

**Hawaiian Tax- Free Trust**

**Supplement dated as of July 15, 2024  
to the Fund's Summary Prospectus, Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information  
dated July 12, 2024**

The Board of Trustees of Hawaiian Tax-Free Trust (the “Fund”) has approved Foreside Fund Services, LLC (“Foreside”) to serve as the Fund’s distributor, effective no later than August 31, 2024. In addition, the Fund has engaged Chenery Compliance Group, LLC (“CCG”) and JW Fund Management, LLC (“JW Fund Management”) to provide compliance, fund officer and related administrative services to the Fund, effective no later than August 31, 2024. The services to be provided by Foreside, JW Fund Management and CCG (collectively, the “Successor Service Providers”) will replace services currently provided to the Fund by Aquila Distributors LLC and Aquila Investment Management LLC (the “Aquila Entities”). The Bank of New York Mellon will continue to provide fund accounting, custody, transfer agent and certain other administrative services for the Fund.

The Asset Management Group of Bank of Hawaii (the “Adviser”), the Fund’s investment adviser, remains committed to serving as the Fund’s investment adviser and pursuing the Fund’s investment objective: to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from Hawaii state and regular Federal income taxes as is consistent with preservation of capital. The Adviser, the Successor Service Providers, The Bank of New York Mellon and the Aquila Entities are working to provide a smooth transition of distribution and administrative services for the Fund.

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The Board of Trustees of Hawaiian Tax-Free Trust (the “Fund”) and the Asset Management Group of Bank of Hawaii, the Fund’s investment adviser (the “Adviser”), have been informed by Aquila Investment Management LLC and Aquila Distributors LLC (the “Aquila Entities”) that the Aquila Entities intend to discontinue providing administrative/business management and distribution services to the Fund in the third quarter of 2024.

The Asset Management Group of Bank of Hawaii remains committed to serving as the Fund’s investment adviser and pursuing the Fund’s investment objective: to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from Hawaii state and regular Federal income taxes as is consistent with preservation of capital. The Fund is working diligently to engage a new administrator and distributor to replace the Aquila Entities. Transition of those services to successor providers is expected to occur in the third quarter of 2024. The Aquila Entities continue to provide administrative and distribution services to the Fund and are working with the Fund and the Adviser to provide a smooth transition to successor service providers.

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# PROSPECTUS

## JULY 12, 2024



Hawaiian Tax-Free Trust

CLASS A SHARES TICKER SYMBOL	CLASS C SHARES TICKER SYMBOL	CLASS F SHARES TICKER SYMBOL	CLASS Y SHARES TICKER SYMBOL
HULAX	HULCX	HULFX	HULYX

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*The Securities and Exchange Commission has not approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of this Prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.*

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## TRUST SUMMARY

### Investment Objective

The Trust's objective is to provide you as high a level of current income exempt from Hawaiian state and regular Federal income taxes as is consistent with preservation of capital.

### Fees and Expenses of the Trust

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Trust. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the tables and examples below.** If you invest in Class A Shares, you may qualify for sales charge

discounts if you and your immediate family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the Trust or in other funds in the Aquila Group of Funds. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial advisor and under "Alternative Purchase Plans" on page 22 of the Trust's Prospectus, "Sales Charges - Class A Shares" on page 24 of the Prospectus, "Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies" on page 36 of the Prospectus, and "Purchase, Redemption, and Pricing of Shares" on page 32 of the Statement of Additional Information (the "SAI"). If you invest in Class F Shares or Class Y Shares, you may be required to pay a commission to a broker, which is not reflected in the Expense Example.

	Class A Shares	Class C Shares	Class F Shares	Class Y Shares
<b>Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)</b>				
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price)	3.00%	None	None	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a percentage of the lesser of redemption value or purchase price)	None <sup>(1)</sup>	1.00%	None	None
<b>Annual Trust Operating Expenses (Expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of your investment)</b>				
Investment Advisory Fee	0.23%	0.23%	0.23%	0.23%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	0.20%	1.00%	None	None
Other Expenses	0.45%	0.45%	0.42%	0.45%
Total Annual Trust Operating Expenses	0.88%	1.68%	0.65%	0.68%

(1) Shareholders who purchase \$250,000 or more of Class A Shares do not pay an initial sales charge but may pay a contingent deferred sales charge of up to 0.75 of 1% for redemptions within one year of purchase and up to 0.50 of 1% for redemptions during the second year after purchase.

### Example

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Trust with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Trust for the time periods indicated and then redeem

all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Trust's operating expenses remain the same. Six years after the date of purchase, Class C Shares automatically convert to Class A Shares. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class A Shares	\$387	\$572	\$773	\$1,352
Class C Shares	\$271	\$530	\$913	\$1,578
Class F Shares	\$66	\$208	\$362	\$810
Class Y Shares	\$69	\$218	\$379	\$847

You would pay the following expenses if you did not redeem your Class C Shares:

Class C Shares	\$171	\$530	\$913	\$1,578
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## **Portfolio Turnover**

The Trust pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Trust shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual Trust operating expenses or in the example, affect the Trust’s performance. During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, the Trust’s portfolio turnover rate was 19% of the average value of its portfolio.

## **Principal Investment Strategies**

Under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the Trust’s assets will be invested in municipal obligations that pay interest exempt, in the opinion of bond counsel, from Hawaii State and regular Federal income taxes. In general, almost all of these obligations are issued by the State of Hawaii, its counties and various other local authorities; these obligations may also include certain other governmental issuers. We call these “Hawaiian Obligations.” These securities may include participation or other interests in municipal securities and variable rate demand notes. Some Hawaiian Obligations, such as general obligation issues, are backed by the issuer’s taxing authority, while other Hawaiian Obligations, such as revenue bonds, are backed only by revenues from certain facilities or other sources and not by the issuer itself. These obligations can be of any maturity, but the Trust’s weighted average maturity has traditionally been between 5 and 15 years. The Trust is classified as a “non-diversified” investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”), which means it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a smaller number of issuers than a diversified fund.

At the time of purchase, the Trust’s Hawaiian Obligations must be of investment grade quality. This means that they must either

- be rated within the four highest credit ratings assigned by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations or,
- if unrated, be determined to be of comparable quality by the Trust’s investment adviser, Asset Management Group of Bank of Hawaii (the “Adviser”).

The Adviser selects obligations for the Trust’s portfolio in order to achieve the Trust’s objective by considering various characteristics including quality, maturity and coupon rate.

## **Principal Risks**

You may lose money by investing in the Trust. Following is a summary description of certain risks of investing in the Trust.

**Market Risk.** The market prices of securities or other assets held by the Trust may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to general market conditions, such as real or perceived adverse economic, political, or regulatory conditions, political instability, recessions, inflation, changes in interest or currency rates, lack of liquidity in the bond markets, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, weather or climate events, armed conflict, market disruptions caused by tariffs, trade disputes, sanctions or other government actions, or other factors or adverse investor sentiment. When market prices fall, the value of your investment will likely go down. A change in financial condition or other event affecting a single issuer or market may adversely impact securities markets as a whole.

In the past decade, financial markets throughout the world have experienced increased volatility, depressed valuations, decreased liquidity and heightened uncertainty. Governmental and non-governmental issuers have defaulted on, or been forced to restructure, their debts. These conditions may continue, recur, worsen or spread. Events that have contributed to these market conditions include, but are not limited to, major cybersecurity events; geopolitical events (including wars, terror attacks and economic sanctions); global pandemics; measures to address budget deficits; downgrades of sovereign debt; changes in oil and commodity prices; dramatic changes in currency exchange rates; and public sentiment. The long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and its subsequent variants on economies, markets, industries and individual issuers, are not known. Some sectors of the economy and individual issuers have experienced or may experience particularly large losses. Periods of extreme volatility in the financial markets, reduced liquidity of many instruments, increased government debt, inflation, and disruptions to supply chains, consumer demand and employee availability, may continue for some time.

Raising the ceiling on U.S. government debt has become increasingly politicized. Any failure to increase the total amount that the U.S. government is authorized to borrow could lead to a default on U.S. government obligations, with unpredictable consequences for economies and markets in the U.S. and elsewhere. Inflation and interest rates have increased and may rise further. These circumstances could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Trust’s investments, impair the Trust’s ability to satisfy redemption requests, and negatively impact the Trust’s performance. In addition, inflation, rising interest rates, global supply chain disruptions and other market events could adversely affect the companies or issuers in which the Trust invests. Following Russia’s invasion of Ukraine, Russian securities lost all, or nearly all, their market value.

Other securities or markets could be similarly affected by past or future political, geopolitical or other events or conditions.

Governments and central banks, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, have taken extraordinary and unprecedented actions to support local and global economies and the financial markets. These actions have resulted in significant expansion of public debt, including in the U.S. The consequences of high public debt, including its future impact on the economy and securities markets, may not be known for some time. U.S. Federal Reserve or other U.S. or non-U.S. governmental or central bank actions, including increases or decreases in interest rates, or contrary actions by different governments, could negatively affect financial markets generally, increase market volatility and reduce the value and liquidity of securities in which the Trust invests.

Economies and financial markets throughout the world are increasingly interconnected. Economic, financial or political events, trading and tariff arrangements, armed conflict such as between Russia and Ukraine or in the Middle East, terrorism, natural disasters, infectious illness or public health issues, cybersecurity events, supply chain disruptions, sanctions against Russia, other nations or individuals or companies and possible countermeasures, and other circumstances in one country or region could have profound impacts on other countries or regions and on global economies or markets. As a result, whether or not the Trust invests in securities of issuers located in or with significant exposure to the countries or regions directly affected, the value and liquidity of the Trust's investments may be negatively affected. The Trust may experience a substantial or complete loss on any security or investment.

**Interest Rate Risk.** The market prices of the Trust's fixed income securities may fluctuate significantly when interest rates change. The value of your investment will generally go down when interest rates rise. A rise in rates tends to have a greater impact on the prices of longer term or longer duration securities. In recent years, interest rates and credit spreads in the U.S. have been at historic lows. The U.S. Federal Reserve has raised certain interest rates, and interest rates may continue to go up. A general rise in interest rates could adversely affect the price and liquidity of fixed income securities and could also result in increased redemptions from the Trust. The maturity of a security may be significantly longer than its effective duration. A security's maturity and other features may be more relevant than its effective duration in determining the security's sensitivity to other factors such as changes in credit quality or in the yield premium that the market may establish for certain types of securities (sometimes called "credit spread"). In general, the longer its maturity the more a security

may be susceptible to these factors. When the credit spread for a fixed income security goes up, or "widens," the value of the security will generally go down.

**Credit Risk.** If an issuer or obligor of a security held by the Trust or a counterparty to a financial contract with the Trust defaults or is downgraded, or is perceived to be less creditworthy, or if the value of the assets underlying a security declines, the value of your investment will typically decline. Changes in actual or perceived creditworthiness may occur quickly. The Trust could be delayed or hindered in its enforcement of rights against an issuer, guarantor or counterparty. Securities in the lowest category of investment grade (i.e., BBB/Baa) may be considered to have speculative characteristics.

**Rating Agency Risk.** Investment grade debt securities may be downgraded by a major rating agency to below investment grade status, which would increase the risk of holding these securities. In addition, a rating may become stale in that it fails to reflect changes to an issuer's financial condition. Ratings represent the rating agency's opinion regarding the quality of the security and are not a guarantee of quality. Rating agencies are subject to an inherent conflict of interest because they are often compensated by the same issuers whose securities they grade.

**Risks Associated with Investments in Hawaii and Other Municipal Obligations.** The Trust may be affected significantly by adverse economic, political or other events affecting Hawaii and other municipal issuers in which the Trust may invest. Hawaii's economy, which relies substantially on tourism, the U.S. military, real estate, construction and other service-based industries, depends significantly on conditions in the U.S. economy and key international economies, especially Japan. Hawaii's economy will be affected by, among other factors, the health of the tourism and hospitality sectors, real or threatened acts of war or terrorism, increases in energy and fuel costs, federal fiscal, monetary and trade policies, the strength of the global economy, including a slowdown in growth in the Japanese and Chinese economies, geopolitical risks, and business and consumer uncertainty related to these issues. The long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent variants of COVID-19 is uncertain. Hawaii, which consists entirely of islands, is vulnerable to public health issues, food sustainability issues and shortages, climate change and rising sea levels, erosion, high surf, adverse weather, and natural disasters, including earthquakes, storms, flooding, hurricanes, tsunamis and volcanic activity. Municipal issuers may be adversely affected by rising health care costs, unfunded pension liabilities, and by the phasing out of federal programs providing financial support. Unfavorable conditions and developments relating to projects financed with municipal securities can result

in lower revenues to issuers of municipal securities, potentially resulting in defaults. Issuers often depend on revenues from these projects to make principal and interest payments. The value of municipal securities also can be adversely affected by changes in the financial condition of one or more individual municipal issuers or insurers of municipal issuers, regulatory and political developments, tax law changes or other legislative actions, and by uncertainties and public perceptions concerning these and other factors. Municipal securities may be more susceptible to downgrades or defaults during recessions or similar periods of economic stress. Financial difficulties of municipal issuers may continue or get worse.

**Tax Risk.** The income on the Trust's Hawaiian Obligations and other municipal obligations could become subject to Federal and/or state income taxes due to noncompliant conduct by issuers, unfavorable legislation or litigation, or adverse interpretations by regulatory authorities.

**Liquidity Risk.** The Trust may make investments that are illiquid or become illiquid after purchase. Illiquid assets may also be difficult to value. Liquidity risk may be magnified in an environment of rising interest rates or widening credit spreads. If the Trust is forced to sell an illiquid security to meet redemption requests or other cash needs, the Trust may be forced to sell the security at a substantial loss or may not be able to sell at all. The Trust may not receive its proceeds from the sale of certain securities for an extended period (for example, several weeks or even longer). In extreme cases, this may constrain the Trust's ability to meet its obligations (including obligations to redeeming shareholders).

**Prepayment or Call Risk.** Many issuers have a right to prepay their securities. If interest rates fall, an issuer may exercise this right. If this happens, the Trust will not benefit from the rise in the market price of the securities that normally accompanies a decline in interest rates, and will be forced to reinvest prepayment proceeds at a time when yields on securities available in the market are lower than the yield on prepaid securities. The Trust may also lose any premium it paid on prepaid securities.

**Extension Risk.** During periods of rising interest rates, repayments of fixed income securities may occur more slowly than anticipated by the market. This may drive the prices of these securities down even more because their interest rates are lower than the current interest rate and they remain outstanding longer.

**Portfolio Selection Risk.** The value of your investment may decrease if the Adviser's judgment about the quality, relative yield, value or market trends affecting a particular security, industry, sector or region, or about market movements, interest rates or other market factors, is incorrect.

**Valuation Risk.** Nearly all of the Trust's investments are valued using a fair value methodology. The sales price the Trust could receive for any particular portfolio investment may differ from the Trust's valuation of the investment, particularly for securities that trade in thin or volatile markets. These differences may increase significantly and affect Trust investments more broadly during periods of market volatility. Investors who purchase or redeem Trust shares may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the securities had not been fair-valued securities or if a different valuation methodology has been used. The ability to value the Trust's investments may be impacted by technological issues and/or errors by pricing services or other third party service providers.

**Redemption Risk.** The Trust may experience heavy redemptions that could cause the Trust to liquidate its assets at inopportune times or at a loss or depressed value or accelerate taxable gains or transaction costs, which could cause the value of your investment to decline.

**Cybersecurity Risk.** Cybersecurity failures by and breaches of the Trust's Administrator, Adviser, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Distributor or other service providers may disrupt Trust operations, interfere with the Trust's ability to calculate its NAV, prevent Trust shareholders from purchasing, redeeming or exchanging shares or receiving distributions or receiving timely information regarding the Trust or their investment in the Trust, cause loss of or unauthorized access to private shareholder information, or result in financial losses to the Trust and its shareholders, regulatory fines, penalties, reputational damage, or additional compliance costs. Substantial costs may be incurred in order to prevent any cyber incidents in the future. The Trust and its shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result.

