

## **Investment Update**

As of 6/5/25

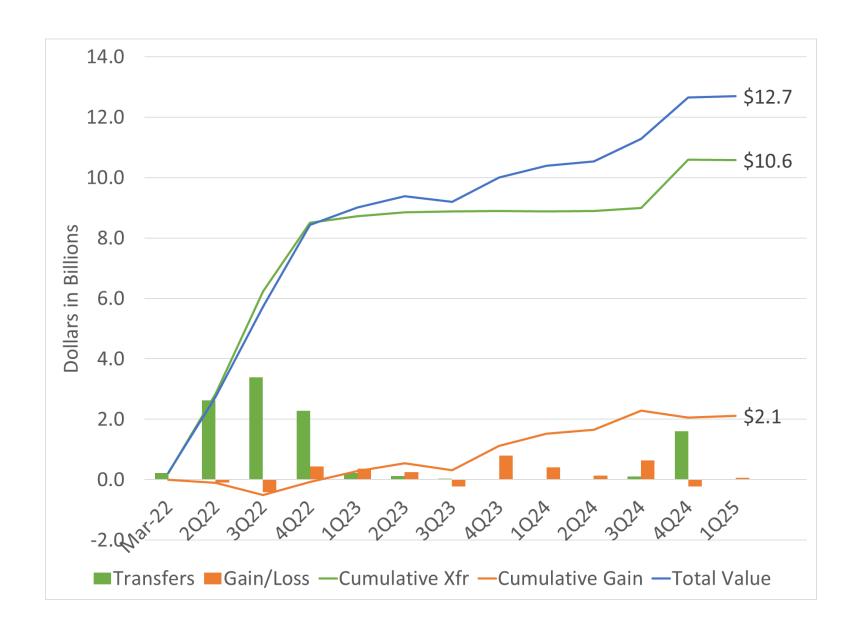
### Performance Update

	2023	2024	CY25 Jan April	FY25 July – April	Since Incept. 4/22
IPOPIF Pool	+13.7%	+9.6%	+1.6%	+5.7%	4.7%
Policy Benchmark	+14.2%	+9.7%	+1.6%	+5.7%	4.8%
Broad Benchmark	+16.8%	+10.8%	+1.2%	+5.6%	4.5%

- Returns for periods longer than one year are annualized.
- IPOPIF Performance is net of investment management fees.
- Policy Benchmark Weighted average of asset class benchmarks; gauges success of implementation (currently less stock exposure than the broad benchmark).
- Broad Benchmark 70/30 global stocks/bonds; gauges success of asset allocation.
- IPOPIF Actuarial Assumed Rate of Return is 6.8% per year.

Preliminary data indicates that the Fund return was greater than 3% in May.

#### **IPOPIF** Growth



## FY 25 Performance Commentary

- The investment pool was up 6.1% for the quarter ended 9/30/24, driven by continued economic strength and declining interest rates. Equity participation broadened with US Small Cap and International Stocks taking the lead. REITs were the overall leader for the quarter, returning 15.5%. China stocks spiked from mid-September into early October on news of government support but have subsequently reverted.
- The investment pool was down 1.9% for the quarter ended 12/31/24, driven by weakness in international stocks and the negative impact of higher interest rates on fixed income and REITs.
- The investment pool was up 0.4% for the quarter ended 3/31/25 as January optimism was replaced with economic uncertainty, driven by a rapidly changing tariff landscape.
- April was a roller coaster as the Fund experienced a 6% drawdown early in the month on tariff panic which was quickly mollified and the Fund ended up +1.2% for the month.
- The "Relief Rally" continued into May as preliminary data shows the Fund up greater than 3% for the month.

## Active Manager Value Add - 3/31/25

month =>	2025-03					Fee %
	Start	End \$M	GVA	Fees	NVA	of GVA
Acadian	Jan 2024	322	21,007,563	1,926,070	19,081,493	9.2%
LSV	Mar 2024	169	13,063,647	1,277,672	11,785,975	9.8%
WCM	Mar 2024	154	(4,392,250)	1,012,759	(5,405,009)	Neg GVA
ARGA	Dec 2024	384	12,847,196	560,175	12,287,021	4.4%
Wm Blair	Dec 2024	317	(13,804,971)	395,859	(14,200,830)	Neg GVA
Capital Grp.	Nov 2024	196	684,244	260,901	423,343	38.1%
Ares	Mar 2024	132	499,484	301,727	197,757	60.4%
Aristotle	Mar 2024	265	(653,490)	745,865	(1,399,354)	Neg GVA
Principal	Jan 2023*	214	4,115,056	3,194,894	920,162	77.6%
Total		2,154	33,366,480	9,675,923	23,690,557	29.0%

Source: Investment Staff Calculations

\*Principal value add measured subsequent to asset consolidation

NAV - Net Asset Value

GVA - Gross Value Add (before fees)

NVA - Net Value Add (after fees)

- The Value-add model compares the ending value of an investment to a theoretical investment in the benchmark with the same cash flow dates. Fees and value added are cumulative since inception.
- Manager evaluation is multifaceted and should take a long-term perspective. This is only one view.
- The short timeframe summarized above provides a baseline but is not sufficient for meaningful conclusions.

