December 2025

## **BUILDING THE TRUST**

# **Investment Management**



Teacher Retirement System of Texas 4655 Muller Blvd.

Austin, Texas 78723

# TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

All or part of the December 4, 2025, meeting of the TRS Investment Management Committee and Board of Trustees may be held by telephone or video conference call as authorized under Sections 551.130 and 551.127 of the Texas Government Code. The Board intends to have a quorum and the presiding officer of the meeting physically present at the following location, which will be open to the public during the open portions of the meeting: 4655 Mueller Blvd, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Boardroom.

The open portions of the December 4, 2025, meeting are being broadcast over the Internet. Access to the Internet broadcast and agenda materials of the meeting is provided at <a href="https://www.trs.texas.gov">www.trs.texas.gov</a>. A recording of the meeting will be available at <a href="https://www.trs.texas.gov">www.trs.texas.gov</a>.

#### AGENDA December 4, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.

- 1. Call roll of Committee members.
- 2. Consider the approval of the proposed minutes of the September 2025 committee meeting Committee Chair.
- 3. CIO Update including Talent Management; Accomplishments; Notices; Awards; Key Dates and Upcoming Events Jase Auby.
- 4. Discuss the Third Quarter 2025 Performance Review Colin Bebee and Mika Malone, Meketa.
- 5. Update on Investment Operations Kendall Courtney
- 6. Annual Update on Risk and Portfolio Management James Nield and Mark Telschow.

NOTE: The Board of Trustees (Board) of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas will not consider or act upon any item before the Investment Management Committee (Committee) at this meeting of the Committee. This meeting is not a regular meeting of the Board. However, because the full Committee constitutes a quorum of the Board, the meeting of the Committee is also being posted as a meeting of the Board out of an abundance of caution.

#### Minutes of the Investment Management Committee September 18, 2025

The Investment Management Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas met on Thursday, September 18, 2025, in the boardroom located on the Second Floor of TRS' offices located at 4655 Mueller Blvd, Austin, Texas, 78723.

#### **Committee members present:**

Mr. David Corpus, Chair

Mr. Mike Ball

Mr. John Elliott

Mr. Robert H. Walls, Jr.

Mr. Elvis Williams

#### **Other TRS Board Members present:**

Ms. Brittny Allred

Ms. Laronda Graf

Mr. John R. Rutherford

#### Others present:

Brian Guthrie, TRS Greg Jensen, Bridgewater Associates

Caasi Lamb, TRS

Heather Traeger, TRS

Jase Auby, TRS

Amanda Jenami, TRS

Don Green, TRS

James Nield, TRS

Stephen Kim, TRS

Katherine Farrell, TRS

Suzanne Dugan, Cohen Milstein

Dr. Keith Brown, Board Advisor

Ashley Woeste, Aon

Investment Management Committee Chair, Mr. David Corpus, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

#### 1. Call roll of Committee members.

Ms. Farrell called the roll. A quorum was present.

## 2. Consider the approval of the proposed minutes of the July 2025, Investment Management Committee meeting – Chair David Corpus.

On a motion by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Elliott, the committee approved the proposed minutes for the July 2025 Investment Management Committee meeting as presented.

## 3. CIO Update including Fleet Strategy; Talent Management; Accomplishments; Notices; Awards; Key Dates and Upcoming Events – Jase Auby.

Mr. Jase Auby provided a high-level review reporting the Trust ended the second quarter of 2025 with a one-year return of 10.8 percent with 140 basis points of excess points or alpha. He reported IMD had conducted the annual Management Committee offsite where all 254 members of IMD's performance were reviewed.

Mr. Auby concluded his report by providing background on artificial intelligence (AI) impact on the market and businesses. He said in 2024 four companies: Amazon, Alphabet, Meta and Microsoft invested \$217 billion to build new things in support of AI and for 2025 the projected spend so far is \$338 billion and increasing. He said surveys show 42 percent of American businesses have subscribed to these products. He noted it took the internet six years to be at the same place that AI is today. He said within IMD there is a pilot AI program prior to a rollout across the IMD with already 24 distinct potential use cases for AI already identified.

### 4. Receive presentation on Developments in the Artificial Intelligence Landscape – Greg Jensen, Bridgewater Associates.

Mr. Auby provided a brief introduction to Mr. Greg Jensen, CIO of Bridgewater Associates the largest hedge fund in the world. He said Mr. Jensen has personally led the AI strategy at Bridgwater and was one of the earliest funders of OpenAI as well as Anthropic.

Mr. Jensen provided the background of Bridgewater being on the edge of technology to identify AI tools and how they are now building an artificial investor that one day would compete with or be better than any human investor. He recommended to the Board that the risk to an organization is now in not using the tools for it would slow down the organization and risk losing talent.

#### 5. Discuss the Second Quarter 2025 Performance Review – Ashley Woeste, Aon.

Ms. Asley Woeste began by noting it was the last of many presentations that Aon has given the Board over the years. She was appreciative and happy to end their service on a high note as performance was truly phenomenal. She said the quarter was dominated by equity markets with the Mag Seven driving performance. She said non-US equities continued to perform very well with the global equity policy benchmark up 9.3 percent in the second quarter. She reported the public equity returns to be up 12 percent. She said there were mixed results from bonds over the quarter. She noted the long U.S. Treasuries as the only class during the second quarter to be negative. She reported TRS was up 6.6 percent in the second quarter, nearly one percentage point ahead of the benchmark. The ENRI portfolio added 50 basis points which she said is a small allocation to add that much alpha. She concluded with reporting TRS compared to peers is performing well against other large public pension funds, ranking 12<sup>th</sup> for the quarter, 19<sup>th</sup> year to date and 22<sup>nd</sup> for the one-year period.

Mr. Walls and Mr. Corpus both expressed appreciation to Aon and specifically Ms. Woeste for the service they have provided TRS for more than 20 years.

#### 6. Review of the Semi-annual Risk Report – James Nield and Stephen Kim.

Mr. James Nield began by reporting all eight key metrics remain in compliance with policy. He reviewed the following metrics: asset allocation, liquidity and derivatives. He said for asset allocation there was an increase in global equity based upon the SAA target being increased to 3 percent global equities and stands at 58.3 percent. He reported the total investment exposure at 104.2 percent which is in line with the target of 104.0. For liquidity he reported 79.5 billion of the total \$221 billion Trust is comprised of liquid public assets. He said based upon a hypothetical stress event, greater than anything seen to date, the Trust has 5.6 times the amount of liquidity.

Mr. Stephen Kim said the mixture of derivatives has changed due to the implementation of the new SAA. He reported the derivative gross notional of 22.4 precent nets down to 13.5 percent. He provided background on what a derivative is and how TRS utilizes them. Mr. Nield concluded by stating the Trust is aligned with the policy targets set by the Board and that liquidity remains very strong.

There being no more business before the Investment Management Committee, the committee adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Approved by the Investment Management	Committee	of the	Board o	of Trustees	of the	Teacher
Retirement System of Texas on December _	2025.					

