (99) -0.76 1.82	8.71 (27) 6.24 7.25	-	7.05 (18) 4.59 5.04	Dec-2017
Fixed Income	26,147,745	36.6	-0.12	-0.12	3.53	-	-	-	1.15	Apr-2022
FNB Fixed Income FNB Fixed Income Policy IM U.S. Broad Market Fixed Income (SA+CF) Median	20,268,078	28.4	-0.38 (56) -0.52 -0.30	-0.38 (56) -0.52 -0.30	2.03 (75) 2.10 2.68	-1.09 (20) -0.73 -1.88	1.05 (55) 1.17 1.16	1.41 (83) 1.47 1.76	3.24 (90) 2.76 3.81	Jan-2006
Vanguard High Yield Corp. Fund (VWEAX) Blmbg. U.S. High Yield - 2% Issuer Cap IM U.S. High Yield Bonds (MF) Median	5,879,667	8.2	0.77 (96) 1.47 1.58	0.77 (96) 1.47 1.58	9.12 (77) 11.15 10.22	-	-	-	8.91 (71) 10.62 9.63	Dec-2022
Cash	1,795,844	2.5								
PNC Disbursement Account	1,795,844	2.5								

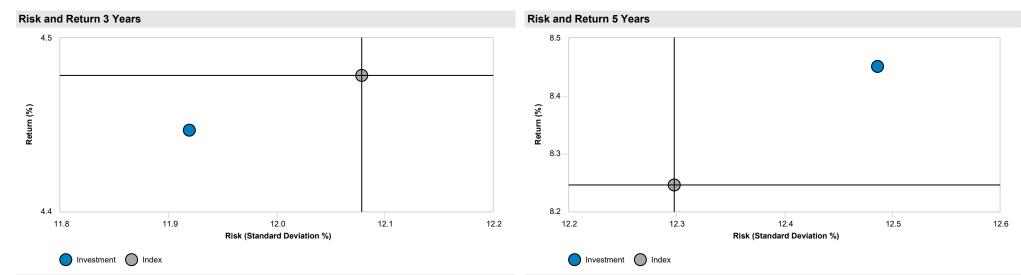
					Performa	ance(%)				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total Fund (Gross)	15.20 (15)	-13.98 (22)	13.79 (11)	15.44 (32)	19.95 (47)	-5.25 (47)	13.93 (65)	9.03 (16)	0.70 (9)	6.04 (58)
Total Fund Policy Index	16.34	-14.10	12.36	14.65	19.97	-3.81	13.15	8.21	0.34	6.65
All Corporate Plans (\$20M to \$250M)-Total Fund Median	11.57	-18.18	9.42	13.81	19.70	-5.43	14.97	7.49	-1.62	6.55
Total Fund (Net)	15.13	-14.03	13.71	15.37	19.89	-5.30	13.87	8.95	0.55	5.79
Total Fund Policy Index	16.34	-14.10	12.36	14.65	19.97	-3.81	13.15	8.21	0.34	6.65
Total Equity	21.57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Domestic Large Cap Equity	25.10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard S&P 500 Index (VINIX)	26.24 (15)	-18.14 (10)	28.65 (14)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S&P 500 Index	26.29	-18.11	28.71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IM S&P 500 Index (MF) Median	25.96	-18.36	28.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard R1000 Growth Index (VRGWX)	42.65 (37)	-29.17 (28)	27.52 (18)	38.38 (35)	36.32 (20)	-1.52 (54)	30.12 (40)	7.02 (10)	-	-
Russell 1000 Growth Index	42.68	-29.14	27.60	38.49	36.39	-1.51	30.21	7.08	-	-
IM U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity (MF) Median	40.78	-31.30	22.39	35.62	33.26	-1.22	29.28	2.21	-	-
Vanguard R1000 Value Index (VRVIX)	11.42 (57)	-7.62 (67)	25.06 (65)	2.76 (62)	26.51 (50)	-8.25 (45)	13.60 (83)	17.20 (18)	-	-
Russell 1000 Value Index	11.46	-7.54	25.16	2.80	26.54	-8.27	13.66	17.34	-	-
IM U.S. Large Cap Value Equity (MF) Median	12.63	-6.10	25.96	3.82	26.50	-8.61	16.95	13.85	-	-
Domestic Small Cap Equity	15.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX)	17.64 (31)	-13.63 (33)	30.60 (19)	11.17 (43)	21.75 (74)	-13.13 (54)	11.52 (56)	23.53 (39)	-3.28 (34)	4.44 (54)
50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Value	15.80	-17.48	21.43	12.09	23.97	-11.93	11.20	26.44	-5.94	4.57
IM U.S. Small Cap Core Equity (MF) Median	15.99	-15.77	25.12	9.89	23.94	-12.71	12.09	21.66	-4.35	4.73
Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX)	14.10 (67)	-15.91 (52)	23.35 (61)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Growth	17.81	-23.42	8.73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IM U.S. Small Cap Core Equity (MF) Median	15.99	-15.77	25.12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