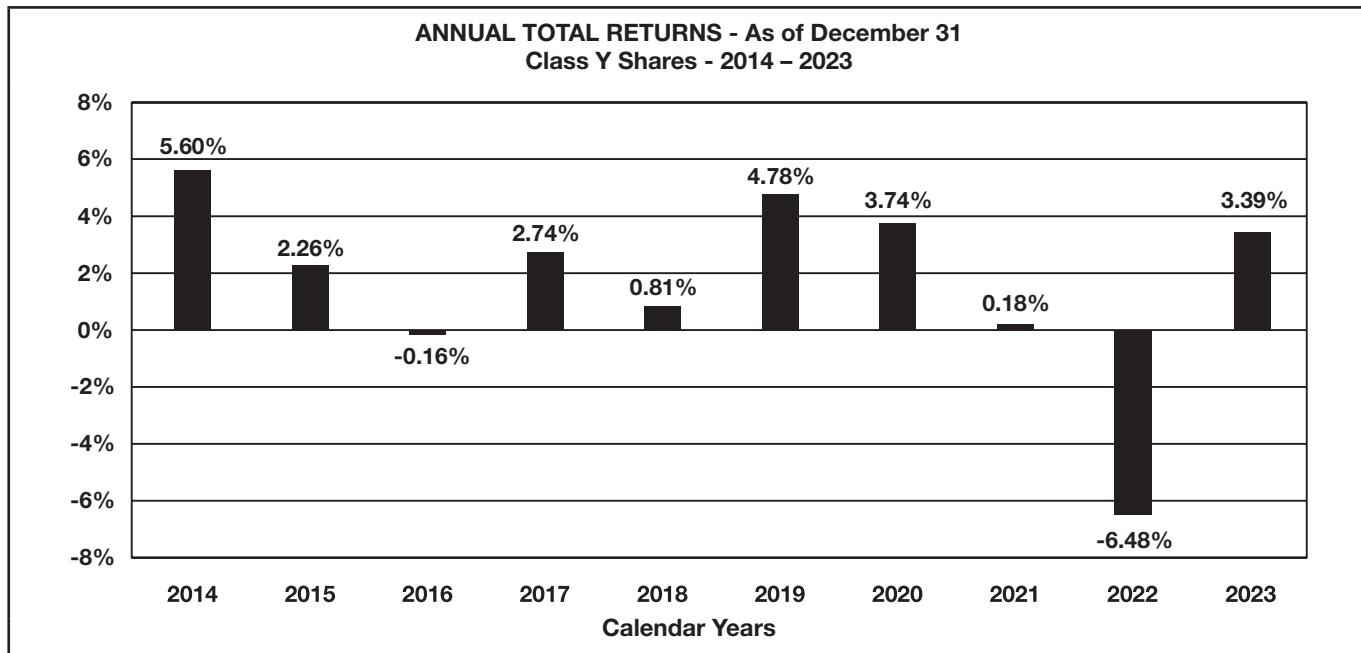
**Non-Diversification Risk.** The Trust is classified as a "non-diversified" investment company under the 1940 Act. Thus, compared with "diversified" funds, it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in obligations of a small number of issuers. In general, the more the Trust invests in the securities of specific issuers or issues of a similar project type, the more the Trust is exposed to risks associated with investments in those issuers or types of projects. Also, the Trust may be more risky than a more geographically diverse fund.

An investment in the Trust is not a deposit in Bank of Hawaii, any of its bank or non-bank affiliates or any other bank, and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

These risks are discussed in more detail later in the Prospectus or in the SAI.

## Trust Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Trust by showing changes in the Trust's performance from year to year and by showing how the Trust's average annual total returns for the designated periods compare with those of a broad measure of market performance. The Trust's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how the Trust will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available at [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com) or by calling **800-437-1000 (toll-free)**.



During the 10-year period shown in the bar chart, the highest return for a quarter was 5.84% (quarter ended December 31, 2023) and the lowest return for a quarter was -4.78% (quarter ended March 31, 2022).

The year-to-date (from January 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024) total return for Class Y Shares was (0.19)%.

	Average Annual Total Returns for the Periods Ended December 31, 2023			
	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
<b>Class Returns Before Taxes:</b>				
Class A	0.13%	0.02%	1.01%	
Class C	1.37%	0.01%	0.62%	
Class F	3.43%	1.04%	N/A	1.23% <sup>(1)</sup>
Class Y	3.39%	1.03%	1.63%	
<b>Class Y Returns After Taxes:</b>				
On Distributions	3.38%	1.01%	1.62%	
On Distributions and Redemption	2.86%	1.24%	1.76%	
Bloomberg Municipal Bond: Quality Intermediate Total Return Index Unhedged USD*	4.65%	1.98%	2.27%	2.19% <sup>(1)</sup>
(This index of municipal bonds of issuers throughout the U.S. is unmanaged and does not reflect deductions for fund operating expenses, taxes or sales charges.)				

\* Source: Bloomberg Index Services Limited. BLOOMBERG® is a trademark and service mark of Bloomberg Finance L.P. and its affiliates (collectively “Bloomberg”). Bloomberg, or Bloomberg’s licensors, own all proprietary rights in the Bloomberg Indices. Neither Bloomberg nor Bloomberg’s licensors approve or endorse this material, or guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any information herein, nor does Bloomberg make any warranty, express or implied, as to the results to be obtained therefrom, and to the maximum extent allowed by law, neither shall have any liability or responsibility for injury or damages arising in connection therewith.

<sup>(1)</sup> Inception date - November 30, 2018.

After-tax returns are calculated using the highest individual Federal marginal income and capital gains tax rates in effect at the time of each distribution and redemption, but do not reflect state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns will depend on your specific situation and may differ from those shown. The after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold Trust shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. (Please note that an investment in shares of the Trust may not be suitable for you if you are investing through a tax-deferred account). The total returns reflect reinvestment of dividends and distributions. After-tax returns are shown only for Class Y Shares. After-tax returns for other classes of shares will vary.

## Management

### Investment Adviser – Asset Management Group of the Bank of Hawaii

### Administrator/Business Manager – Aquila Investment Management LLC (the “Administrator”)

Portfolio Manager – Mr. Reid Smith, a Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager with Bank of Hawaii (“BOH”), is the lead portfolio manager and has served as a portfolio manager of the Trust since 2021. He has over 30 years of experience in the investment industry.

## Purchase and Sale of Trust Shares

You may purchase, redeem or exchange shares of the Trust on any day the New York Stock Exchange is open for business. Shareholders that hold an account directly with the Fund may purchase, redeem and exchange shares of the Fund with the Fund’s transfer and shareholder servicing agent through an online investor portal, which can be accessed via the Fund’s website at [aquilafunds.com/myaccount](http://aquilafunds.com/myaccount).

Shareholders may also purchase, redeem, and exchange shares of the Fund in writing, by telephone or through a financial intermediary.

Shareholders may contact the Trust in writing or by telephone as follows:

- U.S. Postal Service Mail: Aquila Group of Funds, P.O. Box 534428, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4428
- Overnight Carrier Deliveries: Aquila Group of Funds, Attention 534428, 500 Ross Street, 154-0520, Pittsburgh, PA 15262
- The Trust’s telephone number is 800-437-1000

The minimum initial purchase amount for Class A and Class C Shares is \$1,000, or \$50 if an automatic investment program is established. There is no minimum for subsequent investments.

Transactions in Class F Shares and Class Y Shares may be made only through a financial intermediary, which may impose separate investment minimums.

## **Tax Information**

The Trust intends to distribute income that is exempt from regular Federal income tax and Hawaii state income tax. Portions of the Trust's distributions may be subject to such taxes and/or to the Federal alternative minimum tax on individuals.

## **Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries**

If you purchase shares of the Trust through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank or financial advisor), the Trust and Aquila Distributors LLC (the "Distributor") or the Administrator may pay the intermediary for the sale of Trust shares and related shareholder servicing activities. These payments create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other financial intermediary to recommend the Trust over another investment. Ask your financial advisor or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

## **Additional Information About the Trust's Principal Investment Strategies and Principal Risks**

### **Additional Information About the Trust's Principal Investment Strategies**

#### **Investment Objective**

The Trust's objective is to provide you as high a level of current income exempt from Hawaiian state and regular Federal income taxes as is consistent with preservation of capital.

#### **Hawaiian Obligations**

The Trust invests primarily in Hawaiian Obligations, which are a type of municipal obligation. Hawaiian Obligations are obligations of the State of Hawaii and its political subdivisions, agencies and public authorities and of certain other governmental issuers, of any maturity, the interest on which is exempt, in the opinion of bond counsel or other appropriate counsel, from regular Federal income tax and State of Hawaii income tax. The Trust purchases the obligations of governmental issuers other than Hawaii governmental issuers only when obligations of the State of Hawaii and its political subdivisions, agencies and public authorities with the appropriate characteristics of quality, maturity and coupon rate are unavailable.

Under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the Trust's assets will be invested in municipal obligations that pay interest exempt, in the opinion of bond counsel, from Hawaii State and regular Federal income taxes. This 80% policy may not be changed without

shareholder approval. Except for this policy and the Trust's investment objective, the Trust's investment strategies and policies may be changed from time to time without shareholder approval, unless specifically stated otherwise in this Prospectus or in the Statement of Additional Information.

The Trust is classified as a "non-diversified" investment company under the 1940 Act, which means it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a smaller number of issuers than a diversified fund.

## **Municipal Obligations**

Municipal obligations are issued by or on behalf of states, territories and possessions of the United States and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities to obtain funds for public purposes. They include:

- municipal notes and bonds,
- tax, revenue or bond anticipation notes,
- construction loan notes,
- project notes, which sometimes carry a U.S. government guarantee,
- municipal lease/purchase agreements,
- participation interests in municipal or other securities, and
- floating and variable rate demand notes.

There are two principal classifications of municipal bonds: general obligation bonds and revenue bonds. General obligation bonds are backed by the full faith and credit of the issuing entity. Revenue bonds are typically used to fund public works projects that are expected to produce income sufficient to make the payments on the bonds, since they are not backed by the full taxing power of the municipality. The various public purposes for which municipal obligations are issued include:

- obtaining funds for general operating expenses,
- refunding outstanding obligations,
- obtaining funds for loans to other public institutions and facilities, and
- funding the construction of highways, bridges, schools, hospitals, housing, mass transportation, streets and water and sewer works.

Tax and revenue anticipation notes are generally issued in order to finance short-term cash needs or, occasionally, to finance construction. Tax and revenue anticipation notes are expected to be repaid from taxes or designated revenues in the related period, and they

may or may not be general obligations of the issuing entity. Bond anticipation notes are issued with the expectation that their principal and interest will be paid out of proceeds from renewal notes or bonds and may be issued to finance such items as land acquisition, facility acquisition and/or construction and capital improvement projects. Municipal lease obligations are undivided interests issued by a state or municipality in a lease or installment purchase contract which generally relates to equipment or facilities. In some cases payments under municipal leases do not have to be made unless money is specifically approved for that purpose by an appropriate legislative body.

Although municipal obligations are issued by qualifying issuers, payments of principal and interest on municipal securities may be derived solely from revenues from certain facilities, mortgages or private industries, and may not be backed by the issuers themselves. Municipal obligations include participation or other interests in municipal securities issued or backed by banks, insurance companies and other financial institutions. In a participation interest, a bank or other financial institution sells undivided interests in a municipal or other security it owns. Participation interests may be supported by a bank letter of credit or guarantee. The interest rate generally is adjusted periodically, and the holder can sell the interests back to the issuer after a specified notice period.

### **Variable and Floating Rate Securities**

Variable rate demand instruments require the issuer or a third party, such as a bank, insurer or broker/dealer, to repurchase the security for its face value upon demand and typically have interest rates that reset on a periodic basis. Variable rate securities reset at specified intervals, while floating rate securities reset whenever there is a change in a specified index rate. In most cases, these reset provisions reduce the impact of changes in market interest rates on the value of the security. However, the value of these securities may decline if their interest rates do not rise as much, or as quickly, as interest rates in general. Conversely, variable and floating rate securities will not generally increase in value if interest rates decline.

### **Credit Downgrades and Other Credit Events**

Credit rating or credit quality of a security is determined at the time of purchase. If, after purchase, the credit rating on a security is downgraded or the credit quality deteriorates, or if the duration of a security is extended, the Trust's portfolio managers will decide whether the security should continue to be held or sold. Upon the occurrence of certain triggering

events or defaults on a security held by the Trust, or if an obligor of such a security has difficulty meeting its obligations, the Trust may obtain or exchange a new or restructured security or underlying assets. In that case, the Trust may become the holder of securities or other assets that it could not purchase or might not otherwise hold (for example, because they are of lower quality or are subordinated to other obligations of the issuer) at a time when those assets may be difficult to sell or can be sold only at a loss. In addition, the Trust may incur expenses in an effort to protect the Trust's interest in securities experiencing these events.

## **Additional Investment Strategies**

### **Short-Term Investments**

The Trust may invest in short-term securities, including repurchase agreements, U.S. government securities, bank obligations and commercial paper. A repurchase agreement is a transaction in which the Trust purchases a security from a seller, subject to the obligation of the seller to repurchase that security from the Trust at a higher price. The repurchase agreement thereby determines the yield during the Trust's holding period, while the seller's obligation to repurchase is secured by the value of the underlying security held by the Trust.

### **Cash Management**

The Trust may invest its assets in money market funds, any type of taxable money market instrument and short-term debt securities, or may hold cash uninvested.

### **Defensive Investing**

The Trust may depart from its principal investment strategies in response to adverse market, economic or political conditions and hold cash uninvested without regard to any percentage limitations. The Trust may take temporary defensive positions and invest in shares of money market funds, any type of taxable money market instrument and short-term debt securities without regard to any percentage limitations. Although the Trust has the ability to take such defensive positions, it may choose not to do so for a variety of reasons, even during volatile market conditions.

### **Other Fixed Income Securities**

Subject to the Trust's 80% policy, the Trust is permitted, but not required, to purchase fixed income securities that pay interest that is subject to regular federal and/or state income taxes. Such investments may include, but are not limited to, taxable obligations issued by states, other taxable obligations such as Build America Bonds, and U.S. government securities. Fixed income securities

represent obligations of corporations, governments and other entities to repay money borrowed. The issuer or borrower of the security usually pays a fixed, variable or floating rate of interest and repays the amount borrowed, usually at the maturity of the instrument. However, some fixed income securities, such as zero coupon bonds, do not pay current interest but are issued at a discount from their face values. Some debt instruments are partially or fully secured by collateral supporting the payment of interest and principal. The Trust's investments in such taxable obligations, together with money market funds, taxable money market instruments and short-term debt securities, may not exceed 20% of the Trust's assets.

### **Additional Information About the Principal Risks of Investing in the Trust**

**Market Risk.** The market prices of securities or other assets held by the Trust may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. If the market prices of securities owned by the Trust fall, the value of your investment in the Trust will likely decline. The value of a security may fall due to general market conditions, such as real or perceived adverse economic, political, or regulatory conditions, political instability, recessions, inflation, changes in interest or currency rates, lack of liquidity in the bond markets, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, weather or climate events, armed conflict, market disruptions caused by tariffs, trade disputes, sanctions or other government actions, or other factors or adverse investor sentiment. Changes in market conditions will not have the same impact on all types of securities. The value of a security may also fall due to specific conditions that affect a particular sector of the securities market or a particular issuer.

In the past decade, financial markets throughout the world have experienced increased volatility, depressed valuations, decreased liquidity and heightened uncertainty. Governmental and non-governmental issuers have defaulted on, or been forced to restructure, their debts. These conditions may continue, recur, worsen or spread. Events that have contributed to these market conditions include, but are not limited to, major cybersecurity events; geopolitical events (including wars, terror attacks and economic sanctions); global pandemics; measures to address budget deficits; downgrades of sovereign debt; changes in oil and commodity prices; dramatic changes in currency exchange rates; and public sentiment. The long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and its subsequent variants on economies, markets, industries and individual issuers, are not known. Some sectors of the economy and individual issuers have experienced

or may experience particularly large losses. Periods of extreme volatility in the financial markets, reduced liquidity of many instruments, increased government debt, inflation, and disruptions to supply chains, consumer demand and employee availability, may continue for some time.

