

## Palmer Square Income Plus Fund (PSYPX)

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### Fund Refresher

As a refresher, the investment objective of the Palmer Square Income Plus Fund (“PSYPX” or the “Fund”) is income and capital appreciation. In seeking to achieve that investment objective, the Investment Team employs a flexible mandate to find the best relative value across corporate credit and structured credit. The Fund has also historically maintained low interest rate duration\* and high credit quality. Due to the Fund’s high-quality bias, we are very comfortable with the underlying credit quality of the holdings and ability to avoid credit losses; approximately 84% of the portfolio is rated investment grade (“IG”) and over 60% is rated A or higher. Spread duration\* is 1.59 years.

### What is the Fund trying to achieve in today’s market to benefit clients?

- **Diversified Income Generation** – The Fund generates income through a diversified exposure to corporate and structured credit, including primarily corporate bonds, bank loans, collateralized loan obligations (“CLOs”), commercial mortgage-backed securities (“CMBS”), residential mortgage-backed securities (“RMBS”), asset-backed securities (“ABS”), commercial paper and U.S. Treasury securities.
- **Low Interest Rate Duration** – We have had minimal interest rate duration that drives lower correlation to interest rate sensitive fixed income such as those investments that comprise the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index and Bloomberg 1-3 Year U.S. Corporate Index\*.
- **Capital Preservation** – The Fund maintains a high-quality bias.
- **Total Return** – The Fund also seeks capital appreciation through opportunistic portfolio rotations driven by the Investment Team’s assessment of relative value. Please note that the Fund can invest up to 30% in high yield rated (“HY”) securities.

### Portfolio Snapshot

Please refer to the table below for a portfolio snapshot by quarter.

	12/31/2023	03/31/2024	06/30/2024	09/30/2024	12/31/2024
Interest Rate Duration	0.90 yrs	0.98 yrs	0.90 yrs	0.81 yrs	0.89 yrs
Spread Duration	1.93 yrs	1.73 yrs	1.64 yrs	1.72 yrs	1.59 yrs
Yield to Expected Call*	6.03%	6.18%	6.34%	5.14%	5.43%
Yield to Maturity	5.90%	6.09%	6.26%	5.10%	5.52%
Current Yield	5.66%	5.83%	6.17%	5.51%	5.39%
30-day SEC Yield (subsidized)*	5.86%	6.03%	6.19%	5.84%	5.34%
30-day SEC Yield (unsubsidized)*	5.86%	6.03%	6.19%	5.84%	5.34%

*The performance data quoted represents past performance and that past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will 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 the performance information quoted. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end please call 866-933-9033.*

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- Performance and Attribution: The Fund returned +1.16% (net of fees) in Q4 2024 and +6.82% for the full year.** We are pleased with the performance this year on both an absolute and relative basis, but even more so on a volatility-adjusted basis compared to traditional fixed income benchmarks. The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index declined by 3.06% for the quarter but managed to eke out a +1.25% return for the full year. But the annual return data doesn't paint the full picture. **How you get there matters as well – in all but 3 months the Aggregate had returns of +/- 1.00% with 4 months of being down greater than 1.5% (Feb, Apr, Oct, and Dec).** Comparatively, the Income Plus Fund had a positive return every month with a tight range of +0.30% to +0.89%. **In terms of Sharpe Ratio\*\*, the Fund was 1.92 vs the Aggregate at -0.68.** Positive absolute performance in Q4 2024 was driven by the Fund's high current income and the moderate spread compression in CLO BBB-BBs. On a relative basis, the Fund outperformed the Aggregate significantly due to the low interest rate duration, exposure to floating rate securities, and overall conservative allocation. As for attribution, CLO Debt added the most in the quarter at 0.64% followed by ABS at 0.16%. RMBS was the only detractor in Q4 at -0.03% while HY Bonds added only 0.01%. Below is a summary of major benchmark performance for comparison.

