

# CDIAC and CMTA

## *Advanced Public Funds Investing Case Study*

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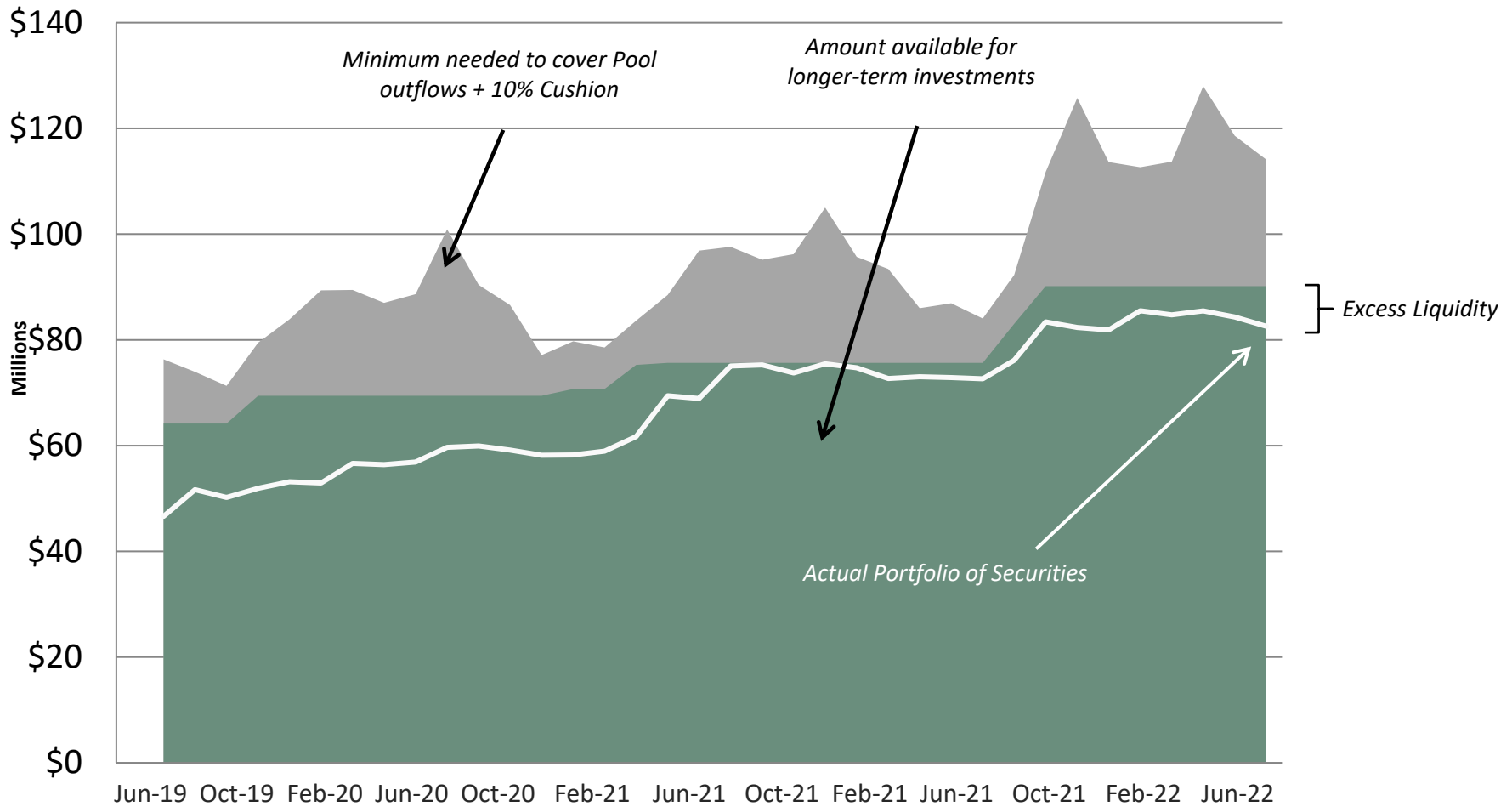