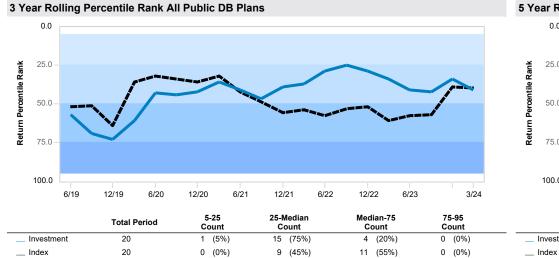
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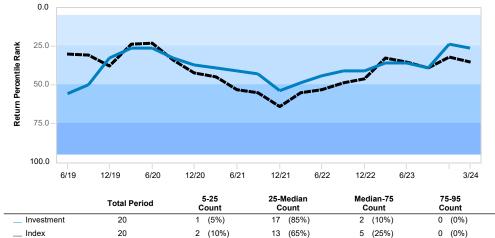
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	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
International Equity	16.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DFA Int'l Core Equity (DFIEX)	17.49 (45)	-13.48 (21)	13.87 (9)	7.72 (55)	21.69 (40)	-17.44 (83)	28.04 (13)	5.34 (8)	-0.19 (36)	-5.98 (68)
MSCI EAFE Value Index (Net)	18.95	-5.58	10.89	-2.63	16.09	-14.78	21.44	5.02	-5.68	-5.39
IM International Multi-Cap Core Equity (MF) Median	17.14	-15.12	10.46	7.96	21.25	-15.14	25.23	1.25	-0.89	-4.98
DFA Emerging Markets (DFCEX)	15.45 (25)	-16.40 (19)	5.83 (18)	13.86 (70)	16.04 (77)	-15.25 (40)	-	-	-	-
MSCI Emerging Markets (Net) Index	9.83	-20.09	-2.54	18.31	18.42	-14.57	-	-	-	-
IM Emerging Markets Equity (SA+CF+MF) Median	10.57	-22.49	-1.95	17.99	20.50	-16.45	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX)	14.81 (63)	-30.79 (93)	-0.72 (97)	59.74 (1)	31.48 (14)	-12.61 (28)	-	-	-	-
MSCI AC World ex USA Growth (Net)	14.03	-23.05	5.09	22.20	27.34	-14.43	-	-	-	-
IM International Large Cap Growth Equity (MF) Median	15.54	-20.24	8.88	20.00	27.50	-14.67	-	-	-	-
Fixed Income	5.98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FNB Fixed Income	4.42 (99)	-7.31 (4)	-1.52 (80)	6.20 (95)	7.18 (96)	0.48 (17)	2.41 (99)	2.37 (94)	1.08 (22)	3.05 (98)
FNB Fixed Income Policy	5.68	-7.29	-1.29	5.85	6.34	0.98	2.01	1.90	0.97	2.82
IM U.S. Broad Market Fixed Income (SA+CF) Median	6.36	-12.92	-0.75	8.74	9.49	-0.01	4.33	3.69	0.63	6.14
Vanguard High Yield Corp. Fund (VWEAX)	11.74 (62)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blmbg. U.S. High Yield - 2% Issuer Cap	13.44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IM U.S. High Yield Bonds (MF) Median	12.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