Katherine H. Farrell

Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Teacher Retirement Systems of Texas

## **CIO Update**

Jase Auby, Chief Investment Officer

December 2025



#### IMD at a Glance

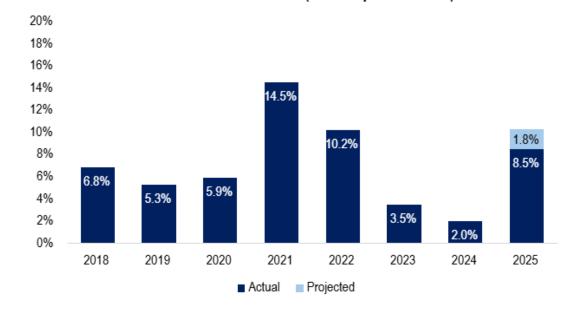
#### **Priorities**

- **Performance.** Trust ended the third quarter of 2025 with a 1-year return of 10.7% and +150bp of excess return. The 3-year return is 11.5% with +190bp of excess return
- SPN Summit. Hosted Strategic Partnership Network (SPN)
   Public Summit in New York
- Annual Planning. Engaged in annual priority-setting and capital-planning processes in preparation for 2026
- TRICOT. The TRICOT office marked their 10-year anniversary
- Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Jase Auby will be a member of the Bank's Financial Sector Advisory Council

#### **Our People**

Snapshot as of Sep	tember 2025
IMD FTEs	255
Contractors	6

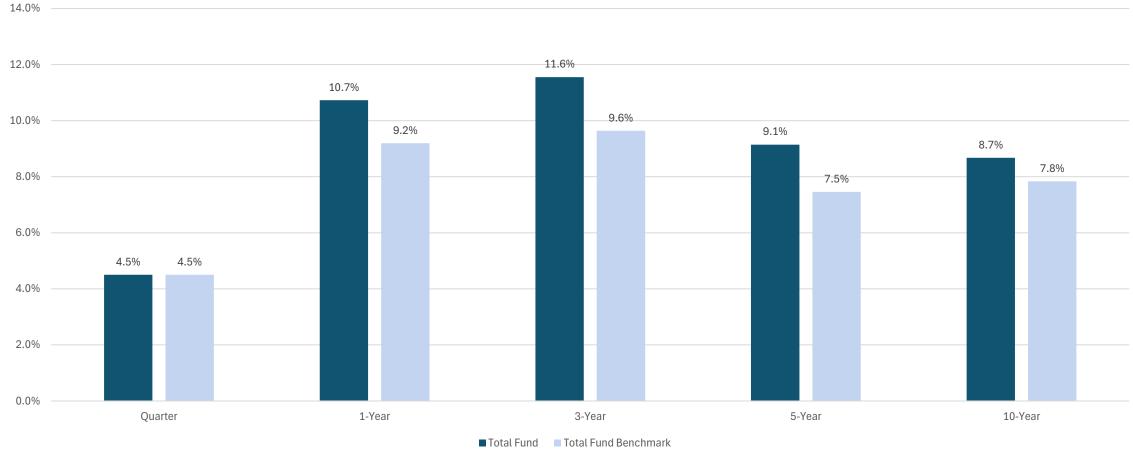
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### **Performance Returns**







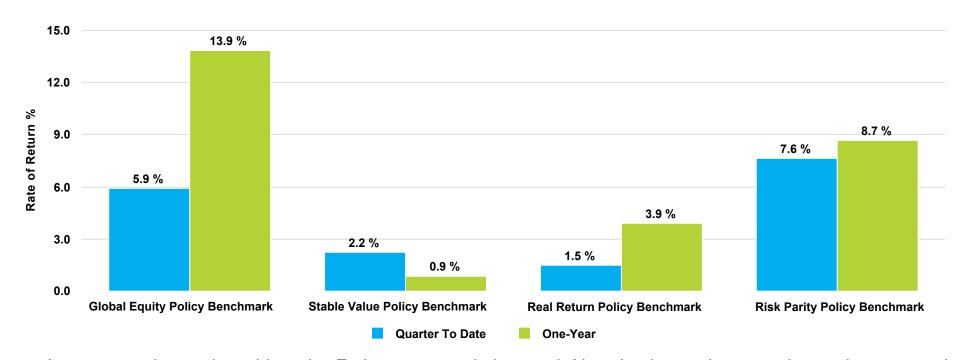


As of September 30, 2025

Performance Review Third Quarter of 2025



Summary | As of September 30, 2025



- → A strong equity market, driven by Fed rate cut optimism and AI enthusiasm, drove equity market returns into double digits for the year, and the Global Equity Policy Benchmark posted a 5.9% return for Q3.
- → Fixed Income markets were also resilient as stable (but elevated) inflation, a slowing labor market, and the first Fed cut of 2025 helped bolster the market segment. The Stable Value Policy Benchmark posted a 2.2% return for the quarter.
- → The Real Return Policy Benchmark posted a positive 1.5% return, while the Risk Parity Policy Benchmark was up 7.6% for Q3.

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Market Summary | As of September 30, 2025

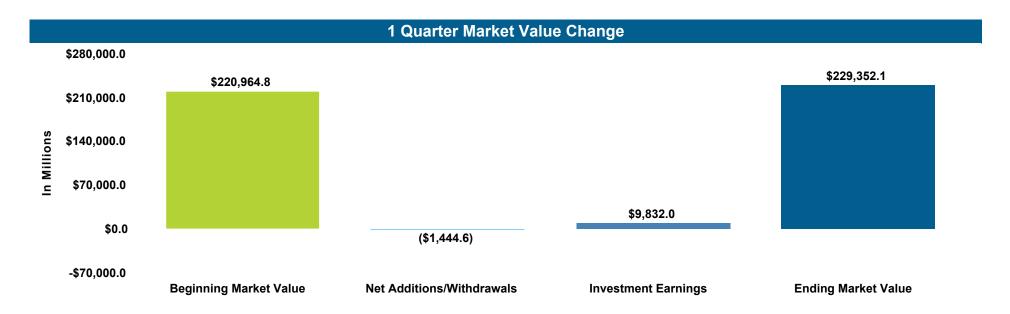
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	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1 Yr (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)
Total Fund						
TRS Policy Benchmark	4.5	11.4	9.2	9.6	7.5	7.8
Global Equity						
Global Equity Policy Benchmark	5.9	<i>15.4</i>	13.9	16.9	13.2	11.3
TRS All Country Benchmark	7.3	17.6	16.4			
TRS USA Benchmark	8.2	14.5	17.5	24.2	15.9	14.8
TRS Non-US Developed Benchmark	5.3	25.1	15.6	21.4	11.4	8.3
TRS Emerging Markets Benchmark	6.0	20.5	10.5	15.9	5.7	7.4
Customized State Street Private Equity Index (1Q Lag)	2.7	7.1	8.4	6.5	14.6	12.1
Stable Value						
Stable Value Policy Benchmark	2.2	6.0	0.9	2.6	-4.1	1.2
Bloomberg Long Treasury Index	2.5	5.6	-3.5	0.4	-7.8	-0.1
Bloomberg US TIPS Benchmark	2.1	6.9	3.8			
SOFR + 2.5%	1.8	5.3	7.3			
Absolute Return Benchmark	2.2	6.5	8.9	9.3	7.0	5.2
Real Return						
Real Return Policy Benchmark	1.5	3.3	3.9	-2.4	5.2	4.9
NCREIF ODCE (1Q Lag)	0.8	2.6	2.7	-6.2	2.5	4.4
Energy, Natural Resources, & Infrastructure Benchmark (1Q Lag)	2.8	4.7	6.5	6.7	11.5	
Goldman Sachs Commodities Index	4.1	6.1	10.1	4.7	17.6	4.1
Risk Parity						
Risk Parity Policy Benchmark	7.6	15.0	8.7	11.2	3.9	5.7
Cash						
FTSE 3 Month Treasury Bill	1.1	3.3	4.6	5.0	3.1	2.1

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#### Summary of Market Value Change | As of September 30, 2025



Total Fund Cash Flow Summary											
	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs						
Total Fund											
Beginning Market Value	220,964,759,981	207,301,783,683	211,611,346,875	173,277,443,496	162,655,736,486						
Net Cash Flows	-1,444,616,681	-3,522,788,914	-4,578,224,107	-9,500,217,527	-18,180,798,893						
Gain/Loss	9,832,005,713	25,573,154,244	22,319,026,245	65,574,913,044	84,877,211,420						
<b>Ending Market Value</b>	229,352,149,013	229,352,149,013	229,352,149,013	229,352,149,013	229,352,149,013						

Total fund market value reflects the sum of all available underlying composites and sub-composites.

