

# Parametric TABS Total Return Portfolios

## Strategy overview

### Investment objective

An actively managed high-quality investment strategy focused on after-tax total return and capital preservation.

#### Investment philosophy

- We believe a process of systematic sector selection, security selection, and portfolio construction can potentially outperform, on a risk-adjusted basis, more aggressive strategies involving credit risk or market timing

#### Investment process

- Employs a quantitative investment process to systematically determine asset allocation based on after-tax relative value
- Seeks to add value by buying bonds on the institutional bid side while attempting to sell on the retail offered side
- Seeks to add value by adjusting positioning along the yield curve to benefit from yield curve forecasts
- Employs year-round tax loss harvesting to generate tax alpha and elevate after-tax return potential

#### Risk management

- All key credit, portfolio management, and trading roles are filled by highly seasoned and experienced municipal market professionals
- All credits are systematically analyzed and Parametric's credit research process is applied

## Why Total Return?

#### Maturity options

- Limited
- Intermediate
- Long

#### Features

- **Flexibility to "crossover":** Investment team can initiate a crossover trade into taxable U.S. government and/or agency securities at times when municipal bonds become overvalued
- **Relative Value Trading:** Actively exploit inefficiencies in the municipal market by offering bonds out for sale
- **Tax Loss Harvesting:** Continuous monitoring to harvest losses to lessen impact of capital gains taxes on portfolio returns

#### Transition of existing portfolios

- Bonds that don't fit will be opportunistically offered over an approximate 60-day period to obtain offered side prices whenever possible

#### Additional highlights

- Minimum investment: \$250,000
- No bonds subject to the alternative minimum tax
- Cash in new accounts generally invested within 30 days
- National mandate available only

## Tools

### Transition analysis report

For clients with existing municipal portfolios, Parametric can provide a detailed analysis of current holdings and how they would be transitioned to Total Return portfolios.

### Sample portfolio report

Get client personalized reports detailing the investment of new cash or review of existing bond holdings. The reports display more details on structure, credit breakdown and sample purchases.



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