SRRS Investment Section

CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Maryland State Retirement and Pension System returned 26.69 percent net of fees in fiscal year 2021, relative to the actuarial return target of 7.40 percent, and 24.43 percent for its policy benchmark. After the payment of benefits, the fair value of assets increased by approximately \$13.1 billion, from \$54.8 billion on June 30, 2020 to \$67.9 billion on June 30, 2021.

While the System was able to generate a positive return of 26.69 percent for the fiscal year, the performance was not evenly distributed among the various asset classes. The private equity portfolio, consisting mostly of leveraged buyouts and venture capital, produced the highest return for the fiscal year at 51.9 percent as the global economy recovered from the recession associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. At the other end of the spectrum was the rate sensitive group, which returned -2.53 percent, as long-term interest rates increased by nearly 0.80 percent over the fiscal year.

The Board's asset allocation policy is designed to achieve the actuarial rate of return over long periods of time by assembling a diversified portfolio of asset classes, each of which may have a large or small, positive or negative return in any given year. By assembling assets that exhibit distinct risk and return characteristics in different market environments, the Board expects more stable investment returns over time than a less diversified portfolio. This lower risk portfolio should result in a larger asset pool for the System's beneficiaries than a more volatile portfolio with the same average return. Understanding the Board's principals of asset allocation is important in evaluating the performance in any one-year period. While the realized return of 26.69 percent for fiscal year 2021 far exceeds the Board's longterm expectation for the portfolio, it is within its expected ranges for annual variations.

The System's asset allocation is organized into five broad categories: Growth/Equity, Rate Sensitive, Credit, Real Assets, and Absolute Return. During the fiscal year, the asset allocation remained unchanged from the prior year, as the long-term return expectations and risk profile of the portfolio remained consistent with the Board's objectives.

The Growth/Equity portfolio is comprised of public equity and private equity. Within public equity, there are dedicated allocations to U.S., international developed, and emerging markets. The objective of this asset class is to generate high returns associated with the economic growth underlying global economies.

The Rate Sensitive category consists of exposure to core, or investment-grade, bonds. This asset class is designed to provide protection against downturns in the equity market by offering a reliable income stream through the yield component. This yield also provides some protection against a deflationary environment, characterized by falling interest rates. This asset class includes long-duration U.S. Treasury bonds, Treasury inflation protected securities, corporate bonds and securitized debt.

The purpose of the Credit asset class is to take advantage of the potential higher returns offered by below investment-grade bonds. The return objective is similar to public equity, with a lower risk profile. This category includes high yield bonds, bank loans, emerging markets debt, distressed debt, mezzanine debt, and other credit-focused investments.

Real Assets includes real estate, natural resources and infrastructure investments. A significant portion of the assets in this category provides a regular income stream. Due to the tangible, or real, element of this asset class, it is expected to provide some level of protection against an inflationary environment, as well as additional diversification to the total portfolio.

The objective of the Absolute Return asset class is to achieve a return that falls between the expectations for public equity and bonds, with low correlation to other asset classes. The risk profile of this asset class is expected to be significantly lower than public equity, which should provide protection during periods of stock market decline. Strategies in this asset class include event-driven, global macro, relative value and opportunistic funds

INVESTMENT POLICY AND OBJECTIVES

The Board of Trustees is charged with the responsibility of managing the assets of the System. In doing so, the Board is required to exercise its fiduciary duties solely in the interest of the participants with the care, skill, and diligence that a prudent person would exercise under similar circumstances. This standard of care encourages diversifying investments across various asset classes.

Investment objectives are designed to support the fulfillment of the Board's mission to optimize risk-adjusted returns to ensure that sufficient assets are available to pay benefits to members and beneficiaries when due. As a long-term investor, the Board understands that short-term market returns will fluctuate. These investment objectives are implemented in accordance with investment policies developed by the Board. The "prudent person standard", as outlined in both the Maryland Annotated Code and the Board's investment policies, allows the Board to set investment policies and delegate authority to investment professionals employing active and passive strategies. Firms retained generally have a demonstrated performance record and a clearly defined and consistently applied investment process.

The Board manages the assets for the System with the goal of achieving an annualized investment return that over a long-term time frame: (1) meets or exceeds the investment policy benchmark for the System; (2) in nominal terms, equals or exceeds the actuarial investment return assumption adopted by the Board; and (3) in real terms, exceeds the U.S. inflation rate by at least 3 percent. A more detailed discussion of each of these goals follows below.

- 1. Meeting or exceeding the Investment Policy Benchmark for the System. The Investment Policy Benchmark is calculated by using a weighted average of the Board-established benchmarks for each asset class. This benchmark enables the comparison of the actual performance of the System to a proxy portfolio and provides a measure of the contribution of policy implementation and active management to overall fund returns.
- 2. In nominal terms, meeting or exceeding the actuarial investment return assumption of the System. The Board adopts the actuarial rate of interest, which was set at 7.40 percent for fiscal year 2021. The actuarial investment return assumption functions as an estimate of the long-term rate of growth of the assets for the System. In adopting an actuarial return assumption, the Board anticipates that the investment portfolio will achieve higher or lower returns each year but will trend toward 7.40 percent over time.
- 3. In real terms, exceeding the U.S. inflation rate by at least 3 percent. The inflation related objective compares the investment performance against a rate of inflation measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus 3 percent. The inflation measure provides a link to the liabilities of the System, which have an embedded sensitivity to changes in the inflation rate.

The Board is also responsible for establishing the asset allocation policy for the System. It does this by weighing three liability-oriented objectives when making asset allocation determinations. These objectives include:

- 1. achieving and maintaining a fully funded pension plan;
- 2. minimizing contribution volatility year to year; and
- 3. realizing surplus assets.

