

Flexible Income Fund

PM Commentary as of December 31, 2017



CAPITAL MARKET OVERVIEW

Equity markets ended 2017 on a strong note. The 4th quarter saw a continuation of trends that have influenced the market all year. Investor optimism about continued global economic growth and strong corporate earnings led to another quarter of higher stock prices. Strong holiday sales and the passage of tax reform legislation also provided tailwinds to equity markets. The CBOE Volatility Index continued to hover near record lows, and, for the first time since 1958, U.S. equities delivered positive returns in every single month of the year.

The S&P 500 Index produced a total return of 6.64% in the 4th quarter. Growth continued to outperform value, with the Russell 3000 Growth Index up 7.61%, beating the 5.08% return from the Russell 3000 Value. Large companies generally outperformed smaller companies during the quarter. The Russell 1000 returned 6.59%, the Russell Midcap Index returned 6.07%, the Russell 2000 returned 3.34%, and the Russell Microcap Index returned 1.80%. Consumer discretionary and technology were the best performing sectors in the fourth quarter. Utilities, health care, and consumer staples underperformed.

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PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

The Buffalo Flexible Income Fund produced a return 5.50% for the quarter and underperformed the S&P 500 Index return of 6.64% but outperformed the ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch High Yield Master II Index return of 0.41%. The fund's peer group index, the Lipper Mixed-Asset Allocation Moderate Funds Index, produced a return of 3.17% for the quarter.

Average Annualized Performance (%)

As of 12/31/17	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	15 YR	Since Inception
Buffalo Flexible Income Fund	13.21	6.84	8.07	6.29	8.84	7.44
ICE BofA ML Combined Index	16.09	9.40	11.79	8.26	9.49	9.00
S&P 500 Index (60%)	21.83	11.41	15.79	8.50	9.92	9.90
ICE BofA ML HY Master II Index (40%)	7.48	6.39	5.80	7.89	8.84	7.66
Lipper Mixed-Asset Allocation Moderate Funds Index	13.37	6.24	7.89	5.17	6.81	7.09

Expense ratio 1.01%. Inception Date 8/12/1994. Data represented reflects past performance and is no guarantee of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original value. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance current to the most recent month end may be obtained by visiting the Funds' website at buffalofunds.com.

The equity portion of the portfolio outperformed the S&P 500 Index with a total return of 6.69% for the quarter. The relative outperformance was primarily driven by the energy and information technology sectors. The outperformance within energy was driven by security selection. Specific energy securities that provided positive relative performance included **HollyFrontier**, **Marathon Petroleum**, **Helmerich and Payne**, and **BP**. HollyFrontier and Marathon are refiners that benefited from refining margins and crude differentials. HollyFrontier also benefited from an improved operating environment associated with higher oil prices, which has led to better pricing and utilization for their products, while BP was also a beneficiary of higher oil prices.

The relative outperformance within the information technology sector was due to security selection. Specifically, **Intel** benefited from good earnings (margin expansion), positive trends in its data center segment, and stability in its PC segment.

The top three contributors to the fund's performance during the quarter were HollyFrontier, **Intel**, and **Boeing** while the top three detractors were **General Electric**, **Pitney Bowes**, and **GlaxoSmithKline**.

The fixed income portion of the fund generated a return of 1.32% and outperformed the ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch High Yield Master II Index return of 0.42%. Relative outperformance was led by the consumer discretionary and information technology sectors. Within the consumer discretionary sector, the primary driver of outperformance was the portfolio's **Lions Gate Entertainment** convertible bond investment, which advanced due to better earnings guidance, driven by better-than-expected STARZ subscribers and cord cutting. The information technology segment outperformance was driven by both sector allocation and security selection. **Bankrate** refinanced their capital structure, which led to positive performance, and **Nuance Communications** 1.5% convert appreciated due to strong earnings driven by its healthcare segment, as well as positive bookings guidance.

The top individual contributors to the fund's fixed income performance included Lions Gate Entertainment 1.25% convertible notes, Nuance 1.5% convertible notes, and **Valeant's** 6.375% senior notes. The largest relative detractors to the fixed income return were **Medicines Company** 2.50% convertible bonds, **Consolidated Communications** 6.5% senior notes, and **Cornerstone on Demand** 1.5% convertible notes.

