White Lake Township - Treasurer's Annual Report For the Year ended December 31, 2023

Date: June 21, 2024

To: White Lake Twp. Board of Trustees

From: Mike Roman - Treasurer

Subject: 2023 Annual Treasurer's Report

All investments within Township funds are made in accordance with Michigan Public Act 20 per the Township's investment policy. Safety of capital is our foremost objective, followed by liquidity and finally yield.

INVESTMENT INCOME

General, Police, Building and Fire fund investments earned approximately \$766,723 in interest income in 2023 utilizing mainly FDIC insured certificates and the Oakland County Municipal Pool. All of our Financial Institutions received an A or B+ bank risk score from Robinson Capital Investment Advisors. As we use Flagstar Bank (purchased in 2023 by New York Community Bank) for tax collection, we keep money in excess of \$250,000 in FDIC insured financial products such as their ICS sweep account and CDARS. I have included these ratings in this package.

The average yield earned on General Fund, Building, Police, Fire Dept. investments in 2023 was 3.37 %. Market yield benchmarks are provided and are based on U.S. Treasury Bill yields. We trailed benchmarks primarily due to diversification using the Oakland County Municipal Pool and liquidity needs.

LEGACY COSTS

In regard to Legacy costs that affect White Lake Township, we continued funding our OPEB (Other postemployment benefits) liability by transferring \$655,000 to MERS (Municipal Employees Retirement System) in 2023. The OPEB transfers help to fund retiree healthcare obligations of the Township. Total transfers to MERS for OPEB amount to \$6,502,500 through the end of 2023. Our OPEB funds are currently invested in the MERS Total Market Portfolio. The value of these assets as of 12-31-23 amounts to \$8,696,500. The activity summary for 2023 is attached along with MERS Total Market Portfolio information that describes this Portfolio's objective, asset breakdown and performance.

TAXABLE VALUE WITHIN OUR TOWNSHIP

Our 2023 Taxable value of our Ad Valorem tax roll increased from approximately \$1.373 billion in 2022 to \$1.475 billion dollars in 2023, an increase of approximately \$102 million dollars. Our General Fund operating millage for the Ad Valorem tax role generated \$1.334 million in 2023 compared to \$1.241 million in 2022, an increase of \$92,337.

Respectfully yours,

Mike Roman White Lake Township Treasurer



CIBC Bank USA

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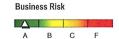
Risk Scores

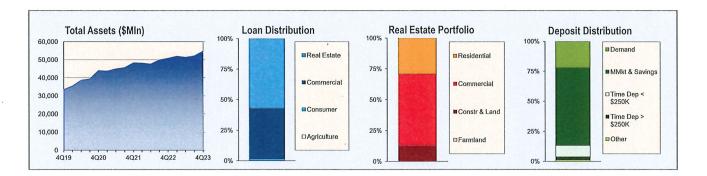




Business Analysis

CIBC Bank USA is headquartered in Chicago, IL, with total assets of \$54.8 Bln. The bank has exhibited healthy growth over the past quarter and has experienced sizeable asset growth of 7.7% over the past year. The total loan portfolio is well-diversified with 44% in real estate loans, with a healthy number of loans concentrated commercially. The real estate portfolio has a healthy concentration in commercial real estate, representing 58% of the portfolio. The bank's core deposits, deposits that are a stable source of funds for the lending base, are strong, representing a captive and cost-effective source of funds for the bank.



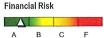


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Robinson views the financial risk of CIBC Bank USA to be investment grade with little to no risk of financial difficulties at the current time. The bank's financial profile is extremely strong relative to the US market. Its overall financial trend has marginally weakened over the past quarter, but has posted a small level of change over the past year.



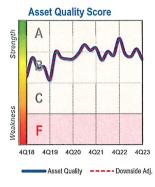
Asset Quality is solid, reflecting the relatively high credit Quality of the company's loan practices and portfolio. The asset quality trend has shown significant weakness over the past quarter and has exhibited weakness over the past year. The bank's Capital position is very strong, with its leverage ratio at 12.9%. The overall capital score has marginally weakened over the past quarter, but has displayed little to no change over the past year. Liquidity is one of the best in the United States and the diversification of funding provides ample liquidity in times of need. The liquidity score has marginally improved over the past quarter and has strengthened over the past year. The bank's Profitability is sound with return on average assets (ROA) for the quarter at 1.32%, representing a healthy earnings position. This trend has weakened over the past quarter and has displayed little to no change over the past year.

