MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund Form N-CSRS February 05, 2016

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### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### Form N-CSR

### CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT

### **INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

**Investment Company Act File Number 811-22551** 

### **MAINSTAY DEFINEDTERM**

### MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

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Date of fiscal year end: May 31

Date of reporting period: November 30, 2015

### FORM N-CSR

Item 1. Reports to Stockholders.

# MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund

# **Message from the President and Semiannual Report**

Unaudited | November 30, 2015 | NYSE Symbol MMD

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## Message from the President

The six-month period ended November 30, 2015, was relatively volatile across stock and bond markets. Prices for municipal bonds generally declined early in the reporting period as yields rose overall. From early summer through the end of the reporting period, however, municipal bond yields declined overall. As the yield curve flattened, prices advanced, which generally led to positive total returns for municipal bonds over the six-month reporting period.

Uncertainty about the timing and magnitude of a Federal Reserve increase in the federal funds target rate was an ongoing concern for investors. Successive developments in employment, inflation and the stock market, however, led the Federal Reserve to repeatedly postpone a tightening move during the reporting period. On December 16, 2015, which was after the reporting period, the Federal Open Market Committee announced an increase in the target range for the federal funds rate to 0.25% to 0.50%.

Headline risk weighed on the market for Puerto Rico municipal bonds, which struggled to gain effective restructuring momentum. A political impasse hurt the performance of Illinois state and local credits, particularly Chicago general obligation and Board of Education bonds.

We hope that you will carefully review the following report, which contains detailed information about the specific markets, securities and investment decisions that most affected MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund during the six months ended November 30, 2015.

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Sincerely,	
Stephen P. Fisher	
President	

The opinions expressed are as of the date of this report and are subject to change. There is no guarantee that any forecast made will come to pass. This material does not constitute investment advice and is not intended as an endorsement of any specific investment. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Not part of the Semiannual Report

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Certain material in this report may include statements that constitute forward-looking statements under the U.S. securities laws. Forward-looking statements include, among other things, projections, estimates and information about possible or future results or events related to the Fund, market or regulatory developments. The views expressed herein are not guarantees of future performance or economic results and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially from the views expressed herein. The views expressed herein are subject to change at any time based upon economic, market, or other conditions and the Fund undertakes no obligation to update the views expressed herein.

### Fund Performance and Statistics (Unaudited)

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Because of market volatility, current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and as a result, when shares are redeemed, they may be worth more or less than their original cost. For performance information current to the most recent month-end, please visit mainstayinvestments.com/mmd.

Total Returns	Six	One	
	Months	Year	Since Inception 6/26/12
Net Asset Value ( NAV <sup>1</sup> )	4.71%	6.41%	7.38%
Market Price <sup>1</sup>	3.14	9.30	4.67
Barclays Municipal Bond Index <sup>2</sup>	2.37	3.10	3.45
Average Lipper General & Insured Municipal Debt Fund (Leveraged) <sup>3</sup>	2.11	2.85	3.35

#### Fund Statistics (as of November 30, 2015)

NYSE Symbol	MMD	Premium/Discount <sup>4</sup>	4.81%
CUSIP	56064K100	Total Net Assets (millions)	\$532.5
Inception Date	6/26/12	Total Managed Assets (millions) <sup>5</sup>	\$783.1
Market Price	\$18.39	Leverage <sup>6</sup>	31.9%
NAV	\$19.32	Percent of AMT Bonds <sup>7</sup>	3.19%

- 1. Total returns assume dividends and capital gains distributions are reinvested.
- 2. The Barclays Municipal Bond Index is considered representative of the broad market for investment-grade, tax-exempt bonds with a maturity of at least one year. Bonds subject to the alternative minimum tax or with floating or zero coupons are excluded. An investment cannot be made directly in an index.
- 3. The average Lipper General & Insured Municipal Debt Fund (Leveraged) is representative of funds that either invest primarily in municipal debt issues rated in the top four credit ratings or invest primarily in municipal debt issues insured as to timely payment. These funds can be leveraged via use of debt, preferred equity, and/or reverse repurchase agreements. This benchmark is a product of Lipper Inc. Lipper Inc. is an independent monitor of fund performance. Results are based on average total returns of similar funds with all dividend and capital gain distributions reinvested.
- 4. Premium/Discount is the percentage (%) difference between the market price and the NAV price. When the market price exceeds the NAV, the Fund is trading at a Premium. When the market price is less than the NAV, the Fund is trading at a Discount.
- 5. Managed Assets is defined as the Fund s total assets, minus the sum of its accrued liabilities (other than Fund liabilities incurred for the purpose of creating effective leverage (i.e. tender option bonds) or Fund liabilities related to liquidation preference of any preferred shares issued).
- Leverage is based on the use of proceeds received from tender option bond transactions, issuing Preferred Shares, funds borrowed from banks or other institutions or derivative transactions, expressed as a percentage of Managed Assets.
- 7. Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) is a separate tax computation under the Internal Revenue Code that, in effect, eliminates many deductions and credits and creates a tax liability for an individual who would otherwise pay little or no tax.

### Portfolio Composition as of November 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

California	13.2%
Illinois	12.4
Puerto Rico	9.4
Michigan	7.2
Virginia	5.1
Texas	4.9
Pennsylvania	4.8
Florida	4.6
Ohio	4.4
New Jersey	3.5
Maryland	2.9
Nebraska	2.8
Kansas	2.8
Washington	2.7
Guam	2.2
Rhode Island	2.2
Tennessee	2.0
Nevada	1.7
New York	1.2
U.S. Virgin Islands	1.0%
Louisiana	0.7
District of Columbia	0.6
Alaska	0.6
Alabama	0.6
Iowa	0.5
Kentucky	0.5
Arizona	0.4
New Hampshire	0.4
Missouri	0.3
Minnesota	0.3
Indiana	0.1
Vermont	0.1
West Virginia	0.1
Georgia	0.0
Colorado	0.0
Other Assets, Less Liabilities	3.8

100.0%

See Portfolio of Investments beginning on page 9 for specific holdings within these categories.

#### Top Ten Holdings or Issuers Held as of November 30, 2015# (Unaudited)

- 1. University of California, Regents Medical Center, Revenue Bonds, 5.00%, due 5/15/43
- 2. Virginia Commonwealth Transportation Board, Capital Projects, Revenue Bonds, 5.00%, due 5/15/31
- Maryland Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Johns Hopkins Health System Obligated Group, Revenue Bonds, 5.00%, due 5/15/43
- 4. Chicago, Unlimited General Obligation, 5.00% 5.25%, due 1/1/26 1/1/40
- 5. Riverside County Transportation Commission, Limited Tax, Revenue Bonds, 5.25%, due 6/1/39
- 6. Central Plains Energy, Project No. 3, Revenue Bonds, 5.25%, due 9/1/37
- 7. Puerto Rico Highways & Transportation Authority, Revenue Bonds, 4.95% 5.50%, due 7/1/18 7/1/34
- 8. Texas Municipal Gas Acquisition & Supply Corp. III, Revenue Bonds, 5.00%, due 12/15/32
- 9. City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds, 5.00%, due 9/1/42
- 10. Kansas Development Finance Authority, Adventist Health Sunbelt Obligated Group, Revenue Bonds, 5.00%, due 11/15/32

Credit Quality as of November 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Ratings apply to the underlying portfolio of bonds held by the Fund and are rated by an independent rating agency, such as Standard & Poor s (S&P), Moody s Investors Service, Inc. and/or Fitch Ratings, Inc. If ratings are provided by the ratings agencies, but differ, the higher rating will be utilized. If only one rating is provided, the available rating will be utilized. Securities that are unrated by the rating agencies are reflected as such in the breakdown. Unrated securities do not necessarily indicate low quality. S&P rates borrowers on a scale from AAA to D. AAA through BBB- represent investment grade, while BB+ through D represent non-investment grade.

As a percentage of Managed Assets.

Less than one-tenth of a percent.

#Some of these holdings have been transferred to a Tender Option Bond ( TOB ) Issuer in exchange for the TOB residuals and cash.

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### Portfolio Management Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

Questions answered by Robert DiMella, CFA, John Loffredo, CFA, Michael Petty, Scott Sprauer and David Dowden of MacKay Shields LLC, the Fund s Subadvisor.

# How did MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund perform relative to its benchmark and peers during the six months ended November 30, 2015?

For the six months ended November 30, 2015, MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund returned 4.71% based on net asset value applicable to Common shares and 3.14% based on market price. At net asset value and at market price, the Fund outperformed the 2.37% return of the Barclays Municipal Bond Index<sup>1</sup> and the 2.11% return of the Average Lipper<sup>2</sup> General & Insured Municipal Debt Fund (Leveraged) for the six months ended November 30, 2015.

#### What factors affected the Fund s relative performance during the reporting period?

The Fund was positioned with a longer-maturity, lower-investment-grade rating profile than the Barclays Municipal Bond Index. This strategy performed well during the reporting period, as the municipal yield curve<sup>3</sup> flattened and credit spreads<sup>4</sup> narrowed. Detracting from the Fund s relative performance were certain Chicago holdings, specifically general obligation and public school credits.

#### How was the Fund s leverage strategy implemented during the reporting period?

During the reporting period, a bond that was held in a tender option bond trust was called. As a result, the Fund experienced an unwinding of a tender option bond trust. Another two trusts were forced to close because of pressure on the underlying credits, which were tied to the state of Illinois and City of Chicago. The Fund successfully extended its two series of preferred shares with Citigroup during the reporting period.

#### What was the Fund s durationstrategy during the reporting period?

The Fund s duration began the reporting period short of Barclays Municipal Bond Index (on a pre-leverage basis). As of November 30, 2015, the Fund s unleveraged modified duration to worstwas approximately 5.9 years.

#### What specific factors, risks or market forces prompted significant decisions for the Fund during the reporting period?

Lack of liquidity in the municipal market was one of the greatest challenges for open-end funds during the reporting period. MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund, because it is a closed-end fund, has a significant advantage as a result of its committed capital and lack of redemption risk. This allows the Fund to operate fully invested, maximizing its tax-exempt income stream. Fund management has taken advantage of the flattening yield curve to reduce the weighted average life of the portfolio, which continues to have an overweight position relative to the Barclays Municipal Bond Index in longer-maturity securities.

# Which market segments were the strongest contributors to the Fund s relative performance, and which market segments were particularly weak?

Relative to the Barclays Municipal Bond Index, the most significant positive contributions to the Funds performance were overweight positions among longer-maturity securities and more credit-sensitive securities. (Contributions take weightings and total returns into account.) Hospitals, local general obligation and tobacco backed bonds also contributed to the Funds performance relative to the Barclays Municipal Bond Index. The most significant detractors from the Funds relative performance were the Funds bonds in the education sector. Specific credits contributing to performance were Detroit Water and Sewers, enhanced Puerto Rico bonds and California zero-coupon bonds.

#### How did the Fund s weightings change during the reporting period?

As the Fund s trategy did not materially change during the reporting period, there were no major changes to the structure of the Fund. We decreased the Fund s overweight position in California on the continued strength of securities from that state. We also decreased the Fund s exposure to hospitals, local general obligations and toll roads. During the reporting period, we increased the Fund s exposure to tobacco-backed, public power and water/sewer bonds.

- 1. See footnote on page 5 for more information on the Barclays Municipal Bond Index.
- 2. See footnote on page 5 for more information on Lipper Inc.
- 3. The yield curve is a line that plots the yields of various securities of similar quality typically U.S. Treasury issues across a range of maturities. The U.S. Treasury yield curve serves as a benchmark for other debt and is used in economic forecasting.
- 4. The terms spread and yield spread may refer to the difference in yield between a security or type of security and comparable U.S. Treasury issues. The terms may also refer to the difference in yield between two specific securities or types of securities at a given time. The term credit spread typically refers to the difference in yield between corporate or municipal bonds (or a specific category of these bonds) and comparable U.S. Treasury issues.
- 5. Duration is a measure of the price sensitivity of a fixed-income investment to changes in interest rates. Duration is expressed as a number of years and is considered a more accurate sensitivity gauge than average maturity.
- 6. Modified duration is inversely related to the approximate percentage change in price for a given change in yield. Duration to worst is the duration of a bond computed using the bond s nearest call date or maturity, whichever comes first. This measure ignores future cash flow fluctuations due to embedded optionality.

