



# Pacific Income Advisers

## PIA BBB BOND FUND

AS OF MARCH 31, 2024

### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

**We Know** that the various yield curve sectors within the bond market are periodically torqued by cyclical, monetary or market pressures, which can lead to mispricings and create opportunities to produce excess return. **We Intend** to exploit these periodic opportunities by risk-adjusting the various yield curve sectors utilizing yield curve and sector analysis. **We Seek** to capitalize on these opportunities to earn above-average risk-adjusted yields, while creating the potential for capital gains as these sectors return to their fair value.

### INVESTMENT PROCESS

- » **Yield Curve Analysis** PIA deconstructs the Bloomberg Baa Credit Index into the major maturity sectors. Bonds are then selected to approximate the same maturity sector weightings as the benchmark index.
- » **Security Research** We employ outside credit research services in addition to internal analysis for selected securities to help determine the weighting of the various issuers compared to the benchmark index.
- » **Portfolio Construction** The Fund primarily invests in BBB rated bonds in the following industries: Industrial, Finance, Utilities and Foreign Sovereign debt. After having determined the target sector, maturity and issuer weighting that helps approximate the index, the Adviser looks for what it believes are the most attractive issues. The Adviser may attempt to take advantage of the yield differentials among industries.
- » **Portfolio Management** The Fund's portfolio management team follows the Investment Strategy Group's overall outlook for the bond market and adheres to the investment guidelines contained within the prospectus.

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The **PIA BBB Bond Fund's** investment objective is to seek to provide a total rate of return that approximates that of bonds rated within the BBB category by credit rating agencies currently registered as nationally recognized statistical rating organizations ("NRSROs").

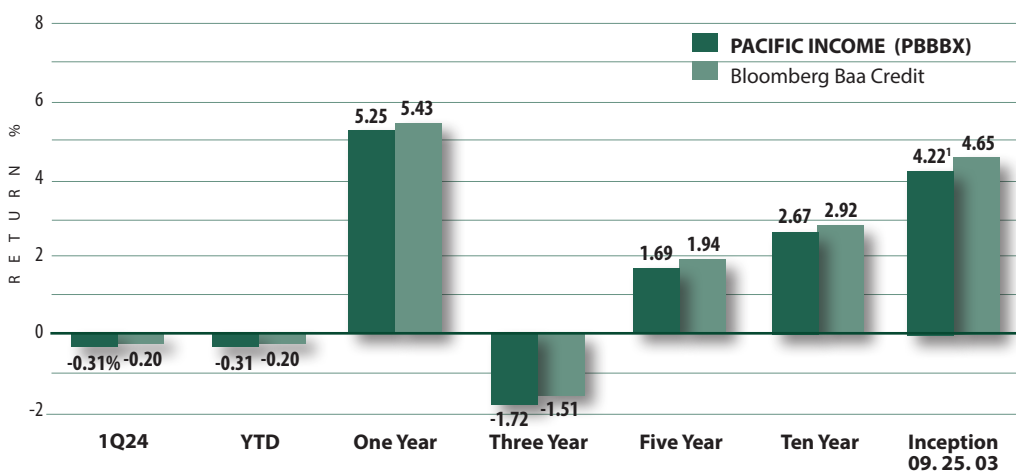
### THE FIRM

Ownership	<b>Independent and Employee-owned</b>
Inception	<b>1986</b>
Location	<b>Santa Monica, California</b>
Employees	<b>14</b>
Firm Assets	<b>\$2 billion</b>

### FUND FACTS

Style Benchmark	<b>Bloomberg Baa Credit Index</b>
Symbol	<b>PBBBX</b>
CUSIP	<b>007989577</b>
Net Asset Value (NAV)	<b>\$8.39</b>
Fund Assets	<b>\$203 million</b>
Fund Inception	<b>09. 25. 03</b>
Expense Ratio	<b>0.17%</b>

### ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE<sup>1</sup> as of 3. 31. 24



*Performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the Fund may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling 1-800-251-1970. Investment performance reflects fee waivers in effect. In the absence of such waivers, total return would be reduced.*

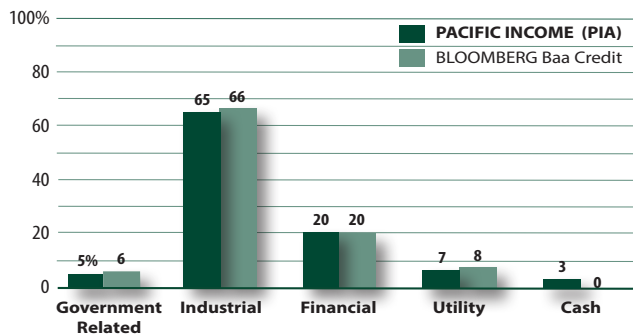
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## SECTOR ALLOCATION %