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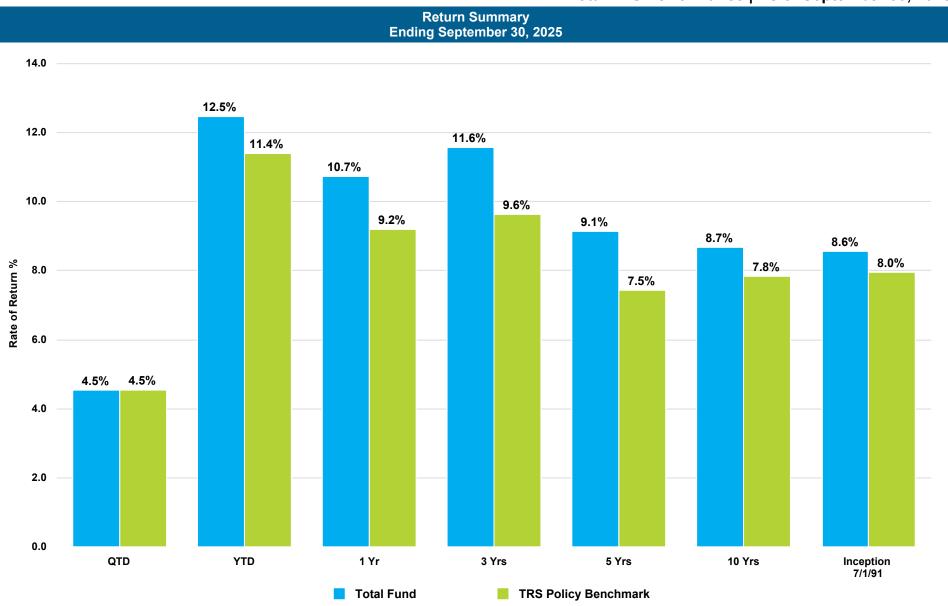
#### Asset Allocation Compliance | As of September 30, 2025

			Allocation v	s. Targets				
	Balance (\$M)	Current Allocation (%)	Interim Policy Target (%)	Relative to Interim Policy Target (%)	Long-Term Policy Target (%)	Relative to Long-Term Policy Target (%)	Policy Range (%)	Within IPS Range?
Investment Exposure		104.7	104.0	0.7	104.0	0.7	93 - 115	
Global Equity	135,398	59.0	58.8	0.3	57.0	2.0	50 - 64	
All Country	86,310	37.6	37.7	-0.1	39.0	-1.4	29.0 - 44.0	Yes
USA	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-5.0 - 5.0	Yes
Non-US Developed	12,415	5.4	4.8	0.6	5.0	0.4	0.0 - 10.0	Yes
Emerging Markets	2,300	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	-4.0 - 6.0	Yes
Private Equity	34,373	15.0	15.2	-0.3	12.0	3.0	7.0 - 19.0	Yes
Stable Value	47,197	20.6	20.3	0.3	21.0	-0.4	14 - 28	
Government Bonds - Nominal	20,291	8.8	9.7	-0.8	10.0	-1.2	0.0 - 15.0	Yes
Government Bonds - Real	7,078	3.1	5.8	-2.7	6.0	-2.9	0.0 - 11.0	Yes
Stable Value Hedge Funds	11,211	4.9	4.8	0.1	5.0	-0.1	0.0 - 10.0	Yes
Absolute Return	8,616	3.8	0.0	3.8	0.0	3.8	0.0 - 10.0	Yes
Real Return	46,249	20.2	20.1	0.1	21.0	-0.8	14 - 28	
Real Estate	30,407	13.3	13.6	-0.3	15.0	-1.7	10.0 - 20.0	Yes
ENRI	15,429	6.7	6.5	0.2	6.0	0.7	1.0 - 11.0	Yes
Commodities	413	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0 - 5.0	Yes
Risk Parity	11,257	4.9	4.8	0.1	5.0	-0.1	0 - 10	
Risk Parity	11,257	4.9	4.8	0.1	5.0	-0.1	0.0 - 10.0	Yes
Net Asset Allocation	-10,749	-4.7	-4.0	-0.7	-4.0	-0.7		
Cash	4,722	2.1	2.0	0.1	2.0	0.1	0.0 - 7.0	Yes
Asset Allocation Leverage	-15,471	-6.7	-6.0	-0.7	-6.0	-0.7		Yes
Total Fund	229,352	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0		

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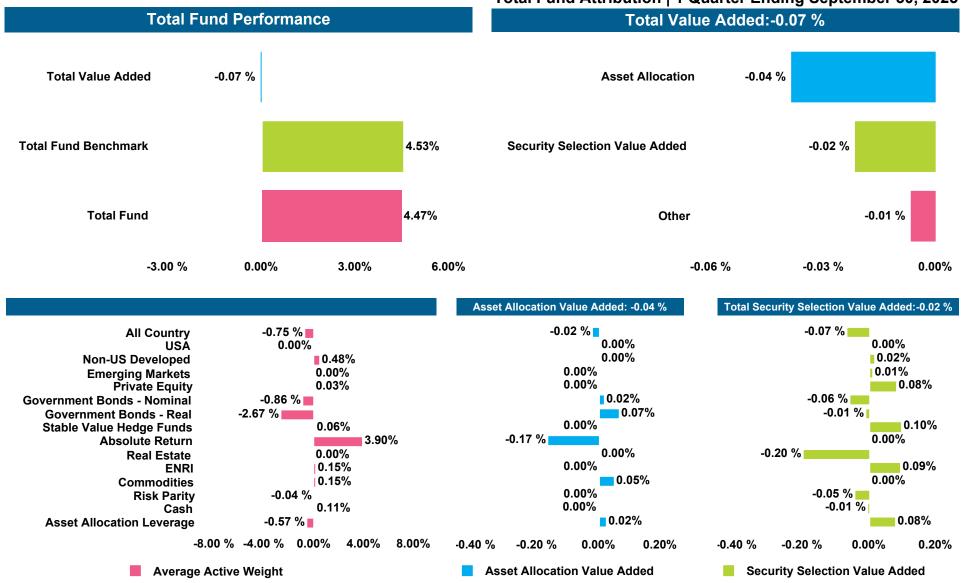


Total TRS Performance | As of September 30, 2025





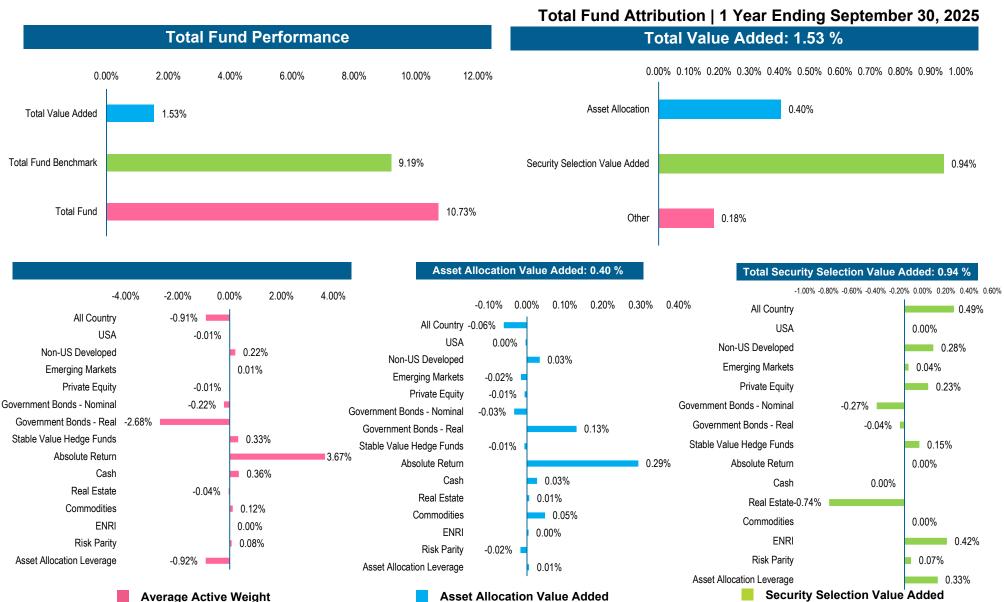
#### Total Fund Attribution | 1 Quarter Ending September 30, 2025