Asset allocation policy targets are determined by recognizing that liabilities (future benefit payments to the participants and beneficiaries of the System) must be paid in full and on time. The mix of asset classes is chosen to provide sufficient growth to meet the long-term return objective of the System, while providing sufficient diversification to moderate the volatility of that return. For example, a portfolio of equities will likely provide the required return over a long time horizon but will subject the fair value of the portfolio to unacceptable levels of volatility such that the goals of minimizing contribution volatility and realizing surplus assets would be difficult to achieve. Combining other asset classes with equities will provide differentiated return sources, reduce the volatility of returns and help realize those liability-oriented objectives.

The Board's long-term asset class targets and ranges as of June 30, 2021 are shown below.

ASSET CLASS	LONG-TERM POLICY TARGET	RANGE
Growth Equity	50%	+/-7%
U.S Equity	16%	
International Developed Equity	10%	
Emerging Markets Equity	11%	
Private Equity	13%	
Rate Sensitive	19%	+/- 5%
Long-term Government Bonds	10%	
Securitized/Corporate Bonds	5%	
TIPS	4%	
Credit	9%	+/- 4%
High Yield Bonds/Bank Loans	7%	
Emerging Market Debt	2%	
Real Assets	14%	+/- 4%
Real Estate	10%	
Natural Resources/Infrastructure	4%	
Absolute Return	8%	+/- 4%
Total Assets	100%	

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

Investment performance is calculated using time-weighted rates of total return, including the impact of fees and expenses. Total return includes interest and dividends, as well as capital appreciation.

The investment program realized a return of 26.69 percent for fiscal year 2021. Annualized returns for the 3-, 5-, 10-, 20- and 25-year periods ending June 30, 2021 were 11.8 percent, 10.7 percent, 8.2 percent, 6.6 percent and 7.0 percent, respectively.

	FY 2021 SRPS Performance	FY 2020 Benchmark Performance	SRPS Exposure June 30, 2021
Public Equity	44.5%	(0.50)	35.6%
Custom Benchmark U.S. Equity Russell 3000	43.4%	40.5% 44.2%	12.4%
International Equity MSCI World ex U.S.	37.2%	33.6%	7.1%
Emerging Markets Equity MSCI Emerging Markets	48.4%	40.9%	9.9%
Global Equity MSCI AC World Index	47.3%	39.3%	6.2%
Private Equity Custom State Street PE	51.9%	53.1%	17.1%
Rate Sensitive Custom Benchmark BBG U.S. Gov't Long Index BBG Securitized BBG Corporate BC U.S. TIPS Index	-2.5%	-3.9% -10.4% -0.2% 3.3% 6.5%	15.9%
Credit/Debt Strategies Custom Benchmark BBG High Yield S&P LSTA Leveraged Loan BBG EM Local Currency BBG EM Hard Currency Sov BBG EM USD Corporate	14.4%	12.8% 15.4% 11.7% 6.1% 6.7% 8.0%	9.2%
Real Assets Custom Benchmark	14.8%	16.3%	11.2%
Absolute Return Custom Benchmark	15.5%	16.2%	8.7%
Multi-Asset Custom Benchmark	24.1%	24.4%	1.0%
Cash Custom Benchmark	0.1%	0.1%	1.3%
TOTAL FUND	26.7%	24.4%	100%

The allocation as of June 30, 2021 reflects the ranges and transitional targets of the System as described in the previous section.

ECONOMIC AND CAPITAL MARKET OVERVIEW

The System was able to achieve one of the highest investment returns on record in fiscal year 2021 as the global economy re-opened and recovered from the recession brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic in the first half of 2020. Fueled by an accommodative monetary policy featuring zero interest rates and large asset purchases, and stimulative fiscal programs including direct payments to individuals and support for business in response to the pandemic, risk assets globally were able to generate strong returns. For the fiscal year, global equities returned roughly forty percent, while high yield bonds generated over fifteen percent, supported by growth in real U.S. gross domestic product of over twelve percent.

During the fiscal year, economic conditions gradually improved with the recovery in business activity and consumer mobility. During the depths of the recession in the second quarter of calendar year 2020, the unemployment rate in the U.S. reached nearly fifteen percent. By June 30, 2021, this measure had improved to six percent. Price levels also demonstrated marked improvement during the fiscal year. As a result of the economic shutdown, there was real risk that the global economy would fall into a deflationary environment, characterized by falling prices and potentially a more extended and pronounced recession that could lead to a depression. At the low point of the recession, the growth rate in prices, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, fell to nearly zero. However, as the stimulus packages became available and the economy re-opened, the price level gradually strengthened. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, the Consumer Price Index grew 5.4 percent.

Due to the strengthening economy and higher consumer prices, long term interest rates also increased over fiscal year 2021. After bottoming at nearly 50 basis points (0.50%) in August of 2021, the ten-year Treasury yield rallied to finish the fiscal year at roughly 150 basis points (1.50%). This rise in rates had a negative impact on the System's bond portfolio, the prices of which move inversely to the direction of interest rates. The rate sensitive asset class produced a return of -2.5 percent for the fiscal year and was the only category that did not achieve strong positive performance.

PUBLIC EQUITIES

As of June 30, 2021, approximately \$24.3 billion was invested in public equities, representing 35.6 percent of total assets. The public equity program consists of four components: U.S. equities, international developed equities, emerging markets equities and global equities.

The Terra Maria program, which seeks to identify promising smaller or developing management firms, is an integral part of the public equities' asset class. As of June 30, 2021, 74 percent of the public market Terra Maria program was invested in equities, with 56 percent in international stocks. Each of the managers in the Terra Maria program has an active management mandate. A more detailed discussion of the Terra Maria program follows below.

