

## **April 2019**

The **ACM Tactical Income Fund** (TINIX) returned +0.76% in April versus +0.03% for the Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index (AGG). YTD the Fund has returned +2.42% vs. +2.97% for the AGG. The Fund also paid an income distribution equivalent to a 4.58% yield.

(The Fund returned +1.65% as of 3/31/19, and returned +1.65% since inception which was 12/31/2018)

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The Fund got a nice bounce back in April relatively to the AGG. While the month of March had been characterized by a drop in bond yields and accompanied by a general "risk-off" environment in fixed income, last month saw a reversal of that trend. As the chart below shows, long-term bond yields bounced in April, albeit running into resistance at their overhead 50-day moving average.



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The blue line above represents the 50-day moving average. The red line above represents the 200-day moving average.

The backdrop for April was more conducive to "risk-on" investments within fixed income. We define those sectors as including convertibles, preferreds, emerging market bonds, and high-yield. While this list is not exhaustive in terms of risk-on examples, it highlights several of the sector exposures that received full allocations in the Fund during the month.

Our biggest gainers during the month included convertibles, senior bank loans, high yield bond, and Closed-end income funds. The biggest laggards were Treasuries, although our exposure here was very limited during the month.

Strong jobs numbers (for March) beat expectations to kick off the month, and February jobs numbers were revised upward as well. Fed minutes from the March meeting were made available mid-month and indicated the Fed was optimistic about the state and health of the US economy and would likely keep rates level for the rest of 2019. These sentiments buoyed equity markets and created favorable conditions for our "risk-on" assets to perform.

Due to the constant back and forth in trade talks with China, coupled with the President's propensity to send out surprise tweets, we expect the risk-on vs. risk-off environment to remain choppy on any given day. But big picture, bond yields do look like they may have found support near the lower end of their recent range, which could set the stage for a bit of a bounce in the near-term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Jordan L. Kahn, CFA Chief Investment Officer

Sources: Standard & Poor's, Stockcharts.com, Morningstar

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