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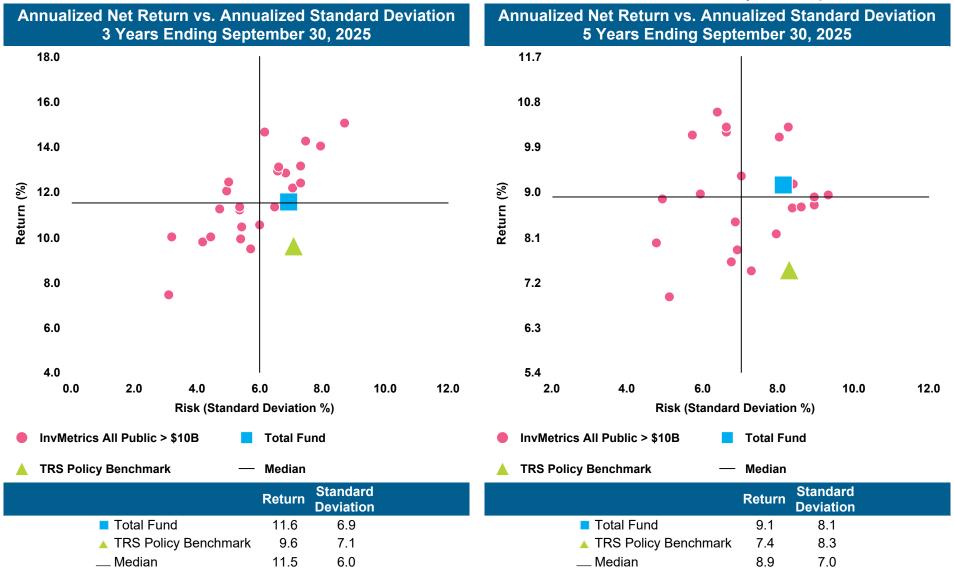


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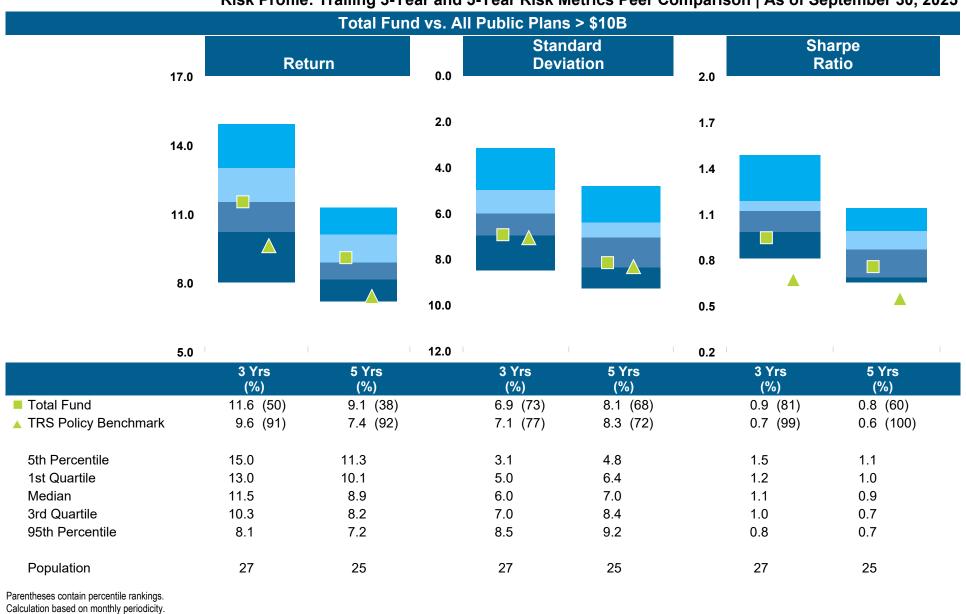
Risk Profile: Total Fund Risk-Return vs. Peers | As of September 30, 2025



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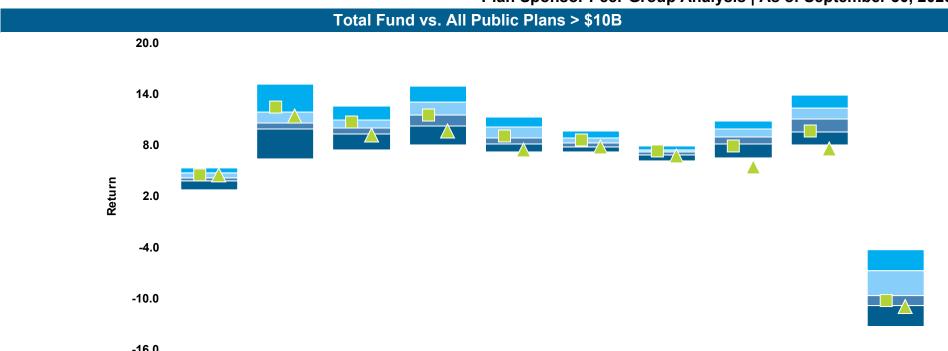
Risk Profile: Trailing 3-Year and 5-Year Risk Metrics Peer Comparison | As of September 30, 2025



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Plan Sponsor Peer Group Analysis | As of September 30, 2025



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	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1 Yr (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	20 Yrs (%)	2024 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)
■ Total Fund	4.5 (35)	12.5 (15)	10.7 (29)	11.6 (50)	9.1 (38)	8.7 (27)	7.3 (38)	7.9 (81)	9.7 (73)	-10.3 (59)
▲ TRS Policy Benchmark	4.5 (32)	11.4 (35)	9.2 (78)	9.6 (91)	7.4 (92)	7.8 (80)	6.7 (80)	5.5 (99)	7.6 (98)	-10.9 (76)
5th Percentile	5.3	15.2	12.7	15.0	11.3	9.6	7.9	10.9	13.8	-4.3
1st Quartile	4.8	11.9	11.0	13.0	10.1	8.9	7.5	10.0	12.4	-6.7
Median	4.2	10.6	10.0	11.5	8.9	8.3	7.2	8.9	11.1	-9.7
3rd Quartile	3.8	10.0	9.3	10.3	8.2	7.9	6.9	8.2	9.6	-10.8
95th Percentile	2.8	6.4	7.5	8.1	7.2	7.2	6.1	6.5	8.0	-13.2
Population	30	28	27	27	25	22	36	57	62	64

Parentheses contain percentile rankings. Calculation based on monthly periodicity.



#### IPS Stated Trust Return Objectives | As of September 30, 2025

	5 Yrs (%)	7 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)	20 Yrs (%)
Total Fund	9.15	8.15	8.68	7.27
Total Fund Benchmark	7.45	7.22	7.83	6.71
Difference	1.70	0.94	0.85	0.56
Total Fund	9.15	8.15	8.68	7.27
Assumed Rate of Return	7.09	7.14	7.38	7.70
Difference	2.06	1.02	1.29	-0.43
Total Fund	9.15	8.15	8.68	7.27
CPI + 5%	9.52	8.67	8.17	7.48
Difference	-0.37	-0.51	0.51	-0.20

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#### **Trailing Net Performance | As of September 30, 2025**

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	Market Value (\$)	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1 Yr (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)
Global Equity	135,397,927,934	6.0	17.2	15.9	17.9	13.7	11.2
Global Equity Policy Benchmark		5.9	15.4	13.9	16.9	13.2	11.3
Over/Under		0.0	1.8	2.0	1.0	0.5	-0.1
All Country	86,310,380,643	7.1	18.7	18.0			
TRS All Country Benchmark		7.3	17.6	16.4			
Over/Under		-0.2	1.1	1.6			
USA	62,765						
TRS USA Benchmark		8.2	14.5	17.5	24.3	15.9	14.8
Over/Under							
Non-US Developed	12,415,007,881	5.6	31.8	22.3	24.9	12.8	9.0
TRS Non-US Developed Benchmark		5.3	25.1	15.6	21.4	11.4	8.3
Over/Under		0.3	6.7	6.7	3.6	1.3	0.6
Emerging Markets	2,299,762,847	7.0	21.1	11.8	16.4	6.7	8.2
TRS Emerging Markets Benchmark		6.0	20.5	10.5	<i>15.9</i>	5.7	7.4
Over/Under		1.0	0.6	1.3	0.5	1.0	0.9
Total Public Equity	101,025,214,134	6.9	20.2	17.9	23.0	13.4	10.9
Public Equity Benchmark		7.1	18.5	15.7	21.7	12.3	10.9
Over/Under		-0.1	1.7	2.2	1.3	1.0	0.0
Private Equity	34,372,713,799	3.2	9.0	10.0	7.5	14.5	12.0
Customized State Street Private Equity Index (1Q Lag)		2.7	7.1	8.4	6.5	14.6	12.1
Over/Under		0.5	2.0	1.6	1.0	-0.1	-0.1