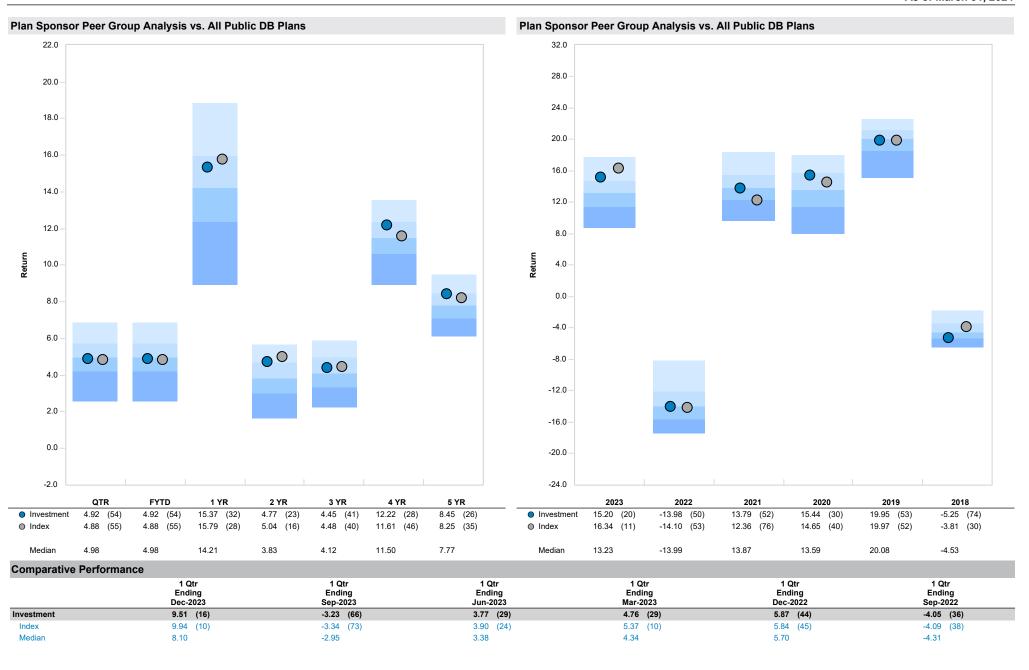
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	Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters		Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters
Investment	4.45	11.92	0.21	99.23	7	99.30	5	Investment	8.45	12.49	0.55	102.21	14	102.04	6
Index	4.48	12.08	0.21	100.00	7	100.00	5	Index	8.25	12.30	0.54	100.00	14	100.00	6





5 Year Rolling Percentile Rank All Public DB Plans

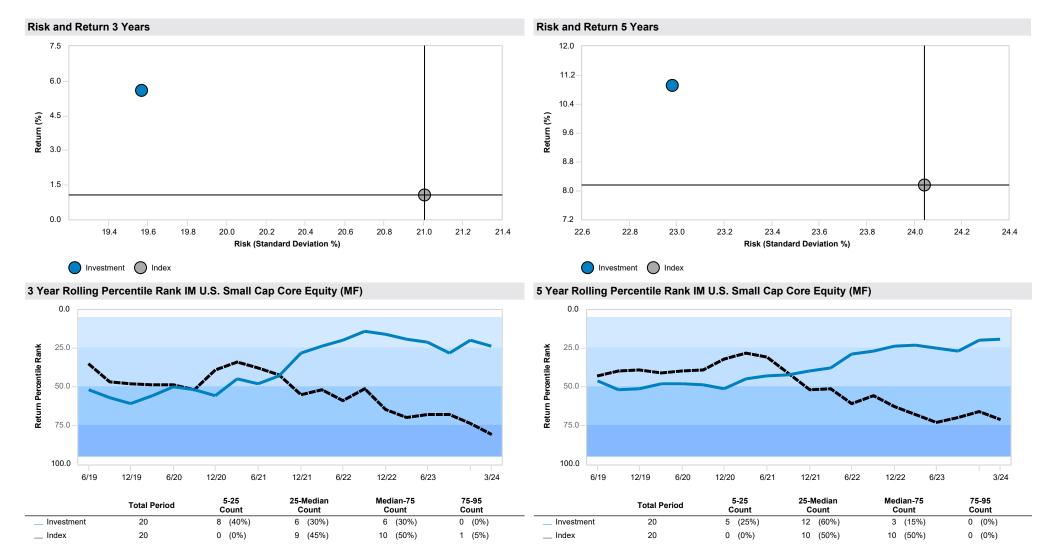




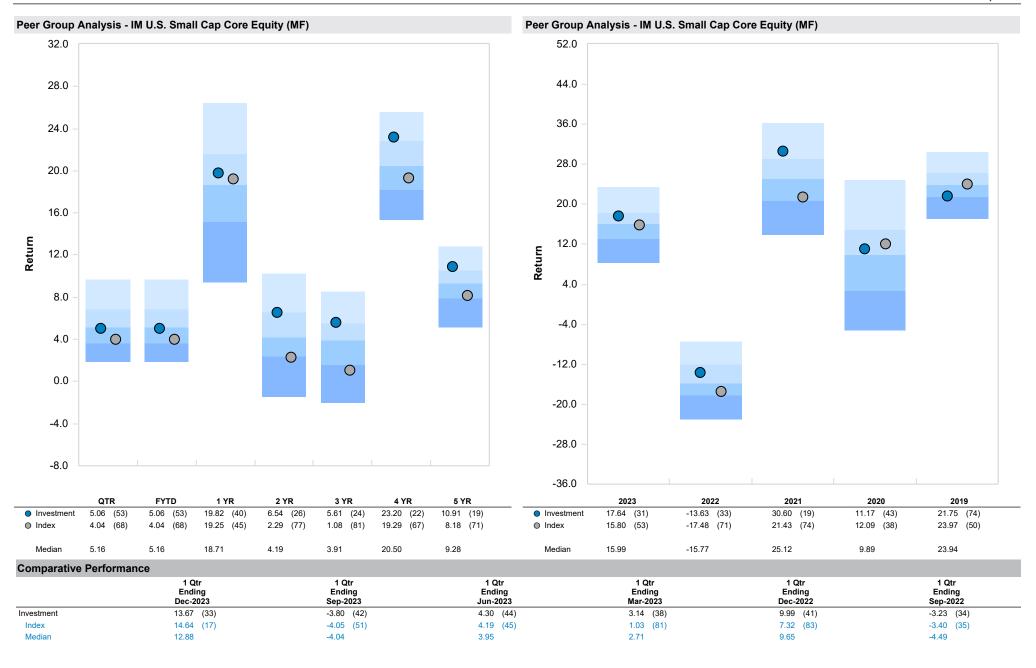
#### **Strategy Review** DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX) | 50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Value