A. U.S. Equities

As of June 30, 2021, approximately \$8.4 billion, or 12.4 percent of total assets, was invested in U.S. public equities. Passively managed U.S. equities totaled \$3.6 billion, while Terra Maria program assets were \$494 million, representing 5.2 percent, and 0.7 percent of total assets, respectively.

U.S. Equity	\$ Millions	% of Total Plan
Passively/Enhanced Managed	\$3,552	5.2%
Actively Managed	\$4,365	6.5%
Terra Maria Program	\$494	0.7%
Total U.S. Equity	\$8,412	12.4%

For fiscal year 2021, U.S. equities returned 43.4 percent, compared to 44.2 percent for its benchmark, the Russell 3000 Index.

B. International Equities

As of June 30, 2021, approximately \$4.8 billion, or 7.1% of total assets, was invested in international equities, nearly all of which was managed actively. Terra Maria assets were \$1.5 billion, representing 2.2% of total assets. As more fully described below, in 2009 the System instituted a currency overlay program which is designed to protect the value of some foreign equities in a rising dollar environment.

International Equity	\$ Millions	% of Total Plan
Actively Managed	\$3,309	4.9%
Terra Maria Program	\$1,519	2.2%
Currency Overlay	\$3	0.0%
Total International Equity	\$4,831	7.1%

For fiscal year 2021, international equities, including the impact of the currency overlay program, returned 37.2%, compared to 33.6% for its benchmark, the MSCI World ex-U.S. Index.

C. Emerging Market Equities

As of June 30, 2021, approximately \$6.7 billion, or 9.9% of total assets, was invested in emerging market equities. The portfolio is comprised of actively managed assets, except for a small allocation to a passive mandate representing 0.1% of plan assets.

Emerging Equity	\$ Millions	% of Total Plan
Passively Managed	\$41	0.1%
Actively Managed	\$6,646	9.8%
Total Emerging Markets Equity	6,687	9.9%

For the fiscal year, the portfolio returned 48.4% compared to 40.9% for the MSCI Emerging Market Index.

D. Global Equities

As of June 30, 2021, approximately \$4.2 billion, or 6.2% of total assets was invested in global equities, which includes both U.S. and foreign stocks. This portfolio is comprised of 100% active mandates.

Global Equity	\$ Millions	% of Total Plan
Actively Managed	\$4,225	6.2%
Total Emerging Markets Equi	ty \$4,225	6.2%

For the fiscal year, the portfolio returned 47.3% compared to 39.3% for the MSCI AC World Index.

CURRENCY OVERLAY PROGRAM

The currency overlay program was implemented in May of 2009. An objective of the program is to provide insurance against a strengthening dollar, which could negatively impact returns from foreign currency denominated equities. The manager in this program uses a systematic currency overlay strategy and generally, does not make fundamental currency valuation assessments. The strategy is

also dynamic in that the degree to which currency hedging is applied changes depending on currency market conditions. The manager in this program tends to use low hedge ratios when the dollar is weak, and high hedge ratios when the dollar is strong.

During fiscal year 2021, the currency program acted as a slight drag to returns in the System's foreign equity holdings, as the U.S. dollar weakened relative to other currencies. The cost of the currency hedging program during the fiscal year was \$8.5 million. While the program produced moderate losses during fiscal year 2021, it has served to reduce volatility and improve the risk/return profile of non-U.S. stocks since its inception.

PRIVATE EQUITY

As of June 30, 2021, private equity totaled \$11.6 billion, or 17.1% of total assets. This asset class includes buyouts, growth equity, venture capital, secondaries and funds-of-funds.

In fiscal year 2021, commitments were made to 13 private equity funds and co-investments, totaling \$1.1 billion. Since the inception of the private equity program in fiscal year 2005, \$18.7 billion in commitments have been made to 257 different funds and co-investments. Unfunded commitments totaled \$5.6 billion as of June 30, 2021. Future commitments will follow a pacing model designed to maintain the target allocation. In fiscal year 2021, the private equity program returned 51.9%, compared to 53.1% for its benchmark, the State Street Private Equity Index. This return is net of all fees, expenses and carried interest.

RATE SENSITIVE

As of June 30, 2021, the rate sensitive portfolio represented \$10.8 billion, or 15.9% of total assets. The rate sensitive portfolio returned -2.5% for the year, compared to -3.9% for its blended benchmark: 53% BBG Barclays US Government Long Bond Index, 13% BBG Barclays US Investment Grade Corporate Index, 13% BBG Barclays US Securitized Index, and 21% BBG Barclays US TIPS Index.

CREDIT/DEBT STRATEGIES

The credit/debt strategies portfolio totaled approximately \$6.2 billion, representing 9.2% of total plan assets as of June 30, 2021. Investments in this asset class are held in both liquid and illiquid structures. Typical asset types in the portfolio include: high yield bonds, bank loans, emerging market debt, and private debt. The portfolio has a blended benchmark of 78 percent U.S. (80% BBG Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index, 20% S&P LSTA Leveraged Loan Index), and 22 percent Non-U.S. (50% BBG Barclays EM Local Currency Liquid Government Index -30 bps, 25% BBG Barclays EM Hard Currency Sovereign Index, 25% BBG Barclays EM USD Corporate Index). The portfolio returned 14.4% for the fiscal year, versus 12.8% for its benchmark.

REAL ASSETS

The real assets portfolio totaled approximately \$7.6 billion, representing 11.2% of total assets as of June 30, 2021. The objectives of this asset class are to provide a level of protection against inflation, and to enhance diversification for the total fund. As of June 30, 2021, the largest component of the asset class was real estate, totaling \$5.0 billion, or 7.4% of total assets. The remaining assets consisted of investments associated with natural resources and infrastructure totaling \$2.6 billion or 3.8% of total assets.