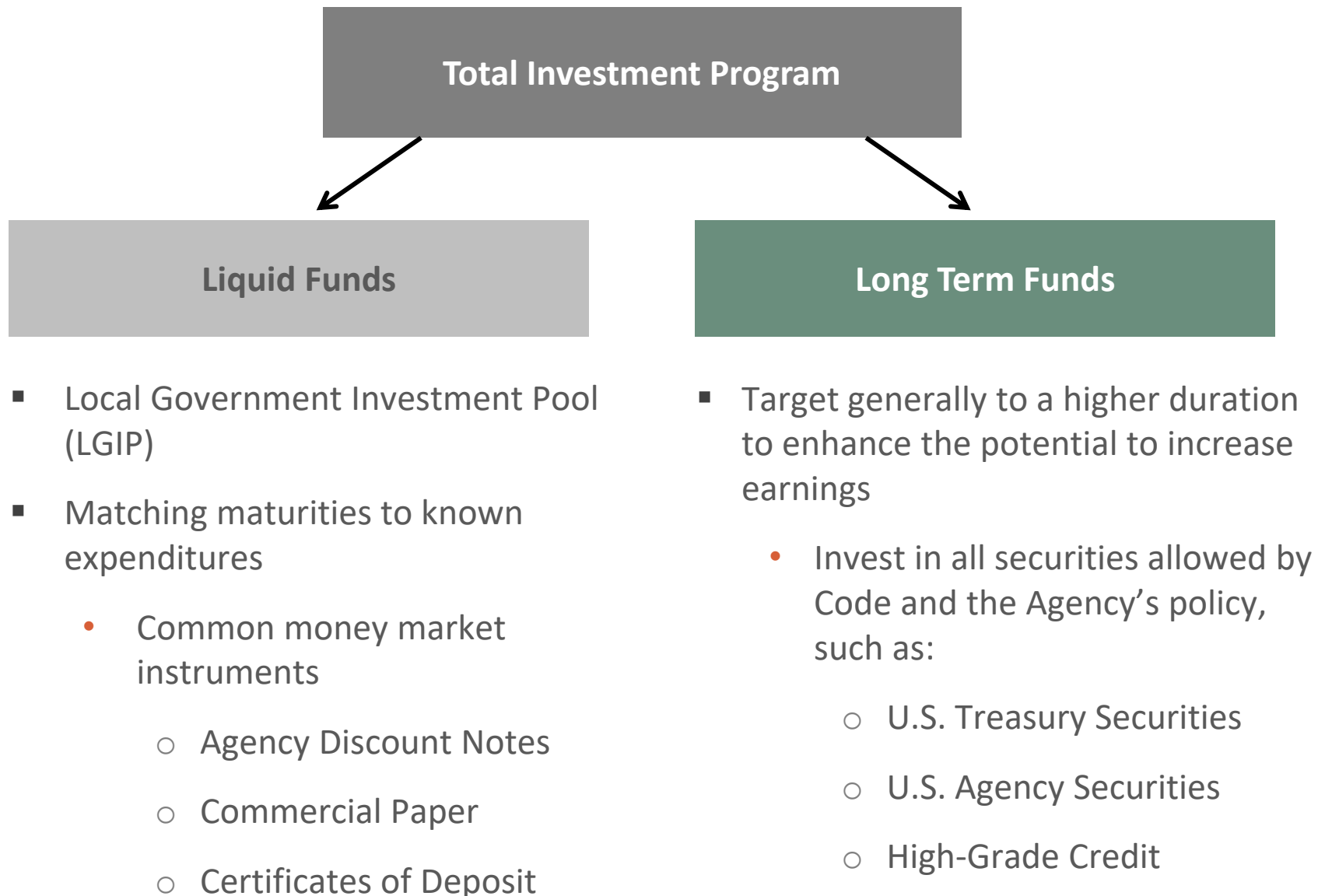
## *Steps to building an investment program*





## Sample Local Government Cash and Investments June 2019 – June 2022







- 1. What are the objectives of the investment program**
  
- 2. What are the investment constraints**
  - a. State Statutes and/or Code
  - b. Investment Policy
  - c. Government's risk tolerances
  - d. Investment staff experience
  
- 3. What strategies can be implemented that achieve stated objectives and are compliant with constraints**



## ■ Safety?

- Preserve capital?
- High credit quality?
- Political considerations?

## ■ Liquidity?

- LAIF or other pools?
- Short maturity investments?
- Marketable securities?

## ■ Return?

- Earnings target?
- Growth of portfolio?
- Good relative performance?



## 1. Yield

- a. Snapshot in time earnings rate expressed on an annualized basis to measure future interest income earnings
- b. Assumes reinvestment at the same rate
- c. Presumes no changes in the portfolio

## 2. Return

- a. Measures value added to the portfolio over a specified period of time
- b. Book Return: includes **INTEREST INCOME** as well as **REALIZED** gains and losses
- c. Total Return: includes **INTEREST INCOME** as well as **REALIZED AND UNREALIZED** gains and losses



## ■ **Liquid Funds Strategy**

- Emphasis in increasing interest income
- Generally designed to meet or surpass an earnings target
- Mostly hold-to-maturity, but may include sales before maturity

## ■ **Long-Term Funds Strategy**

- Encompasses interest income as well as fair value appreciation.
- Designed to grow the City's funds over time
- Assumes periodic sales before maturity to rebalance the portfolio