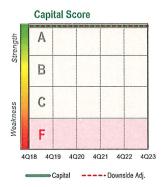
Asset Quali	ity	
	•	Chg vs.
NonPerformir	ng Lns	3Q 2023
Bank	1.0%	▲ 0.2%
US (median)	0.3%	▼ 0.0%
Reserves to	Total Lo	ans
Bank	2.2%	▲ 0.3%
US (median)	1.2%	▼ 0.0%

Capital		
		Chg vs.
Leverage Ratio		3Q 2023
Bank	12.9%	▼ 0.2%
US (median)	10.5%	▼ 0.0%

Liquidity		
Liquidity Ra	atio	Chg vs. 3Q 2023
Bank	40.7%	▲ 4.5%
US (median)	32.8%	▲ 0.3%
Core Depos	its/Depo	sits
Bank	86.8%	▼ 0.3%
US (median)	75.8%	▼ 0.4%

Profitability		1979
Return on As	ente	Chg vs. 3Q 2023
Bank	1.3%	▼ 0.5%
US (median)	0.9%	▼ 0.1%
Net Interest I	Margin (N	IIM)
Bank	3.4%	▼ 0.3%
US (median)	3.4%	▼ 0.0%



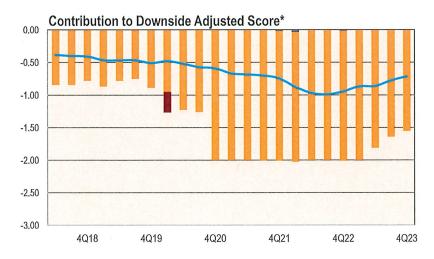






Downside Adjusted Score

Robinson considers CIBC Bank USA to have significant downside risk, with one or more key ratios operating outside of ideal levels. In Asset Quality, overconcentration in the loan portfolio is not an issue, with no overweight holdings in any riskier loan type. Conversely, only 1% of the bank's loan portfolio is considered non-performing, demonstrating a low level of current credit risk. For Capital, the bank has a leverage ratio of 12.9%, representing a strong amount of capital. The bank's Liquidity ratio is 41%, indicating a healthy level of liquid funds. However, 66% of the bank's total deposits are uninsured, which could significantly increase the bank's exposure to a run on liquidity. Last, for Profitability, the bank's Return on Average Equity (ROAE) is 1.3% in the quarter, showing a small profit. Please see the Appendix for more information on our methodology.



4Q 2023 Contribution to Adjusted Score Bank US avg. Category **Asset Quality** 0.00 -0.47 Capital 0.00 -0.08 Liquidity -0.13-1.55Profitability 0.00 -0.04 Total -1.55 -0.71

Asset Quality	Capital
Liquidity	Profitability
—US Average	

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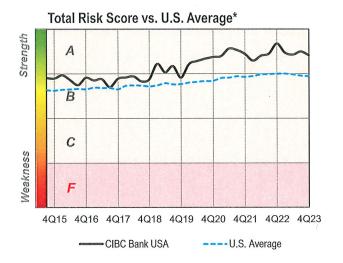
Downside Adjusted Score Methodology

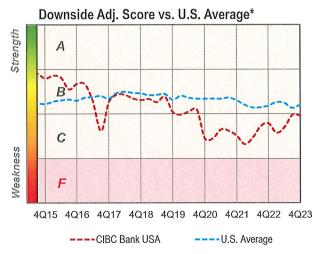
Robinson's Downside Adjusted Score (DAS) places an emphasis on a range of key financial and business metrics historically associated with weakening or vulnerable institutions during times of economic distress. The objective is to provide a more comprehensive assessment of the risk factors that banks can face in difficult financial environments. The Adjusted Score functions by downgrading the four Financial Analysis scores in cases where key ratio(s) are comparable to banks that have struggled at various times in history. The cumulative adjustments are then applied to the Total Score to calculate the DAS. If the DAS is zero, it indicates that the institution had no downgrades.

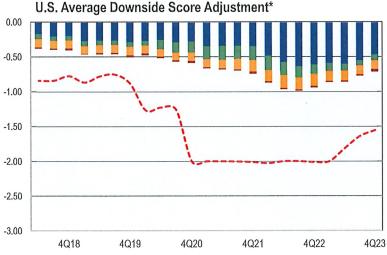
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Additional Comparison Data







Asset Quality Capital Liquidity Profitability --- CIBC Bank USA

Category

Capital

Liquidity

Total

Profitability

Asset Quality

4Q 2023 Contribution to Adjusted Score

Bank

0.00

0.00

-1.55

0.00

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US avg.