As of March 31, 2024

Historical Statistic	s 3 Years							Historical Statis	stics 5 Years						
	Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters		Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters
Investment	5.61	19.57	0.25	98.79	7	84.54	5	Investment	10.91	22.98	0.48	99.76	13	91.62	7
Index	1.08	21.01	0.03	100.00	7	100.00	5	Index	8.18	24.04	0.37	100.00	13	100.00	7

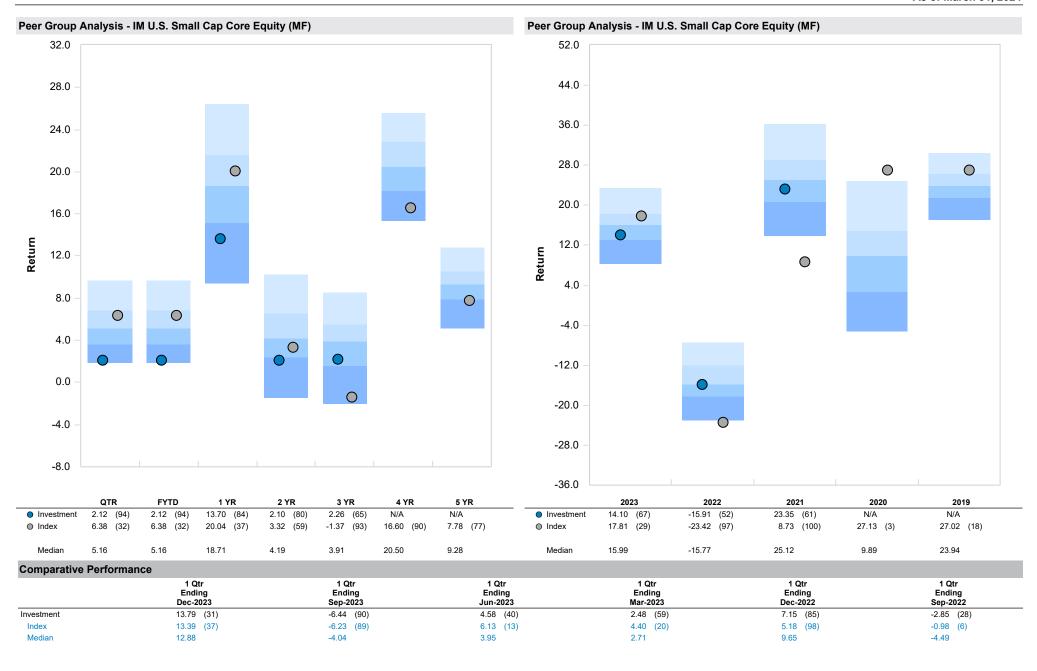


#### Strategy Review DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX) | 50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Value As of March 31, 2024



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#### Strategy Review Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX) | 50% Russell 2000 / 50% Russell 2000 Growth As of March 31, 2024