#### How was the Fund positioned at the end of the reporting period?

As of November 30, 2015, the Fund maintained an overweight position relative to the Barclays Municipal Bond Index in the local special tax (tobacco), hospital and water/sewer sectors. From a quality perspective, we favored credits rated AA (enhanced) and BBB.<sup>7</sup> As of November 30, 2015, the Fund s duration was in-line with the duration of the Index.

7. An obligation rated AA by Standard & Poor s (S&P) is deemed by S&P to differ from the highest-rated obligations only to a small degree. In the opinion of S&P, the obligor s capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is very strong. An obligation rated BBB by S&P is deemed by S&P to exhibit adequate protection parameters. In the opinion of S&P, however, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. When applied to Fund holdings, ratings are based solely on the creditworthiness of the bonds in the portfolio and are not meant to represent the security or safety of the Fund.

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# Portfolio of Investments November 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Municipal Bands 141.36   Sandama 0.8 (10.6 % of Managed Asseto)   Series A. Insured. ABBAC   Series A. Insured. ABBAC   Series A. Insured. Series		Principal Amount	Value
Alabama 0.8% (0.6% of Managed Assets)   Efferance County, Public Building Authority, Revenue Bonds   Series A, Insured: AMBAC	Municipal Bonds 141.3%	rinount	v aruc
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\$25,000   \$25,1488     Efferson County, Public Building Authority, Revenue Bonds			
	Series A, Insured: AMBAC		
Image: AMBAC		\$ 250,000	\$ 251,458
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Alaska 0.8% (0.6% of Managed Assets)   Northern Tobacco Securitization Corp., Tobacco Settlement, Asset-Backed, Revenue Bonds Series A   S.295,000   A.455,848   Arizona 0.6% (0.4% of Managed Assets)   S.295,000   A.455,848   A.506, due 711/42   D.200,000   A.506, due 711/42   D.200,000   A.506, due 711/42   A.506, due 711/43   D.200,000   A.506, due 711/43   A.506, due 711/44   A.507, due 71.606,		4 500 000	1 171 155
Northern Tobacco Securitization Corp., Tobacco Settlement, Asset-Backed, Revenue Bonds Series A	5.00%, due 4/1/20	4,300,000	4,171,433
Northern Tobacco Securitization Corp., Tobacco Settlement, Asset-Backed, Revenue Bonds Series A			4 400 010
Northern Tobacco Securitization Corp., Tobacco Settlement, Asset-Backed, Revenue Bonds			4,422,913
Northern Tobacco Securitization Corp., Tobacco Settlement, Asset-Backed, Revenue Bonds			
Series A   5,00%, due 6/1/46   5,295,000   4,455,848   5,000%, due 7/1/42   7,000%   7,100%	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Arizona 0.6% (0.4% of Managed Assets)			
Arizona 0.6% (0.4% of Managed Assets) Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Downtown Phoenix Student LLC, Revenue Bonds Series A, Instruct AMBAC 4.50%, due 7/1/42 Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Espiritu Community Development Corp., Revenue Bonds Series A, G.25%, due 7/1/36  6.25%, due 7/1/36  6.25%, due 7/1/36  7.200,000  7.2016,000  7.2		5 205 000	1 155 818
Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Downtown Phoenix Student LLC, Revenue Bonds   150,000   144,147   144,14	5.00 //, duc 0/1/40	3,293,000	4,433,040
Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Downtown Phoenix Student LLC, Revenue Bonds   150,000   144,147   144,14			
Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Downtown Phoenix Student LLC, Revenue Bonds   150,000   144,147   144,14	A A		
Series A, Insured: AMBAC   150,000   141,147   150,000   141,147   150,000   140,147   150,000   140,147   150,000   140,000	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
4.50%, due 71/142 Neonix Industrial Development Authority, Espiritu Community Development Corp., Revenue Bonds Series A 6.25%, due 71/36 C.25%, due 41/36 C.25%, due 51/36 (a) C.25%, due 51/37 (a			
Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Espiritu Community Development Corp., Revenue Bonds		150,000	144 147
Series A		130,000	144,147
6.25%, due 7/1/36			
Pinna County Industrial Development Authority, PLC Charter Schools Project, Revenue Bonds         1,075,000         1,080,010           6.75%, due 4/1/36         1,080,010         3,240,197           California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets)           California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets)           California Municipal Finance Authority, Southwestern Law School, Revenue Bonds         2,575,000         2,551,773           California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Aster), France Authority, Southwestern Law School, Revenue Bonds         2,165,000         2,593,237           Carson Redevelopment Agency, Redevelopment Project Area 1, Tax Allocation         75,000         50,936           Scries B, Insured: NATL-RE         75,000         50,936           Keries Caupon), due 10/1/25         75,000         50,936           A Principal Principal Assets (continued)           Ceres Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation           Series A.           1,007, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)         1,050,000         1,792,810           1,007, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)         18,600,000         4,741,226           1,007, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)         18,600,000         4,741,226           1,007, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)         18,600,000         4,741,226           1,008, due 6/1/27 (a)         6,95,000         6,883,209		2.000.000	2.016.040
6.75%, due 4/1/36 1,075,000 1,080,010  California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets)  California County Tobacco Securitization Agency, Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds 5.60%, due 6/1/36 (a) 2,575,000 2,551,773  California Municipal Finance Authority, Southwestern Law School, Revenue Bonds 5.60%, due 11/1/41 2,165,000 2,593,237  Carson Redevelopment Agency, Redevelopment Project Area 1, Tax Allocation  Series B, Insured: NATL-RE (zero coupon), due 10/1/25 75,000 50,936 Principal Amount Value  California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)  Ceres Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation Series A (zero coupon), due 8/1/43 56,375,000 \$1,076,036  City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds  City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds  Series C (zero coupon), due 8/1/42 (b)(c) 19,500,000 \$1,792,810  Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation Series C (zero coupon), due 8/1/42 (b)(c) 18,600,000 \$4,741,326  Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds  Series A-1 4,50%, due 6/1/27 6,95,000 6,883,209  Series A-2 5,30%, due 6/1/37 (a) 5,000,000 4,546,650  Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax  Allocation  Series B, Insured: NATL-RE  4,62%, due 2/1/24 52,000 217,000 217,000		_,,,,,,,,	_,,
California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets)   California County Tobacco Securitization Agency, Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds   2,575,000   2,551,773     Solvation (19.1%) (3.0)   2,593,237     California Municipal Finance Authority, Southwestern Law School, Revenue Bonds   2,165,000   2,593,237     Carson Redevelopment Agency, Redevelopment Project Area 1, Tax Allocation   2,500, due 11/1/41     Carson Redevelopment Agency, Redevelopment Project Area 1, Tax Allocation   75,000   50,936     Principal Amount   75,000   70,906     Principal Amount   75,000   70,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,075,000	1,080,010
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California Municipal Finance Authority, Southwestern Law School, Revenue Bonds		2,575,000	2.551.773
6.50%, due 11/1/41       2,165,000       2,593,237         Carson Redevelopment Agency, Redevelopment Project Area 1, Tax Allocation       3       3         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE       75,000       50,936         (zero coupon), due 10/1/25       75,000       50,936         Principal Amount       Value         California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)         Ceres Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         Series A         (zero coupon), due 8/1/43       \$ 6,375,000       \$ 1,076,036         City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds       \$ 19,500,000       21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation       \$ 19,500,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds       \$ 18,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds       \$ 6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-1       \$ 5,000,000       4,546,650         4.50%, due 6/1/37 (a)       \$ 5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       \$ 5,000,000       4,546,650         Larcaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       \$ 215,000		_,,	_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         75,000         50,936           Learn Coupon), due 10/1/25         75,000         50,936           Principal Amount         Value           California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)           Use Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation           Series A         6,375,000         1,076,036           City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds         5,00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)         19,500,000         21,792,810           Fontau Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         5,00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)         18,600,000         4,741,326           Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds         5,00%, due 6/1/27         6,975,000         4,741,326           Series A-1         4,50%, due 6/1/37 (a)         6,975,000         4,546,650           Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         Allocation         5,000,000         4,546,650           Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4,25%, due 2/1/24         215,000         217,060	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2,165,000	2,593,237
(zero coupon), due 10/1/25         75,000         50,936           Principal Amount         Value           California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)           Ceres Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         \$ 5,375,000         \$ 1,076,036           Scries A         \$ 6,375,000         \$ 1,076,036           City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds         \$ 19,500,000         \$ 21,792,810           Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         \$ 19,500,000         \$ 4,741,326           Scries C         \$ 18,600,000         \$ 4,741,326           Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds         \$ 5,975,000         \$ 6,883,209           Scries A-1         \$ 6,975,000         \$ 6,883,209           4.50%, due 6/1/37 (a)         \$ 5,000,000         \$ 4,546,650           Lacaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         \$ 5,000,000         \$ 4,546,650           Scries B, Insured: NATL-RE         \$ 215,000         \$ 217,060	Carson Redevelopment Agency, Redevelopment Project Area 1, Tax Allocation		
Principal Amount   Value	Series B, Insured: NATL-RE		
Namount   Namo	(zero coupon), due 10/1/25	*	50,936
California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)         Ceres Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation       Series A         (zero coupon), due 8/1/43       \$6,375,000       \$1,076,036         "City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds       19,500,000       21,792,810         5.00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)       19,500,000       21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation       Series C       Series C       318,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds       Series A-1       5,000,000       4,741,326         4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2       5,30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       Allocation       4,546,650         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE       4,625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060			
Ceres Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         Series A       \$6,375,000       \$1,076,036         "City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds       \$19,500,000       \$21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation       \$8,000,000       \$4,741,326         Forlar Cuprony, due 8/1/42       \$18,600,000       \$4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds       \$8,83,209         Series A-1       \$5,000,000       \$6,883,209         Series A-2       \$5,000,000       \$4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE       \$215,000       \$217,060		Amount	Value
Series A       (zero coupon), due 8/1/43       \$ 6,375,000       \$ 1,076,036         "City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds       \$ 19,500,000       21,792,810         5.00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)       19,500,000       21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         Series C         (zero coupon), due 8/1/42       18,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds         Series A-1         4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2       5,30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE       215,000       217,060			
(zero coupon), due 8/1/43       \$ 6,375,000       \$ 1,076,036         "City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds       \$ 19,500,000       21,792,810         5.00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)       19,500,000       21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         Series C         (zero coupon), due 8/1/42       18,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds         Series A-1         4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2         5.30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060	·		
City of Sacramento, California, Water, Revenue Bonds       19,500,000       21,792,810         5.00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)       19,500,000       21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         Series C         (zero coupon), due 8/1/42       18,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds         Series A-1         4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2         5.30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060		\$ 6375,000	\$ 1,076,036
5.00%, due 9/1/42 (b)(c)       19,500,000       21,792,810         Fontana Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation         Series C         (zero coupon), due 8/1/42       18,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds         Series A-1         4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2         5.30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060		φ 0,575,000	Ψ 1,070,030
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Series C       (zero coupon), due 8/1/42       18,600,000       4,741,326         Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., Asset Backed, Revenue Bonds       Series A-1         4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2       5.30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         Allocation       Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060		17,500,000	21,792,010
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Series A-1       4.50%, due 6/1/27       6,975,000       6,883,209         Series A-2       5.30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE       4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060	(zero coupon), due 8/1/42	18,600,000	4,741,326
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Series A-2       5,30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax       Allocation         Series B, Insured: NATL-RE       4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060			
5.30%, due 6/1/37 (a)       5,000,000       4,546,650         Lancaster Financing Authority, Subordinated Project No. 5 & 6, Redevelopment Projects, Tax         Allocation       Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060		6,975,000	6,883,209
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Series B, Insured: NATL-RE         4.625%, due 2/1/24       215,000       217,060	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
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		17,170,000	2,209,940

Oceanside, California Unified School District, Unlimited General Obligation		
Series C		
(zero coupon), due 8/1/50		
"Riverside County Transportation Commission, Limited Tax, Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
5.25%, due 6/1/39 (b)(c)	19,100,000	22,232,766
Stockton Public Financing Authority, Parking & Capital Projects, Revenue Bonds		
Insured: NATL-RE		
4.50%, due 9/1/17	100,000	99,063
Insured: NATL-RE		
4.80%, due 9/1/20	105,000	104,927
Stockton Public Financing Authority, Redevelopment Projects, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: GTY		
5.25%, due 9/1/31	630,000	637,711
Series A, Insured: GTY		
5.25%, due 9/1/34	2,925,000	2,957,321

Percentages indicated are based on Fund net assets applicable to Common Shares, unless otherwise noted.