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#### **Trailing Net Performance | As of September 30, 2025**

	Market Value (\$)	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1 Yr (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)
Stable Value	47,196,566,027	1.9	6.8	2.5	3.3	-2.0	2.6
Stable Value Benchmark		2.2	6.0	0.9	2.6	-4.1	1.2
Over/Under		-0.3	8.0	1.6	0.7	2.2	1.3
Government Bonds - Nominal	20,291,036,468	1.8	3.4	-6.2	-2.3	-9.6	-0.8
Blmbg. U.S. Treasury: Long		2.5	5.6	-3.5	0.4	-7.8	-0.1
Over/Under		-0.7	-2.2	-2.7	-2.8	-1.8	-0.7
Government Bonds - Real	7,078,194,397	1.7	5.5	2.3			
Blmbg. U.S. TIPS Benchmark		2.1	6.9	3.8			
Over/Under		-0.4	-1.3	-1.5			
Stable Value Hedge Funds	11,210,977,558	3.8	7.8	10.5	8.8	9.7	7.0
Hedge Fund Benchmark		1.8	5.3	7.3	6.4	6.3	4.3
Over/Under		2.0	2.5	3.2	2.4	3.4	2.7
Absolute Return	8,616,357,604	0.3	15.0	18.2	16.2	12.6	9.3
Absolute Return Benchmark		2.2	6.5	8.9	9.3	7.0	5.2
Over/Under		-1.9	8.5	9.3	6.9	5.7	4.1

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	Market Value (\$)	QTD (%)	YTD (%)	1 Yr (%)	3 Yrs (%)	5 Yrs (%)	10 Yrs (%)
Real Return	46,249,270,370	1.2	1.5	2.6	1.1	8.3	7.4
Real Return Policy Benchmark		1.5	3.3	3.9	-2.4	5.2	4.9
Over/Under		-0.2	-1.8	-1.3	3.6	3.1	2.4
Real Estate	30,407,267,309	-0.6	-2.9	-2.6	-3.6	5.5	7.2
NCREIF ODCE (1Q Lag)		0.8	2.6	2.7	-6.2	2.5	4.4
Over/Under		-1.5	-5.5	-5.3	2.7	3.0	2.7
ENRI	15,428,819,913	4.3	9.9	13.4	12.2	14.6	
ENRI Benchmark (1Q Lag)		2.8	4.7	6.5	6.7	11.5	
Over/Under		1.5	5.2	6.9	5.4	3.1	
Commodities	413,183,149	37.9	77.9	59.8	15.7	11.3	9.6
Goldman Sachs Commodities Benchmark		4.1	6.1	10.1	4.7	17.6	4.1
Over/Under		33.9	71.8	49.6	11.0	-6.2	5.5

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	Market Value	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
	(\$)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Risk Parity	11,257,113,876	6.7	16.5	10.0	13.1	5.6	6.2
Risk Parity Policy Benchmark		7.6	15.0	8.7	11.2	3.9	5.7
Over/Under		-1.0	1.5	1.3	2.0	1.7	0.5

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	Market Value	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
	(\$)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Cash	4,722,187,249	0.8	3.1	4.3	5.6	3.7	2.7
Cash Benchmark		1.1	3.3	4.6	5.0	3.1	2.1
Over/Under		-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.5

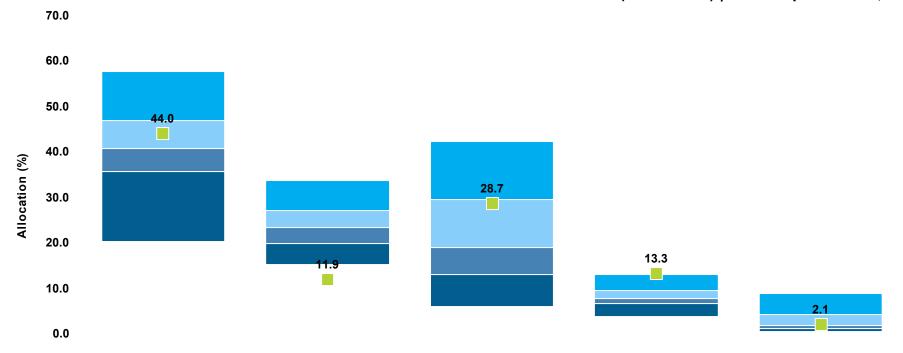
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## **Appendix**





#### TRS Commitment Levels vs. Peers (>\$10Billion) | As of September 30, 2025



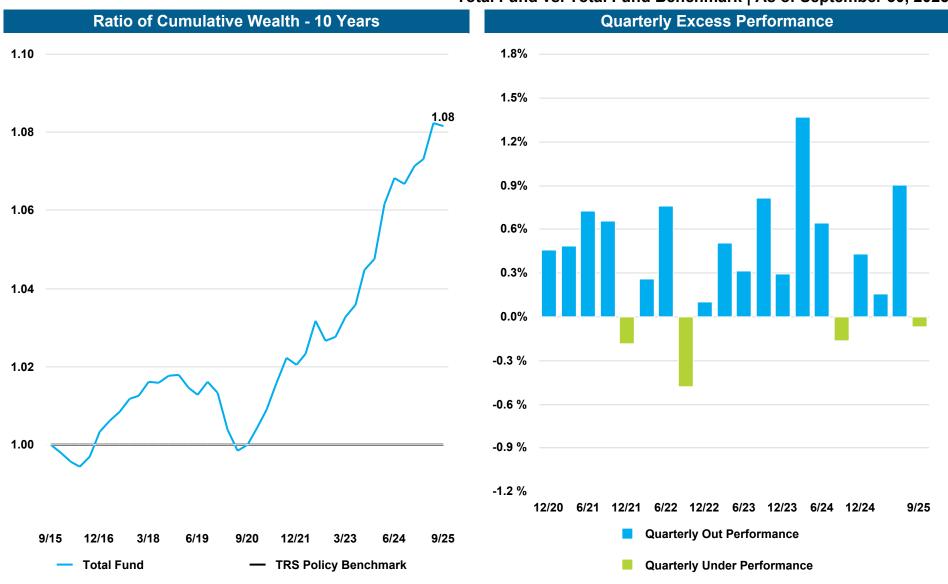
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	Total Equity	Total Fixed Income	Alternatives	Total Real Estate	Cash
■ Total Fund	44.0 (43)	11.9 (100)	28.7 (27)	13.3 (5)	2.1 (47)
5th Percentile	57.8	33.7	42.2	13.0	9.0
1st Quartile	47.0	27.1	29.5	9.5	4.2
Median	40.8	23.3	19.0	7.8	1.8
3rd Quartile	35.6	19.8	13.0	6.7	1.2
95th Percentile	20.3	15.3	6.0	3.8	0.4
Population	33	33	32	30	31

Parentheses contain percentile rankings.