#### Strategy Review DFA Int'I Core Equity (DFIEX) | MSCI EAFE Value Index (Net) As of March 31, 2024

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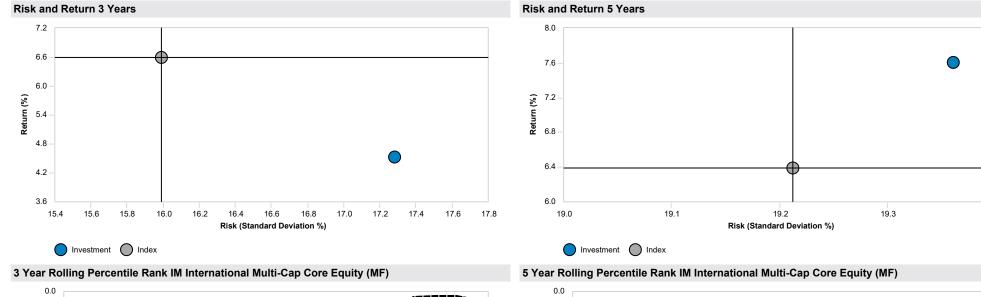
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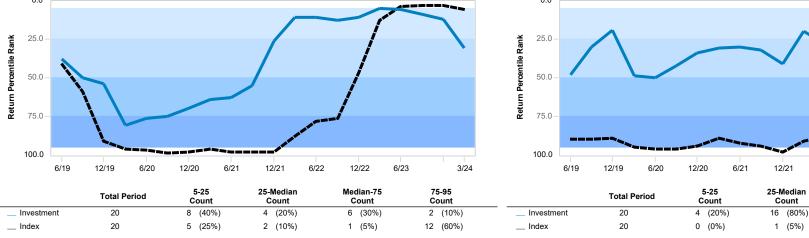
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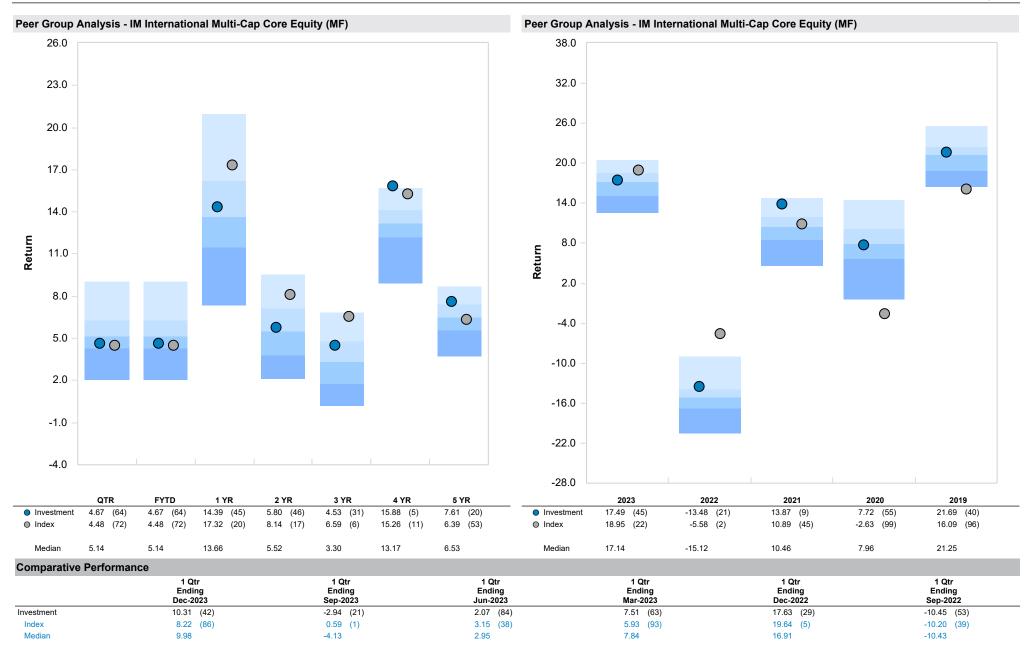
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Historical Statistic	s 3 Years							Historical Stati	stics 5 Years						
	Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters		Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters
Investment	4.53	17.28	0.20	99.10	7	108.41	5	Investment	7.61	19.36	0.37	103.73	13	99.58	7
Index	6.59	15.99	0.32	100.00	9	100.00	3	Index	6.39	19.21	0.32	100.00	15	100.00	5





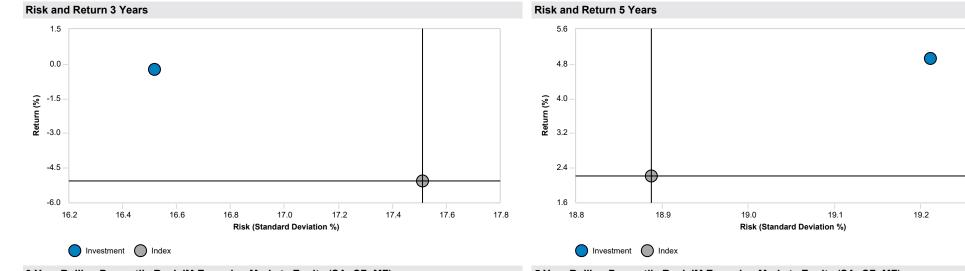
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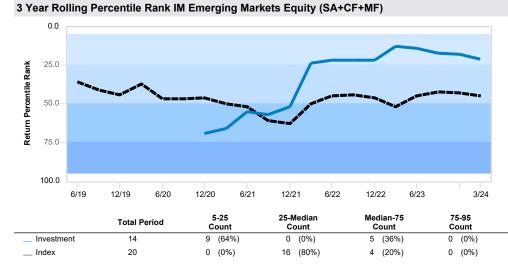


