

Bond yields had been moving down since late November, as news of the Omicron variant spread and investors began to worry about renewed lockdowns (China), restrictions (travel), and business disruptions. There was also likely some flight-to-safety buying going on, that briefly pushed 10-yr Treasury yields down to 1.35%. But yields quickly bottomed in early December, due in large part to commentary out of the Fed which struck a much more hawkish tone than previous communications.

The Fed pivoted and called for a faster rate of tapering, with the expectation of now finishing by March instead of June. They also said their projections are now for three rate hikes in 2022, up from just one hike in their September projections. The reason cited was that the risk of higher inflation becoming entrenched has increased. So much for ‘transitory’, and so much for the Fed’s credibility of getting ahead of these inflation pressures. By their own admission, they got it wrong. And now one of the big concerns in the market is if the Fed is *behind the curve*, and will have to move more swiftly tightening monetary policy to play catch-up.



Past performance does not guarantee future results.
 The blue line above represents the 50-day moving average.

For much of the remainder of December, bond yields faced upward pressure, and this acted as a headwind for many areas of the fixed income markets. As the charts above show, there has been a big spike in inflation as well as a huge increase in the Fed’s expectations for inflation. Neither of those are exactly market friendly, from a historical perspective.

As such, the Fund spent much of the month playing defense and focusing on managing risk as investors sold off various areas of the income markets. Cash levels are elevated as we moved more into safety, but we feel this will put us in a good position to capitalize on uptrends once they begin to surface.



ACM Tactical Income Fund

Monthly Commentary

December 2021

The **ACM Tactical Income Fund** (TINIX) returned +0.06% in December, while the Barclays AGG returned -0.26%. For the YTD period, TINIX returned -0.36% vs. the AGG index which finished the year at -1.54%.

Positive contributors to performance came from preferreds, hi-yield bonds, and floating rate (bank loans). Negative contributors were mortgage REITs and closed-end funds.

We want to thank all of you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Jordan L. Kahn, CFA
Chief Investment Officer*

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

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There is no guarantee that any investment strategy will achieve its objectives, generate profits or avoid losses.

ETF's are subject to specific risks, depending on the nature of the underlying strategy of the fund. These risks could include liquidity risk, sector risk, as well as risks associated with fixed income securities, real estate investments, and commodities, to name a few. Investments in foreign securities could subject the Fund to greater risks including, currency fluctuation, economic conditions, and different governmental and accounting standards.

ACM Tactical Income Fund Class I TINIX | December 2021 Fact Sheet

Portfolio Management



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Mr. Kahn has 25 years of experience in the investment industry serving as a senior portfolio manager, equity research analyst, and investment consultant. Mr. Kahn received his Master's of Science in Financial Markets and Trading from the Stuart School of Business at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Fund Profile As of 12/31/2021

Inception Date 12/31/2018
Style Tactical Income
Benchmark Bloomberg US Aggregate

Risk Metrics As of 12/31/21

Beta 0.54
Standard Deviation 4.50

Fund Overview

The ACM Tactical Income Fund is designed as a core investment for investors seeking income generation, while also focusing on capital preservation. The fund employs a tactical strategy which aims to capture attractive income opportunities and mitigate downside risk when markets experience downturns.

We strive to help our investors participate in the gains available from financial markets, while mitigating the downside risk

Performance

As of 12/31/2021

	1-mth	3-mth	YTD	1-Yr*	3-Yr*	Since Inception*
TINIX	0.06%	-1.24%	-0.36%	-0.36%	4.03%	4.03%
Bloomberg US Agg Bond	-0.26%	0.01%	-1.54%	-1.54%	4.79%	4.79%
Morningstar NT Bond	0.54%	-0.16%	1.80%	1.80%	3.92%	3.92%