**Yield**

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**Annual Income**

**Investment Value**

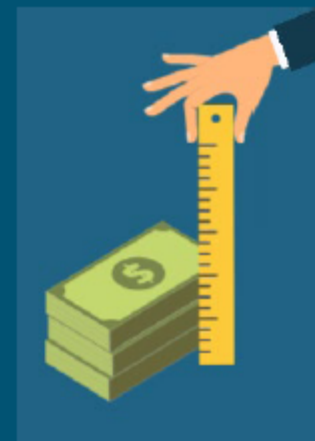


**Yield**

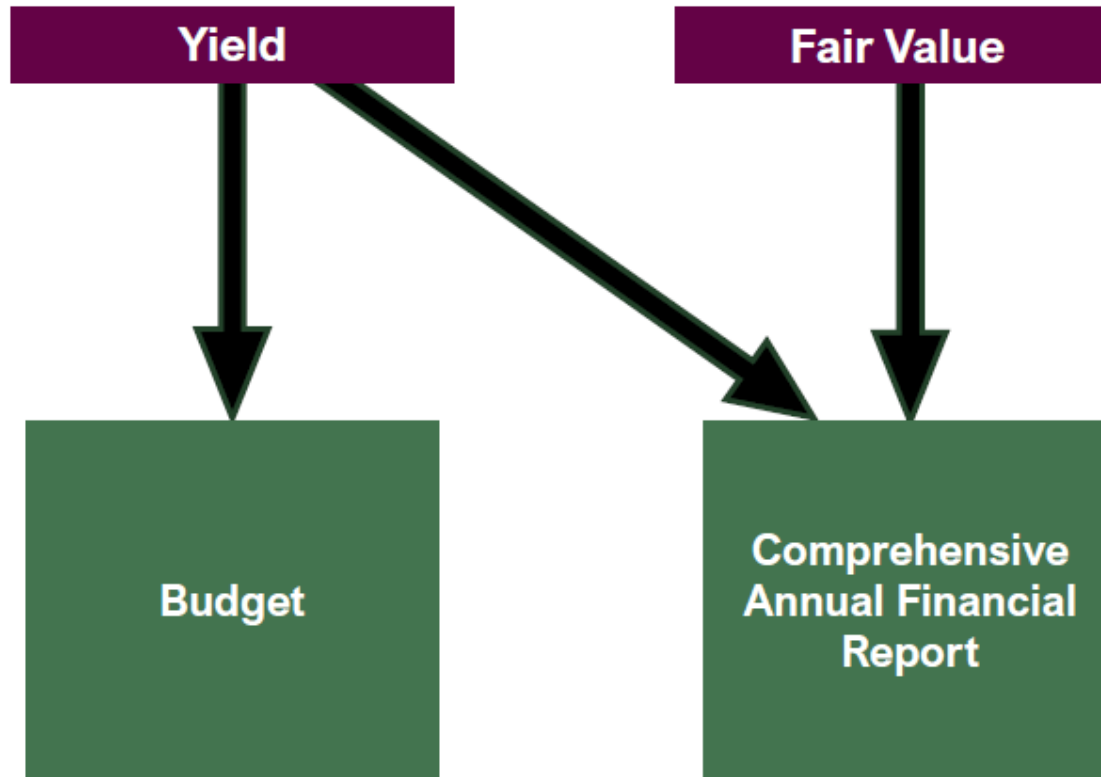
**+**

**Fair  
Value  
Change**

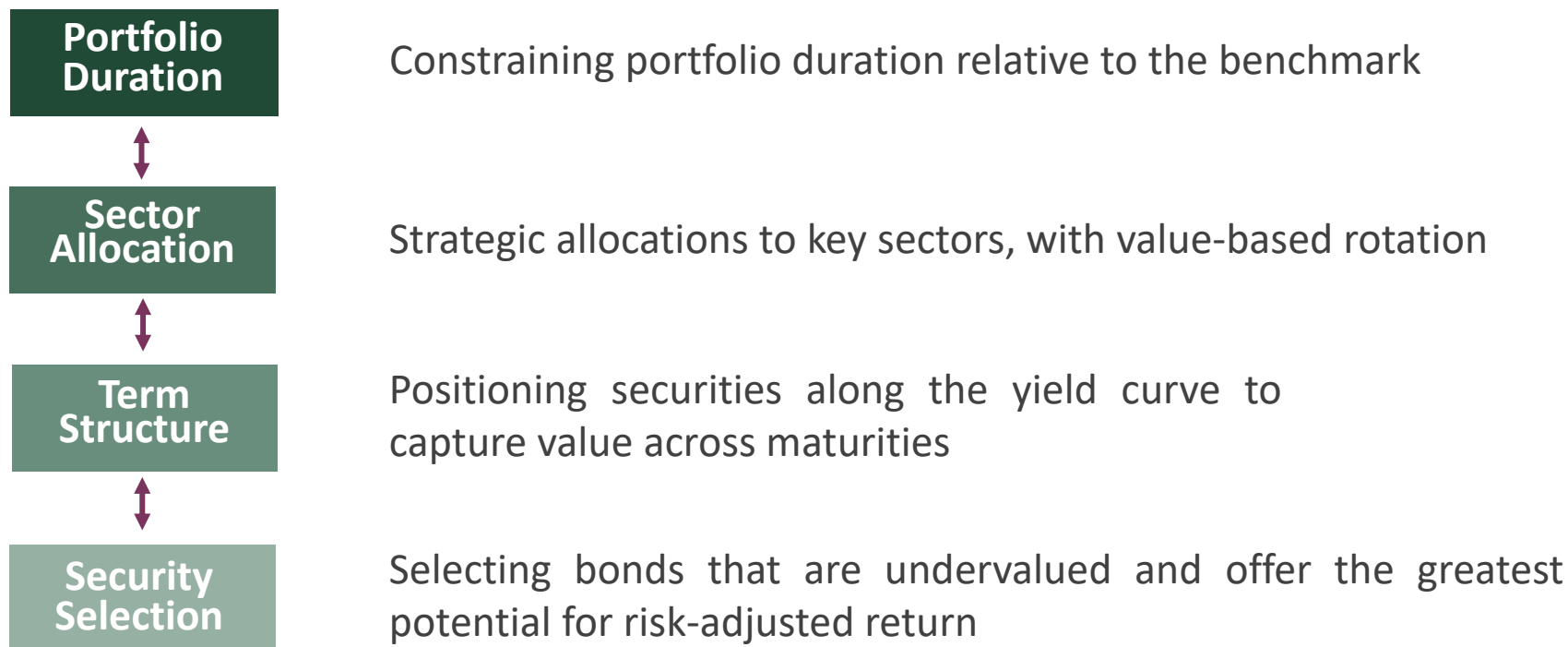
**= Return**



# Fair Value Doesn't Necessarily Change Budgets But Definitely Moves Financial Position



## *Four Key Elements of Investing Fixed-Income Funds*





## **1. Economic Environment**

- a. Expanding/contracting
- b. Employment
- c. Inflation
- d. Monetary Policy
- e. Fiscal Policy

## **2. Market Environment**

- a. Shape of yield curve