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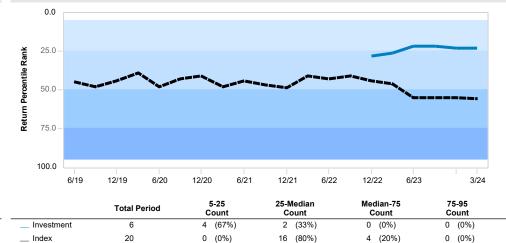
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Historical Statistic	s 3 Years							Historical Stati	stics 5 Years						
	Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters		Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters
Investment	-0.23	16.52	-0.09	100.22	7	81.65	5	Investment	4.93	19.21	0.24	101.08	13	89.87	7
Index	-5.05	17.51	-0.36	100.00	6	100.00	6	Index	2.22	18.89	0.11	100.00	12	100.00	8





5 Year Rolling Percentile Rank IM Emerging Markets Equity (SA+CF+MF)

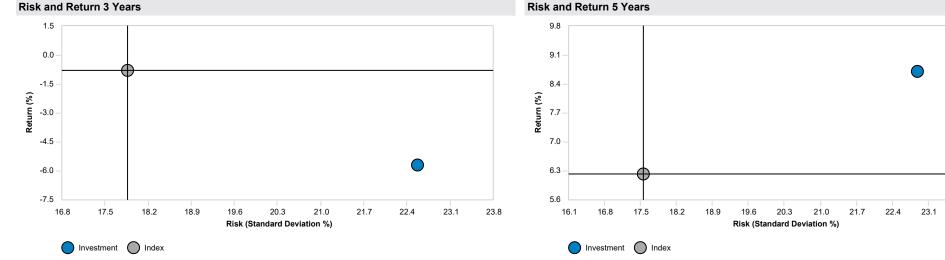


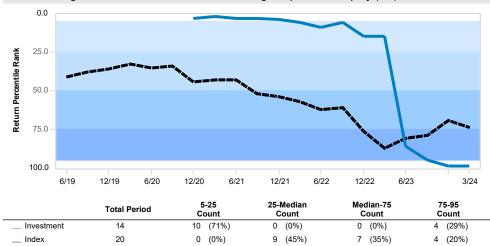
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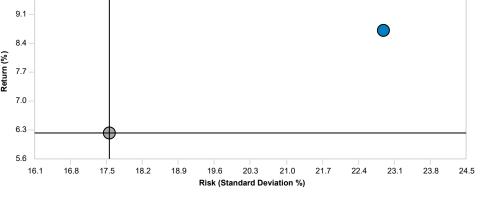
#### **Strategy Review** Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX) | MSCI AC World ex USA Growth (Net) As of March 31, 2024

Historical Statistic	s 3 Years							<b>Historical Statis</b>	stics 5 Years						
	Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters		Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters
Investment	-5.67	22.57	-0.26	115.08	6	132.12	6	Investment	8.71	22.89	0.39	133.29	11	129.35	9
Index	-0.76	17.86	-0.10	100.00	7	100.00	5	Index	6.24	17.56	0.32	100.00	12	100.00	8