Raising the ceiling on U.S. government debt has become increasingly politicized. Any failure to increase the total amount that the U.S. government is authorized to borrow could lead to a default on U.S. government obligations, with unpredictable consequences for economies and markets in the U.S. and elsewhere. Inflation and interest rates have increased and may rise further. These circumstances could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Trust's investments, impair the Trust's ability to satisfy redemption requests, and negatively impact the Trust's performance. In addition, inflation, rising interest rates, global supply chain disruptions and other market events could adversely affect the companies or issuers in which the Trust invests. Following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, Russian securities lost all, or nearly all, their market value. Other securities or markets could be similarly affected by past or future political, geopolitical or other events or conditions.

Governments and central banks, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, have taken extraordinary and unprecedented actions to support local and global economies and the financial markets. These actions have resulted in significant expansion of public debt, including in the U.S. The consequences of high public debt, including its future impact on the economy and securities markets, may not be known for some time. U.S. Federal Reserve or other U.S. or non-U.S. governmental or central bank actions, including increases or decreases in interest rates, or contrary actions by different governments, could negatively affect financial markets generally, increase market volatility and reduce the value and liquidity of securities in which the Trust invests. Policy and legislative changes in the U.S. and in other countries are affecting many aspects of financial regulation and these and other events affecting global markets, such as the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union (or Brexit), or potential trade imbalances with China or other countries, or sanctions or other government actions against Russia, other nations or individuals or companies (or their countermeasures), may contribute to decreased liquidity and increased volatility in the financial markets. The impact of these changes on the markets, and the implications for market participants, may not be fully known for some time.

The United States and other countries are periodically involved in disputes over trade and other matters, which may result in tariffs, investment restrictions and adverse impacts on affected companies and securities. For example, the United States has imposed tariffs and other trade barriers on Chinese exports, has restricted sales of certain categories of goods to China, and has established barriers to investments in China. Trade disputes may adversely affect the economies of the United States and its trading partners, as well as companies directly or indirectly affected and financial markets generally. The United States government has prohibited U.S. persons from investing in Chinese companies designated as related to the Chinese military. Moreover, the Chinese government is involved in a longstanding dispute with Taiwan that has included threats of invasion. If the political climate between the United States and China does not improve or continues to deteriorate, if China were to attempt unification of Taiwan by force, or if other geopolitical conflicts develop or get worse, economies, markets and individual securities may be severely affected both regionally and globally, and the value of the Trust's assets may go down.

Economies and financial markets throughout the world are increasingly interconnected. Economic, financial or political events, trading and tariff arrangements, armed conflict such as between Russia and Ukraine or in the Middle East, terrorism, natural disasters, infectious illness or public health issues, cybersecurity events, supply chain disruptions, sanctions against Russia, other nations or individuals or companies and possible countermeasures, and other circumstances in one country or region could have profound impacts on other countries or regions and on global economies or markets. As a result, whether or not the Trust invests in securities of issuers located in or with significant exposure to the countries or regions directly affected, the value and liquidity of the Trust's investments may be negatively affected. The Trust may experience a substantial or complete loss on any security or investment.

Until recently, a commonly used reference rate for floating rate securities was LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate). ICE Benchmark Administration, the administrator of LIBOR, has ceased publication of most LIBOR settings on a representative basis. Actions by regulators have resulted in the establishment of alternative reference rates to LIBOR in most major currencies. In the U.S., a common benchmark replacement is based on the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) published by the Federal

Reserve Bank of New York, including certain spread adjustments and benchmark replacement conforming changes, although other benchmark replacements (with or without spread adjustments) may be used in certain transactions. The impact of the transition from LIBOR on the Trust's transactions and financial markets generally cannot yet be determined. The transition away from LIBOR may lead to increased volatility and illiquidity in the markets and for instruments that have relied on LIBOR and may adversely affect the Trust's performance.

**Interest Rate Risk.** The market prices of securities may fluctuate significantly when interest rates change. When interest rates rise, the value of fixed income securities generally falls. In recent years, interest rates and credit spreads in the U.S. have been at historic lows. The U.S. Federal Reserve has raised certain rates, and interest rates may continue to go up. A general rise in interest rates could adversely affect the price and liquidity of fixed income securities and could also result in increased redemptions from the Trust. Generally, the longer the maturity or duration of a fixed income security, the greater the impact of a rise in interest rates on the security's value. However, calculations of maturity or duration may be based on estimates and may not reliably predict a security's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. Moreover, securities can change in value in response to other factors, such as credit risk. In addition, different interest rate measures (such as short- and long-term interest rates and U.S. and foreign interest rates), or interest rates on different types of securities or securities of different issuers, may not necessarily change in the same amount or in the same direction. When interest rates go down, the income received by the Trust, and the Trust's yield, will decline. Also, when interest rates decline, investments made by the Trust may pay a lower interest rate, which would reduce the income received and distributed by the Trust; however, the value of fixed income securities generally rises when interest rates decline. The maturity of a security may be significantly longer than its effective duration. A security's maturity and other features may be more relevant than its effective duration in determining the security's sensitivity to other factors affecting the issuer or markets generally such as changes in credit quality or in the yield premium that the market may establish for certain types of securities (sometimes called "credit spread"). In general, the longer its maturity the more a security may be susceptible to these factors. When the credit spread for a fixed income security goes up, or "widens," the value of the security will generally go down.

Certain fixed income securities pay interest at variable or floating rates. Variable rate securities tend to reset at specified intervals, while floating rate securities may reset whenever there is a change in a specified index rate. In most cases, these reset provisions reduce the impact of changes in market interest rates on the value of the security. However, during a period of rapidly rising interest rates, the changes in the coupon rates of the Trust's variable rate securities may temporarily lag behind changes in market rates and shareholders could suffer loss of principal if they sell shares of the Trust before interest rates in the Trust's securities or the assets underlying the securities are adjusted to reflect current market rates. In addition, some securities do not track the underlying index directly, but reset based on formulas that may produce a leveraging effect; others may also provide for interest payments that vary inversely with market rates. The market prices of these securities may fluctuate significantly when interest rates change.

**Credit Risk.** If an obligor (such as the municipal issuer, a municipal insurer or other party offering credit enhancement) for a security held by the Trust fails to pay, otherwise defaults, is perceived to be less creditworthy, becomes insolvent or files for bankruptcy or a security's credit rating is downgraded or the credit quality or value of any underlying assets declines, the value of your investment in the Trust could decline. Changes in actual or perceived creditworthiness may occur quickly. If the Trust enters into financial contracts (such as repurchase agreements, when-issued and delayed delivery transactions), the Trust will be subject to the credit risk presented by the counterparty. In particular, the number of municipal insurers is relatively small, and, as a result, changes in the financial condition of an individual municipal insurer may affect the overall municipal market. In addition, the Trust may incur expenses and suffer delays in an effort to protect the Trust's interests or to enforce its rights. Credit risk is broadly gauged by the credit ratings of the securities in which the Trust invests. However, ratings are only the opinions of the companies issuing them and are not guarantees as to quality. Securities rated in the lowest category of investment grade (i.e., Baa/BBB) may possess certain speculative characteristics.

If the claims-paying ability or other rating of an insurance company that insures obligations owned by the Trust is downgraded by a rating agency, the value of such obligations may be negatively affected. The Trust also is subject to the risk that an insurer may be unable to pay claims filed pursuant to the coverage. In the case of an insured bond, the bond's rating will be deemed to

be the higher of the rating assigned to the bond's issuer or to the insurer. The Trust may hold several investments covered by one insurer, which would increase the Trust's exposure to the claims-paying ability of that insurer.

In the past, the Trust has invested significantly in pre-refunded municipal bonds, which typically have a higher credit quality than other municipal bonds and a higher current income than other bonds that have a similar credit quality and maturity. Recent legislation has eliminated the tax exemption for pre-refunded municipal bonds. Accordingly, the Trust's investments may be subject to greater credit risk and lower yields than prior to the tax law changes.

**Rating Agency Risk.** Investment grade debt securities may be downgraded by a major rating agency to below investment grade status, which would increase the risk of holding these securities. In addition, a rating may become stale in that it fails to reflect changes to an issuer's financial condition. Ratings represent the rating agency's opinion regarding the quality of the security and are not a guarantee of quality. Rating agencies are subject to an inherent conflict of interest because they are often compensated by the same issuers whose securities they grade.

**Risks Associated with Investments in Hawaiian Obligations.** The Trust may be affected significantly by adverse economic, political or other events affecting Hawaii municipal issuers in which the Trust may invest. Hawaii's economy, which relies substantially on tourism, retail, hospitality, the U.S. military, real estate, construction, and other service-based industries, depends significantly on conditions in the U.S. economy and key international economies, particularly Japan and other Asian countries. Hawaii's economy will be affected by, among other factors, growth or decline in the tourism sector, real or threatened acts of war or terrorism, increases in energy and fuel costs, federal fiscal, monetary and trade policies, the strength of the global economy, including a slowdown in growth in the Japanese and Chinese economies, geopolitical risks, and business and consumer uncertainty related to these issues. The long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent variants of COVID-19 is uncertain.

Hawaii's isolation and geographical location also creates various other risks. Hawaii heavily relies on the shipment of food and goods through domestic and international shipping channels. This, in part, contributes to one of the highest costs of living in the United States. As an island chain, Hawaii is also vulnerable to public health issues, food sustainability

issues and shortages, climate change and rising sea levels, erosion, high surf, adverse weather, and natural disasters, including flooding, storms, earthquakes, hurricanes, tsunamis and volcanic activity. Furthermore, following the occurrence of such events, Hawaii's isolation complicates and delays the provision of aid by the Federal government and/or other entities.

Hawaii and its various subdivisions may also face other financial challenges. Hawaii faces pressure from costs relating to pension and other post-employment benefits. Hawaii's retirement systems are underfunded. Increasing health care costs, an aging population, and longer life expectancies continue to exacerbate this problem.

Hawaii's fiscal situation could become more difficult as a result of these issues, and other impacts of the current economic environment could materially affect the financial condition of the state and its municipalities. The potential deterioration of Hawaii's fiscal situation increases the risk of investing in Hawaii municipal issuers, including the risk of potential issuer default, and also heightens the risk that the prices of Hawaii municipal securities, and the Trust's net asset value and/or yield, will experience greater volatility. Downgrades in the ratings of Hawaii issuers could result in a reduction in the market value of Hawaii municipal securities held by the Trust, which could negatively impact the Trust's net asset value, yield and/or distributions paid by the Trust.

The foregoing and other factors may result in losses to the Trust. More detailed information about the economy of Hawaii may be found in the SAI.

Decreases in personal income levels and property values and other unfavorable economic factors, such as a general economic recession, may adversely affect municipal securities since issuers of municipal securities tend to derive a significant portion of their revenue from taxes, particularly property and income taxes. Municipal issuers may also be adversely affected by rising health care costs, unfunded pension liabilities and by the phasing out of Federal programs providing financial support. Where municipal securities are issued to finance particular projects, especially those relating to education, health care, transportation, and utilities, issuers often depend on revenues from those projects to make principal and interest payments. Adverse financial and economic conditions and developments in those sectors may result in lower revenues to issuers of municipal securities and may also have an adverse effect on the broader municipal securities market.

There may be less public information available on municipal issuers or projects than other issuers, and valuing municipal securities may be more difficult. Timely, accurate and complete information regarding municipal issuers may not be available. In addition, the secondary market for municipal securities is less well developed and liquid than other markets, and dealers may be less willing to offer and sell municipal securities in times of market turbulence. Changes in the financial condition of one or more individual municipal issuers (or one or more insurers of municipal issuers), or one or more defaults by municipal issuers or insurers, can adversely affect liquidity and valuations in the overall market for municipal securities. The value of municipal securities can also be adversely affected by regulatory and political developments affecting the ability of municipal issuers to pay interest or repay principal, actual or anticipated tax law changes or other legislative actions, and by uncertainties and public perceptions concerning these and other factors. Municipal securities may be more susceptible to downgrades or defaults during recessions or similar periods of economic stress. Changes in federal law or regulation, federal budgetary changes, trade disputes or other actions may lead to reductions in federal spending. Reductions in federal funding or other changes that increase state spending could place additional strain on the state and local governments and may have a negative effect on their ability to meet their obligations. There could be legal challenges to the authority of certain entities to issue municipal securities. Financial difficulties of municipal issuers may continue or get worse.

Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code provides a financially distressed municipality protection from its creditors while it develops and negotiates a plan for reorganizing its debts. The reorganization of a municipality's debts may include extending debt maturities, reducing the amount of principal or interest, refinancing the debt or taking other measures, which may significantly affect the rights of creditors and the value of the securities issued by the municipality and the value of the Trust's investments.

**Tax Risk.** The Trust purchases municipal securities the interest on which, in the opinion of bond counsel or other counsel at the time the securities are issued, is exempt from regular Federal income tax and Hawaii state income tax. There is no guarantee that this opinion is correct, and there is no assurance that the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") or state taxing authorities will agree with bond counsel's opinion. If the IRS or a state taxing authority determines that an issuer of a municipal security has not complied with applicable

requirements, interest from the security could become subject to Federal income tax and/or Hawaii state income tax, possibly retroactively to the date the security was issued, the value of the security could decline significantly, and a portion of the distributions to Trust shareholders could be recharacterized as taxable dividends. Recent legislation has eliminated the tax exemption for certain types of municipal bonds. Future litigation or legislation or adverse interpretations by regulatory authorities could also adversely affect the tax status of municipal securities held by the Trust.

**Liquidity Risk.** Liquidity risk exists when particular investments are difficult to purchase or sell. Although most of the Trust's investments must be liquid at the time of investment, investments may become illiquid after purchase by the Trust, particularly during periods of market turmoil or due to adverse changes in the condition of a particular issuer. Markets may become illiquid when, for instance, there are few, if any, interested buyers and sellers or when dealers are unwilling to make a market for certain securities. As a general matter, dealers recently have been less willing to make markets for fixed income securities. During times of market turmoil, there have been, and may be, no buyers for securities in entire asset classes, including U.S. Treasury securities. A lack of liquidity or other adverse credit market conditions may affect the Trust's ability to sell its investments and to purchase suitable investments. When the Trust holds illiquid investments, the portfolio may be harder to value, especially in changing markets, and if the Trust is forced to sell these investments to meet redemption requests or for other cash needs or to try to limit losses, the Trust may suffer a substantial loss or may not be able to sell at all. The Trust may experience heavy redemptions that could cause the Trust to liquidate its assets at inopportune times or at a loss or depressed value, which could cause the value of your investment to decline. In addition, when there is illiquidity in the market for certain investments, the Trust, due to limitations on illiquid investments, may be unable to achieve its desired level of exposure to a certain sector. To the extent that the Trust holds a material percentage of the outstanding issue of a bond, this practice may adversely impact the liquidity and market value of that investment. Further, certain securities, once sold, may not settle for an extended period (for example, several weeks or even longer). The Trust will not receive its sales proceeds until that time, which may constrain the Trust's ability to meet its obligations (including obligations to redeeming shareholders). Liquidity risk may be magnified in an environment of rising interest rates or widening credit

spreads in which investor redemptions may be higher than normal.

**Prepayment or Call Risk.** Many fixed income securities give the issuer the option to repay or call the security prior to its maturity date. Issuers often exercise this right when interest rates fall. Accordingly, if the Trust holds a fixed income security that can be prepaid or called prior to its maturity date, it will not benefit fully from the increase in value that other fixed income securities generally experience when interest rates fall. Upon prepayment of the security, the Trust could also be forced to reinvest the proceeds at then current yields, which would be lower than the yield of the security that was paid off. In addition, if the Trust purchases a fixed income security at a premium (at a price that exceeds its stated par or principal value), the Trust may lose the amount of the premium paid in the event of prepayment.

**Extension Risk.** When interest rates rise, repayments of fixed income securities may occur more slowly than anticipated, extending the effective duration of these fixed income securities at below market interest rates and causing their market prices to decline even more than they would have declined due to the rise in interest rates alone. This may cause the Trust's share price to be more volatile.