- b. Interest rate expectations
- c. Spread analysis

## **3. Global Environment**

- a. Economic
- b. Markets
- c. Geo-political



## 1. Interest rate analysis

- a. Interest rate trend
- b. Shape of yield curve
- c. Direction of yield curve (e.g. steepening; flattening, inverting)

## 2. Selecting securities

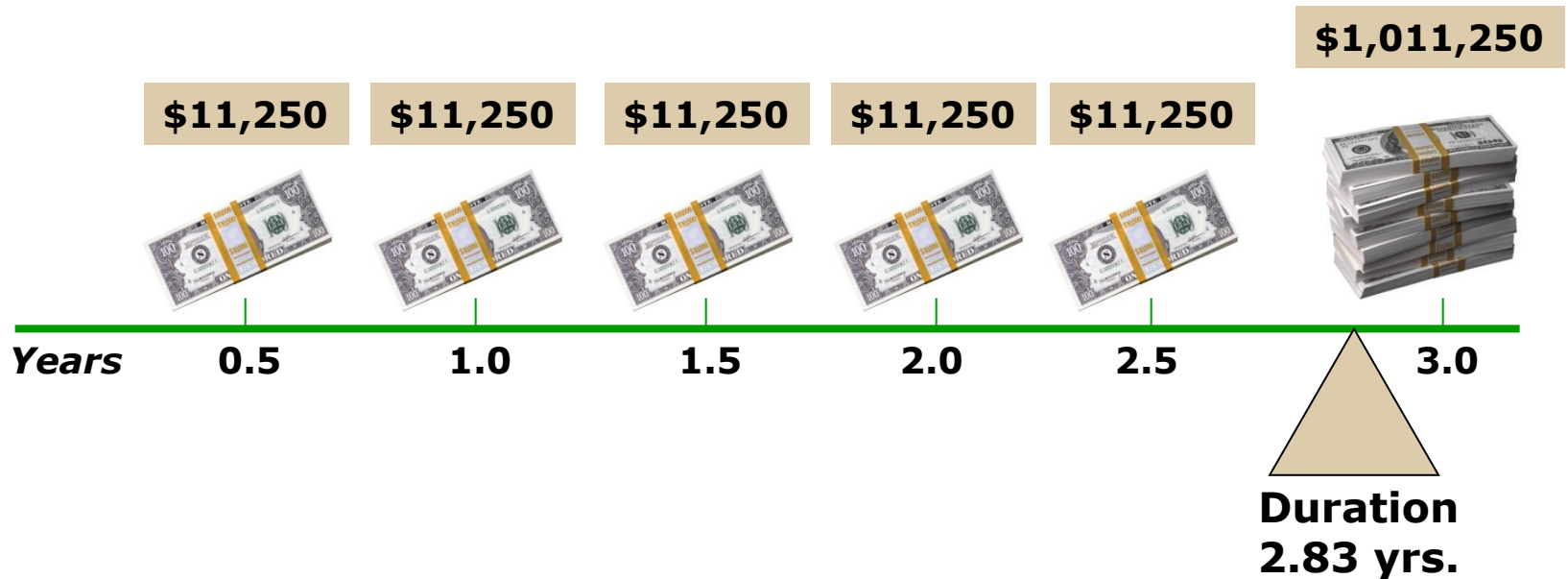
- a. Identify securities with good relative value
- b. Examine characteristics of bond
  - **Coupon, maturity, credit quality, options**
- c. Construct a portfolio that maximizes return/yield given a targeted level of risk