-0.47

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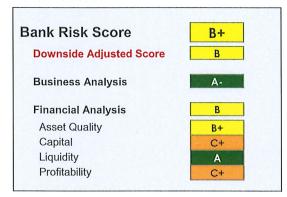


Jpmorgan Chase Bank, National Association

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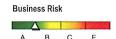
Risk Scores

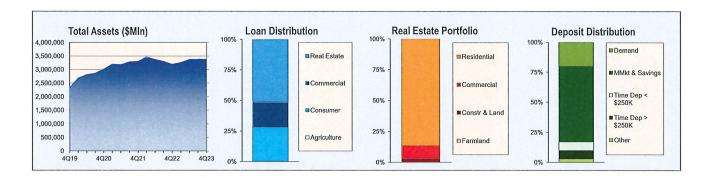




Business Analysis

Jpmorgan Chase Bank, National Association is headquartered in Columbus, OH, with total assets of \$3,395.1 Bln. The bank has marginally grown over the past quarter and has experienced sizeable asset growth of 6.0% over the past year. The total loan portfolio is well-diversified with 38% in real estate loans. The real estate portfolio is largely concentrated in the residential sector, representing 87% of the portfolio. The bank's core deposits, deposits that are a stable source of funds for the lending base, are below average, which can be a concern if the bank experiences funding difficulties.



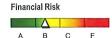


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Robinson views the financial risk of Jpmorgan Chase Bank, National Association to be investment grade given the bank's solid and healthy financial profile and considers it to have little concern of instability at the current time. Its overall financial trend has recognized substantial weakness over the past quarter and has exhibited weakness over the past year.



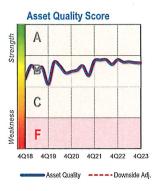
Asset Quality is solid, reflecting the relatively high credit Quality of the company's loan practices and portfolio. The asset quality trend has marginally weakened over the past quarter and has displayed little to no change over the past year. The bank's Capital position is marginally below levels considered to be adequate at this time. The overall capital score has substantially weakened over the past quarter and has exhibited weakness over the past year. Overall Liquidity is sound with the liquidity ratio at 44.2%, reflecting the company's well-managed short-term funding operations. The liquidity score has weakened over the past quarter and has exhibited weakness over the past year. The bank's Profitability ranks slightly below the US average, with return on average assets (ROA) and net interest margin for the quarter at 1.02% and 2.71%, respectively. This trend has substantially weakened over the past quarter and has exhibited extensive weakness over the past year.

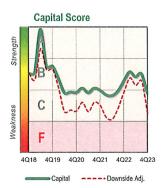
Asset Qual	ity	
		Chg vs.
NonPerformin	ng Lns	3Q 2023
Bank	0.7%	▼ 0.0%
US (median)	0.3%	▼ 0.0%
Reserves to	Total Lo	ans
Bank	2.2%	▲ 0.0%
US (median)	1.2%	▼ 0.0%

Capital		
		Chg vs.
Leverage Ra	itio	3Q 2023
Bank	7.9%	▼ 0.7%
US (median)	10.5%	▼ 0.0%

Liquidity		
Liquidity Ra	atio	Chg vs. 3Q 2023
Bank	44.2%	▲ 4.0%
US (median)	32.8%	▲ 0.3%
Core Depos	its/Depo	sits
Bank	68.9%	▼ 1.9%
US (median)	75.8%	▼ 0.4%

Profitability		
		Chg vs.
Return on A	ssets	3Q 2023
Bank	1.0%	▼ 0.6%
US (median)	0.9%	▼ 0.1%
Net Interest	Margin (N	IIM)
Bank	2.7%	▲ 0.1%
US (median)	3.4%	▼ 0.0%



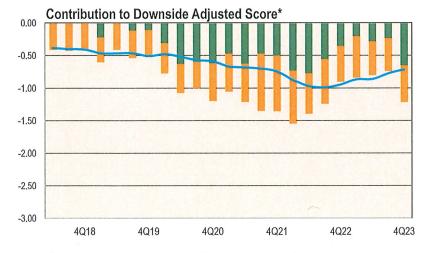






Downside Adjusted Score

Robinson considers Jpmorgan Chase Bank, National Association to have little downside risk and to be generally operating in an ideal manner. In Asset Quality, overconcentration in the loan portfolio is not an issue, with no overweight holdings in any riskier loan type. Conversely, only 0.7% of the bank's loan portfolio is considered non-performing, demonstrating a low level of current credit risk. For Capital, the bank has a leverage ratio of 7.9%, representing low capital levels and significant downside risk. The bank's Liquidity ratio is 44%, indicating a healthy level of liquid funds. However, 51% of the bank's total deposits are uninsured, which could moderately increase the bank's exposure to a run on liquidity. Last, for Profitability, the bank's Return on Average Equity (ROAE) is 1% in the quarter, showing a small profit. Please see the Appendix for more information on our methodology.