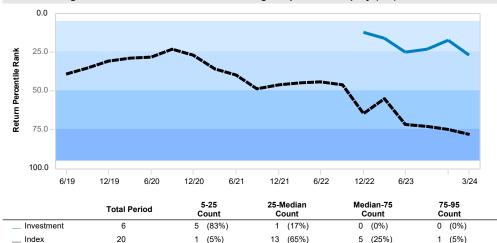




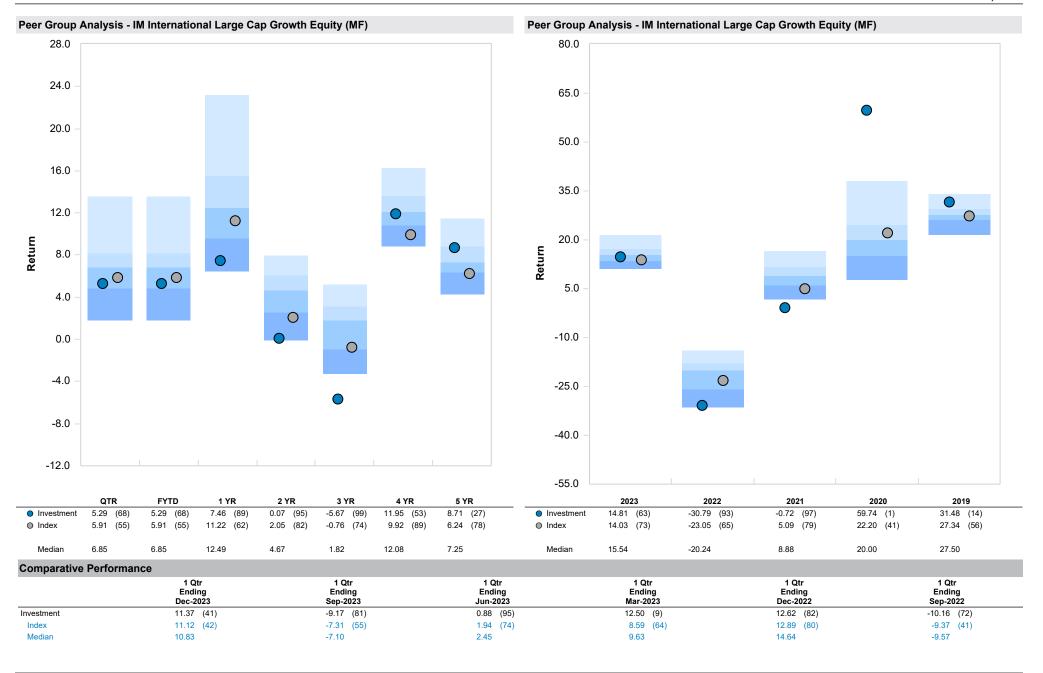
3 Year Rolling Percentile Rank IM International Large Cap Growth Equity (MF)



5 Year Rolling Percentile Rank IM International Large Cap Growth Equity (MF)



#### Strategy Review Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX) | MSCI AC World ex USA Growth (Net) As of March 31, 2024



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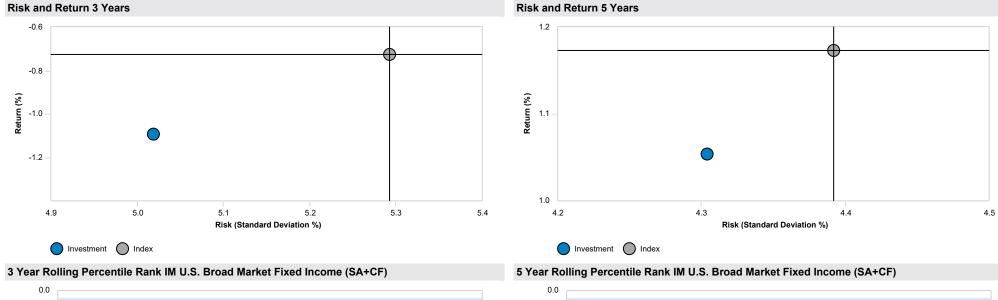
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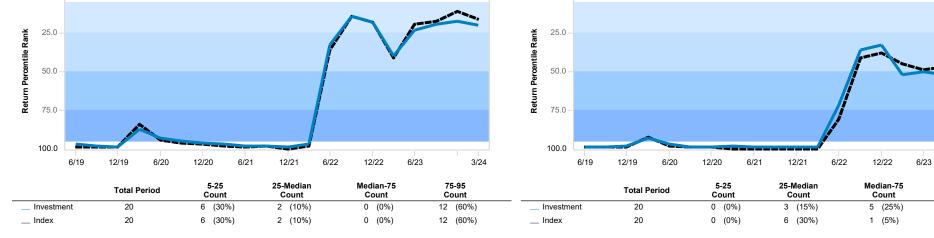
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Historical Statistic	s 3 Years							Historical Statis	stics 5 Years						
	Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters		Return	Standard Deviation	Sharpe Ratio	Up Market Capture	Up Quarters	Down Market Capture	Down Quarters
Investment	-1.09	5.02	-0.72	93.37	4	99.24	8	Investment	1.05	4.30	-0.20	100.02	11	102.53	9
Index	-0.73	5.29	-0.61	100.00	5	100.00	7	Index	1.17	4.39	-0.17	100.00	12	100.00	8





