

# THORNBURG MUNICIPAL TOTAL RETURN STRATEGY

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## **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

The Municipal Total Return Strategy is an actively managed portfolio that primarily invests in investment grade, intermediate municipal bonds, as well as shares of a completion fund<sup>1</sup> managed by Thornburg. The completion fund provides access to securities across the credit and maturity spectrum that are difficult, or not feasible, to include in a separately managed account. The strategy seeks to provide tax-exempt income and total return.

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

David Ashley, CFA Began with firm in 2011. Eve Lando, JD Began with firm in 2019. **Craig Mauermann** 

Began with firm in 2021. Industry experience since 2008. Industry experience since 2001. Industry experience since 1993.

Supported by the entire Thornburg investment team.

#### **INVESTMENT RESULTS**

#### **ANNUALIZED RETURNS (%)**

Composite (Gross)

Composite (Net)

ICE BofA U.S. Municipal Securities Index



ITD is Inceptions to Date. In US\$ terms. **Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.** Periods less than one year are not annualized.

Performance data for the Municipal Total Return Strategy is from the Municipal Total Return Composite, inception date of 1 September 2023. The Municipal Total Return Composite includes all discretionary accounts invested in the Municipal Total Return Strategy. Returns are calculated using a time-weighted and assetweighted calculation. Returns reflect the reinvestment of income and capital gains. Periods less than one year are not annualized. Individual account performance will vary. The performance data quoted represents past performance; it does not guarantee future results. Gross of fee returns are net of transaction costs. Net of fee returns are net of transaction costs and investment advisory fees. At inception, the composite included proprietary accounts that did not pay fees, and the firm imposed the highest fee payable by an account of that type to calculate the net performance. Thornburg Investment Management Inc.'s fee schedule is detailed in Part 2A of its ADV brochure. Performance results of the firm's clients will be reduced by the firm's management fees. For example, an account with a compounded annual total return of 10% would have increased by 159% over ten years. Assuming an annual management fee of 0.75%, this increase would be 142%.

<sup>1</sup>The completion fund is a series of Thornburg Investment Trust, a diversified, open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Shares of the completion fund are only available for purchase and redemption by or on behalf of separately managed account clients where Thornburg has an agreement with the managed account program's sponsor, or directly with the client. No direct offering or promotion of this fund is made hereby.

## STRATEGY PROFILE

BENCHMARK ICE BofA U.S. Municipal Securities Index

DURATION 5 to 9 years

CREDIT QUALITY Average credit quality: A- to A+

EXPECTED TURNOVER RANGE Average annual range: 15-40%

CASH EXPOSURE 1-3%

**ISSUER EXPOSURE** 0%-5%

SECTOR EXPOSURE 0-25% in any one sector.

#### INDUSTRY EXPOSURE

No stated limit. Under normal market conditions. no more than 25% of the portfolio will be invested in any one industry.

#### **AVAILABLE VEHICLES**

Separate Accounts

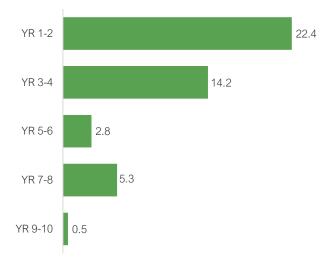
# PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

PORTFOLIO STATISTICS	REP. ACCT.
Average Effective Maturity	9.8 Yrs
Average Effective Duration	5.6 Yrs
Average Credit Quality	AA
Weighted Average Coupon	4.6%
Weighted Average Price	\$103.0



‡ A bond credit rating assesses the financial ability of a debt issuer to make timely payments of principal and interest. Ratings of AAA (the highest), AA, A, and BBB are investment-grade quality. Ratings of BB, B, CCC, CC, C and D (the lowest) are considered below investment grade, speculative grade, or junk bonds. Credit quality ratings use the highest rating available from either S&P Global Ratings or Moody's Investors Service. Unrated securities are evaluated by the firm using available data and their own analysis that may be similar to that of a nationally recognized rating agency; however, such determination is not equivalent to a national agency credit rating. "NR" = Not Rated.

## **MATURITY BREAKDOWN (%)**



Maturity is the percent of portfolio maturing in each year. May not add up to 100% due to rounding. The percentages can and do vary over time. Cash includes cash equivalents.

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# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

#### Source: FactSet, and Thornburg.

Unless otherwise noted, all data is as of 31 March 2025.

Investments in the Strategy carry risks, including possible loss of principal. Carefully consider the Strategy's investment objectives, risks, and expenses before investing. There is no guarantee that the portfolio will meet its investment objectives.

Diversification does not assure or guarantee better performance and cannot eliminate the risk of investment losses. Portfolio characteristics are derived using currently available data from independent research resources that are believed to be accurate. Portfolio attributes can and do vary. Cash may also include cash equivalents and currency forwards.

Portfolio holdings and characteristics shown herein are from a representative account managed within the investment composite. The representative account is selected based on account characteristics that Thornburg believes accurately represent the investment strategy as a whole. Should these characteristics change materially, Thornburg may select a different representative account. Holdings may change daily and may vary among accounts, which may contribute to different investment results.

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The ICE BofA U.S. Municipal Securities Index (ICE BOFA US MUNI) tracks the performance of the investment-grade U.S. tax-exempt bond market. Qualifying bonds must have at least one year remaining term to maturity, a fixed coupon schedule, and an investment grade rating (based on average of Moody's, S&P, and Fitch).

Portfolio construction will have significant differences from that of a benchmark index in terms of security holdings, industry weightings, asset allocations and number of positions held, all of which may contribute to performance, characteristics and volatility differences. The index shown is unmanaged, reflect total returns and assume the reinvestment of all income in U.S. dollars. It does not reflect any management fees or brokerage expenses associated with a portfolio's returns. Returns for an actual portfolio may differ from those of an index due to (among other things) differences in timing and the amount invested and fees and expenses. Investors may not make direct investments into any index.

Weighted Average Coupon is a weighted average of the underlying coupon interest rates of mortgage loans or other loans backing asset-backed securities or mortgage-backed securities, as of the issue date, using the balance of each mortgage as the weighting factor.

Average price is the mean price of an asset or security observed over some period of time. It is calculated by finding the simple arithmetic average of closing prices over a specified time period.

Average Effective Maturity – Weighted average of the effective maturities of the bonds in a portfolio. Effective maturity incorporates the embedded option features of the bond, such as prepayments, call and put options.

Effective Duration - A bond's sensitivity to interest rates, incorporating the embedded option features, such as call provisions. Bonds with longer durations experience greater price volatility than bonds with shorter durations.

Average credit quality is a weighted average of all credit ratings in the portfolio. The average is calculated by Thornburg Investment Management, Inc. using NRSRO ratings. Unrated securities are assigned a value below C and above D. Cash and U.S.-backed securities are given a value equivalent to AAA.