OUTLOOK

We believe the market could experience more volatility in the coming quarters, as the Federal Reserve continues with its desire to normalize interest rates, along with a focus on the likelihood of the Trump administration to enact infrastructure spending, deregulation, and corporate tax reform. Prospective tailwinds for the economy include further job growth, wage increases, lower tax rates, and simply more optimism from both businesses and consumers; all of which could lead to higher Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth. On the other hand, possible headwinds include potential strengthening of the U.S. dollar, further increases in interest rates, and stock price valuation metrics that are above historical market averages, leading us to believe that the stock market may have a hard time achieving further multiple expansion.

Despite the expectation of more volatility, we continue to focus on wide moat, large-capitalization companies that are trading at reasonable valuations, in our view. As always, the fund will continue to focus on competitively advantaged companies that can be purchased at a fair price, in our opinion. As the stock market has continued to climb, it is getting harder to find companies that fit our investment criteria, but we continue follow our process of finding new investment ideas and are ready when market declines provide better opportunities.

Within the fixed income portion of the fund, we continue to focus on higher quality, below investment grade credit securities. With credit yield spreads at cycle lows, in our opinion, we are being selective and disciplined with purchases, as we do not anticipate much price appreciation within fixed income markets, in general. ◀

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As of 9/30/17 the Buffalo Flexible Income Fund's top ten holdings were: Lions Gate Entertainment 4.48%, AT&T 3.07%, Boeing 3.05%, Bankrate 2.94%, HollyFrontier 2.88%, Intel 2.79%, Microsoft 2.78%, Exxon Mobil 2.73%, General Electric 2.64%, Verizon 2.61%. Top 10 holdings for the quarter are not disclosed until 60 days after quarter end. Those listed are for the previous quarter.

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Earnings growth is not representative of the fund's future performance.

The S&P 500 Index is a free-float capitalization-weighted index published since 1957 of the prices of 500 large-cap common stocks actively traded in the United States. Treasury bonds are debt obligations issued by the United States government. The Russell 3000 Index measures the performance of the 3,000 largest publicly held companies incorporated in the U.S. based on market capitalization. The Russell 3000 Growth Index is a market-capitalization weighted index that measures the performance of those Russell 3000 Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth rates. The Russell 3000 Value Index is based on the Russell 3000 Index, of companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower expected growth rates which measures how U.S. stocks in the equity value segment perform. The Russell Microcap Index is a small-cap and micro-cap stock market index of the smallest 2,000 companies in the Russell 3000E Index incorporated in the U.S. based on market capitalization. The Russell 2000 Index is a small-cap stock market index of the smallest 2,000 stocks in the Russell 3000 Index based on market capitalization. The Russell Midcap Index measures performance of the 800 smallest companies in the Russell 1000 Index. The Russell 1000 Index is a subset of the Russell 3000 Index, which measures the performance of the 1,000 largest publicly-held companies incorporated in the U.S. based on market capitalization. The ICE BofA ML Combined Index is an unmanaged, blended index consisting of 60% of the S&P 500 Index and 40% of the ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch U.S. High Yield Master II Index. The ICE BofA Merrill Lynch High Yield Master II Index is an unmanaged index comprised of over 1,200 high yield bonds representative of high yield bond markets as a whole. It includes zero-coupon bonds and payment-in-kind (PIK) bonds. The Lipper Mixed-Asset Target Allocation Moderate Funds Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mixed-asset target allocation moderate funds tracked by Lipper, which would combine the 30 biggest funds, based on asset size, that belong to this asset category. The Chicago Board of Options Exchange Volatility (CBOE) Index measures the market expectations of near-term volatility conveyed by S&P 500 stock index option prices. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Below investment grade refers to higher-yielding, higher-risk debt securities commonly known as "junk bonds". These lower-rated bonds have a greater degree of default risk. A yield spread is the difference between yields on differing debt instruments of varying credit ratings, commonly U.S. Treasuries, calculated by deducting the yield of one instrument from another.

Mutual Fund Investing Involves Risk. Principal loss is possible. The Flexible Income Fund invests in lower-rated and non-rated securities which presents a greater risk of loss to principal and interest than higher-rated securities. Investments in debt securities typically decrease in value when interest rates rise. This risk is usually greater for longer-term debt securities. Investments in smaller and medium sized companies involve additional risks such as limited liquidity and greater volatility. Investments in international and foreign securities involve greater volatility and political, economic and currency risks and differences in accounting methods. MLPs are subject to certain risks inherent in the structure of MLPs, including complex tax structure risks, limited ability for election or removal of management, limited voting rights, potential dependence on parent companies or sponsors for revenues to satisfy obligations, and potential conflicts of interest between partners, members and affiliates.

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