**Morningstar Analyst Rating™**

I, M, and P Share; Rated 12/19/2016

★★★★★

**Overall Morningstar Rating™**

I Share rating based on risk-adjusted returns among 851 Intermediate-Term Bond Funds as of 3/31/17.

★★★★★


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**Lipper Fund Award**

Best Core Plus Bond Fund for the 10-year Period

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The Total Return Bond Fund seeks to maximize long-term total return.

The Fund will maintain an average duration between 2 and 8 years. Investments can include government backed securities, money market instruments, and derivatives. The Fund can invest up to 20% of net assets in securities below investment grade.

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Portfolio Managers

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Our Firm

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Investment Objective

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Glossary of Terms

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