



Strive Fixed Income

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MISSION

Our mission is to **maximize value for our clients** by leading companies to focus on excellence.

HOW WE DO IT

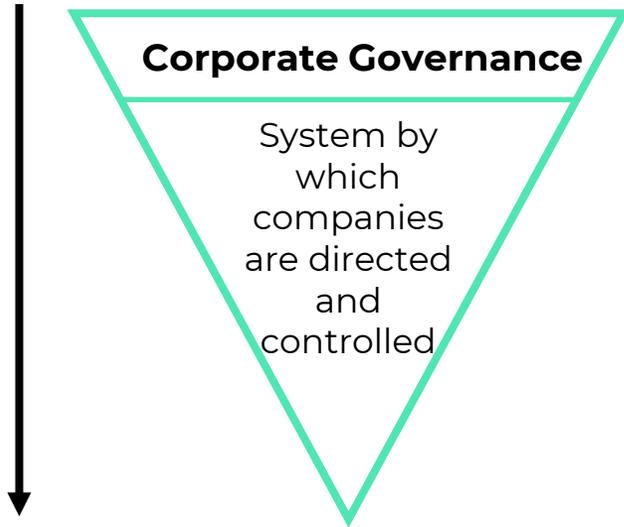
We provide investment funds and client solutions that aim to maximize long-run value through **a commitment to shareholder primacy that mandates the corporate pursuit of excellence.**

LONG-RUN VISION

Increase long-run capital market realized returns and assumptions by **restoring and protecting free market capitalism.**

Stakeholder Capitalism Negatively Impacts Equities & Fixed Income

Public Equities – Top Down



Shareholder Capitalism: The purpose of a for profit corporation is to maximize value to shareholders.

Stakeholder Capitalism: All stakeholders are equally important in strategic decision making – deprioritize the shareholder.

Fixed Income – Bottom Up



Shareholder Capitalism: Access to capital is based solely on risk-adjusted return opportunity.

Stakeholder Capitalism: Broader societal issues must be factored into lending decisions.

Fixed Income Dislocations from ESG

“Greenium” = the difference in yield between green bonds and ordinary bonds of a similar maturity, because investors are often willing to pay extra for a bond with a green impact.

- The Federal Reserve estimated dollar and euro denominated green corporate bonds, on average, **offer a yield that is 8 basis points lower than conventional bonds.**¹

Investors may get higher yields for buying the debt of companies with lower ESG scores.

- **39%** of fixed income investors have divested from companies due to their ESG scores compared to only **23%** of equity investors.²
- **30%** of fixed income investors have reduced exposure to oil and gas.³
- Fixed income divestment based on non-financial factors creates potential opportunities for alpha.

The Strive & Angel Oak Collaborative Partnership

Strive Responsibilities:

Sector Allocation
Duration
Curve Positioning

CEO & CIO
Matt Cole

Portfolio Manager
Jeff Sherman

Research
Chris Nicholson, PhD Zead Haddad Mary O'Sullivan

Angle Oak Responsibilities:

Security Selection

Sreeni Prabhu Managing Partner Group Chief Investment Officer
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Namit Sinha CIO, Public & Private Strategies
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RESIDENTIAL & ASSET-BACKED		COMMERCIAL	CORPORATE	ETF	PORTFOLIO ANALYTICS
Sam Dunlap Portfolio Manager	Clayton Trlick, CFA Portfolio Manager	Sumit Sasidharan Head of CRE	Matt Kennedy, CFA Head of Corp. Credit	Ward Bortz ETF Portfolio Manager	Santiago Urrutia Analyst
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About Strive

Based in Columbus, Ohio

- 40+ team members
- CEO and CIO Matt Cole spent 16+ years as an Investment Manager at CalPERS
- ETFs offered on 50+ platforms
- Raised \$1 billion across 11 ETFs in our first year¹

Strategic Company Engagements²



Offerings

- 12 ETFs Available
- Retirement Solutions
- Model Portfolios
- Target Date Funds
- Direct Indexing
- Proxy Advisory Services