4Q 2023 Contribution to Adjusted Score Category US avg. Bank **Asset Quality** 0.00 -0.47 Capital -0.65-0.08 Liquidity -0.57-0.13Profitability 0.00 -0.04**Total** -1.22 Asset Quality Capital Liquidity Profitability US Average

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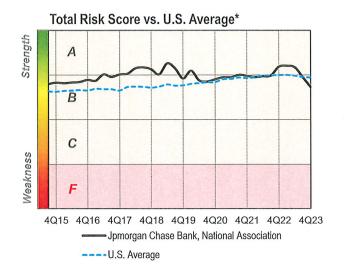
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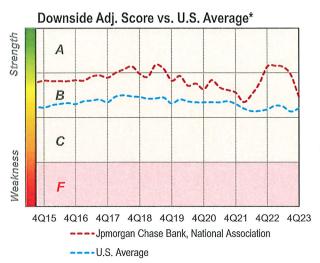
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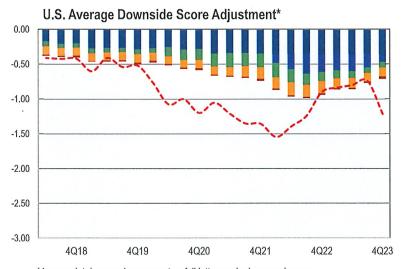
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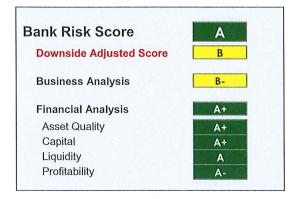


Huron Valley State Bank

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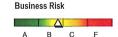
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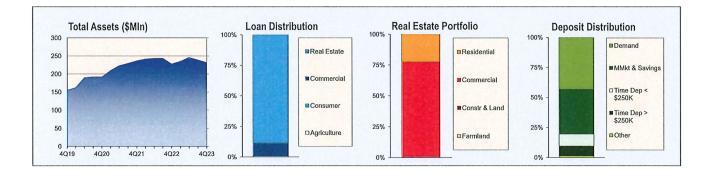




Business Analysis

Huron Valley State Bank is headquartered in Milford, MI, with total assets of \$232.3 Mln. The bank has declined in size over the quarter but has experienced asset growth of 1.8% over the past year. The total loan portfolio is not well-diversified with a heavy concentration of real estate loans. The real estate portfolio has a sizable concentration in commercial real estate, representing 77% of the portfolio. The bank's core deposits, deposits that are a stable source of funds for the lending base, are very strong, representing a reliable and inexpensive source of funds for the bank.



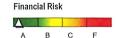


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Robinson views the financial risk of Huron Valley State Bank to be investment grade with little to no risk of financial difficulties at the current time. The bank's financial position ranks as one of the best in the United States. Its overall financial trend has marginally improved over the past quarter and has strengthened over the past year.



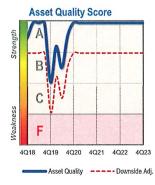
Asset Quality ranks very high, posing no credit issues or concerns, given nonperforming loans to total loans at 0%, indicating a very healthy loan portfolio. The asset quality trend has marginally weakened over the past quarter and has displayed little to no change over the past year. The bank's Capital position is very strong, with its leverage ratio at 10.1%. The overall capital score has demonstrated significant improvement over the past quarter and has experienced substantial improvement over the past year. Overall Liquidity is sound with the liquidity ratio at 24%, reflecting the company's well-managed short-term funding operations. The liquidity score has shown significant weakness over the past quarter and has weakened slightly over the past year. The bank's Profitability is sound with return on average assets (ROA) for the quarter at 1.21%, representing a healthy earnings position. This trend has marginally improved over the past quarter and has posted a small level of change over the past year.