**Portfolio Selection Risk.** The value of your investment may decrease if the Adviser's judgment about the quality, relative yield, value or market trends affecting a particular security, industry, sector or region, or about market movements, interest rates or other market factors, is incorrect.

**Valuation Risk.** Many factors may influence the price at which the Trust could sell any particular portfolio investment. The sales price may well differ—higher or lower—from the Trust's valuation of the investment, and such differences could be significant, particularly for illiquid securities and securities that trade in relatively thin markets and/or markets that experience extreme volatility. These differences may increase significantly and affect Trust investments more broadly during periods of market volatility. Nearly all of the Trust's investments are valued using a fair value methodology. Investors who purchase or redeem Trust shares may receive a greater or lesser number of shares, or greater or lower redemption proceeds, than they would have received if the securities had not been fair-valued or if a different valuation methodology had been used. The ability to value the Trust's investments may also be impacted by technological issues and/or errors by pricing services or other third party service providers.

**Redemption Risk.** The Trust may experience periods of heavy redemptions that could cause the Trust to liquidate its assets at inopportune times or at a loss or depressed value or accelerate taxable gains or transaction costs, particularly during periods of declining or illiquid markets. Redemption risk is greater to the extent that the Trust has investors with large shareholdings, short investment horizons, or unpredictable cash flow needs. In addition, redemption risk is heightened during periods of overall market turmoil. The redemption by one or more large shareholders of their holdings in the Trust could hurt performance and/or cause the remaining shareholders in the Trust to lose money. If one decision maker has control of Trust shares owned by separate Trust shareholders, including clients or affiliates of the Trust's Adviser or Administrator, redemptions by these shareholders may further increase the Trust's redemption risk. If the Trust is forced to liquidate its assets under unfavorable conditions or at inopportune times, the value of your investment could decline.

**Cybersecurity Risk.** Cybersecurity failures by and breaches of the Trust's Administrator, Adviser, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Distributor or other service providers may disrupt Trust operations, interfere with the Trust's ability to calculate its NAV, prevent Trust shareholders from purchasing, redeeming or exchanging shares or receiving distributions or receiving timely information regarding the Trust or their investment in the Trust, cause loss of or unauthorized access to private shareholder information, or result in financial losses to the Trust and its shareholders, regulatory fines, penalties, reputational damage, or additional compliance costs. Substantial costs may be incurred in order to prevent any cyber incidents in the future. The Trust and its shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result. Substantial costs may be incurred in order to prevent any cyber incidents in the future. The Trust and its shareholders could be negatively impacted as a result. New ways to carry out cyber attacks continue to develop. There is a chance that some risks have not been identified or prepared for, or that an attack may not be detected, which puts limitations on the Trust's ability to plan for or respond to a cyber attack.

**Non-Diversification Risk.** The Trust is classified as a "non-diversified" investment company under the 1940 Act. Thus, compared with "diversified" funds, it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in obligations of a small number of issuers. In general, the more the Trust invests in the securities of specific issuers or issues of a similar project type, the more the Trust is exposed to risks associated with investments in those issuers or

types of projects. Also, the Trust may be more risky than a more geographically diverse fund.

**Risk of Increase in Expenses.** Your actual costs of investing in the Trust may be higher than the expenses shown in "Annual Trust Operating Expenses" for a variety of reasons. For example, expense ratios may be higher than those shown if a fee limitation were to be in place and were to be changed or terminated or if average net assets decrease. Net assets are more likely to decrease and Trust expense ratios are more likely to increase when markets are volatile.

**Cash Management Risk and Defensive Investing Risk.** Money market instruments or short-term debt securities held by the Trust for cash management or defensive investing purposes can fluctuate in value. Like other fixed income securities, they are subject to risk, including market, interest rate and credit risk. If the Trust holds cash uninvested, it will be subject to the credit risk of the depository institution holding the cash. In addition, the Trust will not earn income on the cash and the Trust's yield will go down. If a significant amount of the Trust's assets are used for cash management or defensive investing purposes, it will be more difficult for the Trust to achieve its investment objective.

Please note that there are other factors that could adversely affect your investment and that could prevent the Trust from achieving its investment objective. More information about risks appears in the SAI. Before investing, you should carefully consider the risks you will assume.

## Portfolio Holdings

A description of the Trust's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of portfolio securities is available in the SAI and on the Trust's website.

## Trust Management

### How is the Trust managed?

Asset Management Group of Bank of Hawaii, Financial Plaza of the Pacific, 130 Merchant Street, Suite 370, Honolulu, HI 96813 (the "Adviser") is the Trust's investment adviser. Aquila Investment Management LLC, 120 West 45th Street, Suite 3600, New York, NY 10036, the Administrator, is responsible for administrative services, including providing for the maintenance of the headquarters of the Trust, overseeing relationships between the Trust and the service providers to the Trust, maintaining the Trust's books and records and providing other administrative services.

Under the Amended and Restated Investment Advisory Agreement, the Adviser supervises continuously the investment program of the Trust and the composition of its portfolio, determining what securities will be purchased or sold by the Trust and arranging for the purchase and the sale of securities held in the portfolio of the Trust.

The Trust currently pays total advisory and administration fees of 0.45 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value. The Trust pays to the Adviser a fee payable monthly and computed on the net asset value of the Trust as of the close of business each business day at the annual rate of 0.23 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value on assets up to and including \$875 million; 0.17 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value on assets between \$875 million and \$1.5 billion; and 0.155 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value on assets over \$1.5 billion. The Trust pays to the Administrator under the Amended and Restated Administration and Business Management Agreement a fee payable monthly and computed on the net asset value of the Trust as of the close of business each business day at the annual rate of 0.22 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value.

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, the Trust paid to the Adviser a fee at the annual rate of 0.23 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value. During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, the Trust paid to the Administrator a fee at the annual rate of 0.22 of 1% of the Trust's net asset value.

A discussion regarding the Trustees' basis for approving the annual renewal of the Amended and Restated Investment Advisory Agreement is available in the Trust's semi-annual report to shareholders for the period ended September 30, 2023.

### **Information about the Adviser and the Administrator**

The Trust's Adviser is a division of Bank of Hawaii ("BOH"), all of whose shares are owned by Bank of Hawaii Corporation ("BOH Corp."). The Adviser is a registered investment adviser. As of March 31, 2024, the Adviser had approximately \$1.17 billion in assets under management. BOH Corp. is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and its common stock is registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is listed and traded on the New York Stock Exchange. BOH Corp. files annual and periodic reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission which are available for public inspection.

Mr. Reid Smith is the lead portfolio manager of the Trust. Mr. Smith is a Vice President and Senior

Portfolio Manager with BOH. Mr. Smith has served as a portfolio manager of the Trust since 2021. He has over 30 years of fixed income portfolio management experience with an extensive background in municipal bond portfolio management. Mr. Smith was a Financial Advisor/Investments at Stifel from September 2020 to August 2021. Prior to that, Mr. Smith was CIO/ Director at Ziegler Capital Management – BPG Group from November 2015 to July 2019. Mr. Smith began his career in portfolio management with BOH in 1986 and was a portfolio manager of the Trust from 1989 to 1991. Mr. Smith also worked as a Principal/Senior Portfolio Manager at Vanguard Group from 1992 to 2009 and as Head of the Barclays Wealth Fixed Income Group from 2011 to 2015. Mr. Smith is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a graduate of the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Shidler School of Business, where he received both his Bachelors and Master degrees in business administration.

The SAI provides additional information about the portfolio manager's compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio manager and the portfolio manager's ownership of securities of the Trust.

The Trust's Administrator is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aquila Management Corporation ("AMC"), founder and sponsor of each fund in the Aquila Group of Funds. AMC's address is the same as that of the Administrator. AMC was founded in 1984 and is owned by Diana P. Herrmann and members of her family. Ms. Herrmann is Vice Chair, a Trustee and the President of the Trust and Chair and Chief Executive Officer of AMC.

The Trust is not subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), and the Trust's Board of Trustees, Adviser, Administrator and other service providers are not fiduciaries under ERISA. Nothing in this Prospectus is intended to constitute advice for purposes of ERISA.

### **Net Asset Value per Share**

The net asset value of the shares of each of the Trust's classes of shares is determined on each day that the New York Stock Exchange is open (a "business day"), as of the scheduled close of regular trading (normally 4:00 p.m., New York time), by dividing the value of the Trust's net assets (which means the value of the assets less liabilities) allocable to each class by the total number of shares of such class outstanding at that time. Portfolio securities generally are fair valued on the basis of market valuations furnished by a pricing service, which may use market prices for comparable securities or broker/dealer quotations or a variety of fair valuation techniques and methodologies to determine

valuations. Any securities or assets for which pricing services are unable to supply prices, or if the prices supplied are determined to be unreliable are valued at their fair value. The Adviser has been designated as the Trust's Valuation Designee, with responsibility for fair valuation subject to oversight by the Trust's Board of Trustees. The price at which a purchase or redemption of shares is effected is based on the net asset value next calculated after your purchase or redemption order is received in proper form. The New York Stock Exchange annually announces the days on which it will not be open. The most recent announcement indicates that it will not be open on the following days: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth National Independence Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. However, the New York Stock Exchange may close on days not included in that announcement.

### Purchases

#### Are there alternative purchase plans?

The Trust provides individuals with alternative ways to purchase shares through different classes of shares. Although the classes of shares of the Trust have different sales charge structures and ongoing expenses, they all represent interests in the same portfolio of investments. An investor should choose the class that best suits the investor's circumstances and needs.

Class A Shares and Class C Shares are available to investors either through a financial intermediary or directly from the Trust.

Class F Shares and Class Y Shares are available only to investors who are investing through a financial intermediary. Not all financial intermediaries make Class F Shares and Class Y Shares available to their clients.

#### In which states can I buy shares of the Trust?

You can purchase shares of the Trust if you live in Hawaii or in one of the other states listed below.

If you are a resident of a state other than Hawaii, dividends from the Trust may be subject to state income taxes in that state. Therefore, you should consult your tax adviser before buying shares of the Trust.

On the date of this Prospectus, Class A Shares and Class C Shares are available only in:

Hawaii, Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky,

Louisiana, Massachusetts, Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Virginia and Washington.

In addition, Class A Shares are available in: Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Tennessee.

On the date of this Prospectus, Class F Shares are available in all 50 states.

On the date of this Prospectus, Class Y Shares are available only in:

Hawaii, Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah, Virginia and Washington.

The Trust and Aquila Distributors LLC, the Trust's distributor (the "Distributor"), may reject any order for the purchase of shares for any reason.

#### How much money do I need to invest?

##### Class A and Class C Shares

##### Option I

- Initially, \$1,000, except that there is no minimum amount for purchase of shares through certain financial intermediaries as discussed below.
- Subsequently, any amount (for investments in shares of the same class).

To qualify for purchases of Class A Shares with no minimum, (i) the shares must be purchased on behalf of a beneficial owner who has entered into a comprehensive fee or other advisory fee arrangement with the financial intermediary or an affiliate or associated person of the financial intermediary, and (ii) the financial intermediary must have entered into an agreement with the Distributor authorizing the sale of Trust shares.

##### Option II

- \$50 or more if an Automatic Investment Program is established.
- Subsequently, any amount you specify of \$50 or more.
- You are not permitted to maintain both an Automatic Investment Program and a Systematic Withdrawal Plan simultaneously.

## Class F and Class Y Shares

Class F and Class Y Shares may be purchased only through a financial intermediary. Financial intermediaries can set their own requirements for initial and subsequent investments.

### **How do I purchase shares?**

#### Class A and Class C Shares

You may purchase Class A and Class C Shares:

- Online, at [aquilafunds.com/myaccount](http://aquilafunds.com/myaccount);
- through an investment broker or dealer, or a bank or other financial intermediary, that has a sales agreement with the Distributor, in which case that institution will take action on your behalf, and you will not personally perform the steps indicated below; or
- by mailing payment to Aquila Group of Funds.

## Class F and Class Y Shares

Class F and Class Y Shares may be purchased only through a financial intermediary. Financial intermediaries can set their own requirements for initial and subsequent investments.

### All Share Classes

Except as provided in the SAI, under the caption "Purchase, Redemption and Pricing of Shares," an investment must be drawn in United States dollars on a United States commercial bank, savings bank or credit union or a United States branch of a foreign commercial bank (each of which is a "Financial Institution").

The price an investor will pay is based on the net asset value next determined after your purchase order is received in proper form plus a sales charge for Class A Shares and the net asset value next determined after your purchase order is received in proper form for Class C, F and Y Shares. (See "What price will I pay for the Trust's shares?") A broker/dealer may charge a service or processing fee in connection with purchases; such a fee will be in addition to the price of the shares.

### **Opening a Class A or Class C Share Account**

- Make out a check for the investment amount payable to Hawaiian Tax-Free Trust.
- Complete a New Account Application, which is available on [aquilafunds.com/myaccount](http://aquilafunds.com/myaccount).
- Send your check and completed New Account Application to one of the following addresses:

#### **U.S. Postal Service Mail:**

Aquila Group of Funds  
P.O. Box 534428  
Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4428

#### **Overnight Carrier Deliveries:**

Aquila Group of Funds  
Attention: 534428  
500 Ross Street, 154-0520  
Pittsburgh, PA 15262

Please note that there may be a delay in receipt by the Trust's Transfer Agent of applications submitted by U.S. Postal Service mail to a post office address.

The Trust is available for purchase in the states identified above, and in Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Except to the extent otherwise permitted by the Distributor, the Trust will

only accept accounts from U.S. citizens with a U.S. address (including an APO or FPO address) or resident aliens with a U.S. address (including an APO or FPO address) and a U.S. taxpayer identification number.

Adding to a Class A or Class C Share Account	
<p><b>Online</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shareholders that hold an account directly with the Trust may purchase additional shares of the Trust with the Trust's transfer and shareholder servicing agent through an online investor portal, which can be accessed via the Trust's website at aquilafunds.com/myaccount.</li> </ul> <p><b>By Wire</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Telephone Aquila Group of Funds (toll-free) at 800-437-1000 and advise us that you would like to purchase shares of the Trust by wire transfer. We will provide appropriate instructions at that time. Your wire must be received no later than 11:00 a.m. Eastern time on the business day after the Trust receives your request to purchase shares. If your wire is not received by 11:00 a.m. Eastern time on the next business day, your transaction will be canceled at your expense and risk. Wire transfers normally take two or more hours to complete and a fee may be charged by the sending bank. Wire transfers may be restricted on holidays and at certain other times.</li> </ul>	<p><b>By Check</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make out a check for the investment amount payable to Hawaiian Tax-Free Trust.</li> <li>Fill out the pre-printed stub attached to the Trust's confirmations or supply the name(s) of account owner(s), the account number, and the name of the Trust.</li> <li>Send your check and account information to one of the following addresses:</li> </ul> <p><b>U.S. Postal Service Mail:</b></p> <p>Aquila Group of Funds P.O. Box 534428 Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4428</p> <p><b>Overnight Carrier Deliveries:</b></p> <p>Aquila Group of Funds Attention: 534428 500 Ross Street, 154-0520 Pittsburgh, PA 15262</p> <p>Please note that there may be a delay in receipt by the Trust's Transfer Agent of purchase orders submitted by U.S. Postal Service mail to a post office address.</p>
Unless you indicate otherwise, your investment will be made in Class A Shares.	

Neither initial nor subsequent investments should be made by third party check, travelers check, starter checks (bank check stock with no account holder information identified) or credit card check.

An investor may also open a Class A or Class C Share account or make additional investments in Class A or Class C Shares through a financial intermediary.

### **Opening or Adding to a Class F or Class Y Share Account**

An investor may open a Class F or Class Y Share account or make additional investments in Class F or Class Y Shares only through a financial intermediary.

### **Investing through financial intermediaries**

If you invest in the Trust through your financial intermediary, the options and services available to you may be different from those discussed in this Prospectus. Shareholders investing through financial intermediaries may only purchase funds and classes of shares that are available. When you invest through a financial intermediary, you generally may buy and sell shares and complete other transactions only through your financial

intermediary account. Ask your investment professional or financial intermediary for more information.

