

GWD FUNDSERV CODES\*:
Series A – GWD600
Series F – GWD601

Series AD – GWD602 Series FD – GWD603

## **Fact Sheet**

As at April 30, 2025

## **Goodwood Fixed Income Strategies**

Compound Return (%)	1 Mo	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	15 Yr	Inception	Weighted Average Yield	Effective Duration
Goodwood Milford Fund*	0.55	3.68	10.97	2.19	7.07	4.97	8.52	10.05	5.4%	5.3
iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond ETF	-0.66	1.33	9.06	3.43	-0.08	1.70	2.93	-	3.5	7.1
iShares Canadian Corporate Bond ETF	-0.43	1.34	9.64	5.27	1.95	2.58	3.56	-	4.1	5.6
S&P/TSX Composite TR Index ("TSX")	-0.10	1.41	17.85	9.57	14.37	8.27	8.03	7.28	3.0%	-

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Returns are net of fees. Source: Goodwood Inc.; Goodwood Milford Fund LP - Class S and iShares by Blackrock. See page 2 for more detailed footnote.

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**Goodwood Milford Fund Units** - The Goodwood Milford Fund has a core strategy of investing in corporate bonds selected to provide higher coupon income and capital gains from credit upgrades and credit-enhancing events. The

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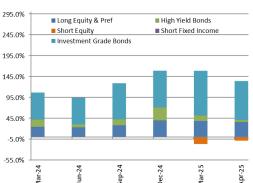
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**Institutional Segregated Accounts** – Goodwood offers sub-advisory portfolio management services to pensions, endowments, foundations and other institutional investors. The <u>investment-grade bond</u> mandate's objective is to preserve capital and provide a high rate of cash coupon income. The environmental, social, and (corporate) governance (<u>"ESG")</u> conscious investment-grade bond mandate's objective is to preserve capital and generate income by investing in bonds with good relative ESG performance and attractive coupons.

**Private Client Accounts** - Goodwood offers segregated managed accounts to individual investors utilizing a corporate bond and equity investment strategy similar to the Goodwood Milford Fund; however, each account is customized to meet investors' goals, objectives and risk tolerances.

#### **Historical Asset Allocation\***



#### Goodwood Milford Fund Portfolio Review

Investment Grade Corporate Bonds - Liberation Day, Trump "put", economic front running and FOMC Chair Powell under attack. April was an extremely volatile month in fixed income. President Trump's tariff announcement on April 2 initiated a strong rally in the US 10 year where yields dropped 30bps to about 3.8% on concerns the tariffs could initiate a global slowdown. Over the next couple of days, the US 10 year yield backed up to close to 4.5%. Factors cited by commentators were potential Asian selling of US assets and unwinding of leveraged trades focused on the US bond market. US Treasury Secretary Bessent had to calm the market and on April 9 Trump announced a 90 day pause in the reciprocal tariffs. The bond market rallied (prices up, yields down) to the end of the month. The iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF return was +0.39% for April and +3.16% for 2025. Credit spreads for investment grade bonds in Canada widened about 15bps in the early April selloff but have recovered by the end of the month. Subsequent to month end there has been a 15bps back up in yields as economic data – US GDP and US payrolls - have come in stronger than forecast. The majority of analyst have pointed to tariff "front running" as the cause of these strong data points. President Trump started to criticize FOMC Chairman Powell fairly frequently. His comments center around Powell being "too slow" to lower rates. It appears Powell will not be reappointed when his term expires in May 2026. Several potential candidates for the post are increasing their media presence in response.

In the US, the drop in 2 year yields from 3.9% to 3.6% in April signals the market believes the FOMC should be cutting the Fed Funds rate. US fed funds are currently 4.25%-4.50%. In the US, Goodwood currently expects the Fed to implement two rate cuts of 25 basis points each in Q3, followed by one additional 25 basis points cut in Q4. In Canada, current rates are significantly lower than in the US i.e. Canada 10 year yield is currently around 3.2% vs 4.3% for the US 10 year. The Bank of Canada policy rate sits at 2.75%. We anticipate the Bank of Canada will continue easing with two additional 25 basis points cuts in Q3, ultimately reaching a terminal rate of 2.25% by end of 2025.

The Canadian dollar ended March at approximately \$1.4395 CAD per USD, then rallied strongly to the \$1.4049 level as tariffs were announced and it appeared that Canada would not face additional tariffs. The Canadian dollar then weakened to \$1.4260 per USD on April 9 then rallied steadily to approximately 1.38% at month end.

High Yield Bonds - The US high yield bond ETF (iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF) April and 2025 returns were +0.07% and +1.14%, respectively. High yield bonds exhibited the same volatility to the tariff announcements as equities and fixed income. However, losses in the high yield ETF were much less severe than equities with a maximum drawdown of 3.1%. The Fund sold the majority of its high yield bonds back in February.

**Equities** - The S&P/TSX Composite TR Index returns for March and 2025 were -0.10% and +1.41% and the Dow Jones Industrial Average total returns were -3.08% and -3.92%, respectively. After the inter month volatility described above, it is notable the returns have rebounded to almost unchanged for April. The rally in stocks at the end of April appears to be driven by investors view that either Trump will be successful in signing a trade deal with a significant country or he will backtrack on tariff levels or implementation.

Preferred Shares - The S&P/TSX Preferred Share Index returned -3.12% in April and -0.61% year-to-date. The Fund currently holds no preferred shares.

As a reminder, the Fund provides weekly & monthly liquidity and is open to new investors.

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Portfolio Statistics	FUND	: 3
Effective Duration (Years) (Net)	5.3	,
Net Capital Invested	125.5	0
Gross Exposure	142.7	i t
Correlation to Broad Mkt (TSX)	0.60	i d



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#### **Investment Awards:**

2021 Global Manager Research Top Performer: Credit-Focused Alternatives - 3-Year Return
2021 Global Manager Research Top Performer: Credit-Focused Alternatives - 1-Year Return
2019 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Overall Best Hedge Fund Category
2019 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 1-Year Return Category
2018 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 5-Year Return Category
2017 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 5-Year Return Category
2016 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 5-Year Sharpe Ratio Category
2015 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 5-Year Sharpe Ratio Category
2014 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 5-Year Return Category
2012 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards: Best 3-Year Sharpe Ratio Category
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