Global Balanced Fund

Quarterly Report, Q3 2024

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Net Asset Value:	$14.24
Assets:	$1.33M
Inception:	Aug-14

PEFORMANCE

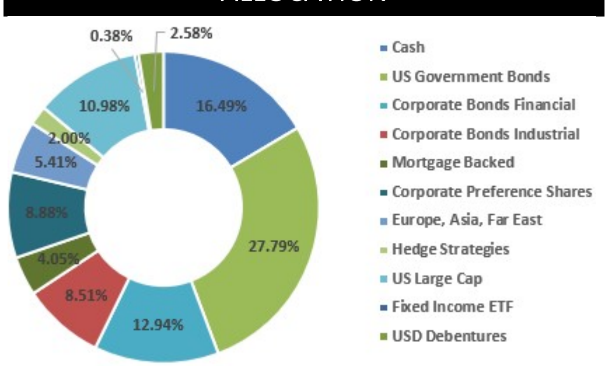
	Fund	Benchmark*
1 Month	0.87%	1.71%
3 Month	3.47%	5.41%
1Yr	8.41%	20.87%
3Yr	-0.95%	4.14%
5Yr	6.18%	6.60%

* *Blended Index: 50% MSCI All-Country World Index (MXWD) and 50% * Bank of America/Merrill Lynch B310 U.S. Corp. & Govt. 5-7 year AAA-A ratedIndex*

TOP FIVE ASSET CLASSES

US GOVERNMENT BONDS	27.79%
CORPORATE BONDS	8.51%
U.S LARGE CAP	10.98%
CORPORATE BONDS INDUSTRIAL	8.51%
CORPORATE PREFERENCE SHARES	8.88%

ALLOCATION



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Republicans return to the Oval Office

The Fund was up 0.87% and 3.47% in September and Q3 respectively. Over the last five years the fund average 6.18%, which is higher than the benchmark. In early 2023 the decision was made to reduce downside exposure to equity markets based on expectations of a US recession. This tactical decision was made to reduce downside exposure and provide liquidity to take advantage of an expected equity market correction. While our decision was premature, we have reduced downside risk and the recent decrease in US interest rates is beneficial.

It looks like Trump will take control of the senate, house and white house. He holds strong views on cutting corporate taxes and implementing tariffs on foreign imports. The tax cuts are likely to boost corporate profits and theoretically stimulate economic growth. However, the downside is that this could lead to higher inflation, similar to what we saw during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the tariffs could raise prices across the U.S., as the country is the world's largest importer—unless the Trump administration develops an effective plan for their implementation.

In the third quarter of 2023, the Fed finally began the process of reducing interest rates by 50 basis points, which led to a significant increase in bond yields. The Fed is expected to make another rate cut, potentially two, in 2024. While the Fed has begun cutting rates, the U.S. economy remains strong, which raises concerns that inflation could resurface.

The Fund is positioned to benefit from upside in both markets and is partially hedged against potential equity market corrections through fixed income.

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