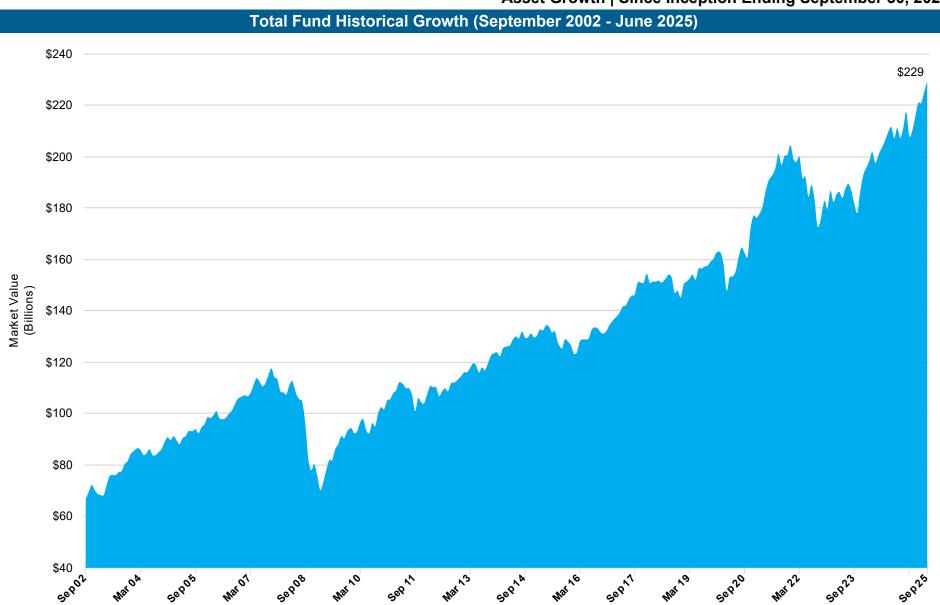


Total Fund vs. Total Fund Benchmark | As of September 30, 2025





Asset Growth | Since Inception Ending September 30, 2025





#### Benchmark History | As of September 30, 2025

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	Benchmark History
	Benchmark
Total Fund	
	37.7% MSCI ACWI IMI ex CN ex HK, 4.8% MSCI EAFE plus Canada IMI ex HK, 1.0% MSCI Emerging Markets Index ex CN, 15.2% Customized State Street Private Equity Index (1Q Lag), 9.7% Blmbg. Long Term Treasury Index, 5.8% Blmbg. U.S. TIPS Index, 4.8% Hedge Fund Benchmark, 13.6% NCREIF ODCE (1Q Lag, Monthly), 6.5% Energy and Natural Resources Benchmark, 4.8% Risk Parity Benchmark, 2.0% Citigroup 3 Mo. T-Bill Index, -6.0% Asset Allocation Leverage Benchmark
<b>Global Equity</b>	
	63.2% MSCI ACWI IMI ex CN ex HK, 8.0% MSCI EAFE plus Canada IMI ex HK, 1.7% MSCI Emerging Markets Index ex CN, 27.0% Customized State Street Private Equity Index (1Q Lag)
Stable Value	
	47.7% Blmbg. Long Term Treasury Index, 28.6% U.S. TIPS Daily, 23.6% SOFR + 2.5%
Real Return	
	68.0% NCREIF ODCE (1Q Lag), 32.0% Energy and Natural Resources Benchmark
Risk Parity	
	100% HFR Risk Parity Vol 12 Institutional Index

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#### External Manager Program Performance | As of September 30, 2025

## External Manager Program: Public Equity Performance as of 9/30/2025

	Allocation (\$B)	Third Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year
EP Total Global Equity	60.2	7.9	21.1	21.4	24.1	15.0
EP Global Equity Benchmark		7.3	17.4	16.1	21.9	12.5
Difference		0.6	3.6	5.3	2.2	2.5
EP All Country	40.3	8.1	22.3	24.0	27.8	19.0
EP All Country Benchmark		7.3	17.6	16.4	22.7	13.5
Difference		0.8	4.7	7.5	5.2	5.5
EP USA	14.4	7.4	12.0	14.1	21.3	16.3
EP USA Benchmark	<del></del>	8.2	14.5	17.5	24.2	15.9
Difference		-0.8	-2.5	-3.3	-2.9	0.4
EP Non-US Developed	4.6	6.6	34.0	22.6	27.0	13.1
MSCI EAFE + Canada Policy Index	<del></del>	5.3	25.1	15.6	21.4	11.4
Difference		1.3	8.8	7.0	5.6	1.6
EP Emerging Markets	0.9	9.3	-32.5	-52.1	-12.8	-9.2
MSCI Emerging Markets Policy Index	<del></del>	6.0	20.5	10.5	15.9	5.7
Difference		3.3	-53.0	-62.6	-28.7	-14.9

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#### External Manager Program Performance | As of September 30, 2025

## **Stable Value Hedge Funds Performance as of 9/30/2025**

	Allocation (\$B)	Third Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Year
EP Total Stable Value	11.2	3.8	7.8	10.5	8.8
EP Stable Value Benchmark	<del></del>	1.8	5.3	7.3	6.4
Difference		2.0	2.5	3.2	2.4

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### **Investment Operations Update**

Kendall Courtney, Managing Director Head of Investment Operations

December 2025



## Investment Operations *Mission*

- Our mission is to manage a scalable operating model to support:
  - Execution of all investment decisions
  - Execution of all investment division business services





## Investment Operations Vision & Strategic Goals

 To effectively balance and coordinate a sustainable and scalable way of how our people, process, and technology support the IMD and their investment decisions

#### Goal 1

Enable the integration of technology, data and analytics into the IMD

#### Goal 4

Streamline operations and mitigate operational risk



#### Goal 2

Generate non-investment Alpha

#### Goal 3

Foster a culture of collaboration and innovation



### **Investment Operations Organization**

#### **Head of Investment Operations**



**Kendall Courtney Managing Director** BA, Mathematics, University of Texas MBA, St. Edwards University

#### Leadership Team with 31 Years Average Direct Experience

#### **Head of Multi-Asset Trade Operations**



**Kerry Skehan Investment Manager** BA, Management MS, Management Southern Nazarene Univ.

 Trade support & settlement for all assets: securities, derivatives, cash and collateral

#### **Head of Middle Office**



**Kelly Newhall Investment Manager** BBA, Marketing University of Texas

Supports data and services between trade operations and portfolio management

#### **Head of Investment Data & Systems**



**David Cox Investment Manager BBA**, Information Systems **Baylor University** 

Ensures the IMD has the technology, data and automation for portfolio management

#### **Head of Budget & Accounting**



Stephen Machicek, CPA **Investment Manager** BS, Accounting Univ. of Texas at El Paso

Provides business services for the IMD and provides portfolio management services

#### **Head of Events & Facilities**



**Gay Clifton** Associate BS, Advertising University of Texas

Executes all IMD events, meetings, and facilities management

**59** 

Staff

23

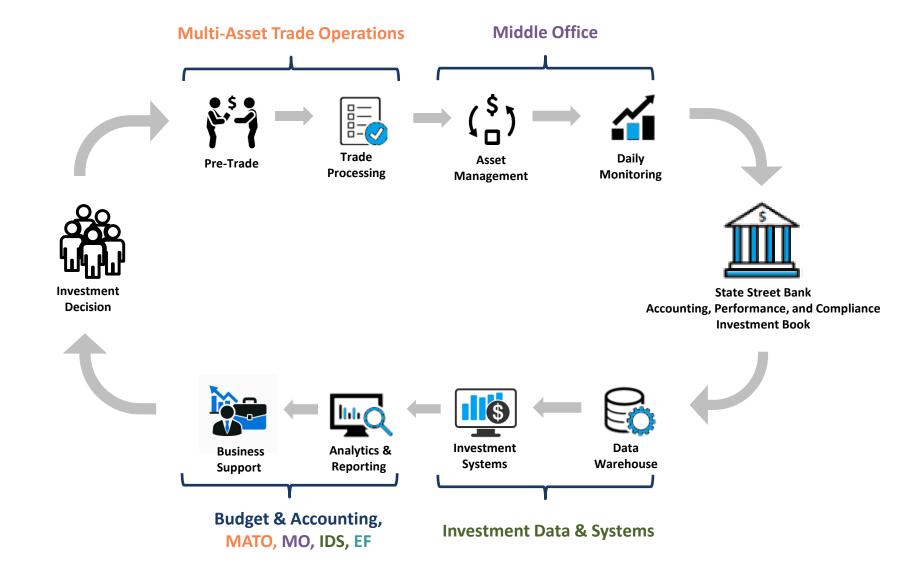
**Masters Degrees** 

**CPAs** 

**CFAs** 

Certifications & Tech Designations

## Investment Operations Role in the Trust – The Investment Process





## Investment Operations Global Reach, Breadth, and Impact

Global Reach and Breadth

## \$1.6 TRILLION

Settled \$1.6 trillion transactions over **269.3 thousand** across **56** markets

## \$66.6 BILLION

Internal Transition
Management team led
\$66.6 billion in transfers
across **198** different
accounts