\*\*Using monthly return data and a risk-free rate of 5.25% based on the return of the ICE BofA 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Selected Indices*	Q4 2024 Performance	YTD 2024 Performance
Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Index	-3.14% (Yield +0.69%)	+0.58% (+0.37%)
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	-3.06% (spread -2bps)	+1.25% (-8bps)
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Index	-3.04% (spread -9bps)	+2.13% (-19bps)
Bloomberg 1-3 Year U.S. Corporate Index	+0.19% (spread -4bps)	+5.28% (-15bps)
Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Index	+0.17% (spread -4bps)	+8.19% (-36bps)
iBoxx Liquid Leveraged Loan Index	+2.36% (DM -20bps)	+8.50% (-61bps)
Palmer Square CLO Senior Debt Index	+1.65% (DM -10bps)	+7.41% (-33bps)
Palmer Square CLO Debt Index	+2.52% (DM -33bps)	+13.22% (-135bps)
S&P 500 Index	+2.39%	+25.00%
STOXX 600 Index	-2.53%	+9.62%

Source: Bloomberg as of 12/31/2024.

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## Detailed Fund Performance History

The Fund delivered a return of 1.16% (net of fees) in Q4 2024.

### Fund Performance Net of Fees as of 12/31/2024 (inception 2/28/2014)

	Q4		2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	2024	2024									
PSYPX	1.16%	6.82%	8.78%	-0.76%	1.17%	3.65%	5.29%	1.17%	4.03%	5.24%	1.21%
Bloomberg 1-3 Yr U.S. Corp Index*	0.20%	5.28%	5.48%	-3.32%	-0.13%	3.79%	5.30%	1.57%	1.85%	2.36%	1.01%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index*	-3.06%	1.25%	5.53%	-13.01%	-1.54%	7.50%	8.73%	0.02%	3.54%	2.66%	0.57%

### Fund Performance Net of Fees as of 12/31/2024 (inception 2/28/2014)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD Annualized
PSYPX	6.82%	4.87%	3.87%	3.62%	3.43%
Bloomberg 1-3 Year U.S. Corp Index*	5.28%	2.40%	2.16%	2.29%	2.17%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index*	1.27%	-2.41%	-0.33%	1.35%	1.60%

*Class I shares – Annual Expense Ratio: Gross 0.74%/Net 0.74%. Palmer Square has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or pay for operating expenses of the Fund to ensure that total annual fund operating expenses (excluding any taxes, leverage interest, brokerage commissions, dividend and interest expenses on short sales, acquired fund fees and expenses (as determined in accordance with Form N-1A), expenses incurred in connection with any merger or reorganization, and extraordinary expenses such as litigation expenses) do not exceed 0.88% of the average daily net assets of the Fund. This agreement is in effect until October 31, 2025, and it may be terminated before that date only by the Trust's Board of Trustees. The Fund's advisor is permitted to seek reimbursement from the Fund, subject to certain limitations, of fees waived or payments made to the Fund for a period ending three full fiscal years after the date of the waiver or payment. Shares of the Fund are available for investment only by clients of financial intermediaries, institutional investors, and a limited number of other investors approved by the Advisor. The performance data quoted represents past performance and that past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will 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 the performance information quoted. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end please call 866-933-9033.*

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## Summary Themes:

- I. Positioning
- II. 2024 Recap
- III. 2025 Outlook: A Resilient US Economy, Rate Volatility to Continue, Floating Rate Credit Remains an Attractive Source of Steady Income

### Theme I. Positioning

- The Fund largely maintained its portfolio composition in the fourth quarter as market conditions mostly mirrored the prevailing trends of 2024, characterized by: (i) continued spread compression, with most credit asset classes approaching historically tight levels; (ii) low spread volatility, supported by robust fundamentals and favorable market technicals; and (iii) elevated interest rate volatility, reinforcing our preference for floating rate credit. Notable changes include modest reductions in IG corporate bonds (-3% q/q) and CLO debt (-2% q/q) with similarly sized increases in ABS and Treasuries. The rotation reflects the unwind of a tactical increase in IG corporate bond exposure during the third quarter and the tight spread environment more broadly. Overall, we remain conservatively positioned with an emphasis on higher credit quality within each asset type and ample cash & cash equivalents to capitalize on market opportunities when they arise.