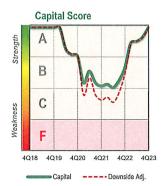
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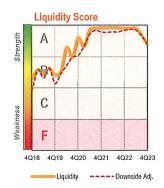
Capital		
		Chg vs.
Leverage Ratio		3Q 2023
Bank	10.1%	▲ 0.4%
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Liquidity		
		Chg vs.
Liquidity Ra	atio	3Q 2023
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Profitability		
		Chg vs.
Return on A	ssets	3Q 2023
Bank	1.2%	▲ 0.0%
US (median)	0.9%	▼ 0.1%
Net Interest	Margin (N	IIM)
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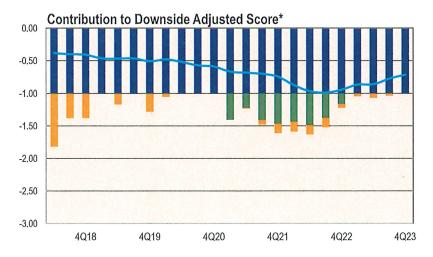






Downside Adjusted Score

Robinson considers Huron Valley State Bank to have significant downside risk, with one or more key ratios operating outside of ideal levels. In Asset Quality, there is very high overconcentration in riskier loan types, with commercial real estate loans equal to 531% of capital. Conversely, only 0% of the bank's loan portfolio is considered non-performing, demonstrating a low level of current credit risk. For Capital, the bank has a leverage ratio of 10.1%, representing a strong amount of capital. The bank's Liquidity ratio is 24%, indicating a fair amount of liquid funds. However, 30% of the bank's total deposits are uninsured, which may slightly increase the bank's exposure to a run on liquidity. Last, for Profitability, the bank's Return on Average Equity (ROAE) is 1.2% in the quarter, showing a small profit. Please see the Appendix for more information on our methodology.



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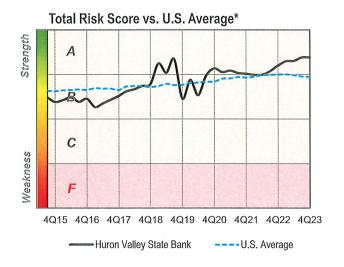
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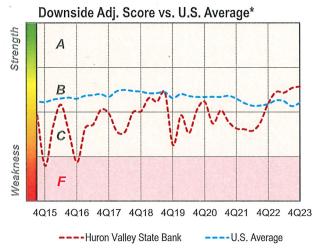
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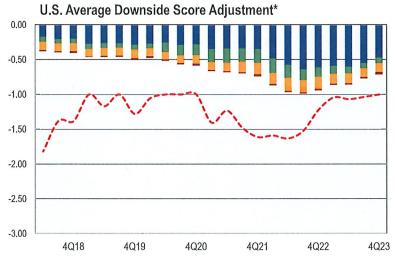
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4Q 2023 Contribution to Adjusted Score Category Bank US avg. Asset Quality -1.00-0.47Capital 0.00 -0.08 Liquidity 0,00 -0.13Profitability 0.00 -0.04 Total -1.00 -0.71Asset Quality Capital Liquidity Profitability --- Huron Valley State Bank

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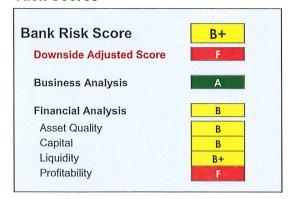


Flagstar Bank (New York Community Bank)

4Q 2023

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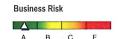
Risk Scores

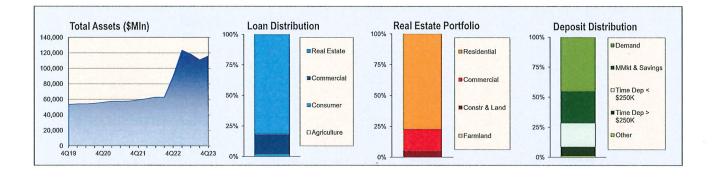




Business Analysis

Flagstar Bank (New York Community Bank) is headquartered in Hicksville, NY, with total assets of \$116.3 Bln. The bank has exhibited healthy growth over the past quarter and has experienced strong asset growth of 29.1% over the past year. The total loan portfolio has an overweight position in real estate loans. The real estate portfolio is largely concentrated in the residential sector, representing 77% of the portfolio. The bank's core deposits, deposits that are a stable source of funds for the lending base, are in line with its peer group.



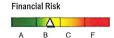


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Robinson views the financial risk of Flagstar Bank (New York Community Bank) to be investment grade. The bank's financial profile is stable at the current time with only the expected levels of risk. Its overall financial trend has recognized substantial weakness over the past quarter and has exhibited extensive weakness over the past year.