## DURATION DISTRIBUTION

	PIA	BLOOMBERG Baa
0-2 Year	10%	12%
2-4 Years	16%	21%
4-6 Years	23%	17%
6-8 Years	23%	18%
8-10 Years	4%	5%
10+ Years	24%	27%

## BEST / WORST RETURNS

	BEST	WORST
Three Month	<b>11.66%</b>	-14.39%
<i>ended</i>	<i>7.31.09</i>	<i>10.31.08</i>
One Year	<b>34.53%</b>	-20.06%
<i>ended</i>	<i>10.31.09</i>	<i>10.31.22</i>
Three Year	<b>17.55%</b>	-5.39%
<i>ended</i>	<i>10.31.11</i>	<i>10.31.23</i>

## QUALITY DISTRIBUTION<sup>2</sup>

	PIA	BLOOMBERG Baa
Government	3%	0%
AAA	0%	0%
AA	0%	0%
A	1%	0%
BBB	95%	100%
Below BBB	1%	0%



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## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	PIA	BLOOMBERG Baa
Duration	<b>6.9</b>	6.9
Weighted Avg. Life	<b>10.2 yrs</b>	10.8 yrs
30-day SEC Yield (subsidized/ unsubsidized)	<b>5.31/5.31%</b>	n/a
No. of Securities	<b>286</b>	4,173

**The fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The statutory and summary prospectuses contain this and other important information about the investment company, and may be obtained by calling 800-251-1970 or visiting [www.PIAMutualFunds.com](http://www.PIAMutualFunds.com). Read carefully before investing.**

Mutual Fund investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. Investments in debt securities typically decrease in value when interest rates rise. This risk is usually greater for longer-term debt securities. The fund invests in foreign securities which involve greater volatility and political, economic and currency risks and differences in accounting methods. Investment by the Fund in lower-rated and non-rated securities presents a greater risk of loss to principal and interest than higher-rated securities. The fund may also use options and future contracts, which have the risks of unlimited losses of the underlying holdings due to unanticipated market movements and failure to correctly predict the direction of securities prices, interest rates and currency exchange rates. The Fund may invest in swaps investment derivatives. Derivatives involve risks different from, and in certain cases, greater than the risks presented by more traditional investments. These risks are fully disclosed in the Prospectus.

<sup>1</sup>The Fund was invested primarily in U.S. Treasury securities on the inception date in September 2003 following a \$200,000 investment by the Adviser (Pacific Income Advisers – PIA). The Fund remained invested primarily in U.S. Treasury securities until mid January 2004 when PIA clients commenced investing in the Fund. At that time, the Fund began investing in BBB rated bonds. U.S. Treasury securities held in the Fund provided a lower return than BBB rated bonds for the period from inception to January 13, 2004 (1.62% for the Fund compared to 3.95% for the Lehman Baa Credit Index) as Baa spreads over Treasuries narrowed from 166 basis points to 136 basis points.

Bloomberg Baa Credit Index: an unmanaged index consisting of bonds rated Baa. The issues must be publicly traded and meet certain maturity and issue size requirements. Bonds are represented by the Industrial, Utility, Finance and non-corporate sectors. Non-corporate sectors include sovereign, supranational, foreign agency and foreign local government issuers. You can not invest directly in an index.

<sup>2</sup>Bond ratings provide the probability of an issuer defaulting based on the analysis of the issuer's financial condition and profit potential. Bond rating services are provided by credit rating agencies currently registered as Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations ("NRSROs"). Bond ratings start at AAA (denoting the highest investment quality) and usually end at D (meaning payment is in default). Securities not covered by any agency will receive a non-rated (NR) rating. The portfolio has 0% in non-rated securities.

Duration is a commonly used measure of the potential volatility of the price of a debt security, or the aggregate market value of a portfolio of debt securities, prior to maturity. Securities with a longer duration generally have more volatile prices than securities of comparable quality with a shorter duration.

SEC Yield is a standardized yield computed by dividing the net investment income per share earned during the 30-day period prior to quarter-end. The SEC Yield was created to allow for fairer comparisons among bond funds. The SEC yield (subsidized) reflects the effects of the fee waiver in place and the (unsubsidized) yield does not reflect the effects of the fee waiver.

Basis Point: is a unit of measure used in finance to describe the percentage change in the value or rate of a financial instrument. One basis point is equivalent to 0.01% (1/100th of a percent) or 0.0001 in decimal form.

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