## 12-Month Returns as of 3/31/25

		Bench-	
Manager	Return	mark	Excess
SSgA REITs Index	9.8%	9.8%	0.0%
LSV International Small Cap Value Equity Fund	9.4%	1.0%	8.4%
Acadian ACWI ex US Small-Cap Fund	8.2%	1.9%	6.3%
RhumbLine Russell 1000 Index	7.8%	7.8%	0.0%
SSgA High Yield Corporate Credit	7.8%	7.6%	0.2%
Ares Institutional Loan Fund	7.2%	7.0%	0.2%
SSgA US TIPS Index	7.1%	7.0%	0.1%
SSgA EMD Hard Index Fund	7.1%	6.8%	0.3%
Aristotle Institutional Loan Fund	6.3%	7.0%	-0.7%
SSgA Short-Term Gov't/Credit Index	5.7%	5.6%	0.1%
SSgA Non-US Developed Index	5.6%	5.3%	0.3%
SSgA Core Fixed Income Index	5.0%	4.9%	0.1%
Principal USPA	0.0%	0.7%	-0.7%
WCM International Small Cap Growth Fund	-1.3%	1.9%	-3.2%
RhumbLine Russell 2000 Index	-3.9%	-4.0%	0.1%

This table provides a quick performance snapshot. Please see the Verus quarterly report for important additional data and perspective.

## Funding and Rebalancing

Trade Date	Account	Flow \$ mil	Trading Effect \$
1-May	Oaktree PC	+100	
1-May	IPOPIF Cash	-100	
2-May	SSGA High Yield	-100	+51,244
5-May	IPOPIF Cash	+100	
20-May	RhumbLine Large Cap	-55	
21-May	IPOPIF Cash	+55	
21-May	SSGA Non-US Developed	-65	-1,078
22-May	IPOPIF Cash	+65	
21-May	SSGA US ST Gov-Credit	+66	-25,825
22-May	IPOPIF Cash	-66	
2-Jun	Oaktree PC	+75	
2-Jun	IPOPIF Cash	-75	
2-Jun	SSGA High Yield	-47	+5,281
3-Jun	IPOPIF Cash	+47	

• Tranche #1 of Oaktree Private Credit funding.

 Trimmed US and International Equities to rebalance Cash and Short-term Bonds.

Tranche #2 of Oaktree Private Credit funding.

# Asset Allocation 6/4/25

	Current		Targ	get	Variance		
Account	\$M	%	\$M	%	\$M	%	
Growth	7,940	59.5%	7,739	58.0%	200	1.5%	
RhumbLine US Large	3,094	23.2%	3,069	23.0%	25	0.2%	
RhumbLine US Small	660	4.9%	667	5.0%	(7)	-0.1%	
SSGA Non-US Developed	2,628	19.7%	2,535	19.0%	93	0.7%	
Intl. Small Cap (3 mgrs)	725	5.4%	667	5.0%	58	0.44%	
Acadian	365	2.7%	334	2.5%	31	0.23%	
LSV (1 day lag)	192	1.4%	167	1.25%	25	0.19%	
WCM (monthly)	168	1.3%	167	1.25%	2	0.01%	
EME ex China	832	6.2%	801	6.0%	32	0.2%	
ARGA	401	3.0%	400	3.00%	0	0.0%	
William Blair	431	3.2%	400	3.00%	31	0.2%	
Income	2,104	15.8%	2,135	16.0%	(31)	-0.2%	
SSGA High Yield	753	5.6%	754	5.65%	(1)	0.0%	
EM Debt (2 mgrs)	778	5.8%	801	6.0%	(22)	-0.2%	
Cap Group EMD	204	1.5%	200	1.5%	3	0.0%	
SSGA EM Debt	575	4.3%	600	4.5%	(26)	-0.2%	
Bank Loans (2 mgrs)	398	3.0%	400	3.0%	(3)	0.0%	
Ares (monthly)	132	1.0%	133	1.0%	(1)	0.0%	
Aristotle (monthly)	265	2.0%	267	2.0%	(2)	0.0%	
Oaktree Priv. Cred.	175	1.3%	180	1.35%	(5)	0.0%	
Real Assets	715	5.4%	801	6.0%	(86)	-0.6%	
SSGA REITS	499	3.7%	534	4.0%	(35)	-0.3%	
PRINCIPAL USPA	216	1.6%	267	2.0%	(51)	-0.4%	
Risk Mitigation	2,585	19.4%	2,669	20.0%	(84)	-0.6%	
Cash Accounts	133	1.0%	133	1.0%	(1)	-0.01%	
SSGA ST GOV-CREDIT	1,328	10.0%	1,334	10.0%	(6)	-0.04%	
SSGA TIPS	376	2.8%	400	3.0%	(24)	-0.18%	
SSGA US TREASURY	373	2.8%	400	3.0%	(27)	-0.20%	
SSGA CORE BONDS	374	2.8%	400	3.0%	(26)	-0.20%	
Legacy Transition Bonds	0.335	0.0%	-	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Total Investment Pool	13,344	100.0%	13,344	100.0%			