# Duration



*Measures price sensitivity of a bond to changes in interest rates*

**Invest in \$1MM Tsy. 2.25% 2/15/23**



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## Portfolio #1: \$50 million and 2.0 duration

- If rates increase 2.25%, then **(\$2,250,000) Loss**

$$\$50 \text{ million} \times 2 \times 2.25\% \times -1 = \$50 \text{ million} \times -4.5\% = \mathbf{(\$2,250,000)}$$

- If rates decrease 2.25%, then **\$2,250,000 Gain**

$$\$50 \text{ million} \times 2 \times 2.25\% \times 1 = \$50 \text{ million} \times 4.5\% = \mathbf{2,250,000}$$

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## Portfolio 2 = \$50 million and 1.0 duration

- If rates increase 2.25%, then **(\$1,125,000) Loss**

$$\$50 \text{ million} \times 1 \times 2.25\% \times -1 = \$50 \text{ million} \times -2.25\% = \mathbf{(\$1,125,000)}$$

- If rates decrease 2.25%, then **\$1,125,000 Gain**

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# Risk/Return Trade-off With Longer Duration Mandates



## Annual Benchmark Study Period Ending December 31, 2021

	ICE BofA 0-3 Yr US Treasury	ICE BofA 1-3 Yr US Treasury & Agency	ICE BofA 1-5 Yr US Treasury & Agency
0-6 months	13.50%		
6-12 months	17.03%		
1-3 years	69.47%	100.00%	62.17%
3-5 years			37.84%
5-10 years			
Treasury	100.00%	96.64%	96.58%
Agency		3.36%	3.42%
Corporate			
Modified Duration 12/31/2021	1.40	1.82	2.57
10 Year Annualized Total Return	0.99%	1.10%	1.35%
10 Year Standard Deviation	1.13%	1.28%	1.68%
Sharpe Ratio	0.32	0.37	0.43
<b>Qualitative Risk Objective</b>	<b>12/31/2001 – 12/31/2021</b>	<b>12/31/2002 – 12/31/2021</b>	<b>12/31/2001 – 12/31/2021</b>
Negative Quarterly Return Occurrences	13	14	19
2 Consecutive Negative Quarterly Return Occurrences	2	3	2
Negative Return For Year Occurrences	1	1	2
Worst Year Total Return	-0.37%	-0.55%	-1.09%

Source: ICE BofA Indices.

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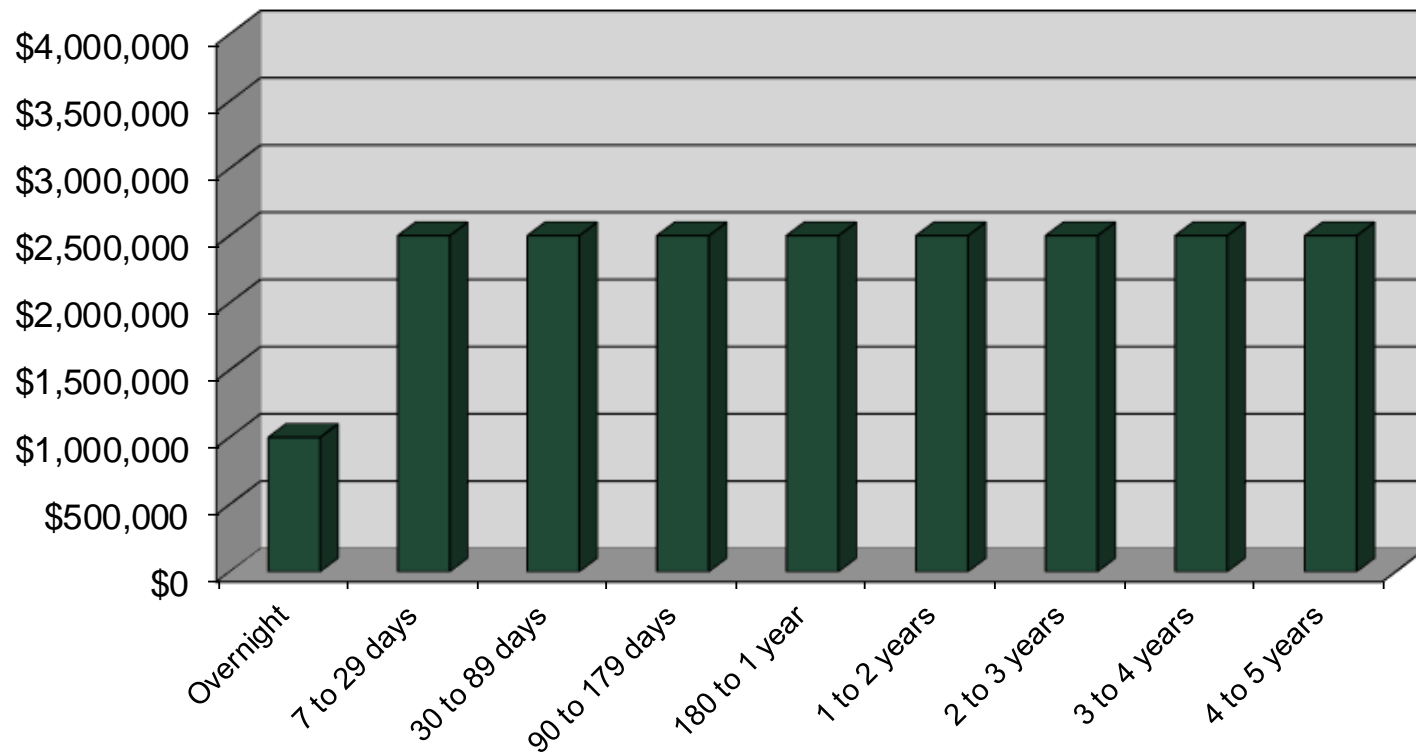
- 1. Alter portfolio's duration (sensitivity to rate changes) based on interest rate forecast**
  - a. Increase duration if rates are expected to fall and decrease duration if rates are expected to rise (relative to the benchmark)
  - b. Degree to which the duration is permitted to diverge from the benchmark can be limited by the policy
  