*As of 12/31/21

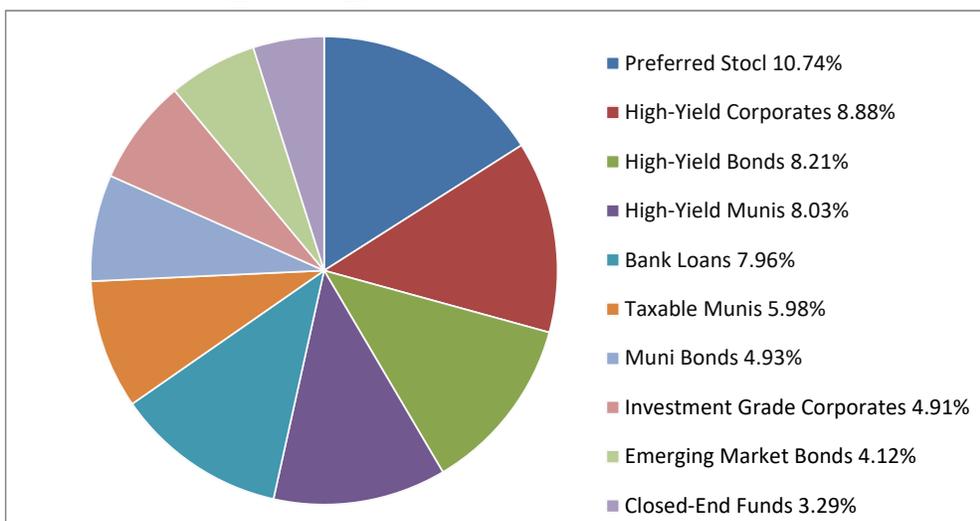
Investments in mutual funds involve risks. Performance is historic and does not guarantee future results. Investment principal value will fluctuate with changing market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. To obtain the most recent month end performance information or the Fund's prospectus please call the fund at 1-844-798-3833. You can also obtain a prospectus at www.ACM-funds.com.

The fund's maximum sales charges for Class "A" shares is 5.75%. Actual Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses are 2.36% for Class A and 2.11% for Class I shares. The adviser has contractually agreed to reduce its fees and reimburse expenses of the Fund, at least until April 30, 2022, to ensure that the net annual fund operating expenses will not exceed 2.07% for Class A shares and 1.82% for Class I shares, subject to possible recoupment from the Fund in future years.

Please review the fund's prospectus for more information regarding the fund's fees and expenses. For performance information current to the most recent month-end, please call toll-free 1-844-798-3833.

Sector Weightings

As of 12/31/2021



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Mutual funds involve risk including possible loss of principal. Adverse changes in currency exchange rates may erode or reverse any potential gains from the Fund's Investments. ETF's are subject to specific risks, depending on the nature of the underlying strategy of the fund. These risks include liquidity risk, sector risk, as well as risks associated with fixed income securities, real estate investments, and commodities, to name a few. Investments in underlying funds that own small and mid-capitalization companies may be more vulnerable than larger, more established organizations. Derivative instruments involve risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. Investments in foreign securities could subject the Fund to greater risks including, currency fluctuation, economic conditions, and different governmental and accounting standards. In addition to the risks generally associated with investing in securities of foreign companies, countries with emerging markets also may have relatively unstable governments, social and legal systems that do not protect shareholders, economies based on only a few industries, and securities markets that trade a small number of issues.

Investors bear the risk that the Fund may not be able to implement its investments strategies or attract sufficient assets. Purchased put options may decline in value or expire worthless and may have imperfect correlation to the value of the Fund's portfolio securities. Written call and put options may limit the Fund's participation in equity market gains and may amplify losses in market declines. The Fund's losses are potentially large in a written put or call transaction. If unhedged, written calls expose the Fund to potentially unlimited losses. The Fund will incur a loss as a result of a short position if price of the short position instrument increases in value between the date of the short position sale and the date on which an offsetting position is purchase. Short positions may be considered speculative transactions and involve special risks, including greater reliance on the ability to accurately anticipate the future value of a security of instrument. The Fund's losses are potentially large in a short position transaction.

Beta is a measure of systemic risk. **Standard Deviation** is a statistical measurement. It sheds light on the historical volatility of that investment. The greater the standard deviation of a security, the greater the variance between each price and the mean, indicating a larger price range.

The **Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index** is an unmanaged, fixed income, market-value-weighted index generally representative of investment grade fixed-rate debt issues, including government, corporate, asset-backed, and mortgage-backed securities with maturities of at least one year. The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index figures do not reflect any fees, expenses, or taxes. An investor cannot invest directly in an index.