The real assets portfolio returned 14.8% for the fiscal year, compared to 16.3% for its blended benchmark, which consists of approximately 70% real estate with the remainder in natural resources and infrastructure. Real estate achieved an 8.8% return, versus the real estate benchmark return of 7.5%. The natural resources and infrastructure portion of the portfolio underperformed its benchmark by 9.7%, as the private natural resources portfolio underperformed the public benchmark.

ABSOLUTE RETURN

The absolute return portfolio totaled approximately \$5.9 billion, representing 8.7% of total assets as of June 30, 2021. The portfolio consists of event-driven, global macro, relative value, equity long/short and opportunistic funds. Its goal is to provide diversification for the total plan through its low correlation to the broad financial markets. The absolute return portfolio returned 15.5%, compared to the 16.2% return for its benchmark, Hedge Funds Research, Inc. (HFRI) Fund of Funds Index: Conservative +1%.

TERRA MARIA PROGRAM

As previously mentioned, the Terra Maria program seeks to identify promising smaller or developing managers. The three public market program managers serve as an extension of staff to source investment managers, perform manager due diligence, monitor managers and prepare manager "hire/fire" and funding recommendations. The managers include Attucks Asset Management, Xponance, Inc., and Leading Edge Investment Advisors.

Terra Maria publicly-traded assets totaled approximately \$2.7 billion, or 4 percent of total assets at June 30, 2021. The program returned 32.1% for the fiscal year, outperforming its custom benchmark return of 30.3%. The relative performance results have remained positive since the April 2007 inception of the program. The System also invests in emerging managers in other asset classes. In private equity, the System has committed \$1.24 billion to developing managers that are minority and women-owned firms.

At the end of fiscal year 2021, \$10.4 billion, or 15.3 percent of the System's total assets, were managed by minority and women-owned firms.

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES

The asset allocation of the System is the primary determinant of return. The asset allocation is also the primary determinant in the cost of investing the assets. Thirty-one percent of the policy allocation does not have public market benchmarks and therefore does not have a passive option for implementation. These alternative assets such as closed-end limited partnerships used for private equity, infrastructure and some real estate, in addition to open-end partnerships used for real estate and hedge fund strategies are included in the asset allocation with the objective of earning higher returns over time, reducing risk by providing returns that are differentiated from stock and bond returns, or for both reasons.

These alternative assets are typically structured as limited partnerships with embedded profit sharing provisions to motivate the manager to make profitable investments, and to ensure alignment of interests. Carried interest represents the portion of the investment profits that is earned by managers, and is only paid if performance thresholds are achieved. The percentage of profits that is allocated to the manager is substantially lower than the amount received by the System. Because of this disproportionate sharing of profits, the amounts realized by the System far exceed any

incentive earned by investment managers. Large amounts of carried interest should be considered a positive result, as this would imply much greater gains to the System. In calendar year 2020, the System realized an estimated \$1,061.9 million in profits from these private alternative investments, while the investment managers, or general partners, earned roughly \$203.6 million in carried interest incentives.

The Board is mindful of the negative effects fees have on net investment performance and is committed to aggressively negotiating fair and reasonable terms to mitigate the drag on performance, while maintaining exposure to investments that exhibit positive risk and return characteristics in a total portfolio context.

CONCLUSION

The System was able to take advantage of very favorable and accommodative conditions in fiscal year 2021 as the global economy emerged from the recession caused by COVID-19. These conditions allowed most equity-related assets to generate very strong investment performance and led to the System's 26.7 percent return for the fiscal year. The System's asset allocation is designed such that various parts of the fund are expected to perform differently during various economic regimes. Fiscal year 2021 was marked by strong economic growth, low interest rates, improving employment and favorable fiscal and monetary policies. In this scenario, the asset class that is expected to perform best is equities. The System has significant exposure to this category of assets, representing more than fifty percent of the total fund. Included in this allocation is the System's private equity asset class, which generated the highest return of nearly 52 percent for the fiscal year. The Board of Trustees has adopted a diversified asset allocation that is structured to capture a significant portion of strong equity markets, while providing some protection against the downside. Over the long-term, this balanced approach is expected to achieve the System's return objectives at an acceptable level of risk.

Respectfully submitted,

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INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO SUMMARY as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 (Expressed in Thousands)

	20)21	2	2020
	Fair Value	% of Fair Value	Fair Value	% of Fair Value
Rate Sensitive				
Fixed Income	\$ 8,548,084	12.5 %	\$ 8,144,500	14.8 %
Inflation linked bonds	2,668,760	3.9	2,443,622	
(1) Cash (non-manager)	943,009	1.4	269,703	
(2) Net cash & cash equivalents (manager)	-391,671	-0.6	-401,787	
Total Rate Sensitive	11,768,184	17.2	10,456,038	
Credit				
Hight Yield Bond/Bank Loans	4,847,074	7.1	3,929,373	7.2
Emerging markets debt	1,283,865	1.9	1,047,458	1.9
(2) Net cash & cash equivalents (manager)	103,716	0.2	139,911	0.3
Total Credit	6,234,655	9.2	5,116,742	9.4
Equity				
Domestic stocks	8,086,572	11.9	6,270,704	11.4
Emerging markets stocks	6,571,094	9.7	5,356,659	9.8
Global stocks	4,090,622	6.0	4,151,508	7.6
International stocks	4,634,062	6.8	3,481,978	6.4
(2) Net cash & cash equivalents (manager)	772,365	1.1_	526,726	1.0
Total Public Equity	24,154,715	35.5	19,787,575	36.2
Private Equity	11,576,672	<u>17.1</u>	7,802,533	14.2
Total Equity	35,731,387	52.6	27,590,108	50.4
Absolute Return	5,776,537	8.6	4,265,309	7.8
Real Estate (includes private)	5,023,113	7.4	4,607,054	8.4
Multi Asset	623,282	0.9	768,693	1.4
Natural Resources & Infrastructure	2,552,874	3.8	1,827,326	3.3
(2) Net cash & cash equivalents (manager)	172,533	0.3	135,822	0.2
Total Portfolio	\$ 67,882,565	100.0 %	\$ 54,767,092	100.0 %

⁽¹⁾ Securities lending collateral payable has been netted against the actual collateral. The amounts net to zero.