Additional conditions may apply to your investment in the Trust, and the investment professional or intermediary may charge you a transaction-based, administrative or other fee for its services. These conditions and fees are in addition to those imposed by the Trust and its affiliates. You should ask your investment professional or financial intermediary about its services and any applicable fees. The availability of certain sales charge waivers and discounts may depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from the Trust or through a financial intermediary. Please see "Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies" below for more information.

### **Can I transfer funds electronically?**

Once your account has been opened and funded, you can have funds transferred electronically into a Class A or Class C Share account, in amounts of \$50 or more, from your Financial Institution if it is a member of the Automated Clearing House ("ACH"). You may make investments through two electronic transfer features, "Automatic Investment" and "Telephone Investment."

- **Automatic Investment:** You can authorize a predetermined amount to be regularly transferred from your Financial Institution account.
- **Telephone Investment:** You can make single investments of up to \$200,000 by telephone.

Before you can transfer funds electronically, we must have your banking instructions on file. For more information on how to add banking instructions to your account, please visit [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com) or contact us at 800-437-1000. If your account is held directly with a financial intermediary firm, please consult with your investment professional if you need to make such changes.

### **Systematic Payroll Investments**

You can make systematic investments in either Class A Shares or Class C Shares each pay period if your employer has established a Systematic Payroll Investment Plan with the Trust. To participate in the payroll plan, you must make your own arrangements with your employer's payroll department, which may include completing special forms. Additionally, the Trust requires that you complete the New Account Application. Once your New Account Application is received by the Trust and a New Account is opened, under the payroll plan your employer will deduct a preauthorized amount from each payroll check. This amount will then be sent directly to the Trust for purchase of shares at the then current offering price, which includes any applicable sales charge. You will receive a confirmation from the Trust for each transaction. Should you wish to change the dollar amount or end future systematic payroll investments, you must notify your employer directly. Changes may take up to ten days.

Automatic investment, telephone investment and systematic payroll investments are not available for Class F Shares and Class Y Shares.

### **Redeeming an Investment**

You may redeem some or all of your investment in the Trust by a request to Aquila Group of Funds or your financial intermediary, that has a sales agreement with the Distributor, in which case that institution will take action on your behalf, and you will not personally perform the steps indicated below. Shares will be redeemed at the next net asset value determined after your request has been received in proper form.

Certain shares are subject to a contingent deferred sales charge, or CDSC. These are:

- Class C Shares held for less than 12 months (from the date of purchase); and

- CDSC Class A Shares (as described below).

Upon redemption, enough additional shares will be redeemed to pay for any applicable CDSC.

Financial intermediaries may charge a fee for effecting redemptions. A redemption may result in a taxable transaction to the redeeming investor.

### **How can I redeem my Shares?**

**Through Your Financial Intermediary:** If your Aquila Group of Funds account is held with a financial intermediary, please contact your investment professional for more information on how to redeem your shares. Please note that your financial intermediary may have its own earlier deadlines for the receipt of a request to sell shares. Consult your investment professional for more information. The Trust reserves the right to terminate this procedure at any time. Redemption requests for Class F and Class Y Shares must be made through a financial intermediary.

**If your Aquila Group of Funds account is held directly with the Trust, redemption requests may be made online, by telephone or mail, as described below.**

**Online.** Shareholders that hold an account directly with the Trust may purchase additional shares of the Trust with the Trust's transfer and shareholder servicing agent through an online investor portal, which can be accessed via the Trust's website at [aquilafunds.com/myaccount](http://aquilafunds.com/myaccount).

**By Telephone.** Please call 800-437-1000 toll-free to redeem shares and make payments:

- a) to a Financial Institution account you have previously specified; or
- b) by check in the amount of \$50,000 or less, mailed to the name and address on the account from which you are redeeming, provided that neither the name nor the address has changed during the prior 30 days. You may only redeem by check via telephone request once in any seven-day period.

Whenever you contact us by telephone, please be prepared to supply account information and personal identification.

**Note:** Check the accuracy of your confirmation statements immediately upon receipt. Aquila Group of Funds, the Distributor and the Trust's Transfer Agent are not responsible for losses resulting from unauthorized telephone transactions if reasonable procedures are followed to verify a caller's identity. Calls may be recorded.

**By Mail.** You may request redemption payments to a predesignated Financial Institution account by a letter of instruction sent to one of the following addresses:

- U.S. Postal Service Mail: Aquila Group of Funds, P.O. Box 534428, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4428
- Overnight Carrier Deliveries: Aquila Group of Funds, Attention 534428, 500 Ross Street, 154-0520, Pittsburgh, PA 15262

The letter, signed by the registered shareholder(s), must indicate:

- account name(s)
- account number
- dollar amount or number of shares to be redeemed; and
- payment instructions (we normally mail redemption proceeds to your address as registered with the Trust).

To have redemption proceeds sent directly to your Financial Institution account, we must have your banking instructions on file.

Please note that there may be a delay in receipt by the Trust's Transfer Agent of redemption requests submitted by U.S. Postal Service mail to a post office address.

You may establish or change your designated Financial Institution account at any time by visiting [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com) or by contacting us at 800-437-1000.

We may require additional documentation for certain types of shareholders, such as corporations, partnerships, trustees or executors, or if redemption is requested by someone other than the shareholder of record.

Medallion Signature Guarantees. If sufficient documentation is on file, we do not require a Medallion signature guarantee for redemptions of shares up to

\$50,000, payable to the record holder, and sent to the address of record. In all other cases, signatures must be guaranteed. Acceptable Medallion signature guarantees may be obtained from banks or brokerage firms that are members of either the Securities Transfer Association Medallion Signature Program ("STAMP"), the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program ("MSP"), or the Stock Exchange Medallion Program ("SEMP").

### Certificate Shares

The Trust no longer issues share certificates. If you hold share certificates issued previously and wish to redeem those shares you should:

Mail to Aquila Group of Funds: (1) blank (unsigned) certificates for the shares to be redeemed, (2) redemption instructions as described above under "Regular Redemption Method" and (3) a stock assignment form.

To be in "proper form," items (2) and (3) above must be signed by the registered shareholder(s) exactly as the account is registered. For a joint account, both shareholder signatures are necessary.

For your protection, mail certificates separately from signed redemption instructions. We recommend that certificates be sent by registered mail, return receipt requested.

If sufficient documentation is on file, we do not require a Medallion signature guarantee for redemptions of certificate shares up to \$50,000, payable to the record holder, and sent to the address of record. In all other cases, signatures must be guaranteed. If a Medallion signature guarantee is required, you must follow the procedures described above under "Regular Redemption Method."

### What are the methods of payment of redemption proceeds?

Redemption proceeds may be sent by check, wire or transferred through ACH, as follows:

Redemption	Method of Payment	Charges
Under \$1,000.	Check or ACH.	None.
\$1,000 or more.	Check, ACH or wire to your Financial Institution account.	None.
Through a financial intermediary.	Check or wire, to your financial intermediary.	None. However, your financial intermediary may charge a fee.

Although the Trust does not currently intend to, it can charge up to \$5.00 per wire redemption, after written notice to shareholders who have elected this redemption procedure. Upon 30 days' written notice to shareholders the Trust may modify or terminate the use of ACH to make redemption payments at any time or charge a service fee, although no such fee is presently contemplated. If any such changes are made, the Prospectus will be supplemented to reflect them.

The Trust can redeem your shares if their value totals less than \$500 as a result of redemptions or failure to meet and maintain the minimum investment level under an Automatic Investment program. Before such a redemption is made, we will send you a notice giving you 60 days to make additional investments to bring your account up to the minimum.

### **Are there any reinvestment privileges?**

If you own Class A or Class C Shares, you may reinvest proceeds of redemption within 120 days of the redemption, you will not have to pay any additional sales charge on the reinvestment, and the Distributor will refund to you any CDSC deducted at the time of redemption by adding it to the amount of your reinvestment. You must reinvest in the same fund and class as the shares redeemed. You may exercise this privilege only once a year, unless otherwise approved by the Distributor.

### **Is there a Systematic Withdrawal Plan?**

You may establish a Systematic Withdrawal Plan if you own or purchase Class A Shares of the Trust having a net asset value of at least \$5,000. The Systematic Withdrawal Plan allows you to receive a monthly or quarterly check in a stated amount, not less than \$50. The Systematic Withdrawal Plan is not available for Class C, F or Y Shares.

### **General**

Redemption proceeds are normally sent to your address of record on the next business day following receipt of your redemption request in proper form, but in any event within seven days, regardless of the method used to make such payment (e.g., check, wire or electronic transfer (ACH)).

The Trust may delay payment for redemption of shares recently purchased by check (including certified, cashier's or official bank check) for up to 10 business days after purchase; however, payment for redemption will not be delayed after (i) the check has been honored, or (ii) we receive satisfactory assurance that the check will be honored. Possible delays can be eliminated by

paying for purchased shares with wired funds or Federal Reserve drafts.

The Trust has the right to postpone payment or suspend redemption rights during certain periods. These periods may occur (i) when the New York Stock Exchange is closed for other than weekends and holidays, (ii) when the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") restricts trading on the New York Stock Exchange, (iii) when the SEC determines that an emergency exists which causes disposal of, or determination of the value of, portfolio securities to be unreasonable or impracticable, and (iv) during such other periods as the SEC may permit.

Under normal circumstances, the Trust expects to meet redemption requests by using cash or cash equivalents in its portfolio and/or selling assets to generate cash. Under stressed or abnormal market conditions or circumstances, including circumstances adversely affecting the liquidity of the Trust's investments, the Trust may be more likely to be forced to sell portfolio assets to meet redemptions than under normal market circumstances. Under such circumstances, the Trust could be forced to liquidate assets at inopportune times or at a loss or depressed value. The Trust also may pay redemption proceeds using cash obtained through a committed, unsecured revolving credit facility, and other borrowing arrangements that may be available from time to time.

Redemption proceeds may be paid in whole or in part "in kind," that is by distribution of the Trust's portfolio securities. If the Trust redeems in kind, it generally will deliver to you a proportionate share of the portfolio securities owned by the Trust. The Trust may redeem in kind if, for example, the Trust reasonably believes that a cash redemption may have a substantial impact on the Trust and its remaining shareholders. Securities you receive this way may increase or decrease in value while you hold them and you may incur transaction costs and tax liability when you convert the securities to cash.

During periods of deteriorating or stressed market conditions, when an increased portion of the Trust's portfolio may be comprised of less-liquid investments, or during extraordinary or emergency circumstances, the Trust may be more likely to pay redemption proceeds with cash obtained through short-term borrowing arrangements (if available) or by giving you securities.

### **Proper Form**

When you buy, exchange or redeem shares, your request must be in proper form. This means you have

provided the following information, without which the request may not be processed:

- Account name(s)
- Account number
- Dollar amount or number of shares being bought, exchanged or redeemed
- In the case of a redemption, payment instructions
- For redemptions using the Regular Redemption Method, signature(s) of the registered shareholder(s)
- A Medallion signature guarantee. If sufficient documentation is on file, a Medallion signature guarantee is not required for redemptions of shares up to \$50,000, payable to the record holder, and sent to the address of record. In all other cases, signatures must be guaranteed. Acceptable Medallion signature guarantees may be obtained from banks or brokerage firms that are members of either the Securities Transfer Association Medallion Signature Program ("STAMP"), the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program ("MSP"), or the Stock Exchange Medallion Program ("SEMP").

### **Identity verification**

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. When you open an account, you will need to supply your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow the Trust to identify you. The Trust may close your account if we cannot adequately verify your identity.

### **Investing through financial intermediaries**

If you invest in the Trust through your financial intermediary, the options and services available to you may be different from those discussed in this Prospectus. Shareholders investing through financial intermediaries may only purchase funds and classes of shares that are available. When you invest through an account that is not in your name, you generally may buy and sell shares and complete other transactions only through the account. Ask your investment professional or financial intermediary for more information.

Additional conditions may apply to your investment in the Trust, and your financial intermediary may charge

you a transaction-based, administrative or other fee for its services. These conditions and fees are in addition to those imposed by the Trust. You should ask your financial intermediary about its services and any applicable fees.

### **Responsibility for Fraud**

The Trust will not be responsible for any account losses because of fraud if we reasonably believe that the person transacting business on an account is authorized to do so. Please take precautions to protect yourself from fraud. Keep your account information private, and immediately review any account statements or other information that we provide to you. It is important that you contact the Trust immediately about any transactions or changes to your account that you believe to be unauthorized.

### **Alternative Purchase Plans**

#### **How do the different arrangements for the Trust's share classes affect the cost of buying, holding and redeeming shares, and what else should I know about the Trust's share classes?**

The Trust offers several classes of shares. All classes represent interests in the same portfolio of investments. The classes of shares differ in their sales charge structures and ongoing expenses, as described below. An investor should choose the class that best suits the investor's circumstances and needs.

The availability of certain sales charge waivers and discounts may depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from the Trust or through a financial intermediary. Specific intermediaries may have different policies and procedures regarding the availability of front-end sales load waivers or contingent deferred (back-end) sales load ("CDSC") waivers. In all instances, it is the purchaser's responsibility to notify the Trust or the purchaser's financial intermediary at the time of purchase of any relationship or other facts qualifying the purchaser for sales charge waivers or discounts. **For waivers and discounts not available through a particular intermediary, shareholders will have to purchase Trust shares directly from the Trust or through another intermediary to receive these waivers or discounts. Please see the section "Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies" immediately before the back cover of this Prospectus to determine any sales charge discounts and waivers that may be available to you through your financial intermediary.**

	<b>Class A Shares “Front-Payment Class”</b>	<b>Class C Shares “Level-Payment Class”</b>
<b>Initial Sales Charge</b>	Class A Shares are offered at net asset value plus a maximum sales charge of 3.00%, paid at the time of purchase. Thus, your investment is reduced by the applicable sales charge.	None. Class C Shares are offered at net asset value with no sales charge payable at the time of purchase.
<b>Contingent Deferred Sales Charge (“CDSC”)</b>	None (except for certain purchases of \$250,000 or more).	A CDSC of 1% is imposed upon the redemption of Class C Shares held for less than 12 months. No CDSC applies to Class C Shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends or distributions.
<b>Distribution and/or Service Fees</b>	A distribution fee of 0.20 of 1% is imposed on the average annual net assets represented by the Class A Shares.	Distribution and service fees of 1% are imposed on the average net assets represented by the Class C Shares for six years prior to conversion to Class A Shares (see Other Information). A distribution fee of 0.75 of 1% may be paid to certain broker/dealers and other qualified recipients. A service fee of 0.25 of 1% will be paid to the Distributor.
<b>Other Information</b>	The initial sales charge is waived or reduced in some cases. Larger purchases qualify for lower sales charges. Financial intermediaries may offer their own (i.e., a financial intermediary-specific) sales charge waiver(s).	Class C Shares, together with a pro-rata portion of all Class C Shares acquired through reinvestment of dividends and other distributions paid in additional Class C Shares, automatically convert to Class A Shares after six years.

	<b>Class F Shares “Fiduciary Class”</b>	<b>Class Y Shares “Institutional Class”</b>
<b>Initial Sales Charge</b>	None. Financial intermediaries may charge a fee for purchase of shares.	None. Financial intermediaries may charge a fee for purchase of shares.
<b>Contingent Deferred Sales Charge</b>	None.	None.
<b>Distribution and/or Service Fees</b>	None.	None.
<b>Other Information</b>	N/A	N/A

### **What price will I pay for the Trust’s shares?**

<b>Class A Shares Offering Price</b>	<b>Class C, F and Y Shares Offering Price</b>
Net asset value per share plus the applicable sales charge.	Net asset value per share

An investor will receive that day's offering price on purchase orders, including Telephone Investments and investments by mail, received in proper form prior to the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (normally 4:00 p.m. New York time) by Aquila Group of Funds or an authorized financial intermediary. Otherwise, orders will be filled at the next determined offering price. Financial intermediaries are required to submit orders promptly. Purchase orders received on a non-business day, including those for Automatic Investment, will be executed on the next succeeding business day. The sale of shares will be suspended (1) during any period when net asset value determination is suspended or (2) when the Distributor judges it is in the Trust's best interest to do so.

