

BHYAX

# High Yield Bond Fund

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As of 03/31/2024 | Class K: BRHYX | Class R: BHYRX | Institutional: BHYIX | Investor A: BHYAX | Investor C: BHYCX | Service: BHYSX

A high income solution

Flexible in changing market conditions

Seeks high income to maximize total return



Morningstar has awarded the Fund a SILVER medal (Effective 09/05/2023).† Rated against 606 High Yield Bond Funds, as of 03/31/2024 based on risk adjusted total return. Overall Ratings are determined monthly and subject to change. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5- and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics.††

## ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
With Sales Charge				
Investor A	6.70	1.14	3.39	3.68
Without Sales Charge				
Investor A	11.14	2.53	4.24	4.11
Benchmark	11.15	2.19	4.19	4.44
Morningstar Average	10.40	2.07	3.76	3.60

## CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD	1Q2024
Without Sales Charge							
Investor A	15.10	5.49	5.53	-10.87	13.34	1.95	1.95
Benchmark	14.32	7.05	5.26	-11.18	13.44	1.47	1.47
Morningstar Average	12.62	4.91	4.77	-10.09	12.08	1.67	1.67

Performance data shown represents past performance which is no guarantee of future results. Investment returns and principal values may fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than that shown. All returns assume reinvestment of all dividend and capital gain distributions. Refer to blackrock.com for current month-end performance. Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index. Returns with sales charge reflect the deduction of current maximum initial sales charge of 4.00%. The calendar year performance shown does not reflect the deduction of the sales load. If reflected, the performance would have been lower. Please see the fund prospectus for more details.

## MORNINGSTAR RANKINGS

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Morningstar Ranking	165/666	184/606	132/575	82/432
Quartile Rank	2	2	2	1

Rankings based on total return excluding sales charges, independently calculated and not combined to create an overall ranking. For periods not shown, Morningstar does not provide rankings based on synthetic performance.

**KEY RISKS:** The fund is actively managed and its characteristics will vary. Bond values fluctuate in price so the value of your investment can go down depending on market conditions. Fixed income risks include interest-rate and credit risk. Typically, when interest rates rise, there is a corresponding decline in bond values. Credit risk refers to the possibility that the bond issuer will not be able to make principal and interest payments. Principal of mortgage- or asset-backed securities normally may be prepaid at any time, reducing the yield and market value of those securities. Obligations of US govt. agencies are supported by varying degrees of credit but generally are not backed by the full faith and credit of the US govt. Non-investment-grade debt securities (high-yield/junk bonds) may be subject to greater market fluctuations, risk of default or loss of income and principal than higher rated securities. The fund may use derivatives to hedge its investments or to seek to enhance returns. Derivatives entail risks relating to liquidity, leverage and credit that may reduce returns and increase volatility. International investing involves special risks including, but not limited to currency fluctuations, illiquidity and volatility. These risks may be heightened for investments in emerging markets.

The Fund's information prior to September 17, 2018 is the information of a predecessor fund that reorganized into the Fund on September 17, 2018. The predecessor fund had the same investment objectives, strategies and policies, portfolio management team and contractual arrangements, including the same contractual fees and expenses, as the Fund as of the date of the reorganization. As a result of the reorganization, the Fund adopted the performance and financial history of the predecessor fund.

## KEY FACTS

Size of Fund (Millions)	\$22,222.6M
Fund Launch Date	11/19/1998
Share Class Launch Date	11/19/1998
Morningstar Category	High Yield Bond
Number of Issuers	1,510
Benchmark	Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index

## ANNUAL EXPENSES

Gross Expense Ratio	0.95%
Net Expense Ratio	0.93%
<i>The Net Expense Ratio excluding Investment Related Expenses is 0.92% Investment Related Expenses include acquired fund fees of 0.01%, and interest expense (cost of borrowing securities to seek to enhance return or reduce risk) of 0.00%, and certain other expenses, if applicable. Expenses stated as of the fund's most recent prospectus. The difference between gross and net expense ratios are due to contractual and/or voluntary waivers, if applicable. This share class has a contractual waiver with an end date of 06/30/2025 terminable upon 90 days' notice. BlackRock may agree to voluntarily waive certain fees and expenses, which the adviser may discontinue at any time without notice.</i>	

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

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## TOP ISSUERS (%)<sup>2</sup>

TRANSDIGM INC	2.20
HUB INTERNATIONAL LTD	2.11
ISHARES BROAD USD HIGH YIELD CORPORATE BOND ETF	2.05
VENTURE GLOBAL LNG INC	1.56
ALLIANT HOLDINGS INTERMEDIATE LLC / ALLIANT HOLDINGS CO-ISSUER	1.54
<b>Total of Portfolio</b>	<b>9.46</b>

## TOP SECTORS (%)<sup>2</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Active
Capital Goods	14.3	10.8	3.5
Consumer Cyclical	14.3	20.8	-6.6
Communications	12.4	14.0	-1.5
Technology	12.4	7.4	5.1
Energy	11.6	12.1	-0.5
Consumer Non-Cyclical	7.9	11.1	-3.2
Insurance	7.0	2.3	4.7
Basic Industry	5.2	5.2	0.0
Finance Companies	3.5	3.5	0.0

## CREDIT RATINGS BREAKDOWN (%)<sup>2,3</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Active
Cash	-1.3	0.9	-2.2
Derivatives	0.3	0.0	0.3
A Rated	0.1	0.0	0.1
BBB Rated	4.8	0.5	4.3
BB Rated	29.6	47.1	-17.6
B Rated	48.8	37.9	10.9
CCC Rated	12.7	12.3	0.4
CC Rated	0.3	1.1	-0.8
C Rated	0.0	0.0	-0.0

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## TOP SECTORS (%)<sup>2</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Active
Brokerage/Asset Managers/Exchanges	3.0	1.2	1.9
Banking	2.7	0.9	1.8
Other	5.6	10.7	-5.1

## CREDIT RATINGS BREAKDOWN (%)<sup>2,3</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Active
D Rated	0.0	0.1	-0.1
Not Rated	2.0	0.0	2.0
Other	2.8	0.0	2.8

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Model Duration	<b>3.16 yrs</b>
Weighted Average Life	<b>4.41 yrs</b>
30-Day SEC Yield	<b>6.41%</b>
Unsubsidized 30-Day SEC Yield	<b>6.39%</b>

## RISK STATISTICS (3 YEARS)

	Fund	Benchmark
Standard Deviation	8.51%	-
Sharpe Ratio	0.03	-

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