Strategic
Partners

ACA Foreside

Bloomberg

PINE ADVISOR SOLUTIONS

usbank

Angel Oak Capital Advisors, LLC

GTS

ETF Architect

Angel Oak: A Vertically Integrated Credit Manager

Firm

- Atlanta, Georgia HQ
- 14+ years of operating history
- Independently owned Co-CEOs Mike Fierman & Sreeni Prabhu

Asset Management

- \$16.5B Assets Under Management¹
- 50+ investment vehicles²
- 85 total employees with 29 investment team members

Origination

- One of largest non-QM originators
- \$18.6B+ non-QM loans originated since inception
- 3,000+ mortgage brokers in 38 states

A HISTORY OF TAKING ADVANTAGE OF MARKET OPPORTUNITIES TO ADDRESS CLIENT CHALLENGES

Asset Management

2008

Angel Oak launched as an asset management business

2010/2011

Launch of Multi-Strategy Income Fund

2013/2014

Non-QM private credit investment strategy begins

2015/2016

First draw-down funds dedicated to Non-QM

2017-2019

Launched closed-end fund
Launched UltraShort Fund
Launched Interval Fund

2020-2021

Launch of Total Return Bond Fund
Issued first NA RMBS Social Bond in U.S.
Launched publicly traded mortgage REIT

2022-2023

Launch of Income ETF
Launch of UltraShort Income ETF

Mortgage Origination

Created Angel Oak Lending

2010/2011

Non-QM origination begins

2013/2014

First Non-QM securitization

2015/2016

Launched Angel Oak Commercial Lending

2017-2019

Successfully completed 15 Non-QM securitizations

2020-2021

Successfully completed 13 Non-QM Securitizations

2022-2023

STXT: Strive Total Return Bond ETF

WHY INVEST IN STXT?



Active sector allocation and security selection with the sole goal of maximizing total return over an entire market cycle without regard to non-pecuniary factors.



Unlock value through an unwavering commitment to shareholder capitalism: sector allocation and security selection solely based on credit risk and asset price.



Current income and long-term capital appreciation.



Diversified portfolio of government, corporate, and securitized markets with a tactical allocation to high-yield corporates, utilizing active management in an effort to provide higher risk-adjusted returns.

KEY DETAILS

Ticker	STXT
CUSIP	02072L 458
Management Strategy	Active
Category	Core-Plus Bond
Expense Ratio	0.49%
Primary Exchange	NYSE Arca
Index	Bloomberg US Agg

Risk Metric	Index Bloomberg US Agg
Option Adjusted Duration	6.24
Option Adjusted Spread	0.42
Option Adjusted Convexity	0.57
Option Adjusted Spread	
Duration	6.16
Yield	4.53
Coupon	3.09
Maturity	8.46

Broad Asset Class	Asset Class	Bloomberg Agg	Example Strategic Allocation
Treasuries	Treasuries	42.0%	25.0%
Agency	Agency/Other	33.0%	25.0%
Credit	IG Corporates	25.0%	12.5%
Credit	HY Corporates	0.0%	12.5%
Credit	Structured Credit	0.0%	25.0%
Total		100.0%	100.0%

BUXX: Strive Enhanced Income Short Maturity ETF

WHY INVEST IN BUXX?



U.S. dollar denominated assets with a duration of less than one year to minimize price volatility and maintain portfolio liquidity.



Unlock value through an unwavering commitment to shareholder capitalism: sector allocation and security selection solely based on credit risk and asset price.



Securitized products overweight increases yield while maintaining or improving credit quality versus peer funds.



Investment Grade assets in Structured Credit and IG Corporate sectors to provide durable enhanced yield and outperformance over a full market cycle.

KEY DETAILS

Ticker	BUXX
CUSIP	02072L 441
Management Strategy	Active
Category	Ultrashort Bond
Expense Ratio	0.25%
Primary Exchange	NYSE Arca
Index	Bloomberg US T-Bills

Broad Asset Class	Asset Class	Bloomberg US T Bill Index	Example Strategic Allocation
Treasuries	Treasury Bills	100.0%	33.3%
Credit	IG Corporates	0.0%	33.3%
Credit	Structured Credit	0.0%	33.3%
Total		100.0%	100.0%

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Important Information

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Investments involve risk. Principal loss is possible. The Strive ETFs are distributed by Quasar Distributors, LLC.