Note: This schedule includes assets invested on behalf of the Maryland Transit Administration.

⁽²⁾ Includes investment receivables and payables.

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS BY MANAGER as of June 30, 2021
(Expressed in Thousands)

	Fair Value	Investment Advisory Fees		Fair Value	Investment Advisory Fees
Public Equity			Fixed Income Manager		
RhumbLine Advisors	\$ 1,220,100	\$ 982	State Street Global Advisors	\$ 983,606	\$ 710
D E Shaw & Co., LP	2,367,791	5,745	Pacific Investment Management Company	1,445,319	5,760
AQR Capital Management, LLC	1,037,769	3,297	Western Asset Management	2,571,829	3,871
Baillie Gifford & Company	2,443,840	10,491	Pine Bridge Investments LLC	833,747	1,147
Dimensional Fund Advisors, Inc.	787,401	2,427	Capital Prospects, LLC (1)	695,271	1,623
Durable Capital Partners	853,655	24,258	MetLife Investment Management	673,222	1,531
T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.	1,687,984	4,335	Credit Suisse Asset Management	868,990	1,152
Marshall Wace	1,306,734	27,870	Double Line US Securitized	514,825	737
Axiom International Investors	1,213,664	8,309	Dodge & Cox	385,651	669
Longview Partners Ltd.	600,732	3,344	Cash & Cash Equitization	943,009	N/A
FIS Group, Inc. (1)	371,925	2,166	Other (2)	19	80
Artisan Partners Limited Partnership	687,236	3,056	Internally Managed Assets (6)	4,514,798	0
RWC Partners Emerging Markets	460,938	2,465	Total Fixed Income	\$ 14,430,286	\$ 17,280
TT International	766,214	5,216			
Westwood Global Investment	863,639	5,082	Alternative Investment		
Brown Capital Management	789,350	3,688	Private Equity Funds (1)	\$ 11,576,672	\$ 125,338
Attucks Asset Management, LLC (1)	580,368	2,872	Credit/Debt Related (1)	3,572,556	45,811
Leading Edge Invest. Advisors, LLC (1)	566,683	2,707	Multi-Asset (3)	667,965	1,076
Polunin Capital Management	578,016	3,925	Absolute Return (1)	5,881,706	144,217
Capital Prospects, LLC (1)	494,476	2,514	Real Assets		
Equity Long Short (1)	725,231	22,533	Natural Resources & Infrastructure (1)	2,565,295	14,773
State Street Global Advisors	40,995	54	Private Real Estate (1)	5,023,230	38,472
Record Currency Management	1,730	3,950	Other (2)	103	4,053
Other (2)	11,038	1,717	Internally Managed Assets (6)	10,037	0
Internally Managed Assets (6)	3,697,205	0			
Total Public Equity \$	24,154,714	\$ 153,003	Total Alternative Investments	\$ 29,297,565	\$ 373,740
			Total	\$ 67,882,565 (4	\$ 544,023

⁽¹⁾ Sub-managers separately listed on the following pages

Note: Investment Advisory Fees represents management fees invoiced or reported on capital statements.

⁽²⁾ Consulting fees and/or investment managers no longer under contract as of 6/30/21

⁽³⁾ Assets that represent the overall allocation.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes assets invested on behalf of the Maryland Transit Administration.

⁽⁵⁾ Includes management fees allocated to the Maryland Transit Administration.

⁽⁶⁾ Funds separately listed on the following pages

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS RELATIONSHIP LISTING

as of June 30, 2021

Private Equity

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Longitude Venture Partners IV, LP

Madison Dearborn Capital Partners V,LP

Everstone Capital Partners III,LLC

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS RELATIONSHIP LISTING

as of June 30, 2021

Private Real Estate

(continued)

Abacus Multi Family Partners V AEW Partners Fund IX AEW Senior Housing Fund II,LP AEW Senior Housing Fund IV,LP ARES Industrial Real Estate Fund Carmel Partners Investment Fund VII CBRE US Core Partners CBRE Strategic Partners EURO Fund III CBRE Strategic Partners US Value7,LP Federal Capital Partners Fund II Federal Capita IPartners Fund III Frogmore Real Estate Partners II,LP GI Partners Fund IV,LP Heitman America Real Estate Trust
JER Europe Fund III
JP Morgan Strategic Property
Lasalle Property Fund
Lion Industrial Trust
Lone Star Real Estate Fund II,LP
Lone Star Real Estate Fund IV,LP
Lone Star Real Estate Fund V,LP
Lone Star Real Estate Fund V,LP
Lone Star Real Estate Fund VI,LP
Lone Star Real Estate Fund VI,LP
Lubert Adler Real Estate Fund VI
Lubert Adler Real Estate Fund VI
Morgan Stanley Prime Property Fund,LLC

Realty Associates Fund X Rockwood Capital RE Partners Fund IX,LP Scout Fund II,LP Starwood Hospitality Fund II,LP Tristan Capital-European Special Opps3 Tristan Capital-European Special Opps4 Tristan Capital-European Special Opps5 UBS Trumbull Property Fund Waterton Residential Property Venture XIII Waterton Residential Property Venture XIV

Real Return

Alinda Infrastructure Fund II, LP Domain Timber Investments EIF US Power Fund IV, LP Energy and Minerals Group V, LP Energy and Minerals Group V-Accordion, LP First Reserve Fund XII, LP First Reserve Fund XIII, LP Global Timber Investors 9 Hancock Timberland X, LP Harvest Fund Advisors, LLC Natural Gas Partners IX, LP Natural Gas Partners X, LP Natural Gas Partners XI, LP NGP Natural Resources XII NGP Midstream & Resources, LP Quantum Energy Partners IV, LP