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<sup>&</sup>quot; Among the Fund s 10 largest holdings or issuers held, as of November 30, 2015. May be subject to change daily.

# Portfolio of Investments November 30, 2015 (Unaudited) (continued)

	Principal	Value
Municipal Bonds (continued)	Amount	vaiue
California 19.3% (13.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)		
Stockton Public Financing Authority, Water System, Capital Improvement Projects, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: NATL-RE 5.00%, due 10/1/31	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,532
Tobacco Securitization Authority of Southern California, Asset-Backed, Revenue Bonds	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,552
Series A-1		
5.00%, due 6/1/37	3,000,000	2,784,000
"University of California, Regents Medical Center, Revenue Bonds		
Series J 5.00%, due 5/15/43 (b)(c)	23,260,000	25,887,627
Westminster School District, Unlimited General Obligation	23,200,000	25,867,027
Series B, Insured: BAM (zero coupon), due 8/1/48	10,000,000	1,394,500
		102,996,424
Colorado 0.1% (0.0% of Managed Assets)		
E-470 Public Highway Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series B, Insured: NATL-RE		
(zero coupon), due 9/1/29	660,000	332,858
District of Columbia 0.9% (0.6% of Managed Assets)  Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series C. Insured: GTY		
0.00%, due 10/1/41 (a)	3,900,000	4,756,440
Florida 6.7% (4.6% of Managed Assets)		
City of Orlando, Tourist Development Tax Revenue, 3rd Lien, 6th Cent Contract, Revenue Bonds		
Insured: GTY		
5.50%, due 11/1/38	20,000,000	20,994,200
JEA Electric System, Revenue Bonds Series C		
5.00%, due 10/1/37 (b)(c)	12,980,000	14,937,081
3.00%, <b>ddc</b> 10/1137 (b)(b)	12,700,000	11,557,001
		35,931,281
		,,,
Georgia 0.1% (0.0% of Managed Assets)		
Marietta Development Authority, University Facilities-Life University, Inc. Project, Revenue Bonds		
6.25%, due 6/15/20	335,000	352,715
	Principal	
C 2 20/ (2 20/ -FM	Amount	Value
Guam 3.3% (2.2% of Managed Assets) Guam Government, Waterworks Authority, Revenue Bonds		
5.50%, due 7/1/43	\$ 7,550,000	\$ 8,521,383
Guam International Airport Authority, Revenue Bonds	, ,,,,,,,,,	, -,,
Series C		
5.00%, due 10/1/21 (d) Spring C. Inguerd: AGM	4,500,000	4,991,085
Series C, Insured: AGM 6.00%, due 10/1/34 (d)	3,425,000	4,027,732
0.00 %, <b>du</b> 0 10/1/3 <b>T</b> (u)	3,423,000	7,021,132
		17,540,200
		17,340,200
Illinois 18.3% (12.4% of Managed Assets)		
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Chicago Board of Education, Unlimited General Obligation		
Series A, Insured: AGM		
5.50%, due 12/1/39 (b)(c)	20,000,000	21,160,400
Chicago, Illinois O Hare International Airport, Revenue Bonds		
Insured: AGM		
5.75%, due 1/1/38	5,000,000	5,720,700
Chicago, Illinois Sales Tax, Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
5.25%, due 1/1/38	7,415,000	7,865,832
Chicago, Illinois Wastewater Transmission, Revenue Bonds		
Series B, Insured: AGM, FGIC		
5.00%, due 1/1/25	130,000	132,922
Series C		
5.00%, due 1/1/32	7,120,000	7,765,357
"Chicago, Unlimited General Obligation		
Series A, Insured: AGM		
5.00%, due 1/1/26	125,000	125,263
Series C		
5.00%, due 1/1/40	19,570,000	19,591,331
Series A		
5.25%, due 1/1/27	3,000,000	3,212,370
Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority, McCormick Place Expansion, Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
5.50%, due 6/15/50	10,000,000	10,570,300
State of Illinois, Unlimited General Obligation		
5.25%, due 7/1/31 (b)(c)	20,000,000	21,391,562
		97,536,037
		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Indiana 0.2% (0.1% of Managed Assets)		
Anderson Economic Development Revenue, Anderson University Project, Revenue Bonds		
5.00%, due 10/1/32	1,105,000	1.056.446
	1,100,000	1,020,

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	Principal Amount	Value
Municipal Bonds (continued)		
Iowa 0.7% (0.5% of Managed Assets) Coralville Urban Renewal Revenue, Tax Increment, Tax Allocation		
Series C		
5.00%, due 6/1/47	\$ 4,220,000	\$ 3,809,267
Kansas 4.1% (2.8% of Managed Assets)		
"Kansas Development Finance Authority, Adventist Health Sunbelt Obligated Group, Revenue Bonds		
Series A 5.00%, due 11/15/32 (b)(c)	19,290,000	21,684,037
Kentucky 0.7% (0.5% of Managed Assets)		
Kentucky Municipal Power Agency, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: NATL-RE 5.00%, due 9/1/42	3,250,000	3,638,278
5.00%, due 3/11-2	3,230,000	3,030,270
Louisiana 1.0% (0.7% of Managad Assata)		
Louisiana 1.0% (0.7% of Managed Assets)  Louisiana Public Facilities Authority, Black & Gold Facilities Project, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: CIFG	405.000	255 921
4.50%, due 7/1/38 Series A, Insured: CIFG	405,000	355,821
5.00%, due 7/1/22	1,105,000	1,113,022
Series A, Insured: CIFG 5.00%, due 7/1/24	1,200,000	1,204,764
Series A, Insured: CIFG 5.00%, due 7/1/30	2,870,000	2,843,510
5.00%, due 1/1/30	2,870,000	2,043,310
		5,517,117
Maryland 4.3% (2.9% of Managed Assets)		
"Maryland Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Johns Hopkins Health System Obligated Group, Revenue Bonds		
Series C	20.070.000	22 020 047
5.00%, due 5/15/43 (b)(c)	20,870,000	23,038,847
Michigan 10.5% (7.2% of Managed Assets)  Detroit, Michigan Water & Sewerage Department, Senior Lien, Revenue Bonds		
Series A	4.500.000	
5.00%, due 7/1/32 Series A	1,500,000	1,616,640
5.25%, due 7/1/39	5,000,000	5,452,200
Detroit, Michigan Water Supply System, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: NATL-RE 4.50%, due 7/1/31	760,000	762,189
	Principal	
Michigan 10.5% (7.2% of Managed Assets) (continued)	Amount	Value
Detroit, Michigan Water Supply System, Revenue Bonds (continued)		
Series C 5.00%, due 7/1/41	\$ 1,005,000	\$ 1,070,355
Series A 5.25%, due 7/1/41	2,385,000	2,569,933
Series A		
5.75%, due 7/1/37 Michigan Finance Authority, Detroit Water & Sewer, Revenue Bonds	5,000,000	5,563,500
Insured: AGM		
5.00%, due 7/1/31 Michigan Finance Authority, Public School Academy, University Learning, Revenue Bonds	9,445,000	10,629,214
The manner reductive, I done beloof readenly, University Learning, Revenue Bonds		

7.375%, due 11/1/30	2,920,000	3,155,089
7.50%, due 11/1/40	2,745,000	2,971,298
Michigan Public Educational Facilities Authority, Dr. Joseph F. Pollack, Revenue Bonds		
8.00%, due 4/1/30	1,195,000	1,275,256
8.00%, due 4/1/40	500,000	530,855
Michigan Tobacco Settlement Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
6.00%, due 6/1/34	5,120,000	4,726,784
Series A		
6.00%, due 6/1/48	12,580,000	11,041,214
Wayne Charter County Michigan, Airport Hotel, Detroit Metropolitan Airport, Limited General		
Obligation		
Series A, Insured: NATL-RE		
5.00%, due 12/1/30	2,600,000	2,600,338
Wayne Charter County Michigan, Capital Improvement, Limited General Obligation		
Series A, Insured: AGM		
5.00%, due 2/1/38	2,135,000	2,175,715
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		56,140,580
		30,140,360
Minnesota 0.4% (0.3% of Managed Assets)		
Blaine Minnesota Senior Housing & Healthcare, Crest View Senior Community Project, Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
5.75%, due 7/1/35	2,000,000	2,062,000
10.40 (0.20 0.34 )		
Missouri 0.4% (0.3% of Managed Assets)		
St. Louis County Industrial Development Authority, Nazareth Living Center, Revenue Bonds	2 120 000	2 2 40 077
6.125%, due 8/15/42	2,120,000	2,249,977

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# Portfolio of Investments November 30, 2015 (Unaudited) (continued)

	Principal Amount	Value
Municipal Bonds (continued) Nebraska 4.2% (2.8% of Managed Assets)		
"Central Plains Energy, Project No. 3, Revenue Bonds 5.25%, due 9/1/37 (b)(c)	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 22,125,600
Nevada 2.5% (1.7% of Managed Assets) City of Sparks, Tourism Improvement District No. 1, Senior Sales Tax Anticipation, Revenue Bonds		
Series A 6.75%, due 6/15/28 (b)	12,500,000	13,375,000
New Hampshire 0.6% (0.4% of Managed Assets)  Manchester Housing & Redevelopment Authority Inc., Revenue Bonds		
Series B, Insured: ACA (zero coupon), due 1/1/24	4,740,000	2,936,525
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New Jersey 5.2% (3.5% of Managed Assets)		
New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Continental Airlines, Inc. Project, Revenue Bonds 5.25%, due 9/15/29 (d)	6,120,000	6,685,427
Series B 5.625%, due 11/15/30 (d)	2,500,000	2,806,975
New Jersey Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Revenue Bonds Series 1A	2.185.000	1 766 747
4.75%, due 6/1/34 Series 1A	2,185,000	1,766,747
5.00%, due 6/1/41	20,000,000	16,245,200
		27,504,349
New York 1.8% (1.2% of Managed Assets)  New York Liberty Development Corp., World Trade Center, Revenue Bonds		
7.25%, due 11/15/44 (b) Onondaga Civic Development Corp., St. Joseph s Hospital Health Center, Revenue Bonds	3,500,000	4,214,595
5.00%, due 7/1/42 Riverhead Industrial Development Agency, Revenue Bonds	2,000,000	2,073,680
7.00%, due 8/1/43	3,395,000	3,032,278
		9,320,553
Ohio 6.4% (4.4% of Managed Assets) American Municipal Power, Inc., Prairie State Energy Campus, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: BAM 5.25%, due 2/15/31	15,000,000	17,320,650
	Principal Amount	Value
Ohio 6.4% (4.4% of Managed Assets) (continued) Buckeye Tobacco Settlement Financing Authority, Asset-Backed, Senior Turbo, Revenue Bonds		
Series A-2 5.125%, due 6/1/24	\$ 2,550,000	\$ 2,285,361
Series A-2 5.75%, due 6/1/34	2,425,000	2,101,238
Series A-2 5.875%, due 6/1/30	13,890,000	12,420,160