### Theme II. 2024 Recap

- **The Fed Declares Victory (Too Early) and Rate Volatility:** Changing interest rate expectations were one of the key themes of 2024, causing short- and long-term rates to oscillate within a broad range over the course of the year. This was especially true in the fourth quarter as rates marched higher with the U.S. 2 Year Treasury and U.S. 10 Year Treasury finishing 60bps and 79bps higher q/q, respectively. This interest rate volatility was compounded by the uncertain path of the Fed's current cutting cycle, which began with 2 cuts in September and ended the year with a total of four cuts in 2024. From here, the Fed's path grows less certain as they attempt to balance several competing forces including a strong domestic economy, stubborn inflation, and policy uncertainty from the incoming administration. The market expectations for the Fed Funds Rate in 2025 (expecting 1 cut) are nearing our house view, but we expect rate volatility to be persistent theme in 2025.
- **The AI Capex Boom:** The exceptionalism of the U.S., both in terms of stock market returns and economic growth, was one of the key themes of 2024 and was aided in large part by the growing and broadening Artificial Intelligence (AI) cycle. What started as largely a stock market phenomenon within the Magnificent 7, has grown into a significant capital expenditure boom that is having broad ramifications across the economy. **The Magnificent 7 alone has increased AI spending from \$174bn in 2023 to an expected \$310bn in 2025.** The magnitude of this spending is having a pronounced stimulatory impact on the real economy, which doesn't even include all the secondary spending impacts across the economy (Utilities, Semiconductors, Capital Equipment, Infrastructure) and potential productivity gains.
- **Spreads Tighter but Credit Risk Lower:** Despite some modest bumps along the way, credit spreads moved lower in lockstep throughout most of 2024 with some asset classes plumbing multi-year lows along the way. Spreads are undoubtedly tight, but they are bolstered by a number of key factors including: (i) supportive macroeconomic conditions, (ii) improving issuer credit fundamentals, (iii) accommodating capital markets, and (iv) strong demand technicals, especially in floating rate assets.

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**Theme III. Outlook: A Resilient US Economy, Rate Volatility to Continue, Floating Rate Credit Remains an Attractive Source of Steady Income**

- **US Economic Exceptionalism:** The U.S. economy was the envy of the world in 2024, producing the highest real GDP (gross domestic product) growth rate in the developed world, maintaining healthy levels of job growth, and making steady progress on inflation. U.S. growth is expected to remain strong in 2025 (street consensus = 2.1% real GDP growth), but the path of monetary and fiscal policy will play a big role in whether the economy is able to reaccelerate, or if growth starts to slow down. Recent indicators remain constructive – December non-farm payroll number was a robust 256k, Atlanta Fed GDPNow has moved up to 3.0% for Q4 GDP, December Core CPI came in lower than expected – but uncertainty with regards to the upcoming administration’s policy agenda, amongst other factors, *could* lead to more volatility than in 2024.
- **Rate Volatility Here to Stay:** The beginning of the year has shown us that rate volatility is here to stay as the market faces a number of key issues – inflation has yet to be fully vanquished, the path of rate cuts remains very uncertain, and myriad policy questions are still left outstanding (more deficit spending? tariffs? tax cuts?). We expect the U.S. 10-Year Treasury Bond to trade in the broad range of 4.50-5.00% in 2025 as we believe short term rates will end up near 4.00% (1 cut) and the upward sloping shape of the curve will reestablish. Within this range, we expect rate volatility to remain elevated and the potential for the market to temporarily overshoot to the up or downside. Rates outside of this range likely bode ill for the market as it likely indicates an unexpected slowdown in the economy or a reacceleration in the rate of inflation. The market is in consensus on the asymmetrical nature of rate cuts (Fed Funds = flat or down); any discussion of rate hikes by the Fed would be highly disruptive to the market.
- **Floating Rate Continues to be an Attractive Relative Value Play:** We continue to view floating rate credit as the most attractive place to invest in credit due to a number of factors including: (i) current income advantage over similarly rated fixed rate credit, (ii) expectations for continued rate volatility, (iii) strong demand technicals, and (iv) our higher-for-longer rate view. While recent Fed rate cuts and a steeper yield curve have eroded some of the coupon advantage, floating rate assets continue to offer a higher current yield given the spread premium offered by CLOs and Loans. This is a crucial point of differentiation as current income tends to be the primary driver of excess return in a tight spread environment. Lastly, exposure to floating rate allows investors to avoid much of the interest rate-induced volatility that we expect in 2025.