Quantum Energy Partners V, LP Quantum Energy Partners VI, LP Quantum Energy Partners VII, LP RMS Forest Growth III,LP Tortoise Capital Advisors, LLC White Deer Energy, LP

Absolute Return

1977 Merger Arbitrage Fund Aristeia Partners Aristeia Select Opportunities I Avidity Capital Fund BFAM Asian Opportunities Fund BlackRock Absolute Return Structural Brevan Howard FG Macro Fund Bridgewater All Weather Bridgewater Pure Alpha Clover Parallel LLC Contrarian Emma 2 DGAM Diversified Strategies Fund Empyrean Capital Fund
Exodus Point
Fort Global Contrarian
HSCB Bermuda Fund LTD
Hudson Bay Fund
ILS Property &Casualty Fund
King Street Capital, LP
King Street Drawdown
King Street Overflow
Kirkoswald Global Macro fund
Lone Star Fund XI
Nephila Palmetto Fund

Nimbus Weather Fund Ltd Petershill Private Equity Petershill Private Equity IV Pharo Gaia Fund, Ltd PHM IV Coinvestment SGM Co Investment Fund Standard General Fund Tudor Maniyar Macro Fund Voloridge Fund Yiheng Capital Partners

FIXED INCOME RELATIONSHIP LISTING

as of June 30, 2021

Credit/Debt Related

Alchemy Special Opps. Fund II,LP Alchemy Special Opps. Fund III,LP Apollo Credit Opps Fund III,LP CarVal Credit Value Fund A,LP CarVal Credit Value Fund A III,LP CarVal Credit Value Fund A IV,LP CarVal Credit Value Fund A V,LP CVI Chesapeake Credit Opps A Fund, LP CVI Chesapeake Credit Opps B Fund, LP Castle Lake III,LP Castle Lake IV,LP Castle Lake V,LP Castlelake Aviation IV Stable Yield Opps. LP Castlelake Aviation IV Stable Yield, LP Charlesbank Credit Dislocation Overage Fund Crescent Capital Mezzanine Partners VI, LP EIG Energy Fund XV,LP EIG Energy Fund XVI,LP Falcon Strategic Partners III,LP Falcon Strategic Partners IV,LP Garda Firvo GSO Credit Alpha Fund II HCR Potomac Fund Healthcare Royalty Partners IV Highbridge Convertible Dislocation Fund KKR Mezzanine Partners I,LP LCM Partners COPS 4 Merit Mezzanine Fund V,LP Oaktree European Principal Fund III,LP Oaktree Opportunity Fund VIII,LP Oaktree Opportunity Fund VIIIB,LP Park Square Capital Partners II,LP

Partners Group European Mezzanine 2008,LP Peninsula Fund V,LP Perella Weinberg Partners Prudential Capital Partners III,LP Prudential Capital Partners IV,LP Shamrock Capital Content Fund II, LP Shamrock CGF II Coinvestment I Shoreline China Value Fund III,LP TA Subordinated Debt Fund III,LP Taurus Mining Finance II Varde Fund X,LP Wayzata Opportunities Fund III,LP WHLP Loch Raven Fund Whitehorse Liquidity Partners III, LP Whitehorse Liquidity Partners IV, LP

TERRA MARIA PROGRAM as of June 30, 2021

Terra Maria Program

Attucks Asset Management

Arga Investment Management,LP Globeflex Capital,LP Metis Global Partners Paradigm Asset Management Company,LLC Redwood Investments,LLC

Capital Prospects LLC

Birch Run Investments
Bridge City Capital, LLC
Garcia Hamilton and Associates
Inview Investment Management, LLC
Lebenthal Lisanti Capital Management, LLC
Longfellow Investment Management
LM Capital Group
New Century Advisors
Pacific Ridge Capital Partners
Profit Investment Management
Pugh Capital Management
Ramirez Asset Management
Semper Capital Management
Sky Harbor Capital Management

Xponance

Algert Global, LLC Arga Investment Management, LP Denali International Small Value EAM Investors Lizard Partners, LLC

Leading Edge Investment Advisors

Ativo Capital Management Blackcrane Capital LLC Henry James International Redwood Investments, LLC Strategic Global Advisors

Bold denotes Program Manager for the Terra Maria Program

EQUITY RELATIONSHIP LISTING

as of June 30, 2021

Axiom International Investors
Baillie Gifford
DFA Emerging Mkts
Durable Capital Partners
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Marshall Wace TOPS China (Long/Short) Marshall Wace TOPS Emerging Markets (Long/Short) Polunin Capital Management RWC Partners Emerging Markets T. Rowe US Structured (Long/Short)

Equity Hedge

Public Equity

Marshall Wace Eureka Fund

INTERNALLY MANAGED ACCOUNTS

as of June 30, 2021

Public Equity

Commodity Structural/ Tactical Emerging Markets Structural/ Tactical Global Equity Tactical High Yield Structural/ Tactical Inflation Sensitive FI Structural/ Tactical International Equity Structural/ Tactical MD TIPs

MD Long Government Bonds MD US Large Cap Equity

MD IG Corporate Bonds

Nominal Fixed Income Structural/ Tactical Non-US Credit Structural / Tactical US Equity Structural/ Tactical

EQUITY COMMISSIONS TO BROKERS for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

(Expressed in Thousands)

