# **Allspring** Municipal Ladder (1-10 years) NY State Specific Managed Account

#### **BENCHMARK:**

**Bloomberg Short-Intermediate** Municipal Bond Index

### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Name	Industry Start Date
Robert J. Miller Senior Portfolio Manage	er 1988
Adrian Van Poppel Senior Portfolio Manage	er 1997

Bond values fluctuate in response to the financial condition of individual issuers, general market and economic conditions, and changes in interest rates. Changes in market conditions and government policies may lead to periods of heightened volatility in the bond market and reduced liquidity for certain bonds held in the portfolio. In general, when interest rates rise, bond values fall and investors may lose principal value. Interest rate changes and their impact on the portfolio can be sudden and unpredictable. A portion of the strategy's income may be subject to federal, state, and/or local income taxes or the alternative minimum tax. Any capital gains distributions may be taxable. Bond laddering does not assure a profit or protect against loss in a declining market.

## Investment objective

Our team's objective for the strategy is to provide stable, tax-efficient income and limited volatility of principal by investing in a diversified portfolio of high quality, investment-grade municipal bonds with laddered maturities between 1-10 years. We utilize a disciplined relative value approach, seeking opportunities from changing market trends, pricing inefficiencies, and intensive credit analysis to provide stable income.

Portfolio architecture

The strategy is structured to provide a portfolio of

a minimum of 10 holdings that have been vetted by our analytical team and will have a maturity

date that corresponds with each of the ten 1-year

portfolio. The structure is designed to minimize

duration swings in changing market conditions

periods following the inception date of the

and give specific yield curve exposure.

## Investment process

- Our institutional approach to the municipal market begins with bonds that have been researched and selected by our deeply-resourced team of professionals for credit quality, sector selection and geographic diversification.
- Next, we use our access to institutional inventory and pricing to provide investors with lower cost trading than may be available to retail investors.
- Ongoing, we monitor the holdings in the portfolio on a daily basis to ensure the portfolio's characteristics remain in target ranges.

# Supplemental Information

### Annualized Returns (%)

	3		1	3	5	10	Since
	months <sup>1</sup>	YTD <sup>1</sup>	year	years	years	years	inception
Composite — Pure Gross <sup>2</sup> (incept 4-30-21)	-0.69	-0.69	1.21	-	-	-	-0.48
Composite — Net <sup>3</sup>	-1.06	-1.06	-0.31	-	-	-	-1.97
Bloomberg Short-Intermediate Municipal Bond Index	-0.36	-0.36	2.07	-0.04	-	-	-0.21

Revenue bonds

Credit Quality <sup>4</sup> (%)		
Rating	Portfolio	Benchmark
AAA/Aaa	30.15	16.25
AA/Aa	59.71	57.14
A/A	10.14	23.09
BBB/Baa	0.00	3.50
BB/Ba	0.00	0.00
Not rated	0.00	0.01

Portfolio Characteristics	5	
Statistic	Portfolio	Benchmark
Average Maturity	6.25 years	6.05 years
Duration	4.92 years	3.44 years
Average Current Yield	4.42%	4.37%
Yield To Worst	2.69%	3.11%

Sector Allocation <sup>4</sup> (%)		
	Portfolio	Benchmark
General obligation bonds	10.01	31.99
Prerefunded bonds	0.00	4.99

89.99

63.02

Maturity Distributio	n <sup>4</sup> (%)
	Portfolio
0–1 year	0.00
1–3 years	11.12
3–5 years	22.21
5–10 years	55.38
10–20 years	11.29
20+ years	0.00
Cash & equivalents	0.00

Performance is historical and does not guarantee future results. For more information, please refer to the attached GIPS composite report. Sector weightings, portfolio characteristics, holdings, and return and risk characteristics are based on a representative account within the Allspring Global Investments composite. Allspring Global Investments provides the sub-advisory services for the Allspring Funds Management retail managed account product. 1. Returns of less than one year are not annualized. 2. The gross performance data is a pure gross-of-fees return and does not reflect the deduction of any management fees or transaction costs. 3. The net return is calculated based on the gross returns reduced by a typical 1.5% maximum annual wrap fee that could be charged to an account. 4. Credit quality, sector allocation and maturity distribution may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

# GIPS® Composite Report

Period	"Pure" Gross Annual Return (%)*	Net Annual Return (%)	Primary Index Return (%)		Primary Index 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)		Number of Accounts	Composite Assets (\$-mm)	Total Firm Assets (\$-mm)
2023	4.14	2.58	4.32	N/A	N/A	0.38	24	17.89	432,838
2022	-5.00	-6.42	-4.51	N/A	N/A	0.53	27	15.88	374,321
05/01/21-12/31/2	1 0.34	-0.65	0.22	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	1.69	483,747

Primary Index: Bloomberg Short-Intermediate Municipal Bond

\*"Pure" gross annual returns do not reflect the deduction of any expenses, including trading costs. "Pure" gross returns are supplemental to the net returns.

Source: Allspring Global Investments

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Index returns are provided to represent the investment environment existing during the time periods shown and are not covered by the report of independent verifiers. The Bloomberg Municipal Intermediate Short (1-10) Index is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of municipal bonds with time to maturity of between one and ten years. For comparison purposes, the index is fully invested, which includes the reinvestment of income. The returns for the index do not include any transaction costs, management fees or other costs.

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