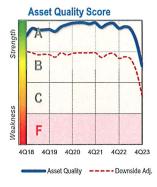
Asset Quality is solid and stable and presents no immediate concern, with little current risk present. The asset quality trend has recognized substantial weakness over the past quarter and has exhibited extensive weakness over the past year. The bank's Capital position is satisfactory and presents no immediate concern. The overall capital score has weaknesd over the past quarter and has exhibited extensive weakness over the past year. Liquidity is stable, and the company is positioned to comfortably meet its short-term obligations. The liquidity score has demonstrated significant improvement over the past quarter and has experienced considerable improvement over the past year. The bank's Profitability is poor relative to its peer group, with return on average assets (ROA) for the quarter at -0.82%. This trend has substantially weakened over the past quarter and has displayed little to no change over the past year.

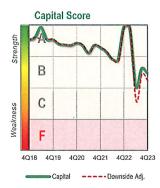
Asset Qual	ity	
		Chg vs.
NonPerformi	ng Lns	3Q 2023
Bank	0.7%	▲ 0.3%
US (median)	0.3%	▼ 0.0%
Reserves to	Total Lo	ans
Bank	2.4%	▲ 0.8%
US (median)	1.2%	▼ 0.0%

Capital		
		Chg vs.
Leverage Ratio		3Q 2023
Bank	8.5%	▼ 0.1%
US (median)	10.5%	▼ 0.0%

Liquidity		
		Chg vs.
Liquidity Ra	atio	3Q 2023
Bank	25.3%	▲ 6.8%
US (median)	32.8%	▲ 0.3%
Core Depos	its/Depo	sits
Bank	79.7%	▼ 2.3%
US (median)	75.8%	▼ 0.4%

Profitability						
		Chg vs.				
Return on A	ssets	3Q 2023				
Bank	-0.8%	▼ 1.6%				
US (median)	0.9%	▼ 0.1%				
Net Interest Margin (NIM)						
Bank	2.9%	▼ 0.7%				
US (median)	3.4%	▼ 0.0%				



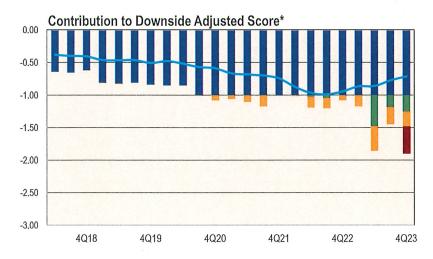






Downside Adjusted Score

Robinson considers Flagstar Bank (New York Community Bank) to have significant downside risk, with one or more key ratios operating outside of ideal levels. In Asset Quality, there is significant overconcentration in riskier loan types, with multi-family residential loans equal to 322% of capital. Conversely, only 0.7% of the bank's loan portfolio is considered non-performing, demonstrating a low level of current credit risk. For Capital, the bank has a leverage ratio of 8.5%, representing slightly low capital and minor downside risk. The bank's Liquidity ratio is 25%, indicating a healthy level of liquid funds. However, 39% of the bank's total deposits are uninsured, which may slightly increase the bank's exposure to a run on liquidity. Last, for Profitability, the bank's Return on Average Equity (ROAE) is -0.8% in the quarter, showing moderate losses. Please see the Appendix for more information on our methodology.



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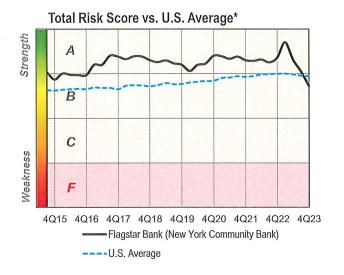
Downside Adjusted Score Methodology

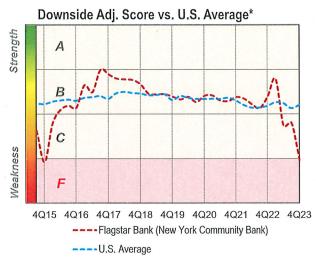
Robinson's Downside Adjusted Score (DAS) places an emphasis on a range of key financial and business metrics historically associated with weakening or vulnerable institutions during times of economic distress. The objective is to provide a more comprehensive assessment of the risk factors that banks can face in difficult financial environments. The Adjusted Score functions by downgrading the four Financial Analysis scores in cases where key ratio(s) are comparable to banks that have struggled at various times in history. The cumulative adjustments are then applied to the Total Score to calculate the DAS. If the DAS is zero, it indicates that the institution had no downgrades.