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Pennsylvania 7.0% (4.8% of Managed Assets)		
Harrisburg, Capital Appreciation, Unlimited General Obligation		
Series F, Insured: AMBAC		
(zero coupon), due 9/15/21	95,000	74,106
Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, Capitol Region Parking System, Revenue		
Bonds		
Series B		
6.00%, due 7/1/53 (b)(c)	14,260,000	16,969,970
Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, Revenue Bonds		
Series B, Insured: BAM		
5.25%, due 12/1/44	10,900,000	12,452,596
Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, Nueva Esperanza Inc., Revenue Bonds		
8.20%, due 12/1/43	2,000,000	2,215,640
Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, Please Touch Museum Project, Revenue Bonds		
5.25%, due 9/1/31 (e)(f)	2,500,000	374,750
Philadelphia, Unlimited General Obligation		
6.00%, due 8/1/36	4,625,000	5,343,077
		37,430,139
Puerto Rico 13.8% (9.4% of Managed Assets)		
Puerto Rico Commonwealth, Aqueduct & Sewer Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series A. Insured: GTY		
5.125%, due 7/1/47	1.030.000	991,014
Puerto Rico Commonwealth, Public Improvement, Unlimited General Obligation	1,020,000	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Series A, Insured: AGM		
5.00%, due 7/1/35	10,370,000	10,048,530
Insured: AGM		- 5,5 10,000
5.125%, due 7/1/30	425,000	424,979
Series A-4, Insured: AGM	,	, ,
5.25%, due 7/1/30	3,100,000	3,112,896
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	Principal Amount	Value
Municipal Bonds (continued)		
Puerto Rico 13.8% (9.4% of Managed Assets) (continued) Puerto Rico Commonwealth, Public Improvement, Unlimited General Obligation (continued)		
Series A, Insured: AGM		
5.375%, due 7/1/25	\$ 470,000	\$ 479,969
Series A, Insured: AGM 5.50%, due 7/1/27	450,000	454,820
Series C, Insured: AGM 5.50%, due 7/1/32	1,080,000	1,081,210
Series C, Insured: AGM		
5.75%, due 7/1/37 Series C-7, Insured: NATL-RE	2,000,000	2,004,160
6.00%, due 7/1/27 Series A, Insured: AGM	1,500,000	1,524,990
6.00%, due 7/1/33	550,000	551,138
Series A, Insured: AGM 6.00%, due 7/1/34	405,000	410,739
Puerto Rico Convention Center District Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: CIFG 4.50%, due 7/1/36	6,000,000	4,474,500
Series A, Insured: CIFG	.,,	
5.00%, due 7/1/27 Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority, Revenue Bonds	415,000	350,858
Series DDD, Insured: AGM 3.625%, due 7/1/23	365,000	340,968
Series DDD, Insured: AGM	,	,
3.65%, due 7/1/24 Series SS, Insured: NATL-RE	990,000	905,058
5.00%, due 7/1/19 Series TT, Insured: AGM	5,200,000	5,199,636
5.00%, due 7/1/27	100,000	99,778
Series VV, Insured: AGM 5.25%, due 7/1/27	330,000	331,977
Puerto Rico Highways & Transportation Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series AA-1, Insured: AGM 4.95%, due 7/1/26	5,235,000	5,250,757
Series K, Insured: AGM, CIFG 5.00%, due 7/1/18	530,000	530,731
Series N, Insured: NATL-RE		
5.25%, due 7/1/32 Series CC, Insured: AGM	5,000,000	4,783,650
5.25%, due 7/1/34	1,320,000	1,322,270
Series N, Insured: GTY 5.25%, due 7/1/34	615,000	616,058
Series CC, Insured: AGM		
5.50%, due 7/1/29	115,000 <b>Principal</b>	118,496
	Amount	Value
Puerto Rico 13.8% (9.4% of Managed Assets) (continued) Puerto Rico Highways & Transportation Authority, Revenue Bonds (continued)		
Series N, Insured: AGM, GTY		
5.50%, due 7/1/29	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 6,182,400
Series CC, Insured: AGM 5.50%, due 7/1/30	3,070,000	3,164,771
Puerto Rico Municipal Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: AGM 5.00%, due 8/1/20	555,000	556,881
Series A, Insured: AGM 5.00%, due 8/1/21	435,000	436,475
Series A, Insured: AGM		·
5.00%, due 8/1/22 Series A, Insured: AGM	470,000	471,593
5.00%, due 8/1/30 Series C, Insured: AGC	505,000	495,955
5.25%, due 8/1/21	3,775,000	3,862,882
	500,000	499,965

Puerto Rico Municipal Finance Agency, Unlimited General Obligation Series A, Insured: AGM 5.00%, due 8/1/27 Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority, Government Facilities, Revenue Bonds		
Series F, Insured: CIFG 5.25%, due 7/1/21	2,000,000	1,878,540
Series M-3, Insured: NATL-RE 6.00%, due 7/1/25	250,000	263,008
Series M-3, Insured: NATL-RE 6.00%, due 7/1/27	10,000,000	10,166,600
		73,388,252
Rhode Island 3.2% (2.2% of Managed Assets)		
Narragansett Bay Commission Wastewater System, Revenue Bonds Series A 5.00%, due 9/1/38 (b)(c)	15,000,000	16,899,000
Tennessee 3.0% (2.0% of Managed Assets) Chattanooga, TN, Industrial Development Board, Lease Rental, Revenue Bonds Insured: AGM 5.00%, due 10/1/30 (b)(c)	15,000,000	15,892,800
Texas 7.2% (4.9% of Managed Assets)		
Harris County-Houston Sports Authority, Revenue Bonds Series H, Insured: NATL-RE		
(zero coupon), due 11/15/28	50,000	28,537
Series H, Insured: NATL-RE (zero coupon), due 11/15/33	1,320,000	567,151

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# Portfolio of Investments November 30, 2015 (Unaudited) (continued)

	Principal Amount	Value
Municipal Bonds (continued)		
Texas 7.2% (4.9% of Managed Assets) (continued) Harris County-Houston Sports Authority, Revenue Bonds (continued)		
Series A, Insured: AGM, NATL-RE		
(zero coupon), due 11/15/34	\$ 2,520,000	\$ 1,094,688
Series H, Insured: NATL-RE	, ,, ,, ,, ,,	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
(zero coupon), due 11/15/35	2,080,000	724,547
Series H, Insured: NATL-RE	. = . =	
(zero coupon), due 11/15/37	6,705,000	2,215,667
Series A, Insured: AGM, NATL-RE (zero coupon), due 11/15/38	175,000	57,862
Series H, Insured: NATL-RE	173,000	31,002
(zero coupon), due 11/15/38	260,000	80,725
Newark Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corp., A. W. Brown-Fellowship Leadership Academy,		
Revenue Bonds		
Series A	5 (40 000	5 000 000
6.00%, due 8/15/42	5,640,000	5,822,398
North Texas Tollway Authority, Revenue Bonds Series A, Insured: BAM		
5.00%, due 1/1/38	5,000,000	5,591,650
Texas Municipal Gas Acquisition & Supply Corp. III, Revenue Bonds	2,000,000	2,001,000
5.00%, due 12/15/32 (b)(c)	20,000,000	21,936,168
		38,119,393
U.S. Virgin Islands 1.5% (1.0% of Managed Assets)		
Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority, Gross Receipts Taxes Loan, Revenue Bonds		
Insured: AGM		
5.00%, due 10/1/32	2,475,000	2,725,891
Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds		
Series A, Insured: AGM 5.00%, due 10/1/32	4,650,000	5,121,370
5.00 N, <b>440</b> 10/11/52	1,030,000	3,121,370
		7,847,261
		7,047,201
Vermont 0.1% (0.1% of Managed Assets)		
Vermont State Student Assistance Corp., Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
5.10%, due 6/15/32 (d)	705,000	744,050
Virginia 7.5% (5.1% of Managed Assets)		
Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Revenue Bonds		
Series B1		
5.00%, due 6/1/47	14,185,000	11,052,384
	Principal	¥7-1
Virginia 7.5% (5.1% of Managed Assets) (continued)	Amount	Value
"Virginia Commonwealth Transportation Board, Capital Projects, Revenue Bonds		
5.00%, due 5/15/31 (b)(c)	\$ 20,315,000	\$ 23,183,246
Virginia Small Business Financing Authority, Senior Lien, Elizabeth River Crossing, Revenue Bonds	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
6.00%, due 1/1/37 (d)	5,000,000	5,751,600
		39,987,230
Washington 4.0% (2.7% of Managed Assets)		
	19,665,000	21,401,813

Washington Health Care Facilities Authority, Multicare Health System, Revenue Bonds Series A

5.00%, due 8/15/44 (b)(c)

West Virginia 0.1% (0.1% of Managed Assets)		
Ohio County, Wheeling Jesuit, Revenue Bonds		
Series A		
5.50%, due 6/1/36	445,000	433,795
Total Investments		
(Cost \$706,205,581) (h)	141.3%	752,294,631
Floating Rate Note Obligations (g)	(33.7)	(179,455,000)
Fixed Rate Municipal Term Preferred Shares, at Liquidation Value	(13.1)	(70,000,000)
Other Assets, Less Liabilities	5.5	29,640,529
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares	100.0%	\$ 532,480,160

Less than one-tenth of a percent.

- (a) Step coupon Rate shown was the rate in effect as of November 30, 2015.
- (b) May be sold to institutional investors only under Rule 144A or securities offered pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (c) All or portion of principal amount transferred to a Tender Option Bond ( TOB ) Issuer in exchange for TOB Residuals and cash.
- (d) Interest on these securities was subject to alternative minimum tax.
- (e) Illiquid security As of November 30, 2015, the total market value of this security deemed illiquid under procedures approved by the Board of Trustees was \$374,750, which represented 0.1% of the Fund s net assets.
- (f) Issue in default.
- (g) Face value of Floating Rate Notes issued in TOB transactions.
- (h) As of November 30, 2015, cost was \$526,192,284 for federal income tax purposes and net unrealized appreciation was as follows:

Gross unrealized appreciation	\$ 53,439,806
Gross unrealized depreciation	(6,792,459)
Net unrealized appreciation	\$ 46,647,347

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Managed Assets is defined as the Fund s total assets, minus the sum of its accrued liabilities (other than Fund liabilities incurred for the purpose of creating effective leverage (i.e., tender option bonds) or Fund liabilities related to liquidation preference of any preferred shares issued).

The following abbreviations are used in the preceding pages:

ACA ACA Financial Guaranty Corp.

AGC/GTY Assured Guaranty Corp.

AGM Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.

AMBAC Ambac Assurance Corp.

BAM Build America Mutual Assurance Co.

CIFG CIFG Group

FGIC Financial Guaranty Insurance Co.

NATL-RE National Public Finance Guarantee Corp.

The following is a summary of the fair valuations according to the inputs used as of November 30, 2015, for valuing the Fund s assets.

#### **Asset Valuation Inputs**

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets	Significant Other Observable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	
Description	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Total
Investments in Securities (a)				
Municipal Bonds	\$	\$ 752,294,631	\$	\$ 752,294,631

(a) For a complete listing of investments and their industries, see the Portfolio of Investments. The Fund recognizes transfers between the levels as of the beginning of the period.

For the period ended November 30, 2015, the Fund did not have any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements. (See Note 2)

As of November 30, 2015, the Fund did not hold any investments with significant unobservable inputs (Level 3). (See Note 2)

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# Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of November 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Assets		
Investment in securities, at value		
(identified cost \$706,205,581)	\$	752,294,631
Cash		19,211,937
Receivables:		
Interest		11,744,196
Deferred offering costs (See Note 2 (M))		19,628
Other assets		53,395
Total assets		783,323,787
Liabilities		
Payable for Floating Rate Note Obligations		179,455,000
Fixed Rate Municipal Term Preferred Shares, at liquidation value, Series A (a)		35,000,000
Fixed Rate Municipal Term Preferred Shares, at liquidation value, Series B (a)		35,000,000
Payables:		22,000,000
Manager (See Note 3)		381,970
Investment securities purchased		127,916
Professional fees		42,625
Shareholder communication		18,029
Transfer agent		6,130
Custodian		1,654
Accrued expenses		13,490
Interest expense and fees payable		603,604
Common share dividend payable		193,209
Total liabilities		250,843,627
Net assets applicable to Common shares	\$	532,480,160
Common shares outstanding		27,554,564
Common shares outstanding		27,331,301
Not asset value and Common shore (Not assets ambigable to Common shores divided by Common shores outstanding)	\$	19.32
Net asset value per Common share (Net assets applicable to Common shares divided by Common shares outstanding)	Ф	19.32
Net assets applicable to Common Shares consist of		
Common shares, \$0.001 par value per share, unlimited number of shares authorized	\$	27,555
Additional paid-in capital		524,786,551
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		524,814,106
Undistributed net investment income		2,654,077
Accumulated net realized gain (loss) on investments and futures transactions		(41,077,073)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments		46,089,050
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Net assets applicable to Common shares	\$	532,480,160

<sup>(</sup>a) 350 authorized shares, \$0.01 par value, liquidation preference of \$100,000 per share (See Note 2 (J)).