## Summary on Attribution, Allocation and Positioning

### Select Portfolio Attribution and Characteristic Dashboard

	Allocation	% Allocation	Q4 2024 Attribution	Average Price	Yield to Expected Call*
IG	ABS (100% AAA)	17%	0.16%	100.4	4.6%
	Treasury Bonds	17%	0.14%	99.1	4.1%
	CLO AAA	12%	0.20%	100.3	5.2%
	CLO AA	2%	0.03%	99.9	5.2%
	CLO A	1%	0.02%	100.4	6.3%
	CLO BBB	10%	0.21%	100.4	7.0%
	RMBS (97% AAA, 100% A and above)	2%	-0.03%	85.5	5.6%
	CMBS	2%	0.05%	92.1	8.6%
	IG Corp Bonds - Fixed	14%	0.04%	97.4	4.9%
	IG Corp Bonds - Floating	2%	0.03%	100.3	4.8%
HY	IG Bank Loans	1%	0.02%	100.2	5.9%
	Bank Loans - Non IG	5%	0.10%	100.5	6.5%
	HY Corp Bonds	5%	0.01%	96.4	5.7%
	CLO BB	5%	0.18%	100.9	9.8%

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### Historic Positioning Detail by Asset Type:

	12/31/2023 Allocation	03/31/2024 Allocation	06/30/2024 Allocation	09/30/2024 Allocation	12/31/2024 Allocation
CLO Debt	32%	33%	35%	33%	31%
IG Corp Debt	23%	20%	12%	19%	16%
ABS	9%	11%	16%	15%	17%
Gov't Bonds	13%	15%	18%	16%	17%
RMBS	4%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Bank Loans	7%	8%	9%	5%	6%
CMBS	4%	4%	3%	2%	2%
HY Corp Bonds	4%	4%	4%	6%	5%
Cash/Other	4%	3%	1%	3%	4%

Please note allocation and attribution above is a % of NAV and does not include hedges. Gross attribution does not include hedges, expenses and fees if applicable. Fund holdings and sector allocations are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell any security. Asset-backed Securities (ABS), Mortgage-backed Securities (MBS), Commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS), Residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS).

- **CLO Allocation/Opportunity to Capture Income and Total Return** – As of quarter-end, 31% of the portfolio, a decrease of 2% from last quarter, was invested in CLO debt. Our exposure in the capital stack continues to be weighted towards AAA, which still offers tremendous value in the 120-140bps spread range and current yields over 5.5%. AAA spreads are 20-40bps cheap to the post crisis tightness seen in 2018, while corporate credit spreads are sitting near their all-time tightness. Breakeven spread widening also looks very attractive at current levels. For example, over a one year holding period, AAA spreads on shorter duration profiles would need to reach more than 500bps in order to not make money, a level wider than during the depths of the COVID pandemic.<sup>1</sup>
- CLO mezzanine exposure decreased slightly with BBBs at 10% and BBs at 5%. BBB and BB CLO debt were some of the best performing asset classes in 2023 with returns of +16.91% and +24.00%, respectively, and continued their outperformance in 2024 with returns of +12.67% and +20.52%, respectively. In addition, yields still look very attractive with the average current yields on our BBBs at 7.78% and BBs at 11.23%. *We continue to add to CLO portfolios that are higher quality and as we believe they will continue to outperform portfolios with more risky collateral.*
- **Investment Grade Corporate Bond Allocation** – IG corporate bond exposure decreased moderately from 19% to 16%. We reduced exposure in early October as spreads rallied from YTD highs in early August to new YTD lows in mid-October. Yields did improve materially during the quarter with the YTW (yield-to-worst) on the Bloomberg U.S. 1-3 Corporate Index increasing from 4.30% at the end of the third quarter to 4.79% at year-end; however, spreads remain tight on a historical basis. *We continue to maintain a conservative positioning within our IG corporate allocation, leaving us well-positioned to add risk at more attractive levels in the future should spreads widen back out.*
- **High Yield Bond Allocation** – As of quarter-end, HY corporate bond exposure was 5% of the portfolio, down modestly from 6% last quarter. We gradually trimmed HY exposure throughout the quarter, taking advantage of spread compression that culminated in HY BB Spreads (Bloomberg Ba US High Yield Index OAS) hitting a multi-year low of 149bps in early November. Overall, we continue to maintain a defensive posture within our HY allocation, focusing on shorter duration bonds and discounted bonds with upside from near-term refinancings. *Spread valuations remain challenging and we expect to keep our HY allocation at or near current levels until the risk/reward profile becomes more attractive.*
- **ABS/MBS Allocation has Provided Diversification and Income Capture** – As of quarter-end, 21% of the portfolio had exposure to ABS/MBS. During the quarter, our allocation to ABS was relatively unchanged
  - » **ABS** exposure (primarily prime auto ABS with a weighted average life (WAL)\* of 12 months or less) ended 2% higher relative to Q3 and 8% higher YTD, currently 17% of the Fund.
  - » **CMBS** exposure at quarter-end was 2%, consistent with Q3 2024. Our preference in CMBS continues to be single asset/single borrowers and in sectors where we find most relative value, notably retail and lodging. We still feel there are macro headwinds for commercial real estate in certain sectors, so we have not increased exposure.
  - » **RMBS** exposure remained steady compared to Q3 2024. Our existing exposure in non-agency is still primarily AAA rated debt which is backed by collateral from borrowers with FICOs (Fair Isaac Corporation\*) greater than 700 and in some cases as high as 760.