# DELIVER 152 daily custom

MANAGE
9,000+
data fields, 316
technology data
feeds

208 investment applications and services managed

Impact

## \$34.2 MILLION

Saved \$34.2 million in tax reclaims

#### \$32.0 \$31.0 \$32.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0 \$30.0

\$15.5
MILLION
Received in revenue from securities lending program

## GENERATED \$431 MILLION

by leveraging the State Street short-term investment fund

## \$28.9 MILLION SAVED

by implementing enhanced custody (since inception 2018)



reports

## Priority Update State Street Custody Contract

- Relationship Update strong partnership, engagement and leadership
  - 95% completion in response to our specific requirements requested in 2022, remaining 5% are in process and expected to be completed 2026
  - 87% completion of new contractual commitments since contract execution in 2023, remaining 13% are in process and expected to be completed 2027
  - 90% of relationship in a green state, focus on moving remaining 10% to green
  - Solid partnership on 14 additional key initiatives either completed or scheduled for completion by 2026
  - New State Street leadership has strengthened our partnership with renewed commitment across the relationship
- Extended contract from a 3-year to a 5-year term through September 1, 2028
- Return in December 2027 for the Board to consider exercising the two, one-year renewals
  - TRS plans to conduct an RFP during the two-year renewal period



### **Priority Update**

### Investment Data Modernization (IDM) Program

- The strategic goal of this program is to modernize TRS' data management systems with industry standard solutions that provide reliable data in support of investment decision making
- Program on track and within Board approved budget

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Milestone	Original Date	Revised 2023	Status
Investment Data Governance Office Launched	6/31/22	8/1/22	complete
Systems & Platform RFP			
RFP Posted	3/10/23	7/14/23	complete
Proposals Due	4/24/23	8/21/23	complete
Evaluations Due	5/5/23	10/09/23	complete
Demos Complete	5/19/23	12/14/23	complete
Vendor Selected	6/23/23	2/12/24	complete
Contract Negotiation Completed	8/17/23	8/13/24	complete
Full Implementation	Q3 2025	Q4 2026	on track
Professional Managed Advisory Service RFP Completed	4/17/24	2/22/24	complete
Investment Data Hub Implemented	Q4 2025	Q4 2026	on track
Intelligent Document Processing Implemented	Q2 2025	Q2 2026	on track



### **Priority Update**

### Investment Data Modernization (IDM) Program











Approx 2,923 hours including prep and execution of testing for 558 test cases run for drops 1 & 2

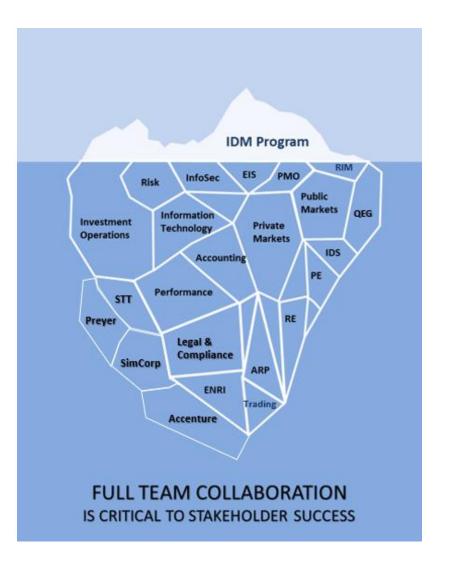


323 hours of vendor and supplemental training delivered in drops 1 & 2 for over 60 learners



Over 20 data integrations improving speed and accuracy of information for the Trust





## Investment Operations Accomplishments & Priorities

#### Strengthening Resilience & Scalability

 Delivered critical enhancements with State Street to bolster operational resilience and scalability

#### Modernizing Investment Data & Technology

 Completed IDM vendor selection, contract negotiation, and launched implementation to support long-term modernization goals

#### Strategic Alignment & Market Readiness

- Successfully implemented 2024 Strategic Asset Allocation (SAA), aligning strategy with evolving market conditions
- Achieved operational readiness for T+1 settlement in the U.S. and Canada, ensuring compliance and market alignment

#### Enhancing Visibility & Decision-Making

 Launched Investment Operations Dashboard to improve performance tracking and transparency

#### Driving Data Excellence

 Advanced data quality initiatives to enable accurate reporting and analytics across investment operations

#### Accelerating Efficiency

Established a dedicated Process Automation Team to reduce manual workflows and drive operational efficiency

#### Elevating Fiduciary Standards

 Strengthened investment practices and performance evaluation frameworks to support fiduciary excellence

#### • Expanding Investment Capabilities

Onboarded a second securities lending agent, a fourth Futures Clearing Merchant (FCM), and pledging equities as collateral to broaden investment capabilities

#### Fostering Collaboration & Innovation

Hosted the Investment Operations Forum with peers to promote alignment, innovation, and shared accountability



## APPENDIX



## Investment Operations Multi-Asset Trade Operations

#### Head of Multi-Asset Trade Operations



Kerry Skehan Investment Manager MS, Management Southern Nazarene University 6 Masters Degrees
1 PhD Candidate
15 years average direct experience

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Vacant Hiring in process



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## Investment Operations Middle Office

#### **Head of Middle Office**



Kelly Newhall
Investment Manager
BBA, Marketing
University of Texas

7 Masters Degrees 1 CFA, 1 CPA 14 years average direct experience

#### **Investment Book of Record/ Portfolio Management Services**



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Vacant
Hiring in process



## Investment Operations Investment Data & Systems





David Cox Investment Manager BBA, Information Systems Baylor University 7 Masters Degrees 5 Cert Scrum Master, 2 Cert Product Owners, 2 PMPs, 1 MCP, 1 SAFe 18 years average direct experience

#### Investment Data, Governance, Quality Assurance, Process Automation, Metadata Management



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## Investment Operations Events & Facilities Operations

#### **Head of Events & Facilities**



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14 years average direct experience

#### **Events**



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Univ. of NC Wilmington



Jordan Tovar Contractor





Hugo Rangel Assistant



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## Annual Update to the Board Risk and Portfolio Management

James Nield, Chief Risk Officer Mark Telschow, Director

December 2025



### RPM delivers four mandates to the Trust



#### **Risk Management**

- Monitor daily signals
- Identify key risks
- Provide risk reports
- Develop battle plans



#### **Multi Asset Strategies**

- Manage portfolios:
  - Risk Parity
  - Alternative RiskPremia (ARP)
- Provide hedging solutions



#### **Trust Management**

- Finance Trust liquidity needs
- Manage fixed income portfolios
- Rebalance Trust as needed
- Optimize balance sheet



#### **Trust Strategy**

- Coordinate Strategic Asset Allocation
- Provide market intelligence
- Analyze peer strategies
- Organize Trust-wide research



### Risk and Portfolio Management team



James Nield, CFA, FRM Chief Risk Officer MBA, Finance, New York University BS, Finance, Pennsylvania State University

14

Years of average investment experience

Advanced degrees and certifications

4 New team members



Melissa Juranek Junior Analyst BBA, Management, University of Texas

#### **Risk Management**



Stephen Kim Director MBA, Finance, University of Texas, BS, Computer Science, Dartmouth College



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University of Texas



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#### **Multi Asset Strategies**



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**Bardia Faraineiad** 

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**Investment Manager** 



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#### **Trust Strategy**



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Paul Waclawsky, CFA Associate BS, Accounting, University of Maryland

### RPM portfolios have delivered alpha

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### 1. Government Bonds (Nominal and Real)

- Defensive liquid assets
- Managed internally and passively
- Added \$33mm 1-yr. alpha

#### 2. Risk Parity

- Diversified liquid portfolio
- Managed internally and externally
- o Added \$126mm 1-yr. alpha

#### 3. Alternative Risk Premia

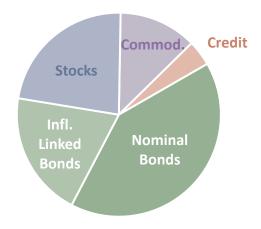
- Alpha seeking quantitative strategy
- Transitioned to RPM from MSG in April 2025
- Added \$109mm 1-yr. alpha