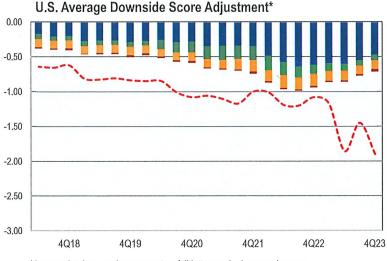
The primary purpose of the metric is to indicate if a bank may have a higher risk profile in the event of an economic or financial shock to the system, even if the bank's other indicators are otherwise healthy. Most institutions analyzed receive some level of adjustment every quarter, and nearly all have been downgraded at some point in their history, with the vast majority continuing to operate normally.

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MERS Total Market Portfolio

Retiree Health Funding Vehicle (RHFV) and Investment Services Program (ISP)



Objective

The MERS Total Market Fund is a diversified portfolio combining traditonal stocks and bonds with alternative asset classes including real estate, private equity, and commodities. The objective is to provide current income and capital appreciation while minimizing the volatility of the capital markets,

Fund Expenses

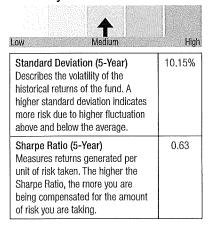
Administrative Fee	0.21%
Investment Management Expenses	0.37%
Total Annual Operating Expense	0.58%

The total annual operating expense is deducted from the rate of return of the fund. This means that for every \$1,000 invested in the MERS Total Market Portfolio, an employer is charged \$5.80 in fees each year.

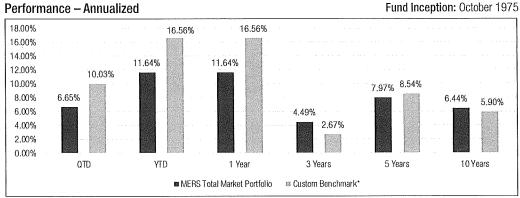
Asset Allocation

Global Equity	48.7%
U.S. Stocks	23.7%
International Stocks	16.0%
Emerging Market Stocks	9.1%
Global Fixed Income	23.8%
U.S. Treasury Bonds	16.3%
U.S. High Yield Bonds	1.0%
Emerging Market Bonds	5.6%
Short Duration Bonds	0.9%
Private Markets	27.5%

Risk Analysis



Performance - Annualized



Performance - By Calendar Year

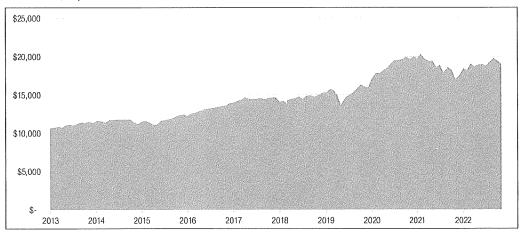
Year	MERS Total Market Portfolio	Custom Benchmark*
2022	-10.42%	-16,81%
2021	14.09%	11.61%
2020	13.29%	15.19%
2019	13.52%	20.83%
2018	-3.62%	-5.36%
2017	13.21%	16.72%
2016	10.67%	6.30%
2015	-0.97%	-2.33%

Top Ten Holdings

Microsoft Corp	1.02%
Apple Inc	0.91%
Nvidia Corp	0.52%
Amazon Inc	0.48%
Alphabet Inc	0.41%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	0.30%
Meta Platforms	0.30%
Gatos Silver	0.28%
Berkshire Hathaway	0.24%
Exxon Mobil Corp	0.19%

Balance After 10 Years: \$19,065.39

Growth of \$10,000



This graph shows the growth of \$10,000. If someone invested \$10,000 in the MERS Total Market Portfolio ten years ago with no additional contributions or withdrawals, they would have \$19,065.39 as of 12/31/2023.

Fund Restrictions

A 2.00% redemption fee is charged for shares sold within 90 days of purchase. The charge is applied on a first-in, first-out basis.

^{*}Custom Benchmark: 45% Russell 3000 Index, 20% MSCI ACWI ex USA IMI (Net) Index, 25% Bloomberg Agg Index, 10% Bloomberg Global Agg ex US Index. Benchmark does not have expenses.

Disclaimers

Returns:

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Fees:

The Total Annual Operating Expense consists of MERS' administrative fee and investment management expenses. MERS' administrative fee includes costs related to bookkeeping, setting trade activity, holding assets in custody at a bank, and running the day-to-day operations of the plan, which include legal, accounting, auditing, compliance, printing, and overhead costs. The investment management expenses are incurred in the direct management of the fund. These vary based on the level of assets. As assets increase, these are expected to decline.