## Monthly Participant Fund Cash Flow



### Investment Updates

- Substantial onboarding engagement with Albourne.
  - Primary focus is on developing the private markets strategic plan for review at the September Board meeting.
  - Private equity search request still penciled in for September.
- The Oaktree private credit platform is operational with initial funding on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Monthly contributions should reach \$390 million commitment by September.
- Small cap equity RFP proposal deadline was May 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - All identified high-caliber candidates responded plus many others.
  - Finalist interviews planned for the September Board meeting.
- Prepared for US Active High Yield Bond manager search.
- Non-transferred asset review.

#### Non-Transferable Assets (NTA)

- Evaluated DOI data FY21 FY23, plus latest FY as of 5/2/25.
- For transferred funds using 5/2/25 DOI data.
  - 333 transferred funds evaluated.
    - Data includes 4/30/24 FY but not 12/31/24 FY.
    - Oct 2024 transfers will be updated with FY 24 report (~9/25).
  - 95% of value held at IPOPIF.
  - 3.5% (\$373M) cash is lower than history (4.4% in FY21).
    - Median cash allocation is 2.5%.
    - 60 funds holding greater than 10% cash.
  - 1.3% (\$133M) in insurance contracts.
  - 0.15% (\$16M) in Certificates of Deposit.
  - 0.12% (\$13 M) other types of investments.

# NTA Summary Data

	FY21		FY22		FY23	
Summary of Article 3 Investments	Value \$	%	Value \$	%	Value \$	%
Pooled Accounts	59,042,325	0.5%	4,235,226,463	39.1%	9,501,414,444	81.7%
Cash, Money Market, Checking	521,361,066	4.4%	595,507,074	5.5%	469,671,180	4.0%
Certificate of Deposit	113,821,405	1.0%	67,963,811	0.6%	24,901,446	0.2%
Insurance Company Contracts	366,376,313	3.1%	242,975,775	2.2%	187,545,872	1.6%
State and Local Obligations	1,511,746,196	12.8%	762,805,370	7.0%	167,365,326	1.4%
US Government and Agency Obligations	2,075,527,161	17.6%	1,232,512,493	11.4%	337,026,479	2.9%
Common and Preferred Stocks	923,004,916	7.8%	554,486,377	5.1%	258,209,017	2.2%
Mutual Funds	6,246,760,586	52.9%	3,130,450,485	28.9%	676,748,942	5.8%
Total	11,817,639,967	100.0%	10,821,927,847	100.0%	11,622,882,705	100.0%
Number of Funds	353		357		355	

	DOI FY data As of	5/2/25	Transferred funds only		
Summary of Article 3 Investments	Value \$	%	Value \$	%	
Pooled Accounts	10,116,893,799	83.0%	10,116,893,799	95.0%	
Cash, Money Market, Checking	434,127,373	3.6%	373,444,236	3.5%	
Certificate of Deposit	19,828,518	0.2%	16,051,616	0.15%	
Insurance Company Contracts	183,172,973	1.5%	133,349,177	1.3%	
State and Local Obligations	162,682,588	1.3%	1,308,231	0.01%	
US Government and Agency Obligations	337,907,822	2.8%	4,021,289	0.04%	
Common and Preferred Stocks	266,330,977	2.2%	1,490,249	0.01%	
Mutual Funds	666,655,390	5.5%	6,192,018	0.06%	
Total	12,187,599,439	100.0%	10,652,750,615	100.0%	
Number of Funds	356		333		

#### **Evanston MBS Transfer**

- 38 Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) certified as transferable but held back by Evanston from the October 2024 transfer.
- Value \$793K as of 5/5/26.
- Transfer of 36 securities planned for August.
  - Two securities will mature prior (~\$144K).
  - Transfer value ~\$649K.
  - Small lots would likely trade a significant discount outside of a large transition event.
- Assets to be transferred and held in-kind within the IPOPIF Pool at fair market value until maturity. Legacy Bond account to increase from \$335K to \$984K.
- CIO views transaction as positive for Evanston and neutral to slightly positive for overall investment portfolio.
- Assets to be assessed true-up charge (~14 bps) in accordance with Valuation and Cost Rule, Section C.5.

## Board Agenda Projection

- 9/12/25
  - Quarterly Performance
  - US Small Cap Interviews
  - Priv. Mkts. Strategic Plan
  - Priv. Equity Search Req
- 10/17/25
  - Strategic Plan Review
  - Principal RE review
  - Custodian review
- 12/12/25
  - Quarterly Performance
  - HY Bond interviews
  - Select General Consultant Finalists

- January 2026
  - Strategic Plan Review
  - General Consultant interview/selection (starts May 2026)
- TBD
  - Private markets education and search timing

For discussion and planning purposes. Subject to revision.