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# Statement of Operations for the six months ended November 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Investment Income (Loss)	
Income	
Interest	\$ 19,739,137
Expenses	
Manager (See Note 3)	2,338,479
Interest expense and fees	1,578,073
Professional fees	79,687
Shareholder communication	22,056
Transfer agent	18,362
Trustees	13,601
Custodian	7,266
Miscellaneous	74,688
Total expenses	4,132,212
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Net investment income (loss)	15,606,925
Net investment income (toss)	13,000,923
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments and Futures Contracts	
Net realized gain (loss) on:	
Investment transactions	2,342,943
Futures transactions	(1,362,410)
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Net realized gain (loss) on investments and futures transactions	980,533
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Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:  Investments	7,369,894
Futures contracts	329,665
rutules contracts	329,003
	7,600,550
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and futures contracts	7,699,559
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments and futures transactions	8,680,092
Net increase (decrease) in net assets to Common shares resulting from operations	\$ 24,287,017
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# Statement of Changes in Net Assets

	Six months	Year
	ended	ended
	November 30,	May 31,
	2015*	2015
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares		
Operations:		
Net investment income (loss)	\$ 15,606,925	\$ 32,663,683
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and futures transactions	980,533	6,772,706
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and futures contracts	7,699,559	265,240
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common shares resulting from operations	24,287,017	39,701,629
Dividends to Common shareholders:		
From net investment income	(16,202,083)	(32,266,394)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common shares	8,084,934	7,435,235
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares		
Beginning of period	524,395,226	516,959,991
End of period	\$ 532,480,160	\$ 524,395,226
Undistributed net investment income at end of period	\$ 2,654,077	\$ 3,249,235

<sup>\*</sup> Unaudited

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## Statement of Cash Flows

for the six months ended November 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Cash flows used in operating activities:	
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 24,287,017
Adjustments to reconcile net increase in net assets resulting from operations to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Investments purchased	(186,019,525)
Investments sold	238,329,768
Amortization (accretion) of discount and premium, net	(721,429)
Decrease in interest receivable	1,607,896
Decrease in cash collateral on deposit at broker	945,000
Increase in other assets	(5,425)
Decrease in professional fees payable	(12,564)
Decrease in custodian payable	(2,611)
Decrease in shareholder communication payable	(13,981)
Decrease in interest expense and fees payable	(1,029,820)
Increase in due to Trustees	
Decrease in due to manager	(30,000)
Increase in due to transfer agent	2
Decrease in variation margin on futures contracts due to broker	(207,813)
Increase in accrued expenses	8,360
Net change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation on investments	(7,369,894)
Net realized gain (loss) from investments	(2,342,943)
Net cash provided by operating activities	67,422,038
	21,122,000
Cash flows from financing activities:	
Redemption of floating rate note obligations	(33,925,000)
Cash distributions paid	(16,181,384)
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Net cash from financing activities	(50,106,384)
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Net increase in cash:	17,315,654
Cash at beginning of period	1,896,283
Cash at end of period	\$ 19,211,937

Cash payments recognized as interest expense on the Fund s Fixed Rate Municipal Term Preferred Shares for the six months ended November 30, 2015, were \$656,833. Net increase in net assets result from operations for the six months ended November 30, 2015, includes \$858,759 of non-cash interest income and non-cash interest expense on floating rate note obligations related to the Fund s tender option bonds.

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# Financial Highlights selected per share data and ratios

		x months ended vember 30, 2015*		Year ended 2015	May	7 31, 2014		June 26, 2012** through May 31, 2013
Net asset value at beginning of period applicable to Common	\$	19.03	ď	18.76	\$	19.99	\$	10.06 (-)
shares	Э	19.03	\$	18.70	Э	19.99	Э	19.06 (a)
Net investment income (loss)		0.57		1.19		1.16		0.92
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments		0.31		0.25		(0.89)		1.11
Total from investment operations		0.88		1.44		0.27		2.03
Less dividends and distributions to Common shareholders:								
From net investment income		(0.59)		(1.17)		(1.15)		(0.86)
From net realized gain on investments						(0.35)		(0.20)
		(0.59)		(1.17)		(1.50)		(1.06)
Dilution effect on net asset value from overallotment issuance								(0.04)
Net asset value at end of period applicable to Common shares	\$	19.32	\$	19.03	\$	18.76	\$	19.99
Market price at end of period applicable to Common shares	\$	18.39	\$	18.43	\$	17.93	\$	18.91
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Total investment return		4.71%(b)		7.78%		2.36%		10.52% (b)
Total investment return on market price		3.14%(b)		9.60%		3.81%		(0.36%)(b)
Ratios (to average net assets of Common								
shareholders)/Supplemental Data:								
Net investment income (loss)		6.00%		6.17%		6.67%		5.01%
Net expenses (excluding interest expense and fees)		0.98%		0.99%		1.02%		0.89% (c)
Expenses (including interest expense and fees)		1.59%		1.56%		1.67%		1.32% (c)
Interest expense and fees (d)		0.61%		0.57%		0.65%		0.43%
Portfolio turnover rate		19%		27%		83%		64%
Net assets applicable to Common shareholders end of period (in		522 400	Φ.	524 205	ф	516.060	Ф	550 767
000 s)	\$	532,480	\$	524,395	\$	516,960	\$	550,767
Preferred shares outstanding at \$100,000 liquidation preference,		70,000	¢	70,000	¢	70,000	¢	70,000
end of period (in 000 s)	\$		\$	70,000	\$	70,000	\$	,
Assets coverage per Preferred share, end of period (e)	\$	860,686	\$	849,136	\$	838,514	\$	886,811
Average market value per Preferred share:	¢	100.015	¢	100,010	¢	100,006	¢	100,008
Series A Series B	\$ \$	100,015	\$	100,010	\$ \$	100,006	\$ \$	100,008
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<sup>\*</sup> Unaudited.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Inception date.
Annualized.

<sup>(</sup>a) Net asset value at beginning of period reflects the deduction of the sales load of \$0.90 per share and offering costs of \$0.04 per share from the \$20.00 offering price.

<sup>(</sup>b) Total investment return is not annualized.

<sup>(</sup>c) The Manager has agreed to reimburse all organizational expenses.

<sup>(</sup>d) Interest expense and fees relate to the costs of tender option bond transactions (See Note 2 (I)) and the issuance of fixed rate municipal term preferred shares (See Note 2 (J)).

<sup>(</sup>e) Calculated by subtracting the Fund s total liabilities (not including the Preferred shares) from the Fund s total assets, and dividing the result by the number of Preferred shares outstanding.

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### Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

#### Note 1 Organization and Business

MainStay DefinedTerm Municipal Opportunities Fund (the Fund ) was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on April 20, 2011, pursuant to an agreement and declaration of trust, which was amended and restated on May 16, 2012 ( Declaration of Trust ). The Fund is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act ), as a diversified , closed-end management investment company, as those terms are defined in the 1940 Act, as interpreted or modified by regulatory authorities having jurisdiction, from time to time. The Fund first offered Common shares through an initial public offering on June 26, 2012.

Pursuant to the terms of the Declaration of Trust, the Fund will commence the process of liquidation and dissolution at the close of business on December 31, 2024 (the Termination Date ) unless otherwise extended by a majority of the Board of Trustees (the Board ) (as discussed in further detail below). During the six-month period preceding the Termination Date or Extended Termination Date (as defined below), the Board may, without shareholder approval unless such approval is required by the 1940 Act, determine to (i) merge or consolidate the Fund so long as the surviving or resulting entity is an open-end registered investment company that is managed by the same investment adviser which serves as the investment adviser to the Fund at that time or is an affiliate of such investment adviser; or (ii) convert the Fund from a closed-end fund into an open-end registered investment company. Upon liquidation and termination of the Fund, shareholders will receive an amount equal to the Fund s net asset value (NAV) at that time, which may be greater or less than the price at which Common shares were issued. The Fund s investment objectives and policies are not designed to return to investors who purchased Common shares in the initial offering of such shares their initial investment on the Termination Date and such initial investors may receive more or less than their original investment upon termination.

Prior to the commencement of the six-month period preceding the Termination Date, a majority of the Board may extend the Termination Date for a period of not more than two years or such shorter time as may be determined (the Extended Termination Date), upon a determination that taking such actions as described in (i) or (ii) above would not, given prevailing market conditions, be in the best interests of the Funds shareholders. The Termination Date may be extended an unlimited number of times by the Board prior to the first business day of the sixth month before the next occurring Extended Termination Date.

The Fund s primary investment objective is to seek current income exempt from regular U.S. Federal income taxes (but which may be includable in taxable income for purpose of the Federal alternative minimum tax). Total return is a secondary objective.

### **Note 2 Significant Accounting Policies**

The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification *Topic 946 Financial Services Investment Companies*. The Fund prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States of America and follows the significant accounting policies described below.

(A) Securities Valuation. Investments are valued as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange ( Exchange ) (generally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on each day the Fund is open for business ( valuation date ).

The Board adopted procedures establishing methodologies for the valuation of the Fund s securities and delegated the responsibility for valuation determinations under those procedures to the Valuation Committee of the Fund (the Valuation Committee). The Board authorized the Valuation Committee to appoint a Valuation Sub-Committee (the Sub-Committee) to deal in the first instance with establishing the prices of securities for which market quotations are not readily available or the prices of which are not otherwise readily determinable under these procedures. The Sub-Committee meets (in person, via electronic mail or via teleconference) on an as-needed basis. Subsequently, the Valuation Committee meets to ensure that actions taken by the Sub-Committee were appropriate. The procedures recognize that, subject to the oversight of the Board and unless otherwise noted, the responsibility for the day-to-day valuation of portfolio assets (including fair value measurements for the Fund s assets and liabilities) rests with New York Life Investment Management LLC (New York Life Investments or the Manager), aided to whatever extent necessary by the Subadvisor (as defined in Note 3(A)) to the Fund.

To assess the appropriateness of security valuations, the Manager, Subadvisor or the Fund s third party service provider, who is subject to oversight by the Manager, regularly compares prior day prices, prices on comparable securities, and the sale prices to the prior and current day prices and challenges prices with changes exceeding certain tolerance levels with third party pricing services or broker sources. For those securities valued through either a standardized fair valuation methodology or a fair valuation measurement, the Sub-Committee deals in the first instance with such valuation and the Valuation Committee reviews and affirms the reasonableness of the valuation based on such methodologies

and measurements on a regular basis after considering all relevant information that is reasonably available. Any action taken by the Sub-Committee with respect to the valuation of a portfolio security is submitted by the Valuation Committee to the Board for its review and ratification, if appropriate, at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Fair value is defined as the price the Fund would receive upon selling an asset or liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Fair value measurements are determined within a framework that establishes a three-tier hierarchy which maximizes the use of observable market data and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs to establish a classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk, such as the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value using a pricing model and/or the risk inherent in the inputs for the valuation technique. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Fund. Unobservable inputs reflect the Fund sown assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on the information available. The inputs or methodology used for valuing assets

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or liabilities may not be an indication of the risks associated with investing in those assets or liabilities. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized below.

Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for an identical asset or liability

Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for a similar asset or liability in active markets, interest rates and yield curves, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)

Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund s own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in measuring fair value of an asset or liability)

The level of an asset or liability within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of an input, both individually and in the aggregate, that is significant to the fair value measurement. As of November 30, 2015, the aggregate value by input level of the Fund s assets and liabilities is included at the end of the Fund s Portfolio of Investments.

The Fund may use third party vendor evaluations, whose prices may be derived from one or more of the following standard inputs among others:

Benchmark yields Broker/dealer quotes Two-sided markets Bids/offers Industry and economic events Monthly payment information Reported trades
Issuer spreads
Benchmark securities
Reference data (corporate actions or material event notices)
Comparable bonds

An asset or liability for which market values cannot be measured using the methodologies described above is valued by methods deemed reasonable in good faith by the Valuation Committee, following the procedures established by the Board, to represent fair value. Under these procedures, the Fund generally uses a market-based approach which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, book values, and other relevant information. The Fund may also use an income-based valuation approach in which the anticipated future cash flows of the asset or liability are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature and/or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the asset or liability. Due to the inherent uncertainty of such assets or liabilities, fair values may differ significantly from values that would have been used had an active market existed. During the period ended November 30, 2015, there have been no material changes to the fair value methodologies.

Securities which may be valued in this manner include, but are not limited to: (i) a security for which trading has been halted or suspended; (ii) a debt security that has recently gone into default and for which there is not a current market quotation; (iii) a security of an issuer that has entered into a restructuring; (iv) a security that has been de-listed from a national exchange; (v) a security for which the market price is not readily available from a third party pricing source or, if so provided, does not, in the opinion of the Manager or Subadvisor reflect the security s market value; (vi) a security subject to trading collars for which no or

limited trading takes place; and (vii) a security whose principal market has been temporarily closed at a time when, under normal conditions, it would be open. Securities for which market quotations or observable inputs are not readily available are generally categorized as Level 3 in the hierarchy. As of November 30, 2015, there were no securities held by the Fund that were fair valued in such a manner.