Class F Shares and Class Y Shares may be available on certain brokerage platforms. An investor transacting in Class F Shares or Class Y Shares through a broker acting as an agent for the investor may be required to pay a commission and/or other forms of compensation to the broker. As noted above, shares of the Trust are available in other share classes that have different fees and expenses.

#### **Sales Charges – Class A Shares**

#### **What are the sales charges for purchases of Class A Shares?**

The following table shows the amount of sales charge incurred for each new purchase by a "single purchaser" of Class A Shares. A "single purchaser" is:

I <b>Amount of Purchase Plus Value of All Other Shares Held by a Single Purchaser</b>	II <b>Sales Charge as Percentage of Public Offering Price</b>	III <b>Sales Charge as Approximate Percentage of Net Amount Invested</b>
Less than \$50,000	3.00%	3.09%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2.50%	2.56%
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2.00%	2.04%
\$250,000 or more	None	None
For purchases of \$250,000 or more see "Sales Charges for Purchases of \$250,000 or More."		

For example:

If your purchase amount is \$10,000 ( <u>Column I</u> ), your sales charge would be 3.00% or \$300 ( <u>Column II</u> ).  The value of your account would be equivalent to the amount of your purchase less the sales charge. (The net amount invested in your account would be \$10,000 - \$300 = \$9,700.)  The sales charge as a percentage of the net amount invested in your account would be 3.09% ( <u>Column III</u> ).	(\$10,000 x 0.03 = \$300)  (\$10,000 - \$300 = \$9,700)  (\$300 / \$9,700 = 0.0309 or 3.09%)
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- an individual;
- an individual, together with his or her spouse, and/or any children under 21 years of age purchasing shares for their accounts;
- a trustee or other fiduciary purchasing shares for a single trust estate or fiduciary account; or
- a government, municipality or tax-exempt entity that meets the requirements for qualification under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

You are entitled to substantial reductions in sales charges based on aggregate holdings of all shares of any class of any of the funds in the Aquila Group of Funds that you or other members of your immediate family already own at the time of your purchase. Be sure you tell your broker or dealer about all of those holdings so that any applicable reduction in sales charges on your purchase can be correctly computed. You will need to produce proof of such ownership in the form of account statements relating to any account at any financial intermediary that you or any member of your immediate family own that holds any such shares.

A "single purchaser" will pay a sales charge based on the value at the time of purchase of his or her aggregate holdings of shares of any class of any of the funds in the Aquila Group of Funds in accordance with the following table:

Since the offering price is calculated to two decimal places using standard rounding methodology, the dollar amount of the sales charge as a percentage of the offering price and the net amount invested (the amount of your investment less the sales charge) for any particular purchase of Trust shares may be higher or lower due to rounding.

### **Sales Charges for Purchases of \$250,000 or More**

You will not pay a sales charge at the time of purchase when you purchase "CDSC Class A Shares." CDSC Class A Shares are:

- (i) Class A Shares issued in a single purchase of \$250,000 or more by a single purchaser; and
- (ii) Class A Shares issued when the value of the purchase, together with the value of shares of the Trust or any other fund in the Aquila Group of Funds that are owned by the purchaser, is \$250,000 or more.

### **Redemption of CDSC Class A Shares**

If you redeem all or part of your CDSC Class A Shares during the two years after you purchase them, you may have to pay a special CDSC upon redemption of those shares. CDSC Class A Shares purchased without a sales charge pursuant to a Letter of Intent are subject to the CDSC. The CDSC will not apply to shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends or distributions on CDSC Class A Shares.

When a CDSC is calculated, it will be applied to the lower of the original cost of the shares being redeemed or the current market value of those shares. Therefore, you do not pay a sales charge on amounts representing appreciation or depreciation. The rate used to calculate the CDSC is based on the value of all shares of funds in the Aquila Group of Funds ("Aquila Fund Shares") that you own at the time the shares being redeemed were originally purchased and will vary based on the time elapsed since the CDSC Class A Shares were purchased. The CDSC rate and holding period applicable to the redemption of CDSC Class A Shares is set forth in the following table:

<b>Value of All Aquila Fund Shares at Time Shares Being Redeemed were Originally Purchased</b>	<b>CDSC Rate on Shares Redeemed</b>	
	<b>During First Year After Purchase</b>	<b>During Second Year After Purchase</b>
\$250,000 and up to \$2,499,999	0.75%	0.50%
\$2.5 million and up to \$4,999,999	0.50%	0.25%
\$5 million and more	0.25%	None

The CDSC will not apply to CDSC Class A Shares held for longer than two years.

Each time you place a request to redeem shares, the Trust will first redeem any shares in your account that are not subject to a contingent deferred sales charge, and then will redeem shares in your account that are subject to the lowest CDSC rate, unless otherwise instructed. A series of investments may increase the total value of Aquila Fund Shares you own so that subsequent purchases may qualify for a shorter holding period and a lower CDSC rate, as described in the table above, without altering the holding period or CDSC rate for shares acquired when the total value of Aquila Fund Shares you owned was lower.

The CDSC will be waived for:

- Redemption following the death of the shareholder or beneficial owner.
- Redemption by the Trust when an account falls below the minimum required account size.

- Redemption by an investor who purchased \$250,000 or more without an initial sales charge if the securities dealer of record waived or deferred its commission in connection with the purchase, with notice to the investor and the Trust at the time of purchase.

The availability of certain sales charge waivers and discounts may depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from the Trust or through a financial intermediary. Please see "Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies" below for more information.

### **Reduced Sales Charges for Certain Purchases of Class A Shares**

#### **Right of Accumulation**

"Single purchasers" may qualify for a reduced sales charge in accordance with the above schedule when making subsequent purchases of Class A Shares.

## **Letters of Intent**

A “single purchaser” may also qualify for reduced sales charges, in accordance with the above schedule, after a written Letter of Intent (included in the New Account Application) is received by the Distributor.

## **Other**

Class A Shares may be purchased without a sales charge by current and former Trustees and officers of any funds in the Aquila Group of Funds, the directors, officers and certain employees, former employees and representatives of the Administrator the Distributor, the adviser or sub-adviser of any fund in the Aquila Group of Funds and the parents and/or affiliates of such companies, broker dealers, their officers and employees and other investment professionals, certain persons connected with firms providing legal, advertising or public relations assistance to the Trust, certain family members of, and plans for the benefit of, the foregoing and plans for the benefit of trust or similar clients of banking institutions over which these institutions have full investment authority. Class A Shares may also be issued without a sales charge in a merger, acquisition or exchange offer made pursuant to a plan of reorganization to which the Trust is a party.

The Trust also permits the sale of its Class A Shares at prices that reflect the elimination of the sales charge to investors who are members of certain qualified groups. A qualified group is a group or association that: (i) satisfies uniform criteria which enable the Distributor to realize economies of scale in its costs of distributing shares; (ii) gives its endorsement or authorization (if it is a group or association) to an investment program to facilitate solicitation of its membership by a broker or dealer; and (iii) complies with the conditions of purchase that make up an agreement between the Trust and the group, representative or broker or dealer. At the time of purchase, the Distributor must receive information sufficient to permit verification that the purchase qualifies for a reduced sales charge, either directly or through a broker or dealer. Examples of a qualified group include, but are not limited to: certain wrap accounts, asset allocation programs or other fee-based arrangements for the benefit of clients of investment professionals or other financial intermediaries; and certain retirement plans that are part of a retirement plan or platform offered by banks, broker-dealers, financial advisors or insurance companies, or serviced by recordkeepers.

Class A Shares may be purchased without a sales charge by investors who purchase shares through a self-directed brokerage account program offered

by a financial intermediary that has entered into an agreement with the Trust’s Distributor. Financial intermediaries offering such programs may or may not charge transaction fees. As of May 1, 2024, the Distributor has entered such an agreement with Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, and Vanguard. Please see “Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies” below for more information, as applicable.

Class A purchases at net asset value may be available to group employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., employer-sponsored 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). Waivers for group employer-sponsored retirement plans do not apply to traditional IRAs, Roth IRAs, SEP IRAs, SARSEPs, SIMPLE IRAs, KEOGHs, individual 401(k) or individual 403(b) plans, or to shares held in commission-based broker-dealer accounts. In addition, acquisitions of shares by reinvestment of dividends or in exchanges (with certain exceptions) do not incur a sales charge. The foregoing sales charge waivers are generally available for qualified purchases through all financial intermediaries that offer Class A Shares of the Trust, except as set forth under “Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies” below. Please see the SAI for additional information about sales charge waivers and reductions.

The availability of certain sales charge waivers and discounts may depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from the Trust or through a financial intermediary. Please see “Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies” below for more information.

The foregoing information about breakpoints in, or elimination of, sales charges is also available free of charge on our website at [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com). Hyperlinks at our website will facilitate your access to the information.

## **Large Purchase Orders for Class C Shares**

The Trust will not accept purchase orders for Class C Shares on behalf of an individual investor (not including dealer “street name” or omnibus accounts) in an amount of \$500,000 or more or if the purchase order would bring the value of the account over \$500,000. This is because it will generally be more advantageous for such a purchase by an individual to be invested in Class A Shares instead.

## **Redemption of Class C Shares**

The CDSC will be waived for redemption following the death of the shareholder or beneficial owner and for redemption by the Trust when an account falls below the minimum required size.

The availability of certain CDSC waivers may depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from the Trust or through a financial intermediary. Please see "Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies" below for more information.

### **Broker/Dealer Compensation - Class C Shares**

The Distributor may pay 1% of the sale price to any broker/dealer executing a Class C Share purchase.

### **Purchase and Redemption of Class F Shares and Class Y Shares**

Class F Shares and Class Y Shares may be available on certain brokerage platforms. An investor transacting in Class F Shares or Class Y Shares through a broker acting as an agent for the investor may be required to pay a commission and/or other forms of compensation to the broker. Shares of the Trust are available in other share classes that have different fees and expenses.

### **General**

Certain financial intermediaries may charge additional fees in connection with transactions in Trust shares. The Administrator or the Distributor may make payments or provide non-cash compensation out of their own resources to securities dealers and other financial intermediaries for providing services intended to result in the sale of Trust shares or for shareholder servicing activities. The compensation is discretionary and may be available only to selected selling and servicing agents. See "Additional Information" below and in the SAI for discussions of marketing support payments.

### **Exchanging Shares**

Generally, you can exchange shares of any class of the Trust into shares of the same class of another fund in the Aquila Group of Funds without the payment of a sales charge or any other fee.

If applicable, shares you acquire as part of an exchange will continue to be subject to any CDSC that applies to the shares you originally purchased. When you ultimately sell your shares, the date of your original purchase will determine your CDSC.

Because excessive trading in Trust shares can be harmful to the Trust and its other shareholders, the right is reserved to revise or terminate the exchange privilege, to limit the number of exchanges or to reject any exchange if (i) the Trust or any of the other funds in the Aquila Group of Funds believe that it or they would be harmed or be unable to invest effectively or (ii) it or they receive or anticipate receiving simultaneous orders

that may significantly affect the Trust or any other funds in the Aquila Group of Funds.

Before you request an exchange, consider the investment objectives and policies of the fund for which you are exchanging shares, as described in that fund's prospectus. You generally will have to pay income taxes on an exchange.

### **Same Fund Exchanges**

Certain shareholders may be eligible to exchange their shares for shares of another class of the Trust. If eligible, no sales charges or other charges will apply to any such exchange. Generally, shareholders will not recognize a gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes upon such an exchange. Investors should contact their financial intermediary to learn more about same fund exchanges.

### **Frequent Trading**

As stated above, the Trust and the Distributor may reject any order for the purchase of shares. For example, because frequent movement of assets into and out of the Trust by market timers or other investors may disrupt the management of the Trust and increase its expenses, the Board of Trustees of the Trust has determined that the Trust may reject purchase orders, on a temporary or permanent basis, from investors that the Trust is able to determine are exhibiting a pattern of frequent or short-term trading in Trust shares. The Trust may not be able to detect frequent trading by the underlying owners of shares held in omnibus accounts and therefore may not be able effectively to prevent frequent trading in those accounts. Accordingly, there is no guarantee that the Trust will be successful in identifying all investors who engage in excessive trading activity or in curtailing that activity. The Trust's policy on frequent trading extends to purchases through exchanges. (See "Exchange Privilege" above.)

### **Quarterly Statements and Confirmations**

For accounts that are held directly with the Trust, at the end of each calendar quarter we will send you an account statement reflecting year-to-date activity. A transaction confirmation will be sent to you following certain transactions that occur within your account, including purchases, redemptions and account updates such as name and address changes. Confirmations are not sent for system generated transactions (e.g., dividends, automatic investments and systematic withdrawals). Those transactions are detailed within your quarterly statement.

## **Is there a Distribution Plan?**

The Trust has adopted a Distribution Plan (the "Plan") under the Investment Company Act of 1940's Rule 12b-1 (the "Rule") in order to:

- (i) permit the Trust to finance activities primarily intended to result in the sale of its shares;
- (ii) permit the Administrator to make payment for distribution expenses out of its own funds; and
- (iii) protect the Trust against any claim that some of the expenses which it pays or may pay might be considered to be sales-related and therefore come within the purview of the Rule.

Pursuant to the Plan, the Trust makes payments with respect to Class A and Class C Shares under agreements to certain broker/dealers and other qualified recipients.

For any fiscal year, these payments may not exceed 0.20 of 1% for Class A Shares and 0.75 of 1% for Class C Shares of the average annual net assets represented by each such class. Payments with respect to each class are made only out of the Trust's assets allocable to that class. Because these distribution fees are paid out of assets on an ongoing basis, over time these fees will increase the cost of your investment, and they may cost you more than paying other types of sales charges. These distribution fees are in addition to any other sales charges you may pay.

## **Shareholder Services Plan for Class C Shares**

The Trust's Shareholder Services Plan authorizes it to pay a service fee under agreements to certain qualified recipients who have agreed to provide personal services to Class C shareholders and/or maintain their accounts. For any fiscal year, such fees may not exceed 0.25 of 1% of the average annual net assets represented by Class C Shares. Payment is made only out of the Trust's assets represented by the Class C Shares.

Service fees with respect to Class C Shares will be paid to the Distributor.

## **Other Payments by the Trust**

In addition to, rather than in lieu of, fees paid by the Trust under its Distribution Plan or Shareholder Services Plan, the Trust may pay fees for certain administrative, networking, recordkeeping, sub-transfer agency or other services provided by certain broker/dealers and other financial intermediaries ("financial advisors").

## **Additional Payments**

The Distributor and/or its related companies pay compensation (out of their own assets and not as an additional charge to the Trust, although such assets may include profits derived from services provided to the Trust) to financial advisors in connection with the sale or retention of Trust shares or certain shareholder servicing and/or certain administrative, networking, recordkeeping, sub-transfer agency or other services. This additional compensation is sometimes referred to as "revenue sharing." For example, the Distributor and/or its related companies pay compensation to financial advisors for administrative, sub-accounting or shareholder transaction processing services above and beyond such costs which would normally be paid by the Trust, assistance in training and education and/or other forms of marketing support, including costs related to providing the Trust with "shelf space." Payments made to financial advisors may be based on a fixed dollar amount and/or one or more of the following factors: gross sales, current assets, number of accounts attributable to or maintained by the financial advisor and/or reimbursement for marketing expenses of the financial advisor. Some of these amounts may be significant to the Distributor and/or its related companies. The prospect of receiving additional compensation provides financial advisors with an incentive to favor sales of shares of the Trust over other investment options and creates a conflict of interest. To obtain more information on how additional compensation may have influenced your financial advisor's recommendation of the Trust ask your financial advisor. For more information, please see the Trust's SAI.

To the extent financial advisors sell more shares of the Trust or retain shares of the Trust in their clients' accounts, the Distributor and/or its related companies, including the Administrator, receives greater fees due to the increase in Trust assets. The intermediary may earn a profit on these payments if the amount of the payment to the intermediary exceeds the intermediary's costs.

Class F Shares are only available in cases where the intermediary will not receive additional compensation with respect to Class F Shares.