The principal risks of investing STXT and BUXX:

Interest Rate Risk. Interest rate risk is the risk that fixed income securities will decline in value because of an increase in interest rates and changes to other factors, such as perception of an issuer's creditworthiness. Funds with higher durations generally are subject to greater interest rate risk. For example, the price of a security with a seven-year duration would be expected to drop by approximately 7% in response to a 1% increase in interest rates. **Mortgage-Backed and Asset Backed Securities Risk.** Mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities represent interests in "pools" of mortgages or other assets, including consumer loans or receivables held in trust. Mortgage-backed securities are subject to "prepayment risk" (the risk that borrowers will repay a loan more quickly in periods of falling interest rates) and "extension risk" (the risk that borrowers will repay a loan more slowly in periods of rising interest rates). If the Fund invests in mortgage-backed or asset-backed securities that are subordinated to other interests in the same pool, the Fund may only receive payments after the pool's obligations to other investors have been satisfied. An unexpectedly high rate of defaults on the assets held by a pool may limit substantially the pool's ability to make payments of principal or interest to the Fund, reducing the values of those securities or in some cases rendering them worthless. The Fund's investments in other asset-backed securities are subject to risks similar to those associated with mortgage-backed securities, as well as additional risks associated with the nature of the assets and the servicing of those assets. **Real Estate Sector Risk.** The risk that real estate-related investments may decline in value as a result of factors affecting the real estate sector, such as the supply of real property in certain markets, changes in zoning laws, delays in completion of construction, changes in real estate values, changes in property taxes, levels of occupancy, and local, regional, and general market conditions. **High-Yield Debt Securities (Junk Bonds) Risk.** High-yield securities (also known as "junk bonds") carry a greater degree of risk and are considered speculative by the major credit rating agencies. High-yield securities may be issued by companies that are restructuring, are smaller and less creditworthy, or are more highly indebted than other companies. This means that they may have more difficulty making scheduled payments of principal and interest. Changes in the value of high-yield securities are influenced more by changes in the financial and business position of the issuing company than by changes in interest rates when compared to investment grade securities. High-yield securities have greater volatility because there is less certainty that principal and interest payments will be made as scheduled. The Fund's investments in high-yield securities expose it to a substantial degree of credit risk. These investments are considered speculative under traditional investment standards. Prices of high-yield securities will rise and fall primarily in response to actual or perceived changes in the issuer's financial health, although changes in market interest rates also will affect prices. High-yield securities may experience reduced liquidity and sudden and substantial decreases in price. **Illiquid Investments Risk.** The Fund may, at times, hold illiquid investments, by virtue of the absence of a readily available market for certain of its investments, or because of legal or contractual restrictions on sales. The Fund could lose money if it is unable to dispose of an investment at a time or price that is most beneficial to the Fund. **New Fund Risk.** The Fund is a recently organized management investment company with no operating history. As a result, prospective investors have no track record or history on which to base their investment decision. There can be no assurance that the Fund will grow to or maintain an economically viable size. **Non-Diversification Risk.** Because the Fund is non-diversified, it may be more sensitive to economic, business, political or other changes affecting individual issuers or investments than a diversified fund, which may result in greater fluctuation in the value of the Fund's Shares and greater risk of loss. **Geopolitical/Natural Disaster Risk.** The Fund's investments are subject to geopolitical and natural disaster risks, such as war, terrorism, trade disputes, political or economic dysfunction within some nations, public health crises and related geopolitical events, as well as environmental disasters, epidemics and/or pandemics, which may add to instability in world economies and volatility in markets. The impact may be short-term or may last for extended periods.

Important Information

The principal risks of investing in STXT include:

Financial Services Sector Risk. The risk that an investment in issuers in the financial services sector or transactions with one or more counterparties in the financial services sector may be adversely affected by, among other things: (i) changes in governmental regulation; (ii) changes in interest rates and cost of capital funds; (iii) deterioration of the credit markets; (iv) credit losses; (v) financial losses associated with investment activities, especially when financial services companies are exposed to financial leverage; (vi) the risk of substantial decline in the valuations of its assets; (vii) unexpected market or other events that lead to a sudden decline in the values of most or all companies in the financial services sector; and (viii) the interconnectedness or interdependence among financial services companies, including the risk that the financial distress or failure of one financial services company may materially and adversely affect a number of other financial services companies.