<sup>1</sup>Please see Notes and Disclosure for definitions. <sup>2</sup>This example is provided for illustrative purposes only.

<b>ABS/MBS Positions</b>	<b>12/31/24</b>
Prime Autos	11.99%
Cards	4.29%
Equipment	0.68%
<b>ABS (100% AAA)</b>	<b>16.96%</b>
Conduit	0.58%
Single Asset/Single Borrower	1.63%
<b>CMBS (75% A- and above)</b>	<b>2.20%</b>
Agency	0.06%
Non-Agency	1.88%
<b>RMBS (97% AAA)</b>	<b>1.94%</b>

Source: Palmer Square.

- Bank Loan Allocation** – As of quarter-end, bank loan exposure was 5.9% of the portfolio, a modest increase from 5.4% at the end of last quarter. We continue to believe bank loans look attractive due to high current income and a supportive technical backdrop highlighted by robust CLO creation and limited net new loan supply. Although strong demand has been supportive of asset prices, it has increased downward pressure on spreads as repricing activity accelerated in the fourth quarter. *We maintain our constructive stance on higher quality U.S. bank loans and expect to keep allocations near current levels in the near term.*

Although credit market valuations remain tight, we believe the Fund remains well-positioned to not only generate a strong yield, but also capital appreciation going forward. In addition, we believe our Fund’s conservative positioning and low interest rate duration have the potential to deliver a higher Sharpe\* ratio as we continue to navigate these markets. We are confident in our opportunistic approach to relative value and are excited about how the portfolio is positioned and its outlook.

## Summary

**The Fund’s diverse portfolio across corporate and structured credit is positioned in predominately investment grade securities, yet has offered a strong current yield\* and potential opportunity for capital appreciation.** We believe we are opportune in our approach to relative value and are excited about how this portfolio is positioned and its outlook.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at [investorrelations@palmersquarecap.com](mailto:investorrelations@palmersquarecap.com) or 816-994-3200 should you desire more information. We would also be happy to set up a call and/or meeting at your convenience.

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**CAPEX** refers to capital expenditure or the money a company spends to buy, improve or maintain long-term assets.

**Magnificent 7** is a common term used to represent seven specific technology companies (Alphabet, Amazon, Apple, Meta, Microsoft, Nvidia and Tesla). The **Atlanta Fed GDPNow** model forecast GDP (gross domestic product) growth by aggregating the 13 subcomponents that make up GDP with the chain-weighted methodology used by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. **Core CPI** (consumer price index) is a measure of inflation that excludes the price of food and energy. **Yield Curve** is a graph that plots the yield (or interest rate) across different maturity dates. **YTW** (yield-to-worst) is a financial metric that calculates the lowest possible return on a bond.

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