## **"Transfer on Death" Registration**

If you own Class A or Class C Shares, the Trust generally permits "transfer on death" ("TOD") registration of shares, so that on the death of the shareholder the shares are transferred to a designated beneficiary or

beneficiaries. A Transfer on Death Registration Request Form is available on [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com) or through your financial intermediary. With it you will receive a copy of the TOD Rules of the Aquila Group of Funds, which specify how the registration becomes effective and operates. By opening a TOD Account, you agree to be bound by the TOD Rules. An investor in Class F or Class Y should discuss the availability of TOD registration with the investor's financial intermediary (broker/ dealer, etc.).

### **Dividends and Distributions**

#### **How are dividends and distributions determined?**

The Trust pays dividends and other distributions with respect to each class of shares. The Trust calculates its dividends and other distributions with respect to each class at the same time and in the same manner. Net income for dividend purposes includes all interest income accrued by the Trust since the previous dividend declaration less expenses paid or accrued. Net income also includes any original issue discount, which occurs if the Trust purchases an obligation for less than its face amount. The discount from the face amount is treated as additional income earned over the life of the obligation. Because the Trust's income varies, so will the Trust's dividends. There is no fixed dividend rate. It is expected that most of the Trust's dividends will be comprised of interest income. The dividends and distributions of each class can vary due to certain class-specific charges. The Trust will declare all of its net income as dividends on every day, including weekends and holidays, on those shares outstanding for which payment was received by the close of business on the preceding business day.

Redeemed shares continue to earn dividends through and including the earlier of:

1. the day prior to the day when redemption proceeds are mailed, wired or transferred by ACH or paid to a financial intermediary; or
2. the third business day after the day the net asset value of the redeemed shares was determined.

The Trust's present policy is to generally pay dividends so they will be received or credited by approximately the first day of each month.

#### **How are dividends and distributions paid?**

##### **Class A and Class C Shares**

Dividends and distributions, if any, on Class A or Class C Shares will automatically be reinvested in full and fractional shares of the Trust of the same class at net

asset value as of the payment date for the dividend or distribution unless you elect otherwise.

You may choose to have all or any part of your dividends or distributions paid in cash. You can elect to have the cash portion of your dividends or distributions deposited, without charge, by electronic fund transfers into your account at a financial institution, if it is a member of ACH.

You may also choose to direct your dividends to be invested in other funds in the Aquila Group of Funds in which you may have an account.

You can make any of these elections on the New Account Application. For information on changing distribution elections on your existing account(s), please visit [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com) or contact us at 800-437-1000. Your election to receive some or all of your dividends and distributions in cash will be effective as of the next payment of dividends after it has been received in proper form. It will continue in effect until we receive written notification of a change.

Whether your dividends and distributions are received in cash or reinvested, you will receive a quarterly statement indicating the current status of your investment account with the Trust.

The Trust reserves the right to change the dividend and distribution payment option on your account to "reinvest" if mail sent to the address on your account is returned by the post office as "undeliverable" and you have elected to have your account dividends and/or distributions paid in cash. In such event, the Trust would then purchase additional shares of the Trust with any dividend or distribution payments that are "undeliverable." In order to change the option back to "cash," you would need to send us written instructions as described above.

##### **Class F and Class Y Shares**

All arrangements for the payment of dividends and distributions, if any, with respect to Class F and Class Y Shares, including reinvestment of dividends, must be made through financial intermediaries.

### **Tax Information**

The following discussion is very general and does not address investors subject to special rules, such as investors who hold shares through an IRA, 401(k) plan or other tax-advantaged account. The SAI contains further information about taxes. Because each shareholder's circumstances are different and special tax rules may apply, you should consult with your tax adviser about your investment in the Trust.

You may receive three different types of distributions from the Trust: exempt-interest dividends, ordinary dividends and capital gain dividends. Any taxable distributions are taxed in the same manner whether paid in cash or reinvested in additional shares.

Most distributions from the Trust will be dividends of interest income that are exempt from regular Federal income tax ("exempt-interest dividends"), but may be subject to state or local income taxes. As further described below, exempt-interest dividends derived from Hawaiian Obligations will also generally be exempt from Hawaii state income tax, subject to the discussion under the heading "Tax Risk." Some exempt-interest dividends may be subject to the Federal alternative minimum tax on individuals. Exempt-interest dividends are taken into account in determining the taxable portion of any Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefit you or your spouse receives.

For other distributions, you will generally have to pay Federal income tax, as well as any applicable state and local taxes. Distributions of net capital gain (the excess of the Trust's net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss) are taxable to you as long-term capital gain regardless of how long you have owned your shares. The Trust does not expect any distributions to qualify for any favorable tax rate that may apply to "qualified dividend income" or to qualify for the dividends received deduction for corporate shareholders.

During the last calendar year, the Trust's distributions consisted of the following:

#### Calendar Year 12/31/23

	<u>Exempt-Interest Dividends</u>	<u>Capital Gains Distributions</u>	<u>Ordinary Income Dividends</u>
Class A Shares	96.45%	—	3.55%
Class C Shares	96.45%	—	3.55%
Class F Shares	96.45%	—	3.55%
Class Y Shares	96.45%	—	3.55%

Net capital gains of the Trust, if any, realized through October 31st of each year and not previously paid out will be paid out after that date. The Trust may also pay supplemental distributions after the end of its fiscal year. You may want to avoid buying shares of the Trust when the Trust is about to declare a capital gain distribution, because it will be taxable to you even though it may represent a return of a portion of your investment.

Dividends declared in, and payable to shareholders of record in, October, November or December and

paid to you in January are treated for Federal income tax purposes as if received in December. You will receive information on the tax status of Trust dividends and distributions annually.

If you sell shares of the Trust or exchange them for shares of another fund, it is generally considered a taxable event, and will give rise to a capital gain or loss if you hold your Trust shares as a capital asset. A capital gain or loss will be longterm if you have held your shares for more than one year and otherwise will be short-term.

Dividends and distributions from the Trust (other than exempt-interest dividends) and net gain from redemptions of Trust shares will generally be taken into account in determining your "net investment income" for purposes of the Medicare contribution tax applicable to certain individuals, estates and trusts.

If you are neither a citizen nor a resident of the United States, certain dividends that you receive from the Trust may be subject to Federal withholding tax. Most distributions are expected to be exempt-interest dividends, which are not subject to such withholding. To the extent that distributions consist of ordinary dividends (other than certain dividends reported by the Trust as (i) interest-related dividends, to the extent such dividends are derived from the Trust's "qualified net interest income," or (ii) short-term capital gain dividends, to the extent such dividends are derived from the Trust's "qualified short-term gain") or other payments that are subject to withholding, the Trust will withhold Federal income tax at the rate of 30% (or such lower rate as may be determined in accordance with an applicable tax treaty). "Qualified net interest income" is the Trust's net income derived from U.S.-source interest and original issue discount, subject to certain exceptions and limitations. "Qualified short-term gain" generally means the excess of the net short-term capital gain of the Trust for the taxable year over its net long-term capital loss, if any. Distributions of net capital gain are generally exempt from such withholding.

If you do not provide the Trust with your correct taxpayer identification number and any required certifications, you will be subject to backup withholding on distributions, dividends (including exempt-interest dividends), and redemption proceeds payable to you by the Trust. The backup withholding rate is currently 24%. Backup withholding will not, however, be applied to payments that have been subject to the 30% withholding tax applicable to shareholders who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States.

## **Hawaii taxes**

Dividends and distributions paid by the Trust to Hawaii residents will generally be treated for Hawaii income tax purposes in the same manner as they are treated for Federal income tax purposes. Under Hawaii tax law, however, interest derived from obligations of states other than Hawaii (and their political subdivisions) will not be exempt from taxation unless expressly exempted or excluded by any other Hawaii law.

Interest on Hawaiian Obligations, tax-exempt obligations of states other than Hawaii and their political subdivisions, and obligations of the United States or its possessions is not exempt from the Hawaii franchise tax. This tax applies to banks (other than a national banking association), building and loan associations, financial services loan companies, financial corporations, small business investment companies, trust companies, mortgage loan companies, financial holding companies, development companies, and subsidiaries, located or doing business in Hawaii.

## HAWAIIAN TAX-FREE TRUST FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Trust's financial performance for the past five years of the Trust's operations. Certain information reflects financial results for a single Trust share. The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in the Trust (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). This information has been audited by Tait, Weller & Baker LLP (independent registered public accounting firm), whose report, along with the Trust's financial statements, is included in the annual report and is available upon request.

	Class A				
	Year Ended March 31,				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net asset value, beginning of period .....	<u>\$10.62</u>	<u>\$10.82</u>	<u>\$11.48</u>	<u>\$11.36</u>	<u>\$11.29</u>
Income (loss) from investment operations:					
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup> .....	0.21	0.17	0.17	0.19	0.21
Net gain (loss) on securities (both realized and unrealized) .....	(0.11)	(0.19)	(0.65)	0.14	0.07
Total from investment operations .....	<u>0.10</u>	<u>(0.02)</u>	<u>(0.48)</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>0.28</u>
Less distributions:					
Dividends from net investment income .....	(0.21)	(0.18)	(0.17)	(0.19)	(0.21)
Distributions from capital gains .....	—	— <sup>†</sup>	(0.01)	(0.02)	— <sup>†</sup>
Total distributions .....	<u>(0.21)</u>	<u>(0.18)</u>	<u>(0.18)</u>	<u>(0.21)</u>	<u>(0.21)</u>
Net asset value, end of period .....	<u>\$10.51</u>	<u>\$10.62</u>	<u>\$10.82</u>	<u>\$11.48</u>	<u>\$11.36</u>
Total return (not reflecting sales charge) .....	0.95%	(0.19)%	(4.25)%	2.97%	2.51%
Ratios/supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions) .....	\$413	\$456	\$499	\$549	\$553
Ratio of expenses to average net assets .....	0.88%	0.86%	0.82%	0.83%	0.88%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets .....	1.98%	1.64%	1.47%	1.68%	1.84%
Portfolio turnover rate .....	19%	21%	14%	9%	12%

<sup>†</sup> Capital gain distribution less than \$0.01.

(1) Per share amounts have been calculated using the daily average shares method.

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**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)**

	Class C				
	Year Ended March 31,				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net asset value, beginning of period .....	\$10.62	\$10.82	\$11.47	\$11.36	\$11.28
<b>Income (loss) from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup> .....	0.12	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.12
Net gain (loss) on securities (both realized and unrealized) .....	(0.11)	(0.20)	(0.64)	0.13	0.08
Total from investment operations .....	0.01	(0.11)	(0.56)	0.23	0.20
<b>Less distributions:</b>					
Dividends from net investment income .....	(0.12)	(0.09)	(0.08)	(0.10)	(0.12)
Distributions from capital gains .....	—	— <sup>†</sup>	(0.01)	(0.02)	— <sup>†</sup>
Total distributions .....	(0.12)	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.12)	(0.12)
Net asset value, end of period .....	<b>\$10.51</b>	<b>\$10.62</b>	<b>\$10.82</b>	<b>\$11.47</b>	<b>\$11.36</b>
Total return (not reflecting CDSC) .....	0.15%	(0.99)%	(4.94)%	2.06%	1.78%
<b>Ratios/supplemental data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (in millions) .....	\$6	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$24
Ratio of expenses to average net assets .....	1.68%	1.66%	1.62%	1.63%	1.68%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets .....	1.17%	0.82%	0.67%	0.87%	1.03%
Portfolio turnover rate .....	19%	21%	14%	9%	12%

<sup>†</sup> Capital gain distribution less than \$0.01.

(1) Per share amounts have been calculated using the daily average shares method.

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**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)**

	Class F				
	Year Ended March 31,				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net asset value, beginning of period .....	\$10.64	\$10.84	\$11.50	\$11.39	\$11.30
Income (loss) from investment operations:					
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup> .....	0.23	0.20	0.20	0.22	0.23
Net gain (loss) on securities (both realized and unrealized) .....	(0.12)	(0.20)	(0.65)	0.13	0.09
Total from investment operations .....	0.11	—	(0.45)	0.35	0.32
Less distributions:					
Dividends from net investment income .....	(0.23)	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.22)	(0.23)
Distributions from capital gains .....	—	— <sup>†</sup>	(0.01)	(0.02)	— <sup>†</sup>
Total distributions .....	(0.23)	(0.20)	(0.21)	(0.24)	(0.23)
Net asset value, end of period .....	\$10.52	\$10.64	\$10.84	\$11.50	\$11.39
Total return .....	1.09%	0.05%	(4.02)%	3.11%	2.91%
Ratios/supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions) .....	\$0.40	\$0.43	\$0.20	\$0.30	\$0.11
Ratio of expenses to average net assets .....	0.65%	0.62%	0.60%	0.59%	0.66%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets .....	2.22%	1.89%	1.70%	1.89%	2.00%
Portfolio turnover rate .....	19%	21%	14%	9%	12%

<sup>†</sup> Capital gain distribution less than \$0.01.

(1) Per share amounts have been calculated using the daily average shares method.

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**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)**

	Class Y				
	Year Ended March 31,				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net asset value, beginning of period .....	\$10.64	\$10.84	\$11.50	\$11.39	\$11.31
Income (loss) from investment operations:					
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup> .....	0.23	0.19	0.19	0.22	0.23
Net gain (loss) on securities (both realized and unrealized) .....	(0.11)	(0.19)	(0.65)	0.13	0.08
Total from investment operations .....	0.12	—	(0.46)	0.35	0.31
Less distributions:					
Dividends from net investment income .....	(0.23)	(0.20)	(0.19)	(0.22)	(0.23)
Distributions from capital gains .....	—	— <sup>†</sup>	(0.01)	(0.02)	— <sup>†</sup>
Total distributions .....	(0.23)	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.24)	(0.23)
Net asset value, end of period .....	<u>\$10.53</u>	<u>\$10.64</u>	<u>\$10.84</u>	<u>\$11.50</u>	<u>\$11.39</u>
Total return .....	1.16%	0.01%	(4.05)%	3.08%	2.80%
Ratios/supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (in millions) .....	\$52	\$57	\$72	\$76	\$69
Ratio of expenses to average net assets .....	0.68%	0.66%	0.62%	0.63%	0.69%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets .....	2.18%	1.83%	1.66%	1.87%	2.03%
Portfolio turnover rate .....	19%	21%	14%	9%	12%

<sup>†</sup> Capital gain distribution less than \$0.01.

(1) Per share amounts have been calculated using the daily average shares method.

## **Broker-Defined Sales Charge Waiver Policies**

The information below has been provided by the named financial intermediaries. Please contact the applicable financial intermediary with any questions regarding how it applies the policies described below or for assistance in determining whether you may qualify for a particular sales charge waiver or discount.

### **Merrill Lynch:**

Purchases or sales of front-end (i.e. Class A) or level-load (i.e., Class C) mutual fund shares through a Merrill platform or account will be eligible only for the following sales load waivers (front-end, contingent deferred, or back-end waivers) and discounts, which differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus. Purchasers will have to buy mutual fund shares directly from the mutual fund company or through another intermediary to be eligible for waivers or discounts not listed below.

It is the client's responsibility to notify Merrill at the time of purchase or sale of any relationship or other facts that qualify the transaction for a waiver or discount. A Merrill representative may ask for reasonable documentation of such facts and Merrill may condition the granting of a waiver or discount on the timely receipt of such documentation.

Additional information on waivers and discounts is available in the Merrill Sales Load Waiver and Discounts Supplement (the "Merrill SLWD Supplement") and in the Mutual Fund Investing at Merrill pamphlet at [ml.com/funds](http://ml.com/funds). Clients are encouraged to review these documents and speak with their financial advisor to determine whether a transaction is eligible for a waiver or discount.