Futures contracts are valued at the last posted settlement price on the market where such futures are primarily traded and are generally categorized as Level 1 in the hierarchy.

Municipal debt securities are valued at the evaluated mean prices supplied by a pricing agent or broker selected by the Manager, in consultation with the Subadvisor. Those values reflect broker/dealer supplied prices and electronic data processing techniques, if the evaluated bid or mean prices are deemed by the Manager, in consultation with the Subadvisor, to be representative of market values, at the regular close of trading of

the Exchange on each valuation date. Debt securities purchased on a delayed delivery basis are marked to market daily until settlement at the forward settlement date. Municipal debt securities are generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy.

Temporary cash investments acquired in excess of 60 days to maturity at the time of purchase are valued using the latest bid prices or using valuations based on a matrix system (which considers such factors as security prices, yields, maturities, and ratings), both as furnished by independent pricing services. Other temporary cash investments which mature in 60 days or less at the time of purchase (Short-Term Investments) are valued using the amortized cost method of valuation, unless the use of such method would be inappropriate. The amortized cost method involves valuing a security at its cost on the date of purchase and thereafter assuming a constant amortization to maturity of the difference between such cost and the value on maturity date. Amortized cost approximates the current fair value of a security. These securities are generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy.

Generally, a security is considered illiquid if it cannot be sold or disposed of in the ordinary course of business at approximately the price at which it is valued within seven days. Illiquidity of a security might prevent the sale of such security at a time when the Manager or Subadvisor might wish to sell, and these securities could have the effect of decreasing the overall level of the Fund s liquidity. Further, the lack of an established secondary market may make it more difficult to value illiquid securities, requiring the Fund to rely on judgments that may be somewhat subjective in measuring value, which could vary from the amount that the Fund could realize upon disposition. Difficulty in selling illiquid securities may result in a loss or may be costly to the Fund. Under the supervision of the Board, the Manager or Subadvisor measures the liquidity of the Fund s investments; in doing so, the Manager or Subadvisor may consider various factors, including (i) the frequency of trades and quotations, (ii) the number of dealers and prospective purchasers, (iii) dealer undertakings to make a market, and (iv) the nature of the security and the market in which it trades (e.g., the time needed to dispose of the security, the method of soliciting offers and the mechanics of transfer). Illiquid securities generally will be valued by methods deemed reasonable in good faith in such a manner as the Board deems appropriate to reflect their fair value. The liquidity of the Fund s investments, as shown in the accompanying Portfolio of Investments, was measured as of November 30, 2015 and can change at any

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time in response to, among other relevant factors, market conditions or events or developments with respect to an individual issuer or instrument. As of November 30, 2015, securities deemed to be illiquid under procedures approved by the Board are shown in the Portfolio of Investments.

(B) Income Taxes. The Fund's policy is to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Internal Revenue Code), applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute all of the taxable income to the shareholders of the Fund within the allowable time limits. Therefore, no federal, state and local income tax provisions are required.

Management evaluates the Fund s tax positions to determine if the tax positions taken meet the minimum recognition threshold in connection with accounting for uncertainties in income tax positions taken or expected to be taken for the purposes of measuring and recognizing tax liabilities in the financial statements. Recognition of tax benefits of an uncertain tax position is required only when the position is more likely than not to be sustained assuming examination by taxing authorities. Management has analyzed the Fund s tax positions taken on federal, state and local income tax returns for all open tax years (for up to three tax years), and has concluded that no provisions for federal, state and local income tax are required in the Fund s financial statements. The Fund s federal, state and local income and federal excise tax returns for tax years for which the applicable statutes of limitations have not expired are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and state and local departments of revenue.

- (C) Dividends and Distributions to Common Shareholders. Dividends and distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The Fund intends to declare dividends from net investment income, after payment of any dividends on any outstanding Preferred shares, if any, at least monthly and declares and pays distributions from net realized capital gains, if any, at least annually. To the extent that the Fund realizes any capital gains or ordinary taxable income, it will be required to allocate such income between the Common shares and Preferred shares issued by the Fund, in proportion to the total dividends paid to each share class for the year in which the income is realized.
- (D) Security Transactions and Investment Income. The Fund records security transactions on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined using the identified cost method. Interest income is accrued as earned using the effective interest rate method. Discounts and premiums on securities purchased, other than Short-Term Investments, for the Fund are accreted and amortized, respectively, on the effective interest rate method over the life of the respective securities or, in the case of a callable security, over the period to the first date of call. Discounts and premiums on Short-Term Investments are accreted and amortized, respectively, on the straight-line method. The straight-line method approximates the effective interest method for short-term investments.

The Fund may place a debt obligation on non-accrual status and reduce related interest income by ceasing current accruals and writing off interest receivables when the collection of all or a portion of interest has become doubtful based on consistently applied procedures. A debt obligation is removed from non-accrual status when the issuer resumes interest payments or when collectability of interest is reasonably assured.

- (E) Expenses. Expenses of the Fund are recorded on the date the expenses are incurred. The expenses borne by the Fund, including those incurred with related parties of the Fund, are shown in the Statement of Operations.
- (F) Use of Estimates. In preparing financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- (G) Futures Contracts. A futures contract is an agreement to purchase or sell a specified quantity of an underlying instrument at a specified future date and price, or to make or receive a cash payment based on the value of a financial instrument (e.g., interest rate, security, or securities index). The Fund is subject to market price risk and/or interest rate risk in the normal course of investing in these transactions. During the period the futures contract is open, changes in the value of the contract are recognized as unrealized appreciation or depreciation by marking to market such contract on a daily basis to reflect the market value of the contract at the end of each day s trading. The Fund agrees to receive from or pay to the broker or futures commission merchant an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in the value of the contract. Such receipts or payments are known as variation margin. When the futures contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the proceeds from (or cost of) the closing transaction and the Fund s basis in the contract.

The use of futures contracts involves, to varying degrees, elements of market risk in excess of the amount recognized in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The contract or notional amounts and variation margin reflect the extent of the Fund solvement in open futures positions. There are several risks associated with the use of futures contracts as hedging techniques. There can be no assurance that a liquid market will exist at the time when the Fund seeks to close out a futures contract. If no liquid market exists, the Fund would remain obligated to meet margin requirements until the position is closed. Futures may involve a small initial investment relative to the risk assumed, which could result in losses greater than if they had not been used. Futures may be more volatile than direct investments in the instrument underlying the futures, and may not correlate to the underlying instrument, causing a given hedge not to achieve its objectives. The Fund solventials activities in futures contracts have minimal counterparty risk as they are conducted through regulated exchanges that guarantee the futures against default by the counterparty. In the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency of a futures commission merchant that holds margin on behalf of the Fund, the Fund may not be entitled to the return of the entire margin owed to the Fund, potentially resulting in a loss. The Fund may invest in futures contracts to seek enhanced returns or to reduce the risk of loss by hedging certain of its holdings. The Fund solvestment in futures contracts and other derivatives may

increase the volatility of the Fund s NAV and may result in a loss to the Fund.

(H) Securities Lending. In order to realize additional income, the Fund may engage in securities lending, subject to the limitations set forth in the 1940 Act and relevant guidance by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission. In the event the Fund does engage in securities lending, the Fund will lend through its custodian, State Street Bank and Trust Company (State Street). State Street will manage the Funds cash collateral in accordance with the lending agreement between the

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Fund and State Street, and indemnify the Fund against counterparty risk. The loans will be collateralized by cash or securities at least equal at all times to the market value of the securities loaned. Collateral will consist of U.S. government securities, cash equivalents or irrevocable letters of credit. The Fund may bear the risk of delay in recovery of, or loss of rights in, the securities loaned should the borrower of the securities experience financial difficulty. The Fund may also record a realized gain or loss on securities deemed sold due to a borrower s inability to return securities on loan. The Fund bears the risk of any loss on investment of the collateral. The Fund will receive compensation for lending its securities in the form of fees or it will retain a portion of interest on the investment of any cash received as collateral. The Fund will also continue to receive interest and dividends on the securities loaned and any gain or loss in the market price of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loan will be for the account of the Fund. During the six-month period ended November 30, 2015, the Fund did not have any portfolio securities on loan.

(I) Tender Option Bonds. The Fund may leverage its assets through the use of proceeds received from tender option bond ( TOB ) transactions. In a TOB transaction, a tender option bond trust (a TOB Issuer ) is typically established, which forms a special purpose trust into which the Fund, or an agent on behalf of the Fund, transfers municipal bonds or other municipal securities ( Underlying Securities ). A TOB Issuer typically issues two classes of beneficial interests: short-term floating rate notes ( TOB Floaters ), which are sold to third party investors, and residual interest municipal tender option bonds ( TOB Residuals ), which are generally issued to the Fund. The Fund may invest in both TOB Floaters and TOB Residuals. The Fund may not invest more than 5% of its Managed Assets (as defined in Note 3(A)) in any single TOB Issuer. The Fund may invest in both TOB Floaters and TOB Residuals issued by the same TOB Issuer.

Historically, the TOB Issuers in which the Fund has invested have been sponsored by banking entities. However, banking entities will no longer be able to perform this role due to Section 619 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the rules thereunder (collectively, the Volcker Rule ). The Volcker Rule generally prohibits banking entities from engaging in proprietary trading or from acquiring or retaining an ownership interest in, or sponsoring, a hedge fund or private equity fund ( covered fund ), subject to certain exemptions and limitations on those exemptions, as defined in the Rule. TOB programs generally are considered to be covered funds under the Volcker Rule, and, thus, may not be sponsored by a banking entity. Established TOB trusts that were created after December 31, 2013 were required to comply with the Volcker Rule on or before July 21, 2015, and any new TOB trust must now comply with the Volcker Rule. Federal regulators have extended the initial Volcker Rule conformance date through at least July 21, 2016 for TOBs entered into prior to December 31, 2013 ( Legacy TOBs ), although this conformance date may be extended further.

As a result of the Volcker Rule, a new structure for TOBs has been designed wherein a banking entity does not serve as the sponsor of the TOB Issuer. Under this structure, a fund establishes, structures and sponsors the TOB Issuer in which it holds TOB Residuals. Certain responsibilities that previously belonged to a third-party banking entity are performed by, or on behalf of, the fund. The Fund s investments in

TOBs that were required to be unwound or restructured on or before July 21, 2015 have been restructured using this fund-sponsored structure, and it is anticipated that the Fund will use this or a similar structure for any new TOBs in which it invests. The Fund intends to restructure or unwind the Legacy TOBs in which it invests on or before the required conformance date set by federal regulators. In connection with Fund-sponsored TOBs, the Fund may contract with a third-party to perform some or all of the Fund s duties as sponsor. Regardless of whether the Fund delegates any of its sponsorship duties to a third party, the Fund s expanded role under the new TOB structure may increase its operational and regulatory risk. If the third-party is unable to perform its obligations as an administrative agent, the Fund itself would be subject to such obligations or would need to secure a replacement agent. The obligations that the Fund may be required to undertake could include reporting and recordkeeping obligations under the Internal Revenue Code and federal securities laws and contractual obligations with other TOB service providers. The effectiveness of the new Fund-sponsored TOB structure is uncertain. There is a risk that the new structure will not prove as effective a source of leverage for the Fund as the traditional structure, which could adversely affect Fund performance.