- 2. Portfolio is realigned through swapping to achieve duration target**
  
- 3. Challenge: forecasting interest rates is very difficult. must be right on each of the following:**
  - a. Direction
  - b. Timing
  - c. Magnitude



- 1. Position portfolio to capitalize on expected changes in the yield curve**
  
- 2. The duration and spacing of the maturity of bonds will have a significant impact on the total rate of return (TRR) over a short horizon**
  
- 3. Three Yield Curve Strategies**
  - a. Bullet - maturity of the bonds in the portfolio are highly concentrated at one point on the curve
  - b. Barbell - securities are concentrated at 2 extreme maturities
  - c. Ladder - equal amounts at each maturity. For example, equal amounts maturing each month or quarter

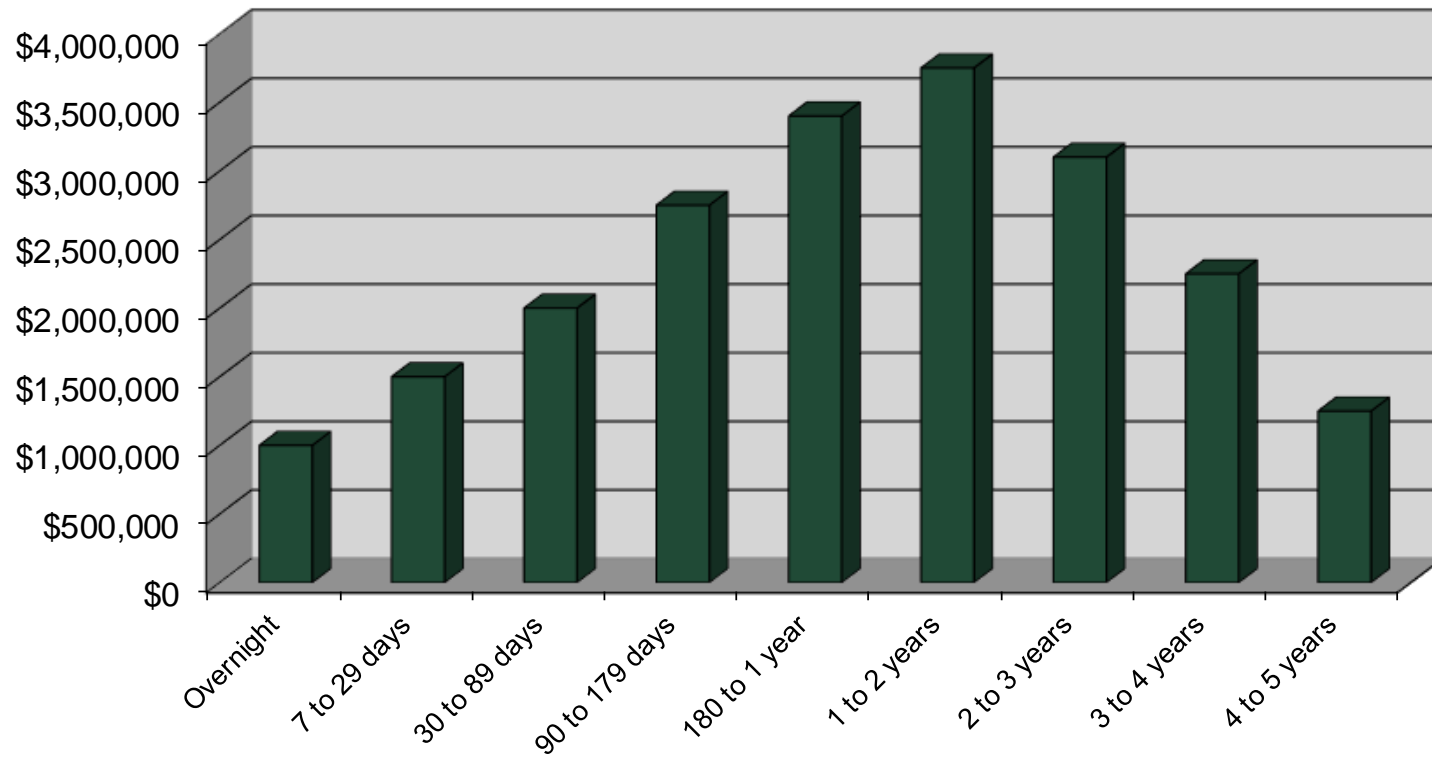


### Portfolio Structure - Laddered



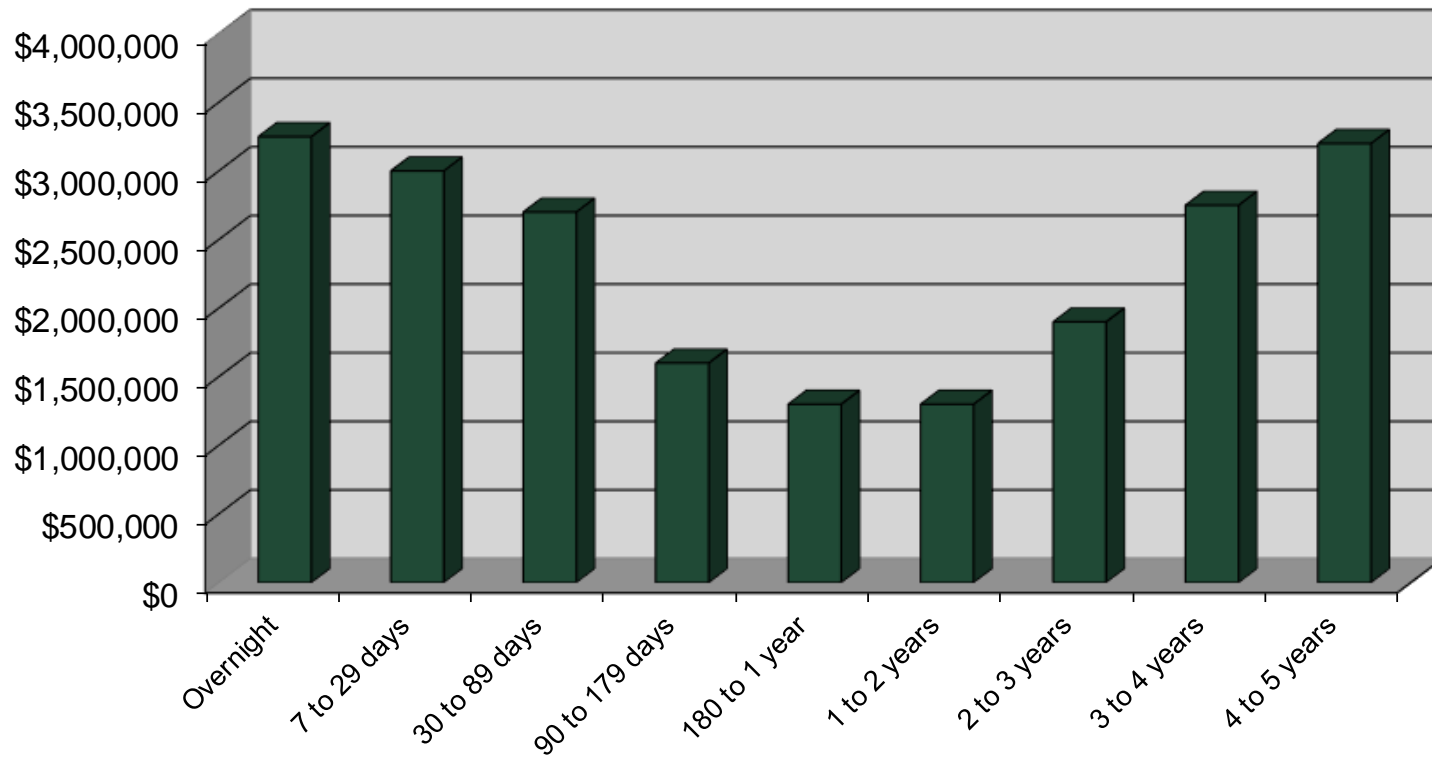


### Portfolio Structure - Bullet





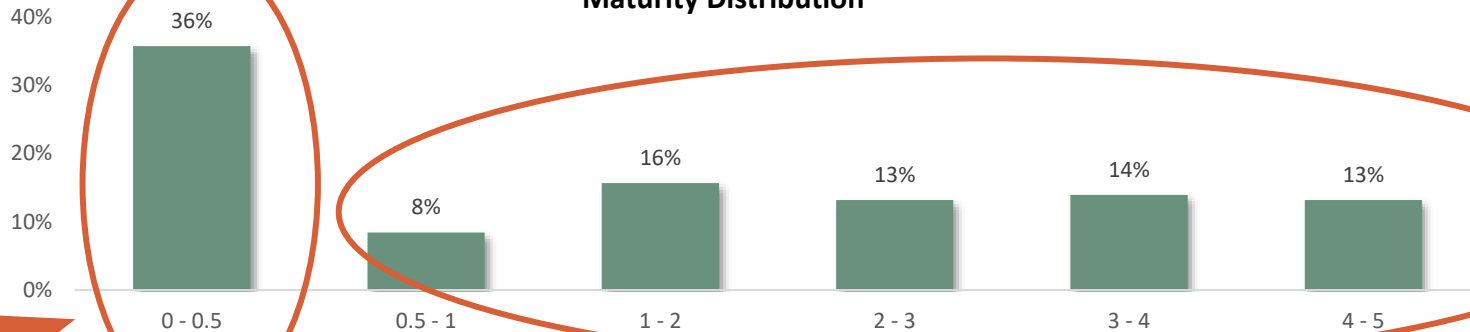
### Portfolio Structure - Barbell



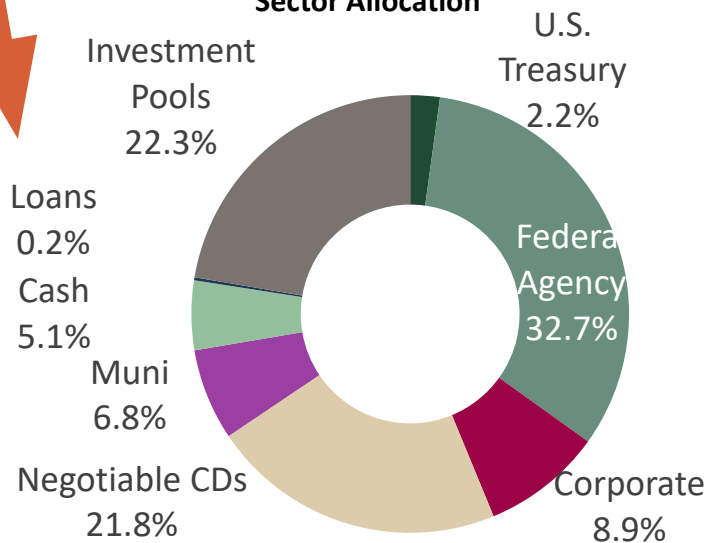
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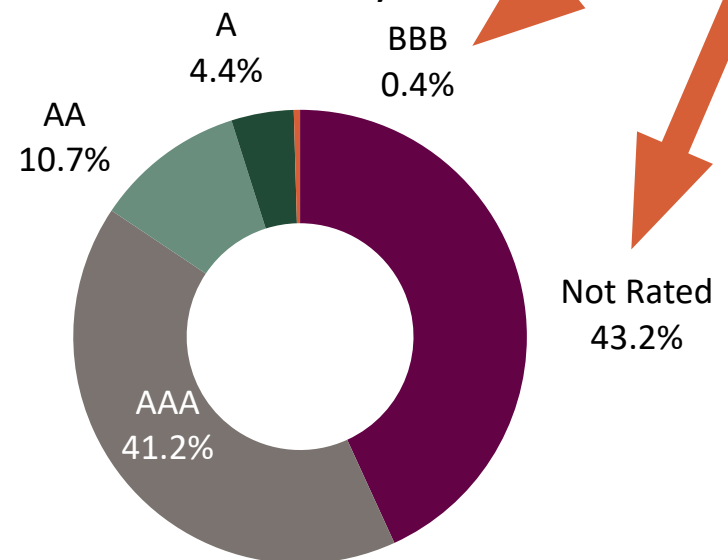
### Maturity Distribution



### Sector Allocation



### Credit Quality



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## **ICE BofA 0-3 Year US Treasury Index**

The ICE BofA 0-3 Year US Treasury Index tracks the performance of US Dollar denominated Sovereign debt publicly issued by the US government in its domestic market with maturities less than three years. Qualifying securities must have at least 18 months to maturity at point of issuance, at least one month and less than three years remaining term to final maturity, a fixed coupon schedule, and a minimum amount outstanding of \$1 billion.

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