General:

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ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	RHFV
Beginning Balance on 10.01.2023	\$8,158,362.37
Contributions	0.00
Gain/Loss	542,527.20
Distributions	0.00
Fees/Expenses	(4,389.53)
Other	0.00
Ending Balance on 12.31,2023	\$8,696,500.04
Your Personal Rate of Return ¹	
This Period	6.65%
Year To Date	11.63%

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Market Volatility

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- . Our market volatility resource website is full of information to help you better understand historical market performance and tips to focus on during challenging times.
- The Inside MERS Investments podcast offers a look at MERS investments. Topics of previous and upcoming episodes include exploring market performance, future forecasting and how the MERS investment strategy adjusts to meet long-range goals.

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INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

			Annualized Total Return					
Election	Fund Name (Ticker)	Fund Balance (\$)	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year ²	Expense Ratio ³	Admin Expense	Fund Type
100.00%	MERS TOTAL MARKET PORTFOLIO (MSZF1)	\$8,696,500.04	11.64%	7.97%	6.44%	0.37%	0.21%	Moderately Conservative Balanced
	SHORT-TERM INCOME (MRLE1)		4.50%	1.51%	1.02%	0.05%	0.21%	Short Term Bonds
	MERS DIVERS BOND PORT (0/100) (MRLD1)		6.34%	1.50%	1.97%	0.08%	0.21%	Global Bonds
	INTERNATIONAL STOCK INDEX (MRMA)		18.95%	7.74%	3.94%	0.03%	0.21%	Diversified International Equities
	EMERGING MARKET STOCK (SSBRC)		12.03%	4.08%	2.67%	0.20%	0.21%	Emerging Market Equities
	MERS GLOBAL STOCK PORT (100/0) (SSBR5)		19.93%	10.41%	7.70%	0.04%	0.21%	Global Equities
	LARGE CAP STOCK INDEX (SSBR9)		26.12%	15.58%	11.88%	0.03%	0.21%	Large Cap Core Equities
	MERS EST MARKET PORT (60/40) (MRLB1)		14.20%	7.06%	5.75%	0.06%	0.21%	Moderately Aggressive Balanced
	MID CAP STOCK INDEX (SSBRA)		16.32%	12.55%	9.29%	0.05%	0.21%	Mid Cap Core
	SMALL CAP STOCK INDEX (SSBRB)		15.42%	11.19%	0.00%	0.06%	0.21%	Small Cap Core Equities

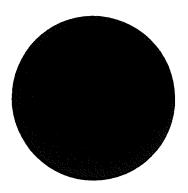
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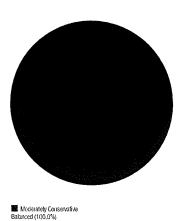
² Since inception if 10-year return not available.
³ Expense ratios include fund management fees, 12b-1 fees, 12b-1 fees and other fund expenses. They do not reflect waivers, fee reimbursements, or plan level fees for advice, management or administrative services, if any.

INVESTMENT ELECTION

Moderately Conservative Balanced (100.0%)



ACCOUNT BALANCE



You should periodically review the asset allocation of your account to ensure that it reflects your investment goals. In doing so, you should consider these important aspects of your account:

Investment Election: Shows your instructions for the investment of all new deposits to your account from all sources (e.g., your 401(k) deferral, company contributions, or rollovers). The percentages listed above will be used to purchase investments proportionately with each deposit.

Account Balance: Shows the value of your investments as a percentage of the total account as of the period end date. These percentages change as the value of each investment fluctuates. You may change these investments by realigning your account balance, transferring a specific amount, or setting up an automated account realignment.

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Diversification

To help achieve a long-term security, you should give careful consideration to the benefits of a well-balanced investment portfolio. Spreading assets among different

types of investment categories can help achieve a favorable rate of return while minimizing overall risk of losing money. This is because market or other economic conditions that cause one category of assets — or particular fund — to perform very well often cause another asset category — or another particular fund — to perform poorly. Diversification is not a guarantee against loss; however, it is an effective strategy to help you manage risk.

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White Lake Township Market Yield Benchmarks For the year ended December 31, 2023

Benchmarks	4 week	13 week	26 week	52 week
US Treasury Bills - Coupon yield @ 12-29-23	5.33%	5.20%	5.05%	4.55%