Under either the traditional or the fund-sponsored TOB structure, the TOB Issuer receives Underlying Securities from the Fund through (or as) the sponsor and then issues TOB Floaters to third party investors and TOB Residuals to the Fund. The Fund is paid the cash (less transaction expenses, which are borne by the Fund) received by the TOB Issuer from the sale of TOB Floaters and typically will invest the cash in additional municipal bonds or other investments permitted by its investment policies. TOB Floaters may have first priority on the cash flow from the securities held by the TOB Issuer and are enhanced with a liquidity support arrangement from a bank or an affiliate of the sponsor (the liquidity provider ), which allows holders to tender their position back to the TOB Issuer at par (plus accrued interest). The Fund, in addition to receiving cash from the sale of TOB Floaters, also receives TOB Residuals. TOB Residuals provide the Fund with the right to (1) cause the holders of TOB Floaters to tender their notes to the TOB Issuer at par (plus accrued interest), and (2) acquire the Underlying Securities from the TOB Issuer. In addition, all voting rights and decisions to be made with respect to any other rights relating to the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer are passed through to the Fund, as the holder of TOB Residuals. Such a transaction, in effect, creates exposure for the Fund to the entire return of the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer, with a net cash investment by the Fund that is less than the value of

the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer. This multiplies the positive or negative impact of the Underlying Securities return within the Fund (thereby creating leverage). Income received by TOB Residuals will vary inversely with the short term rate paid to holders of TOB Floaters and in most circumstances, TOB Residuals present substantially all of the Underlying Securities downside investment risk and also benefits disproportionately from any potential appreciation of the Underlying Securities value. The amount of such increase or decrease is a function, in part, of the amount of TOB Floaters sold by the TOB Issuer of these securities relative to the amount of TOB Residuals that it sells. The greater the amount of TOB Floaters sold relative to TOB Residuals, the more volatile the income paid on TOB Residuals will be. The price of TOB Residuals will be more volatile than that of the Underlying Securities because the interest rate is dependent

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on not only the fixed coupon rate of the Underlying Securities, but also on the short-term interest rate paid on TOB Floaters.

For TOB Floaters, generally, the interest rate earned will be based upon the market rates for municipal securities with maturities or remarketing provisions that are comparable in duration to the periodic interval of the tender option, which may vary from weekly, to monthly, to extended periods of one year or multiple years. Since the option feature has a shorter term than the final maturity or first call date of the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer, the Fund, if it is the holder of the TOB Floaters, relies upon the terms of the agreement with the financial institution furnishing the option as well as the credit strength of that institution. As further assurance of liquidity, the terms of the TOB Issuer provide for a liquidation of the Underlying Security deposited in the TOB Issuer and the application of the proceeds to pay off the TOB Floaters.

The TOB Issuer may be terminated without the consent of the Fund upon the occurrence of certain events, such as the bankruptcy or default of the issuer of the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer, a substantial downgrade in the credit quality of the issuer of the securities deposited in the TOB Issuer, the inability of the TOB Issuer to obtain liquidity support for the TOB Floaters, a substantial decline in the market value of the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer, or the inability of the sponsor to remarket any TOB Floaters tendered to it by holders of the TOB Floaters. In such an event, the TOB Floaters would be redeemed by the TOB Issuer at par (plus accrued interest) out of the proceeds from a sale of the Underlying Securities deposited in the TOB Issuer. If this happens, the Fund would be entitled to the assets of the TOB Issuer, if any, that remain after the TOB Floaters have been redeemed at par (plus accrued interest). If there are insufficient proceeds from the sale of these securities to redeem all of the TOB Floaters at par (plus accrued interest), the liquidity provider or holders of the TOB Floaters would bear the losses on those securities and there would be no recourse to the Fund s assets (unless the Fund held a recourse TOB Residual).

The fund-sponsored structure is substantially similar to the traditional structure. However, pursuant to the Volcker Rule, to the extent that the remarketing agent is a banking entity, it would not be able to repurchase tendered floaters for its own account upon a failed remarketing. In the event of a failed remarketing, a banking entity serving as liquidity provider may loan the necessary funds to the TOB Issuer to purchase the tendered floaters. The TOB Issuer, not the Fund, would be the borrower and the loan from the liquidity provider will be secured by the purchased floaters now held by the TOB Issuer. However, the Fund would bear the risk of loss with respect to any liquidity shortfall to the extent it entered into a reimbursement agreement with the liquidity provider.

For financial reporting purposes, Underlying Securities that are deposited into a TOB Issuer are treated as investments of the Fund, and are presented on the Fund s Portfolio of Investments. Outstanding TOB Floaters issued by a TOB Issuer are presented at their face value as Payable for Floating Rate Note Obligations in the Fund s Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The face value approximates the fair value of the floating rate notes. Interest income from the Underlying Securities are recorded by the Fund on an accrual basis. Interest expense incurred on the TOB Floaters and other expense related to remarketing, administration and trustee

services to a TOB Issuer are recognized as a component of Interest expense and fees on the Statement of Operations.

At November 30, 2015, the aggregate value of the Underlying Securities transferred to the TOB Issuer and the related liability for TOB Floaters were as follows:

Underlying Securities Transferred to TOB Issuers

Liability for Floating Rate Note **Obligations** 179,455,000

During the six-month period ended November 30, 2015, the Fund s average TOB Floaters outstanding and the daily weighted average interest rate, including fees, were as follows:

Average **Floating Rate Note Obligations Outstanding**  Daily Weighted Average **Interest Rate** 

(J) Fixed Rate Municipal Term Preferred Shares. On October 4, 2012, the Fund issued and has outstanding, two series of Fixed Rate Municipal Term Preferred Shares ( Series A FMTP Shares and Series B FMTP Shares , collectively, FMTP Shares ), each with a liquidation preference of \$100,000 per share ( Liquidation Preference ). Dividends on FMTP Shares, which are recognized as interest expense for financial reporting purposes, are paid semiannually at a fixed annual rate, subject to adjustments in certain circumstances. The FMTP Shares were issued in a private offering exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The Fund is obligated to redeem its FMTP Shares by the date as specified in its offering document ( Term Redemption ), unless redeemed earlier by the Fund. FMTP Shares are subject to optional and mandatory redemption in certain circumstances. FMTP Shares will be subject to redemption, at the option of the Fund ( Optional Redemption ), in whole or in part at any time only for the purposes of decreasing leverage of the Fund. The Fund may be obligated to redeem certain of the FMTP Shares if the Fund fails to maintain certain asset coverage and leverage ratio requirements and such failures are not cured by the applicable cure date. The Optional Redemption price per share is equal to the sum of the Liquidation Preference per share plus any accrued but unpaid dividends.

As of November 30, 2015, the number of FMTP Shares outstanding and annual dividend rate were as follows:

	Dates of Shares	Annual
Series	<b>Issuanc Outstanding</b>	<b>Dividend Rate</b>
A	October 4, 2012	
	(a) 350	2.07%
В	October 4, 2012	
	(b) 350	1.89%

(a) Effective May 15, 2015, the Board agreed, among other things, to extend the Term Redemption date and revise the annual dividend rate of the Series A FMTP Shares. Prior to May 15, 2015, the Term Redemption date was October 15, 2015 and the annual dividend rate was 1.48%.

(b) Effective October 1, 2015, the Board agreed, among other things, to extend the Term Redemption date and revise the annual dividend rate of the Series B FMTP Shares. Prior to October 1, 2015, the Term Redemption date was March 15, 2016 and the annual dividend rate was 1.58%.

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As of November 30, 2015, the Term Redemption date and liquidation value for the FMTP Shares outstanding were as follows:

	Term	Liquidation
Series	Redemption Date	Value
A	May 31, 2018	\$ 35,332,063
R	November 30, 2018	\$ 35 271 542

For financial reporting purposes only, the liquidation value of FMTP Shares is recorded as a liability on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Unpaid dividends on FMTP Shares are recognized as a component of Interest expense and fees payable on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Dividends accrued on FMTP Shares are recognized as a component of Interest expense and fees in the Statement of Operations. As of November 30, 2015, the fair value of the FMTP Shares for Series A and Series B were \$35,005,600 and \$35,005,250, respectively and are categorized as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

- (K) Statement of Cash Flows. The cash amount shown in the Fund s Statement of Cash Flows is the amount included in the Fund s Statement of Assets and Liabilities and represents the cash on hand at its custodian and does not include any Short-Term Investments or deposit at brokers for securities sold short or restricted cash.
- (L) Concentration of Risk. The Fund may invest more heavily in municipal bonds from certain cities, states or regions than others, which may increase the Fund s exposure to losses resulting from economic, political, or regulatory occurrences impacting these particular cities, states or regions. In addition, many state and municipal governments that issue securities are under significant economic and financial stress and may not be able to satisfy their obligations. The Fund may invest a substantial amount of its assets in municipal bonds whose interest is paid solely from revenues of similar projects. If the Fund concentrates

its investments in this manner, it assumes the legal and economic risks relating to such projects and this may have a significant impact on the Fund s investment performance.

- (M) Offering Costs. Costs were incurred by the Fund in connection with the initial offering of FMTP Shares were recorded as deferred charges, which are amortized over the life of the shares. The Fund s amortized deferred charges are recognized as Interest expense and fees on the Statement of Operations.
- (N) Indemnifications. Under the Fund s organizational documents, its officers and trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities that may arise out of performance of their duties to the Fund. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with third-party service providers that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which may provide general indemnifications. The Fund s maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. Based on experience, management is of the view that the risk of loss in connection with these potential indemnification obligations is remote. However, there can be no assurance that material liabilities related to such obligations will not arise in the future, which could adversely impact the Fund.
- (O) Quantitative Disclosure of Derivative Holdings. The following tables show additional disclosures about the Fund s derivative and hedging activities, including how such activities are accounted for

and their effect on the Fund s financial positions, performance and cash flows. The Fund invested in United States Treasury Note and Bond futures to help manage the duration and yield curve positioning of the portfolio. These derivatives are not accounted for as hedging instruments.

The effect of derivative instruments on the Statement of Operations for the period ended November 30, 2015:

Realized Gain (Loss)

Statement Interest Total of Rate

**Operations** Location

Risk

	Location Kisk	
Futures Contracts	Net realized	
	gain (loss)	
	on futures	
	transactions \$ (1,362,410)	\$ (1,362,410)
	transactions \$ (1,302,410)	\$ (1,302,410)
Total Realized Gain (Loss)	\$ (1,362,410)	\$ (1,362,410)
Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)		
Change in Officialized Appreciation (Depreciation)		
	Interest	
	Statement of Rate	
	<b>Operations Contracts</b>	
	Location Risk	Total
Futures Contracts	Net change in	
	unrealized	
	appreciation	
	(depreciation)	
	on futures	
	contracts \$ 329,665	\$ 329,665
	Contracts \$ 329,003	\$ 329,003
Total Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	\$ 329,665	\$ 329,665
Average Notional Amount		
Average Notional Amount		
	Interest	
	Rate	
	Contracts	
	Risk	Total
Futures Contracts Short	\$ (89,146,094)	\$ (89,146,094)
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#### Note 3 Fees and Related Party Transactions

(A) Manager and Subadvisor. New York Life Investments, a registered investment adviser and an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life Insurance Company ( New York Life ), serves as the Fund s Manager, pursuant to a Management Agreement. The Manager provides offices, conducts clerical, recordkeeping and bookkeeping services, and keeps most of the financial and accounting records required to be maintained by the Fund. Except for the portion of salaries and expenses that are the responsibility of the Fund, the Manager pays the salaries and expenses of all personnel affiliated with the Fund and certain operational expenses of the Fund. The Fund reimburses New York Life Investments in an amount equal to a portion of the compensation of the Chief Compliance Officer of the Fund. MacKay Shields LLC ( MacKay Subadvisor ), a registered investment adviser and an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Life, serves as Subadvisor to the Fund and is responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of the Fund. Pursuant to the terms of a Subadvisory Agreement ( Subadvisory Agreement ) between New York Life

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Investments and MacKay Shields, New York Life Investments pays for the services of the Subadvisor.

Under the Management Agreement, the Fund pays the Manager a monthly fee for services performed and facilities furnished at an annual rate of 0.60% of the Managed Assets . Managed Assets is defined as the Fund s total assets, minus the sum of its accrued liabilities (other than Fund liabilities incurred for the purpose of creating effective leverage (i.e. tender option bonds) or Fund liabilities related to liquidation preference of any preferred shares issued).

During the six-month period ended November 30, 2015, New York Life Investments earned fees from the Fund in the amount of \$2,338,479.

State Street provides sub-administration and sub-accounting services to the Fund pursuant to an agreement with New York Life Investments. These services include calculating the daily NAVs of the Fund, maintaining the general ledger and sub-ledger accounts for the calculation of the Fund s NAVs, and assisting New York Life Investments in conducting various aspects of the Fund s administrative operations. For providing these services to the Fund, State Street is compensated by New York Life Investments.

(B) Transfer, Dividend Disbursing and Shareholder Servicing Agent. Computershare Trust Company, N.A. ( Computershare ), 250 Royall Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021, is the Fund stransfer, dividend disbursing and shareholder servicing agent pursuant to an agreement between the Fund and Computershare.