The principal risks of investing in BUXX include:

Derivatives Risk. The risk of investing in derivative instruments (such as futures, swaps and structured securities), including leverage, liquidity, interest rate, market, credit and management risks, and valuation complexity. Changes in the value of a derivative may not correlate perfectly with, and may be more sensitive to market events than, the underlying asset, rate or index, and the Fund could lose more than the initial amount invested. The Fund's use of derivatives may result in losses to the Fund, a reduction in the Fund's returns and/or increased volatility. **Structured Products Risk.** The Fund may invest in Structured Products, including CLOs, CDOs, CMOs, and other asset-backed securities and debt securitizations. Some Structured Products have credit ratings but are typically issued in various classes with various priorities. Normally, Structured Products are privately offered and sold (that is, they are not registered under the securities laws) and may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities; however, an active dealer market may exist for Structured Products that qualify for Rule 144A transactions. The senior and junior tranches of Structured Products may have floating or variable interest rates based on LIBOR and are subject to the risks associated with securities tied to LIBOR, including the risks associated with the future replacement of LIBOR with an alternative reference rate. The Fund may also invest in the equity tranches of a Structured Product, which typically represent the first loss position in the Structured Product, are unrated and are subject to higher risks. Equity tranches of Structured Products typically do not have a fixed coupon and payments on equity tranches will be based on the income received from the underlying collateral and the payments made to the senior tranches, both of which may be based on floating rates based on LIBOR. **Credit Risk.** The financial condition of an issuer of a debt security or other instrument may cause such issuer to default, become unable to pay interest or principal due or otherwise fail to honor its obligations or cause such issuer to be perceived (whether by market participants, rating agencies, pricing services or otherwise) as being in such situations. The value of an investment in the Fund may change quickly and without warning in response to issuer defaults, changes in the credit ratings of the Fund's portfolio investments and/or perceptions related thereto. **Interest Rate Risk.** Interest rate risk is the risk that fixed income securities will decline in value because of an increase in interest rates and changes to other factors, such as perception of an issuer's creditworthiness. Funds with higher durations generally are subject to greater interest rate risk, usually making them more volatile than debt securities, such as bonds, with shorter durations. For example, the price of a security with a seven-year duration would be expected to drop by approximately 7% in response to a 1% increase in interest rates. **Prepayment Risk.** The risk that the issuer of a debt security repays all or a portion of the principal prior to the security's maturity. In times of declining interest rates, there is a greater likelihood that the Fund's higher yielding securities will be pre-paid with the Fund being unable to reinvest the proceeds in an investment with as favorable a yield. Prepayments can therefore result in lower yields to shareholders of the Fund. **Extension Risk.** An issuer could exercise its right to pay principal on an obligation held by the Fund (such as a mortgage-backed security) later than expected. This may happen when there is a rise in interest rates. Under these circumstances, the value of the obligation will decrease, and the Fund will also suffer from the inability to reinvest in higher yielding securities. **Issuer-Specific Changes.** Changes in the financial condition of an issuer or counterparty, changes in specific economic or political conditions that affect a particular type of security or issuer, and changes in general economic or political conditions can increase the risk of default by an issuer or counterparty, which can affect a security's or instrument's credit quality or value. Entities providing credit support or a maturity-shortening structure also can be affected by these types of changes, and if the structure of a security fails to function as intended, the security could decline in value. **Variable and Floating Rate Securities Risk.** Floating or variable rate securities pay interest at rates that adjust in response to changes in a specified interest rate or reset at predetermined dates (such as the end of a calendar quarter). Securities with floating or variable interest rates are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes but may decline in value if their interest rates do not rise as much, or as quickly, as interest rates in general. Conversely, floating rate securities will not generally increase in value if interest rates decline. Inverse floating rate securities may decrease in value if interest rates increase. Inverse floating rate securities may also exhibit greater price volatility than a fixed rate obligation with similar credit quality. When a Fund holds variable or floating rate securities, a decrease (or, in the case of inverse floating rate securities, an increase) in market interest rates will adversely affect the income received from such securities and the NAV of the Fund's shares.