**SMCHX** 

# Annual Shareholder Report October 31, 2024

This annual shareholder report contains important information about ALPS | Smith Total Return Bond Fund (the "Fund" or "SMCHX") for the period of November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024 (the "Period"). You can find additional information about the Fund at <a href="https://www.alpsfunds.com/mutual-funds/smthx">https://www.alpsfunds.com/mutual-funds/smthx</a>. You can also request this information by contacting us at 866-759-5679.

# WHAT WERE THE FUND COSTS FOR THE PAST YEAR?

(based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

		Costs Paid as a
	Costs of a \$10,000	Percentage of a
	Investment	\$10,000 Investment
Class C	\$168	1.59%

#### HOW DID THE FUND PERFORM FOR THE PERIOD?

The ALPS | Smith Total Return Bond Fund returned 10.87% for Class C shares at net asset value (NAV) for the 12 months ended October 31, 2024. The Fund outperformed the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index, which returned 10.55%.

Top contributors to relative performance

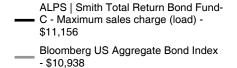
- Asset allocation, specifically an overweight position in corporate credit—generically including investment grade, high yield, and preferred securities—benefited from tightening risk asset spreads throughout the period.
- Security selection across investment grade and high yield credit allocations.
- Active portfolio duration positioning throughout market yield fluctuations, during the period. Duration position generally moved higher during relatively higher interest rates and vice versa

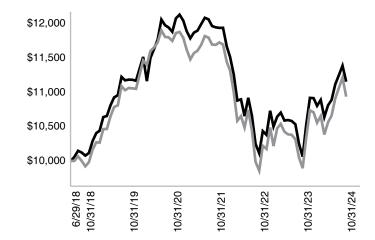
Top detractors from relative performance

- Yield curve positioning with U.S. Treasuries, with an overweight to the short and long duration areas of the market and a relative underweight to the belly of the yield curve, which outperformed.
- Agency mortgage security selection, with a relative underweight to low-coupon mortgage-backed securities, which outperformed during the period.
- Allocations to longer duration AA and A-rated corporates, which underperformed compared to the broader investment grade corporate universe.

# Comparison of change in value of a \$10,000 investment in the Fund and the Index

The Fund's past performance is not a good predictor of the Fund's future performance. The chart and the table below do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or sale of Fund shares.





# Performance (as of October 31, 2024)

	1 Year	5 Year	Since Inception (06/29/2018)
ALPS   Smith Total Return Bond Fund - C - NAV	10.87%	-0.05%	1.74%
ALPS   Smith Total Return Bond Fund - C - Maximim deferred sales charge**	9.87%	-0.05%	1.74%
Bloomberg US AggregateBond Index#	10.55%	-0.23%	1.42%

- # This index represents a broad measure of market performance for purposes of new regulatory requirements.
- A Contingent Deferred Sales Charge ("CDSC") of 1.00% may apply to Class C shares redeemed within the first 12 months after a purchase.

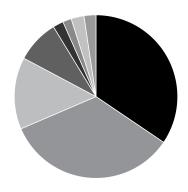
For the most current month-end performance data, please call 1-866-759-5679.

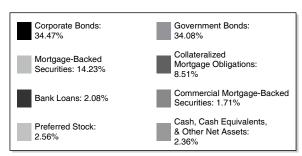
#### WHAT ARE SOME KEY FUND STATISTICS?

Net Assets	\$3,251,025,895
Number of Portfolio Holdings	1,640
Portfolio Turnover Rate	135%
Total Advisory Fees Paid	\$11,583,263

#### WHAT DID THE FUND INVEST IN?

## Asset Type Allocation\*\*





# Top Ten Holdings\*\*

U.S. Treasury Bond 3.875% 08/15/2034	4.64%
U.S. Treasury Note 3.75% 08/31/2026	4.40%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.125% 08/15/2044	3.55%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.25% 08/15/2054	3.04%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.625% 05/15/2044	2.62%
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U.S. Treasury Note 3.50% 09/30/2026	2.47%
U.S. Treasury Note 4.875% 05/31/2026	2.25%
U.S. Treasury Note 4.125% 10/31/2029	1.98%
U.S. Treasury Note 3.50% 09/30/2029	1.71%

#### Sector Allocation\*\*

Sovereign       34.52%         Mortgage Securities       24.45%         Banks       5.89%         Aerospace/Defense       3.77%         Oil & Gas       3.12%         Pipelines       3.09%         Food       2.38%         Diversified Finan Serv       2.02%         Media       1.92%         Auto Manufacturers       1.78%         Biotechnology       1.52%         Healthcare-Products       1.30%         Other Industries (each less than 1%)       11.88%         Cash, Cash Equivalents, & Other Net Assets       2.36%		
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<sup>\*\*</sup> As a percentage of net assets.

Holdings are subject to change

#### WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND?

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