

## The Spectrum Low Volatility Fund Update

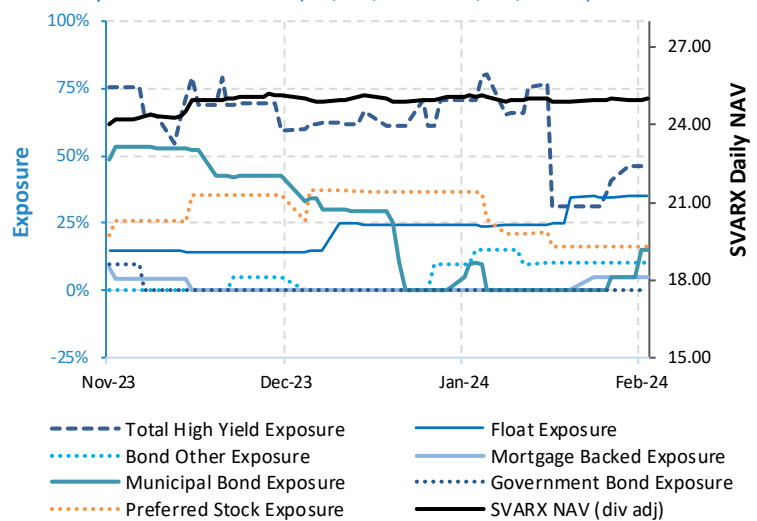
### Fund Commentary

Treasury yields rose slightly in February as the Fed pushed back on investor expectations that they would be lowering rates in early 2024, reiterating that there is no rush to cut rates. This mix of “not now but maybe later” took some enthusiasm out of the fixed income markets as the iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Index posted a return just north of flat and the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index, a broad investment grade bond index, eased back more than 1% for the month. The Spectrum Low Volatility Fund (SVARX) decreased exposure to high yield as momentum weakened. Exposure was increased in the floating rate/bank loan area and a modest initial position was established in securitized credit. A small exposure to municipal bonds was sold to the safety of cash very early in the month then re-added late in the month (to a slightly greater degree than what was sold). Preferred stock exposure was trimmed to reduce risk while this area showed some momentum loss within otherwise positive macro trends. Management of SVARX enters March assessing if the modest elevation in rates will be temporary or if the headwinds within the bond market will grow stronger.