#### Strategy Review FNB Fixed Income | FNB Fixed Income Policy As of March 31, 2024



Pleasant Ridge Manor Retirement Plan Fee Analysis As of March 31, 2024

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	Estimated Annual Fee (%)	Market Value (\$)	Estimated Annual Fee (\$)	Fee Schedule
Total Fund	0.17	71,394,207	121,445	
Domestic Equity				
Vanguard S&P 500 Index (VINIX)	0.04	12,246,443	4,286	0.04 % of Assets
Vanguard R1000 Growth Index (VRGWX)	0.07	7,639,290	5,348	0.07 % of Assets
Vanguard R1000 Value Index (VRVIX)	0.07	8,328,345	5,830	0.07 % of Assets
DFA Small Cap Core Equity (DFSTX)	0.27	3,794,232	10,244	0.27 % of Assets
Delaware Small Cap Core Equity (DCZRX)	0.69	3,480,067	24,012	0.69 % of Assets
International Equity				
DFA Int'l Core Equity (DFIEX)	0.24	3,479,250	8,350	0.24 % of Assets
DFA Emerging Markets (DFCEX)	0.39	1,212,675	4,729	0.39 % of Assets
Vanguard Int'l Growth Equity (VWILX)	0.32	3,270,318	10,465	0.32 % of Assets
Fixed Income				
FNB Fixed Income	0.20	20,268,078	40,536	0.20 % of Assets
Vanguard High Yield Corp. Fund (VWEAX)	0.13	5,879,667	7,644	0.13 % of Assets
Cash				
PNC Disbursement Account		1,795,844	-	

See the disclosure page at the end of the report. Fee information on this page is an illustrative estimate of management fees based on current reported portfolio values. Fee estimates do not reflect actual calculation methodologies or applicable carried interest.

Historical Hybrid Composition				
Allocation Mandate	Weight (%)			
Dec-1997				
S&P 500 Index	60.00			
Bloomberg Intermediate US Govt/Credit Idx	40.00			
Sep-2004				
Russell 1000 Index	40.00			
Bloomberg Intermediate US Govt/Credit Idx	40.00			
Russell 2000 Index	10.00			
MSCI World ex U.S.	10.00			
Jan-2023				
Russell 1000 Index	40.00			
Russell 2000 Index	10.00			
MSCI World ex U.S.	10.00			
Blmbg. U.S. Gov't/Credit	40.00			

Returns prior to 1/1/2023 are from the prior consultant.

Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized.

Manager fees associated with money market or cash accounts are not tracked.

Active Return	- Arithmetic difference between the manager's performance and the designated benchmark return over a specified time period.
Alpha	- A measure of the difference between a portfolio's actual performance and its expected return based on its level of risk as determined by beta. It determines the portfolio's non-systemic return, or its historical performance not explained by movements of the market.
Beta	- A measure of the sensitivity of a portfolio to the movements in the market. It is a measure of the portfolio's systematic risk.
Consistency	- The percentage of quarters that a product achieved a rate of return higher than that of its benchmark. Higher consistency indicates the manager has contributed more to the product's performance.
Distributed to Paid In (DPI)	- The ratio of money distributed to Limited Partners by the fund, relative to contributions. It is calculated by dividing cumulative distributions by paid in capital. This multiple shows the investor how much money they got back. It is a good measure for evaluating a fund later in its life because there are more distributions to measure against.
Down Market Capture	- The ratio of average portfolio performance over the designated benchmark during periods of negative returns. A lower value indicates better product performance
Downside Risk	- A measure similar to standard deviation that utilizes only the negative movements of the return series. It is calculated by taking the standard deviation of the negative quarterly set of returns. A higher factor is indicative of a riskier product.
Excess Return	- Arithmetic difference between the manager's performance and the risk-free return over a specified time period.
Excess Risk	- A measure of the standard deviation of a portfolio's performance relative to the risk free return.
Information Ratio	- This calculates the value-added contribution of the manager and is derived by dividing the active rate of return of the portfolio by the tracking error. The higher the Information Ratio, the more the manager has added value to the portfolio.
Public Market Equivalent (PME)	- Designs a set of analyses used in the Private Equity Industry to evaluate the performance of a Private Equity Fund against a public benchmark or index.
R-Squared	- The percentage of a portfolio's performance that can be explained by the behavior of the appropriate benchmark. A high R-Squared means the portfolio's performance has historically moved in the same direction as the appropriate benchmark.
Return	- Compounded rate of return for the period.
Sharpe Ratio	- Represents the excess rate of return over the risk free return divided by the standard deviation of the excess return. The result is an absolute rate of return per unit of risk. A higher value demonstrates better historical risk-adjusted performance.
Standard Deviation	- A statistical measure of the range of a portfolio's performance. It represents the variability of returns around the average return over a specified time period.
Total Value to Paid In (TVPI)	- The ratio of the current value of remaining investments within a fund, plus the total value of all distributions to date, relative to the total amount of capital paid into the fund to date. It is a good measure of performance before the end of a fund's life
Tracking Error	- This is a measure of the standard deviation of a portfolio's returns in relation to the performance of its designated market benchmark.
Treynor Ratio	- Similar to Sharpe ratio but utilizes beta rather than excess risk as determined by standard deviation. It is calculated by taking the excess rate of return above the risk free rate divided by beta to derive the absolute rate of return per unit of risk. A higher value indicates a product has achieved better historical risk-adjusted performance.
Up Market Capture	- The ratio of average portfolio performance over the designated benchmark during periods of positive returns. A higher value indicates better product performance.

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