Brokers (1)	Total Shares	Total Commission
J P Morgan Securities	108,395	\$ 767
CLSA	29,229	590
Morgan Stanley	92,618	460
Credit Suisse Securities	165,980	438
UBS Securities	91,893	420
Cowen Execution Services	30,269	390
Merrill Lynch	97,451	369
Goldman Sachs	94,653	358
Instinet	116,698	356
BOFA Securities	30,126	350
Citigroup Global Markets	21,830	275
Jefferies & Company	25,255	222
Loop Capital Markets	11,409	211
BNP Paribas	17,644	199
Macquarie	129,322	187
HSBC Securities	57,332	168
Williams	16,899	143
Pershing	14,995	102
Other Broker Fees	476,505	2,116
Total broker commissions	1,628,503	\$_8,121

(1) Proceeds from the sale and disbursements for the purchase of securities are reported net of brokers' commissions. As such, brokers' commissions are not included as investment expenses on the Statement of Changes in Plan Net Assets. Other broker fees include 137 brokers each receiving less than \$100,000 in total commissions.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, total broker commissions averaged . 50 cents per share.

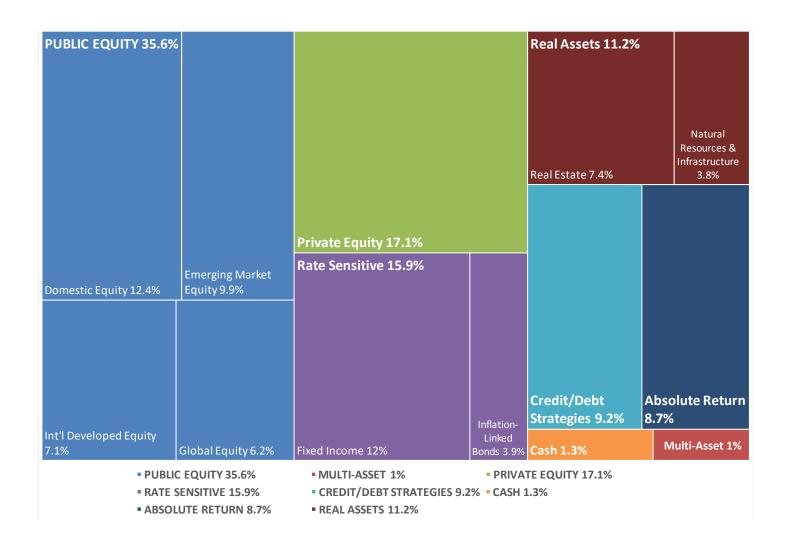
LARGEST STOCK & BOND HOLDINGS AT MARKET as of June 30, 2021

EQUITY INCOME SECURITIES:	Shares	Market Value
Apple Inc.	2,308,000	\$316,103,680
Microsoft Corporation	1,032,314	279,653,863
Amazon.com Inc.	77,578	266,880,732
Facebook Inc. Class A	397,312	138,149,356
Tesla Inc.	200,771	136,464,049
Alphabet Inc. Class A	52,688	128,653,032
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	1,542,800	116,020,165
Nvidia Corp.	143,342	114,687,934
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	1,594,300	114,247,667
Alphabet Inc. Class C	41,686	104,478,456
American Tower Corp.	360,142	97,288,760
Asml Holdings NV	116,029	79,724,779
Netflix Inc.	145,075	76,630,066
Enterprise Products Partners	2,978,085	71,861,191
Hyundai Motor Co.	336,488	71,561,405

FIXED INCOME SECURITIES:	Par Value	Market Value
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 0.5% Jan 15, 2028	\$309,627,478	\$347,110,981
United States Treasury Bonds, 2.875% May 15, 2043	286,000,000	328,922,880
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 0.125% Apr 15, 2025	273,648,248	295,337,608
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 0.625% Jan 15, 2024	239,528,726	257,960,462
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 0.625% Jan 15, 2026	221,883,761	246,388,604
United States Treasury Bonds, 4.375% Nov 15, 2039	168,800,000	234,822,744
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 0.75% Feb 15, 2045	172,729,860	212,917,189
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 0.125% Jan 15, 2023	193,320,168	201,978,978
United States Treasury Bonds, 3% May 15, 2047	158,324,000	188,263,068
United States Treasury Bonds, 3% Nov 15, 2044	154,500,000	181,888,215
United States Treasury Bonds, 1.25% May 15, 2050	200,230,000	163,491,800
United States Treasury Inflation Linked, 3.875% Apr 15, 2029	107,623,507	151,330,489
United States Treasury Bonds, 1.625% Nov 15, 2050	160,300,000	143,970,239
United States Treasury Bonds, 3.375% Nov 15, 2048	111,830,000	142,784,544
United States Treasury Bonds, 3% Feb 15, 2048	108,300,000	129,096,849

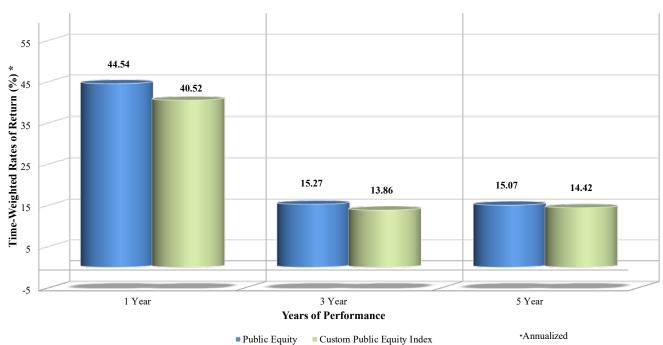
A complete list of portfolio holdings is available upon request.