### **Front-end Load Waivers Available at Merrill**

- Shares of mutual funds available for purchase by employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans provided the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan. For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans
- Shares purchased through a Merrill investment advisory program
- Brokerage class shares exchanged from advisory class shares due to the holdings moving from a Merrill investment advisory program to a Merrill brokerage account
- Shares purchased through the Merrill Edge Self-Directed platform
- Shares purchased through the systematic reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same mutual fund in the same account
- Shares exchanged from level-load shares to front-end load shares of the same mutual fund in accordance with the description in the Merrill SLWD Supplement
- Shares purchased by eligible employees of Merrill or its affiliates and their family members who purchase shares

in accounts within the employee's Merrill Household (as defined in the Merrill SLWD Supplement)

- Shares purchased by eligible persons associated with the fund as defined in this prospectus (e.g. the fund's officers or trustees)
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of a mutual fund redemption in front-end load shares provided (1) the repurchase is in a mutual fund within the same fund family; (2) the repurchase occurs within 90 calendar days from the redemption trade date, and (3) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account (known as Rights of Reinstatement). Automated transactions (i.e. systematic purchases and withdrawals) and purchases made after shares are automatically sold to pay Merrill's account maintenance fees are not eligible for Rights of Reinstatement

### **Contingent Deferred Sales Charge ("CDSC") Waivers on Front-end, Back-end, and Level Load Shares Available at Merrill**

- Shares sold due to the client's death or disability (as defined by Internal Revenue Code Section 22l(3))
- Shares sold pursuant to a systematic withdrawal program subject to Merrill's maximum systematic withdrawal limits as described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement
- Shares sold due to return of excess contributions from an IRA account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the investor reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulation
- Front-end or level-load shares held in commission-based, non-taxable retirement brokerage accounts (e.g. traditional, Roth, rollover, SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans) that are transferred to fee-based accounts or platforms and exchanged for a lower cost share class of the same mutual fund

### **Front-end Load Discounts Available at Merrill: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent**

- Breakpoint discounts, as described in this prospectus, where the sales load is at or below the maximum sales load that Merrill permits to be assessed to a front-end load purchase, as described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA), as described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement, which entitle clients to breakpoint discounts based on the aggregated holdings of mutual fund family assets held in accounts in their Merrill Household
- Letters of Intent (LOI), which allow for breakpoint discounts on eligible new purchases based on anticipated future eligible purchases within a fund family at Merrill, in accounts within your Merrill Household, as further described in the Merrill SLWD Supplement

### **Morgan Stanley Smith Barney:**

Effective July 1, 2018, shareholders purchasing Trust shares through a Morgan Stanley Wealth Management transactional

brokerage account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers with respect to Class A shares, which may differ from and may be more limited than those disclosed elsewhere in this Trust's Prospectus or SAI.

#### **Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares available at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management**

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans
- Morgan Stanley employee and employee-related accounts according to Morgan Stanley's account linking rules
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions when purchasing shares of the same fund
- Shares purchased through a Morgan Stanley self-directed brokerage account
- Class C (i.e., level-load) shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are converted to Class A shares of the same fund pursuant to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management's share class conversion program
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (i) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (ii) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (iii) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge.

#### **Raymond James & Associates, Inc., Raymond James Financial Services & Raymond James affiliates ("Raymond James"):**

Effective March 1, 2019, shareholders purchasing fund shares through a Raymond James platform or account, or through an introducing broker-dealer or independent registered investment adviser for which Raymond James provides trade execution, clearance, and/or custody services, will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this fund's prospectus or SAI.

#### **Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares available at Raymond James**

- Shares purchased in an investment advisory program.
- Shares purchased within the same fund family through a systematic reinvestment of capital gains and dividend distributions.
- Employees and registered representatives of Raymond James or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Raymond James.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).

- A shareholder in the Trust's Class C shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Trust if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of Raymond James.

#### **CDSC Waivers on Classes A, B and C Shares available at Raymond James**

- Death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Shares sold to pay Raymond James fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Raymond James.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

#### **Front-End Load Discounts available at Raymond James: Breakpoints, and/or Rights of Accumulation**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Raymond James. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the calculation of rights of accumulation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, over a 13-month time period. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the calculation of letters of intent only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

#### **Janney Montgomery Scott LLC ("Janney"):**

Effective May 1, 2020, if you purchase fund shares through a Janney brokerage account, you will be eligible for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC"), or back-end sales charge, waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this fund's Prospectus or SAI.

#### **Front-end sales charge\* waivers on Class A shares available at Janney**

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family).
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of Janney or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Janney.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within ninety (90) days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur

in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e., right of reinstatement).

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.
- Class C shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are converted to Class A shares of the same fund pursuant to Janney's policies and procedures.

#### **CDSC waivers on Class A and C shares available at Janney**

- Shares sold upon the death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's Prospectus.
- Shares purchased in connection with a return of excess contributions from an IRA account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts if the redemption is taken in or after the year the shareholder reaches qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations.
- Shares sold to pay Janney fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Janney.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.
- Shares exchanged into the same share class of a different fund.

#### **Front-end sales charge\* discounts available at Janney: breakpoints, rights of accumulation, and/or letters of intent**

- Breakpoints as described in the fund's Prospectus.
- Rights of accumulation ("ROA"), which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts, will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Janney. Eligible fund family assets not held at Janney may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of intent which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, over a 13-month time period. Eligible fund family assets not held at Janney Montgomery Scott may be included in the calculation of letters of intent only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

\* Also referred to as an "initial sales charge."

#### **Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. ("OPCO"):**

Effective May 1, 2020, shareholders purchasing Trust shares through an OPCO platform or account are eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Trust's prospectus or SAI.

#### **Front-end Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares available at OPCO**

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan
- Shares purchased by or through a 529 Plan
- Shares purchased through a OPCO affiliated investment advisory program
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family)
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Restatement).
- A shareholder in the Trust's Class C shares will have their shares converted at net asset value to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Trust if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of OPCO
- Employees and registered representatives of OPCO or its affiliates and their family members
- Directors or Trustees of the Trust, and employees of the Trust's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this prospectus

#### **CDSC Waivers on A, B and C Shares available at OPCO**

- Death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Trust's prospectus
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching the qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations as described in the prospectus
- Shares sold to pay OPCO fees but only if the transaction is initiated by OPCO
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement

#### **Front-end load Discounts Available at OPCO: Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation & Letters of Intent**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus.
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at OPCO. Eligible fund family assets not held at OPCO may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

## **Edward D. Jones & Co. ("Edward Jones"):**

### **Policies Regarding Transactions Through Edward Jones**

*The following information has been provided by Edward Jones:* Effective on or after January 1st, 2024, the following information supersedes prior information with respect to transactions and positions held in fund shares through an Edward Jones system. Clients of Edward Jones (also referred to as "shareholders") purchasing fund shares on the Edward Jones commission and fee-based platforms are eligible only for the following sales charge discounts (also referred to as "breakpoints") and waivers, which can differ from discounts and waivers described elsewhere in the mutual fund prospectus or statement of additional information ("SAI") or through another broker-dealer. In all instances, it is the shareholder's responsibility to inform Edward Jones at the time of purchase of any relationship, holdings of Aquila Group of Funds, or other facts qualifying the purchaser for discounts or waivers. Edward Jones can ask for documentation of such circumstance. Shareholders should contact Edward Jones if they have questions regarding their eligibility for these discounts and waivers.

#### **Breakpoints**

- Breakpoint pricing, otherwise known as volume pricing, at dollar thresholds as described in the prospectus.

#### **Rights of Accumulation ("ROA")**

- The applicable sales charge on a purchase of Class A shares is determined by taking into account all share classes (except certain money market funds and any assets held in group retirement plans) of Aquila Group of Funds held by the shareholder or in an account grouped by Edward Jones with other accounts for the purpose of providing certain pricing considerations ("pricing groups"). If grouping assets as a shareholder, this includes all share classes held on the Edward Jones platform and/or held on another platform. The inclusion of eligible fund family assets in the ROA calculation is dependent on the shareholder notifying Edward Jones of such assets at the time of calculation. Money market funds are included only if such shares were sold with a sales charge at the time of purchase or acquired in exchange for shares purchased with a sales charge.
- The employer maintaining a SEP IRA plan and/or SIMPLE IRA plan may elect to establish or change ROA for the IRA accounts associated with the plan to a plan-level grouping as opposed to including all share classes at a shareholder or pricing group level.
- ROA is determined by calculating the higher of cost minus redemptions or market value (current shares x NAV).

#### **Letter of Intent ("LOI")**

- Through a LOI, shareholders can receive the sales charge and breakpoint discounts for purchases shareholders intend to make over a 13-month period from the date Edward Jones receives the LOI. The LOI is determined by calculating the higher of cost or market value of qualifying holdings at LOI initiation in combination with the value that the shareholder intends to buy over a 13-month period to calculate the front-end sales charge and any breakpoint discounts.

Each purchase the shareholder makes during that 13-month period will receive the sales charge and breakpoint discount that applies to the total amount. The inclusion of eligible fund family assets in the LOI calculation is dependent on the shareholder notifying Edward Jones of such assets at the time of calculation. Purchases made before the LOI is received by Edward Jones are not adjusted under the LOI and will not reduce the sales charge previously paid. Sales charges will be adjusted if LOI is not met.

- If the employer maintaining a SEP IRA plan and/or SIMPLE IRA plan has elected to establish or change ROA for the IRA accounts associated with the plan to a plan-level grouping, LOIs will also be at the plan-level and may only be established by the employer.

#### **Sales Charge Waivers**

Sales charges are waived for the following shareholders and in the following situations:

- Associates of Edward Jones and its affiliates and other accounts in the same pricing group (as determined by Edward Jones under its policies and procedures) as the associate. This waiver will continue for the remainder of the associate's life if the associate retires from Edward Jones in good-standing and remains in good standing pursuant to Edward Jones' policies and procedures.
- Shares purchased in an Edward Jones fee-based program.
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redeemed shares of the same fund family so long as the following conditions are met: the proceeds are from the sale of shares within 60 days of the purchase, the sale and purchase are made from a share class that charges a front load and one of the following:
  - The redemption and repurchase occur in the same account.
  - The redemption proceeds are used to process an: IRA contribution, excess contributions, conversion, recharacterizing of contributions, or distribution, and the repurchase is done in an account within the same Edward Jones grouping for ROA.
- Shares exchanged into Class A shares from another share class so long as the exchange is into the same fund and was initiated at the discretion of Edward Jones. Edward Jones is responsible for any remaining CDSC due to the fund company, if applicable. Any future purchases are subject to the applicable sales charge as disclosed in the prospectus.
- Exchanges from Class C shares to Class A shares of the same fund, generally, in the 84th month following the anniversary of the purchase date or earlier at the discretion of Edward Jones.
- Purchases of Class 529-A shares through a rollover from either another education savings plan or a security used for qualified distributions.
- Purchases of Class 529 shares made for recontribution of refunded amounts.

## **Contingent Deferred Sales Charge (“CDSC”) Waivers**

If the shareholder purchases shares that are subject to a CDSC and those shares are redeemed before the CDSC is expired, the shareholder is responsible to pay the CDSC except in the following conditions:

- The death or disability of the shareholder.
- Systematic withdrawals with up to 10% per year of the account value.
- Return of excess contributions from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA).
- Shares redeemed as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts if the redemption is taken in or after the year the shareholder reaches qualified age based on applicable IRS regulations.
- Shares redeemed to pay Edward Jones fees or costs in such cases where the transaction is initiated by Edward Jones.
- Shares exchanged in an Edward Jones fee-based program.
- Shares acquired through NAV reinstatement.
- Shares redeemed at the discretion of Edward Jones for Minimum Balances, as described below.

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## **Other Important Information Regarding Transactions Through Edward Jones**

### **Minimum Purchase Amounts**

- Initial purchase minimum: \$250
- Subsequent purchase minimum: none

### **Minimum Balances**

- Edward Jones has the right to redeem at its discretion fund holdings with a balance of \$250 or less. The following are examples of accounts that are not included in this policy:
  - A fee-based account held on an Edward Jones platform
  - A 529 account held on an Edward Jones platform

An account with an active systematic investment plan or LOI

### **Exchanging Share Classes**

- At any time it deems necessary, Edward Jones has the authority to exchange at NAV a shareholder's holdings in a fund to Class A shares of the same fund.

### **Robert W. Baird & Co. (“Baird”):**

Effective June 15, 2020, shareholders purchasing fund shares through a Baird platform or account will only be eligible for the following sales charge waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and CDSC waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this prospectus or the SAI

## **Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Investors A-shares Available at Baird**

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of Baird or its affiliate and their family members as designated by Baird
- Shares purchased using the proceeds of redemptions from an Aquila Fund, provided (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption, (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same accounts, and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge (known as rights of reinstatement)
- A shareholder in the Trust’s Investor C Shares will have their share converted at net asset value to Investor A shares of the same fund if the shares are no longer subject to CDSC and the conversion is in line with the policies and procedures of Baird
- Employer-sponsored retirement plans or charitable accounts in a transactional brokerage account at Baird, including 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans. For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs

## **CDSC Waivers on Investor A and C shares Available at Baird**

- Shares sold due to death or disability of the shareholder
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Trust’s Prospectus
- Shares bought due to returns of excess contributions from an IRA Account
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching the qualified age based on applicable Internal Revenue Service regulations as described in the Trust’s prospectus
- Shares sold to pay Baird fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Baird
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement

## **Front-End Sales Charge Discounts Available at Baird: Breakpoints and/or Rights of Accumulations**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus
- Rights of accumulations which entitles shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of Aquila Group of Funds assets held by accounts within the purchaser’s household at Baird. Eligible Aquila Group of Funds assets not held at Baird may be included in the rights of accumulations calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets

- Letters of Intent (LOI) allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases of Aquila Group of Funds through Baird, over a 13-month period of time

#### **J.P. Morgan Securities LLC**

Effective September 29, 2023, if you purchase or hold fund shares through an applicable J.P. Morgan Securities LLC brokerage account, you will be eligible for the following sales charge waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC"), or back-end sales charge, waivers), share class conversion policy and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this fund's prospectus or Statement of Additional Information.

#### **Front-end sales charge waivers on Class A shares available at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC**

- Shares exchanged from Class C (i.e. level-load) shares that are no longer subject to a CDSC and are exchanged into Class A shares of the same fund pursuant to J.P. Morgan Securities LLC's share class exchange policy.
- Qualified employer-sponsored defined contribution and defined benefit retirement plans, nonqualified deferred compensation plans, other employee benefit plans and trusts used to fund those plans. For purposes of this provision, such plans do not include SEP IRAs, SIMPLE IRAs, SAR-SEPs or 501(c)(3) accounts.
- Shares of funds purchased through J.P. Morgan Securities LLC Self-Directed Investing accounts.
- Shares purchased through rights of reinstatement.
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family).
- Shares purchased by employees and registered representatives of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC or its affiliates and their spouse or financial dependent as defined by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC.

#### **Class C to Class A share conversion**

- A shareholder in the fund's Class C shares will have their shares converted to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the same fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the conversion is consistent with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC's policies and procedures.

#### **CDSC waivers on Class A and C shares available at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC**

- Shares sold upon the death or disability of the shareholder.
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus.
- Shares purchased in connection with a return of excess contributions from an IRA account.
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

#### **Front-end load discounts available at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC: breakpoints, rights of accumulation & letters of intent**

- Breakpoints as described in the prospectus.
- Rights of Accumulation ("ROA") which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts as described in the fund's prospectus will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC. Eligible fund family assets not held at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (including 529 program holdings, where applicable) may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies their financial advisor about such assets.
- Letters of Intent ("LOI") which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, through J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, over a 13-month period of time (if applicable).

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This Prospectus concisely states information about the Trust that you should know before investing. A Statement of Additional Information about the Trust (the “SAI”) has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The SAI contains information about the Trust and its management not included in this Prospectus. The SAI is incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and is therefore legally a part of this Prospectus.

The Trust’s annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders contain additional information about the Trust’s investments. The Trust’s annual report additionally includes a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Trust’s performance during its last fiscal year. You can get the SAI and the Trust’s annual and semi-annual reports without charge, upon request, and request other information about the Trust and make other inquiries, by calling 800-437-1000 (toll-free) or by visiting the Trust’s website at [www.aquilafunds.com](http://www.aquilafunds.com).

Reports and other information about the Trust are available on the EDGAR Database on the Securities and Exchange Commission’s Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of this information may be obtained for a duplicating fee by electronic request at the following E-mail address: [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov).

The file number under which the Trust is registered with the SEC under the Investment Company Act of 1940 is 811-4084.

This Prospectus should be read and retained for future reference