PERFORMANCE						
	Assets	1-Year		3-Year		
	\$,	Alpha			Alpha	
As of 9/30/2025	billion	Return	(bp)	Return	(bp)	
1. Gov Bonds - Nominal	\$19.4	-3.2%	25	0.6%	19	
<b>Gov Bonds - Real</b>	\$6.8	3.8%	-3			
2. Total Risk Parity	\$11.3	10.0%	134	13.1%	197	
Internal Risk Parity	\$7.5	10.0%	137	13.7%	251	
External Risk Parity	\$3.8	10.1%	142	12.2%	105	
3. Alt Risk Premia		\$1	.09 mm	\$1	65 mm	

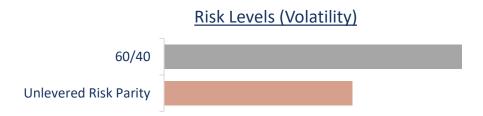


### What is Risk Parity?

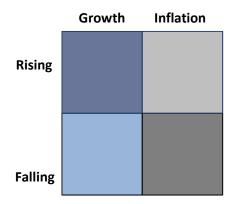
Diversified portfolio of public-market assets



Levered prudently given lower risk levels



Balanced to macro risks



- Designed to be highly liquid
  - Internal portfolio provides \$1b in daily liquidity
  - External allocation can be liquidated in a month



#### What is Alternative Risk Premia?

- A long/short quantitative derivatives overlay
- Internally managed, launched in 2015
- Generates alpha across public assets and across multiple factors

		Factors			
		Value	Momentum	Carry	Other
	Equities	<b>\</b>	<b>\</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>~</b>
ets	Bonds	<b>\</b>		<b>/</b>	
Assets	FX	<b>~</b>		<b>~</b>	
	Commodities	<b>\</b>		<b>&gt;</b>	<b>~</b>

#### Trade Example: Gold vs. Silver



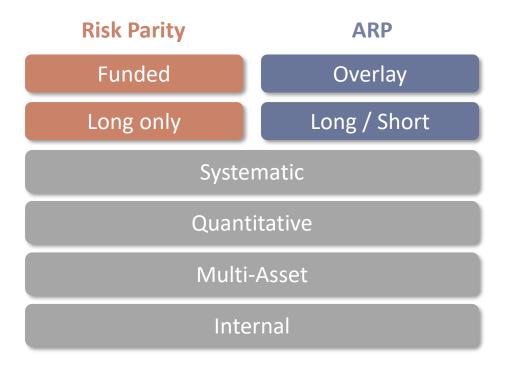
- Gold and silver are both precious metals
- Although they have different commercial uses, both gold and silver are viewed as a storehold of wealth
- If the price of one commodity is too expensive relative to the other, this may present a **value** trade opportunity



Source: Bloomberg

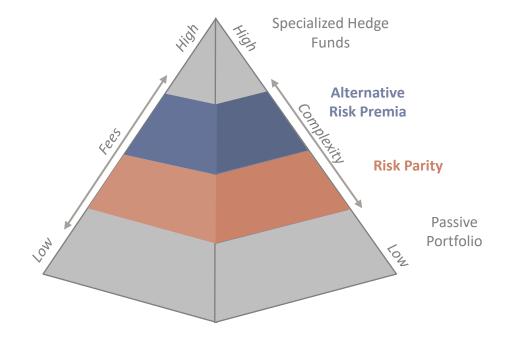
### MAS portfolios leverage the team's strengths

Risk Parity and Alternative Risk Premia share the same foundation



 Both strategies capitalize on team's ability to deliver quality portfolios and generate fee savings

#### **MAS Value Proposition**





### Trust Management also adds value in the following ways

#### 1. Trust Financing

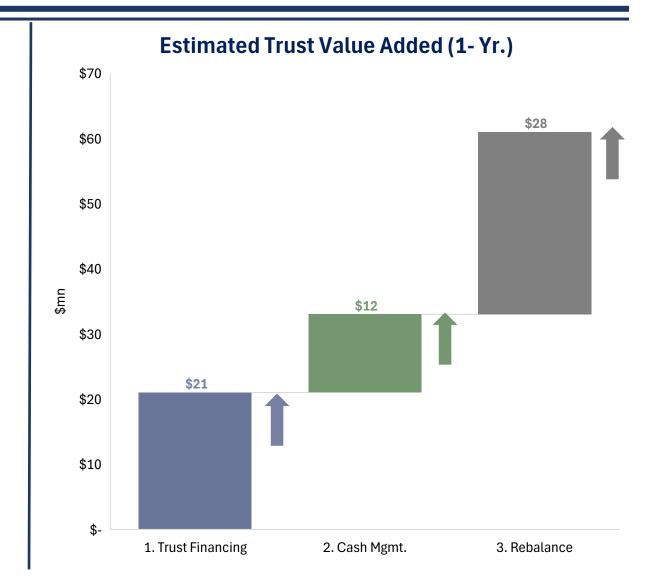
- Repo program: Directly access pools of cash
- Securities Lending: Capitalize on market demand to borrow TRS equities
- <u>Internal Financing</u>: Provide TRS internal teams a costeffective alternative to external financing options

#### 2. Cash management

 Earn incremental yield by investing cash with highly rated counterparties on short-term basis

#### 3. Rebalance Trust

 Optimize frequency of rebalance trades and minimize transaction costs



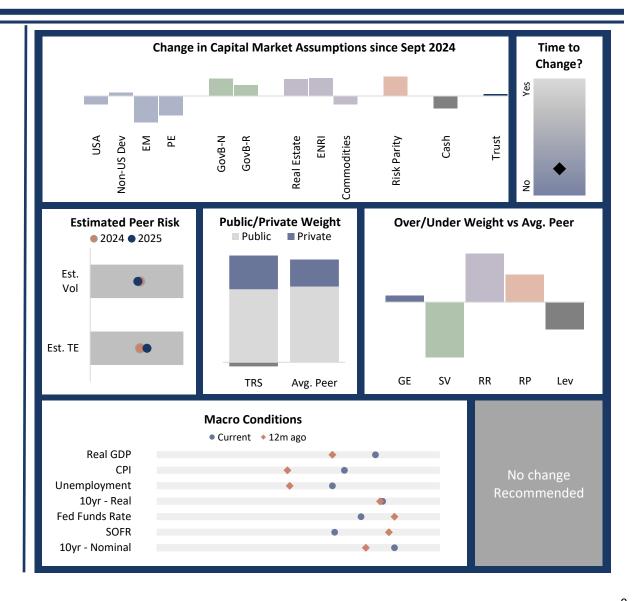


Source: IMD

### Trust Strategy monitoring SAA key considerations

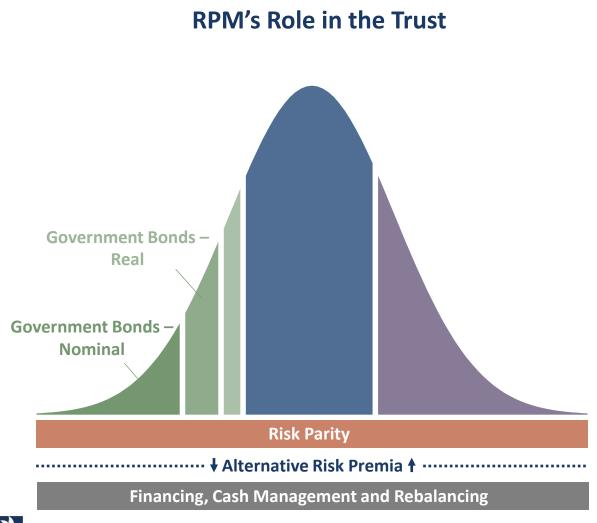
No change recommended to asset allocation based on the following:

- Capital Market Assumptions show little change in expected returns
- 2. Peers have not made material changes; on the margin, they continue to lean into Private Equity
- 3. Macro conditions show an increase in inflation and unemployment since last year; central bank has lowered short-term rates





### Putting it all together



#### In conclusion:

- More than just Risk Management
  - Team delivers on four mandates
- Multi Asset Strategy portfolios have generated alpha
- RPM aims to add value beyond portfolios
- No proposed changes to SAA