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION as of June 30, 2021

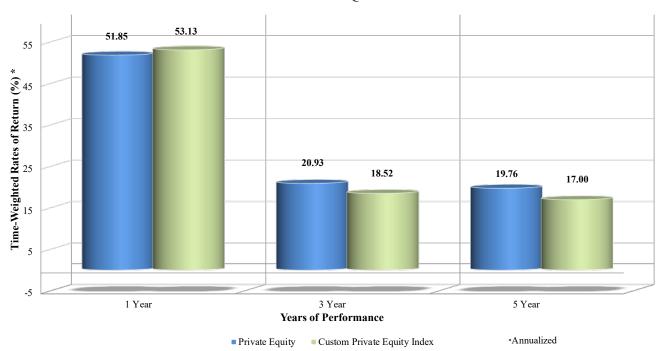


COMPARATIVE INVESTMENT RETURNS ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

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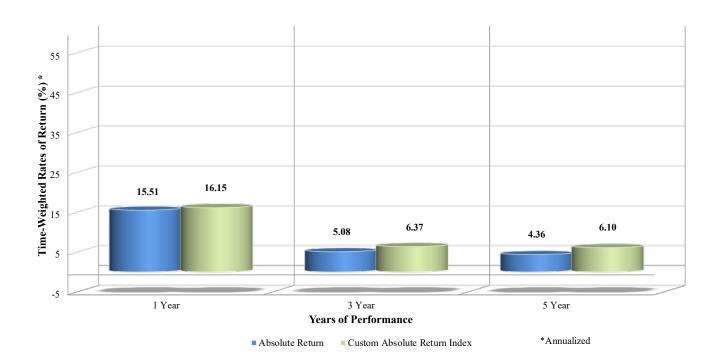


PRIVATE EQUITY

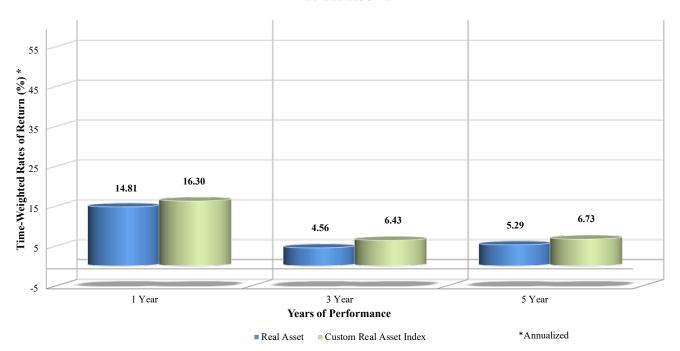


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ABSOLUTE RETURN

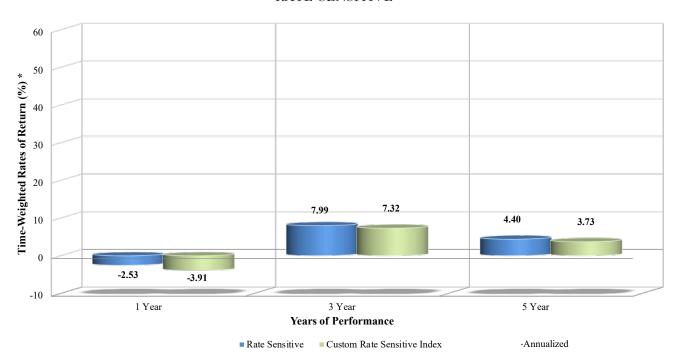


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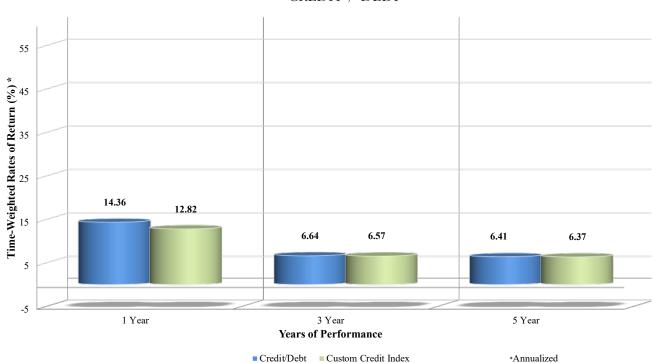


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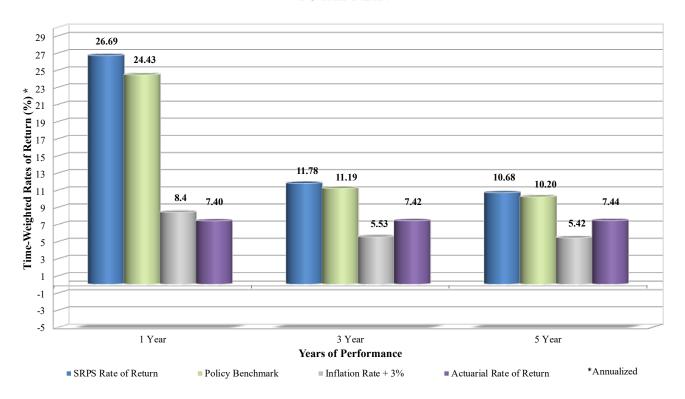
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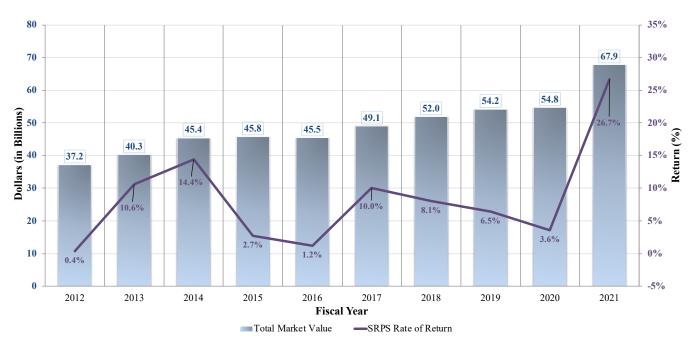
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TOTAL PLAN



TEN-YEAR HISTORY OF TIME-WEIGHTED ANNUAL RETURNS & GROWTH OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO





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