#### Note 4 Federal Income Tax

For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2015, for federal income tax purposes, capital loss carryforwards of \$40,785,753 were available as shown in the table below, to the extent provided by the regulations to offset future realized gains of the Fund. To the extent that these capital loss carryforwards are used to offset future capital gains, it is probable that the capital gains so offset will not be distributed to shareholders. No capital gain distributions shall be made until any capital loss carryforwards have been fully utilized.

	Short-Term	Long-Term
Capital Loss	Capital Loss	Capital Loss
Available Through	Amounts (000 s)	Amounts (000 s)
Unlimited	\$ 19.799	\$ 20.987

The tax character of distributions paid during the year ended May 31, 2015 to Common shareholders (as reflected in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets) and Preferred shareholders (included as interest expense for financial statement purposes (See Note 2(J)) were as follows:

	2015	
		Long-Term
	Exempt Ordinary Interest	Capital
Distributions paid from:	Income Dividends	Gain
Common shares	\$772,731 \$ 31,493,663	\$
Preferred shares	39,137 1,054,739	
Total	\$811,868 \$ 32,548,402	\$
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Note 5 Custodian

State Street is the custodian of cash and securities held by the Fund. Custodial fees are charged to the Fund based on the Fund s net assets

and/or the market value of securities held by the Fund and the number of certain cash transactions incurred by the Fund.

#### Note 6 Purchases and Sales of Securities (in 000 s)

During the six-month period ended November 30, 2015, purchases and sales of securities, other than short-term securities, were \$155,423 and \$146,610, respectively.

#### **Note 7 Capital Share Transactions**

Common Shares (a):	Shares
For the period June 26, 2012 through May 31, 2013:	
Common shares issued resulting from initial public offering on June 26, 2012 (b)	27,524,029
Common shares issued in reinvestment of dividends	30,535

Preferred Shares (a):
For the period June 26, 2012 through May 31, 2013:
Series A Shares Issued

Shares

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\$35,000,000

(a) For the period June 1, 2013 through November 30, 2015, there were no new shares issued.

Common shares outstanding at the end of the period

Series B Shares Issued

(b) Includes 5,236 shares held by New York Life at inception date and 2,768,793 shares resulting from overallotment issuance on August 15, 2012. **Note 8 Subsequent Events** 

In connection with the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund as of and for the period ended November 30, 2015, events and transactions subsequent to November 30, 2015, through the date the financial statements were issued have been evaluated by the Fund s management for possible adjustment and/or disclosure. No subsequent events requiring financial statement adjustment or disclosure have been identified, other than the following:

On October 31, 2015, the Fund declared a dividend in the amount of \$0.098 per Common share, payable on December 31, 2015, to shareholders of record on December 15, 2015, respectively.

On December 15, 2015, the Fund paid its semiannual distribution to Series A and Series B Preferred shareholders in the amounts of \$1,035.00 and \$854.58, per Preferred share, respectively. In addition, a supplemental distribution (See Note 2(C)) of \$13.89 and \$12.51 per Preferred share was paid to Series A and Series B Preferred shareholders, respectively.

On January 4, 2016, the Fund declared dividends to Common shareholders for the upcoming quarter as shown in the following schedule:

Month	Ex-Date	<b>Record Date</b>	Payable Date	Amount
January	1/13/16	1/15/16	1/29/16	\$ 0.098
February	2/11/16	2/16/16	2/29/16	\$ 0.098
March	3/11/16	3/15/16	3/31/16	\$ 0.098

27,554,564

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## Dividend Reinvestment Plan (Unaudited)

Pursuant to the Fund s Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the Plan ) shareholders whose shares are registered in their own name may opt-in to the Plan and elect to reinvest all or a portion of their distributions in the Common shares by providing the required enrollment notice to Com-putershare Trust Company, N.A., the Plan Administrator (Plan Administrator). Shareholders whose shares are held in the name of a broker or other nominee may have distributions reinvested only if such a service is provided by the broker or the nominee or if the broker or the nominee permits participation in the Plan. Shareholders whose shares are held in the name of a broker or other nominee should contact the broker or nominee for details. A shareholder may terminate participation in the Plan at any time by notifying the Plan Administrator before the record date of the next distribution through the Internet, by telephone or in writing. All distributions to shareholders who do not participate in the Plan, or have elected to terminate their participation in the Plan, will be paid by check mailed directly to the record holder by or under the direction of the Plan Administrator when the Fund declares a distribution.

When the Fund declares a dividend or other distribution (together, a Dividend ) payable in cash, non-participants in the Plan will receive cash and participants in the Plan (i.e., those holders of Common shares who (opt-in) will receive the equivalent in Common shares. The Common shares will be acquired by the Plan Administrator for the participants accounts, depending upon the circumstances described below, either (i) through receipt of additional unissued but authorized Common shares from the Fund ( Newly Issued Common Shares ) or (ii) by purchase of outstanding Common shares on the open market ( Open-Market Purchases ) on the NYSE or elsewhere. If, on the payment date for any Dividend, the closing market price per Common share plus estimated per share fees, which include any brokerage commissions the Plan Administrator is required to pay, is equal to or greater than the NAV per Common share, the Plan Administrator will invest the Dividend amount in Newly Issued Common shares on behalf of the participants. The number of Newly Issued Common Shares to be credited to each participant s account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the Dividend by the NAV per Common share on the payment date; provided that, if the NAV is less or equal to 95% of the closing market value on the payment date, the dollar amount of the Dividend will be divided by 95% of the closing market price per Common share on the payment date. If, on the payment date for any Dividend, the NAV per Common share is greater than the closing market value plus estimated per share fees, the Plan Administrator will invest the Dividend amount in Common shares acquired on behalf of the participants in Open-Market Purchases. In the event of a market discount on the payment date for any Dividend, the Plan Administrator will have until the last business day before the next date on which the Common shares trade on an ex-dividend basis or 30 days after the payment date for such Dividend, whichever is sooner (the Last Purchase Date ), to invest the Dividend amount in Common shares acquired in Open-Market Purchases. It is contemplated that the Fund will pay monthly income Dividends. Therefore, the period during which Open-Market Purchases can be made will exist only from the payment date of each Dividend through the date before the next ex-dividend date which typically will be approximately ten days. If, before the Plan Administrator has completed its Open-Market Purchases, the market price per Common share exceeds the NAV per Common shares, the average per Common share purchase price paid by the Plan Admin-

istrator may exceed the NAV of the Common shares, resulting in the acquisition of fewer Common shares than if the Dividend had been paid in Newly Issued Common Shares on the Dividend payment date. Because of the foregoing difficulty with respect to Open-Market Purchases, the Plan provides that if the Plan Administrator is unable to invest the full Dividend amount in Open-Market Purchases during the purchase period or if the market discount shifts to a market premium during the purchase period, the Plan Administrator may cease making Open-Market Purchases and may invest the uninvested portion of the Dividend amount in Newly Issued Common Shares at the NAV per Common share at the close of business on the Last Purchase Date provided that, if the NAV per Common share is less than or equal to 95% of the then current market price per Common share; the dollar amount of the Dividend will be divided by 95% of the market price per Common share on the payment date.

The Plan Administrator maintains all shareholders—accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the accounts, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Common shares In the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Administrator on behalf of the Plan participant, and each shareholder proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan The Plan Administrator will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held under the Plan in accordance with the instructions of the participants.

In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees which hold shares for others who are the beneficial owners, the Plan Administrator will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of Common shares certified from time to time by the record shareholder s name and held for the account of beneficial owners who participate in the Plan.

There will be no charges with respect to Common shares issued directly by the Fund as a result of dividends or capital gains distributions payable either in Common shares or in cash. The Plan Administrator s fees for the handling of the reinvestment of dividends and distributions will be paid by the Fund. However, each participant will pay a per share fee incurred in connection with Open-Market Purchases. The reinvestment of Dividends will not relieve participants of any Federal, state or local income tax that may be payable (or required to be withheld) on such dividends. See U.S. Federal Income Tax Matters. Participants that request a sale of shares through the Plan Administrator are subject to a \$2.50 sales fee and a \$.15 per share sold fee. All per share fees include any brokerage commission the Plan Administrator is required to pay.

The Fund reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. There is no direct service charge to participants with regard to purchases in the Plan; however, the Fund reserves the right to amend the Plan to include a service charge payable by the participants.

All correspondence or questions concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Administrator, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., by telephone (855) 456-9683, through the internet at www.computershare.com/investor or in writing to P.O. Box 43078, Providence, Rhode Island 02940-3078.

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# Proxy Results (Unaudited)

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on September 30, 2015, to elect three Class III Trustees for the Fund by shareholders of record as of July 16, 2015. Listed below are the results of this voting.

		Votes	
	Votes For	Against Abestentions	Total
John Y. Kim	22,768,775	331,977 0	23,100,752
		Votes	
	Votes For	Against Abestentions	Total
Richard S. Trutanic	22,766,931	333,821 0	23,100,752
		Votes	
	Votes For	Against Abestentions	Total
Roman L. Weil	22,759,429	341,323 0	23,100,752

All three Trustees were elected.

On January 1, 2016, Chris Blunt, David H. Chow and James P. Perold were appointed Trustees of the Fund. Mr. Blunt joined as a Class III Trustee replacing John Kim. Mr. Chow also joined as a Class III Trustee replacing Roman Weil who retired. Mr. Perold joined as a Class I Trustee.

These recent appointments bring the total size of the Fund s Board of Trustees to nine, eight of whom are independent.

# Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures and Proxy Voting Record

A description of the policies and procedures that New York Life Investments uses to vote proxies related to the Fund s securities is available without charge, upon request, (i) by visiting the Fund s website at *mainstayinvestments.com*; or (ii) on the Securities and Exchange Commission s (SEC) website at *www.sec.gov*.

The Fund is required to file with the SEC its proxy voting record for the 12-month period ending June 30 on Form N-PX. The Fund s most recent Form N-PX or proxy voting record is available free of charge upon request (i) by calling 800-MAINSTAY (624-6782); (ii) by visiting the Fund s website at *mainstayinvestments.com*; or (iii) on the SEC s website at *www.sec.gov*.

## Shareholder Reports and Quarterly Portfolio Disclosure

The Fund is required to file its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for its first and third fiscal quarters on Form N-Q. The Fund s Form N-Q is available without charge on the SEC s website at *www.sec.gov* or by calling MainStay Investments at 800-MAINSTAY (624-6782). You also can obtain and review copies of Form N-Q by visiting the SEC s Public Reference Room in Washington, DC (information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330).

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#### Item 2. Code of Ethics.

Not applicable.

#### Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert.

Not applicable.

## Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

Not applicable.

#### Item 5. Audit Committee of Listed Registrants

Not applicable.

#### Item 6. Schedule of Investments

The Schedule of Investments is included as part of Item 1 of this report.

# Item 7. Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies.

Not applicable.

## Item 8. Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies.

Not applicable.

# Item 9. Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed-End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers.

Not applicable.

## Item 10. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

There have been no material changes to the procedures by which shareholders may recommend nominees to the Registrant s Board of Trustees.

#### Item 11. Controls and Procedures.

(a) Based on an evaluation of the Registrant s Disclosure Controls and Procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940) (the Disclosure Controls), as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date (the Filing Date) of this Form N-CSR (the Report), the Registrant s principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Disclosure Controls are reasonably designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Registrant in the Report is recorded, processed, summarized and reported by the Filing Date, including ensuring that information required to be disclosed in the Report is accumulated and communicated to the Registrant s management,

including the Registrant s principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) There were no changes in the Registrant s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d)) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 that occurred during the second fiscal quarter of the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

#### Item 12. Exhibits.

- (a) Certifications of principal executive officer and principal financial officer as required by Rule 30a-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (b) Certifications of principal executive officer and principal financial officer as required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### MAINSTAY DEFINEDTERM MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

By: <u>/s/ Stephen P. Fisher</u> Stephen P. Fisher

President and Principal Executive Officer

Date: February 5, 2016

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: <u>/s/ Stephen P. Fisher</u> Stephen P. Fisher President and Principal Executive Officer

Date: February 5, 2016

By: /s/ Jack R. Benintende
Jack R. Benintende
Treasurer and Principal Financial
and Accounting Officer

Date: February 5, 2016

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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