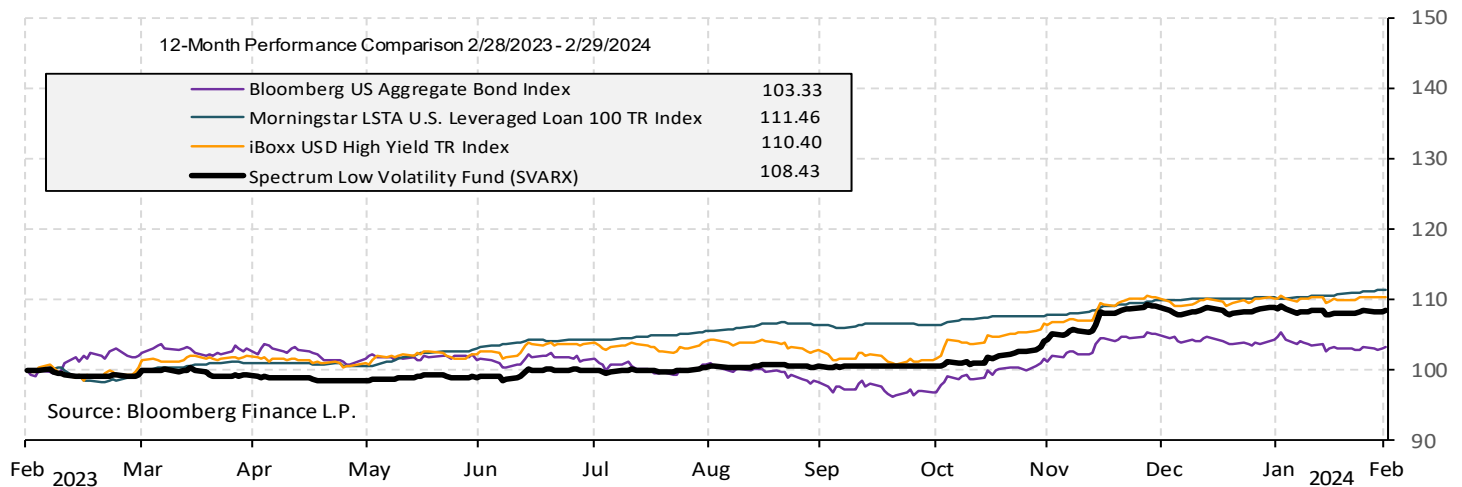
### Portfolio Allocation

	1/31/2024	2/29/2024
High Yield Bond	70.57%	41.09%
Mortgage-Backed	0.00%	5.00%
HY Credit Default Swaps	0.00%	4.99%
Municipal	10.03%	15.02%
Government	0.00%	0.00%
Preferred	36.61%	16.29%
Floating Rate	24.21%	34.83%
Bond Other	14.93%	10.22%
<b>Can contain derivatives and/or short positions</b>	<b>156.34%</b>	<b>127.44%</b>

### Exposure Allocation (11/30/2023 - 2/29/2024)



### SVARX (Fixed Income) vs. Sector Indices



The chart above shows how the Fund performed against related sector indices for the past 12 months. The Fund focuses on domestic fixed income and credit markets, but can invest globally when prudent. The management team navigates the various bond classes and their specific characteristics. Various bond classes tend to move in different directions from each other, as some tend to perform better when there is economic growth while other classes perform better during times of heightened instability. The Fund’s holdings and exposure can shift on a daily basis allowing it to be nimble. Spectrum’s core philosophy is to achieve competitive returns without sacrificing the goal of risk management.



Annualized total return performance

	SVARX	Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index	50/50 iBoxx USD Liquid HY Index/Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index	Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR Index
<b>As of 2/29/2024</b>				
MTD	-0.32%	1.12%	0.68%	-1.41%
YTD	-0.56%	1.49%	0.76%	-1.68%
<b>As of 12/31/2023</b>				
Qtr	8.46%	3.21%	5.21%	6.82%
1 Year	9.68%	13.17%	13.03%	5.53%
3 Years	2.98%	5.19%	3.46%	-3.32%
5 Years	8.20%	5.77%	5.28%	1.10%
10 Years	6.72%	4.00%	4.00%	1.81%
Since Inception	6.72%	4.01%	4.01%	1.78%

Inception Date: 12/16/2013; Expense Ratio 2.62%

Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
SVARX	2.41%	1.08%	16.45%	8.26%	-0.99%	9.42%	24.10%	4.10%	-4.35%	9.68%
Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index	0.99%	-2.75%	10.87%	3.30%	-0.59%	10.65%	2.84%	3.54%	-0.70%	13.17%
50/50 iBoxx USD Liquid HY Index/Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index	1.56%	-3.89%	13.09%	4.81%	-1.04%	12.65%	3.75%	4.01%	-5.72%	13.03%
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR Index	5.97%	0.55%	2.65%	3.54%	0.01%	8.72%	7.51%	-1.54%	-13.01%	5.53%

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All performance data are sourced from Bloomberg Finance L.P.

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Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index (formally S&P/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index): This benchmark tracks the investable senior loan market and consists of the 100 largest loan facilities that meet all eligibility requirements using a rule-based set of criteria. Data reflects last business day for end of period.

Bloomberg U.S. AGG. Bond TR Index: measures the underlying performance of the total U.S. investment grade bond market. It is a market value-weighted index that tracks the daily price, coupon, pay-downs, and total return performance of fixed-rate, publicly placed, dollar-denominated, and non-convertible investment grade debt issues with at least \$250 million par amount outstanding and with at least one year to final maturity.

50/50 iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Bond TR Index/Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index: This benchmark gives 50% weight to the iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Bond TR Index and 50% weight to the Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index. The iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield TR Index: is market-value weighted with an issuer cap of 3% and consists of liquid USD high yield bonds, selected to provide a balanced representation of the high yield corporate bond universe. Morningstar LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR Index is designed to reflect the performance of the largest facilities in the leveraged loan market.

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