



# Kipling Strategic Income Fund

## KEY BENEFITS

- Provides a steady income stream\* through fixed income investing.
- Aims to preserve capital while mitigating risk exposure from both an interest rate risk and credit risk perspective.
- Diversified portfolio of bonds by sector, issuer and maturity.

## PERFORMANCE

NAV/Share: M Series: \$10.90 | F Series: \$10.46

|          | 1 mos | 3 mos | 6 mos | 1 yr  | 3 yr | 5 yr | 10 yr | Inception         |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|-------------------|
| <b>M</b> | 0.9%  | 2.7%  | 6.0%  | 13.0% | 8.1% | 6.6% | -     | 6.0% <sup>1</sup> |
| <b>F</b> | 0.8%  | 2.5%  | 5.7%  | 12.3% | 7.4% | 6.0% | -     | 5.4% <sup>1</sup> |

|          | 2016 <sup>1</sup> | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022  | 2023 | 2024  | YTD  |
|----------|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|
| <b>M</b> | 2.8%              | 4.8% | 2.6% | 7.2% | 5.3% | 5.6% | -1.1% | 9.5% | 14.0% | 1.5% |
| <b>F</b> | 2.6%              | 4.2% | 2.0% | 6.6% | 4.7% | 5.1% | -1.8% | 8.8% | 13.3% | 1.4% |

1. Inception: August 5, 2016

## FUND FACTS

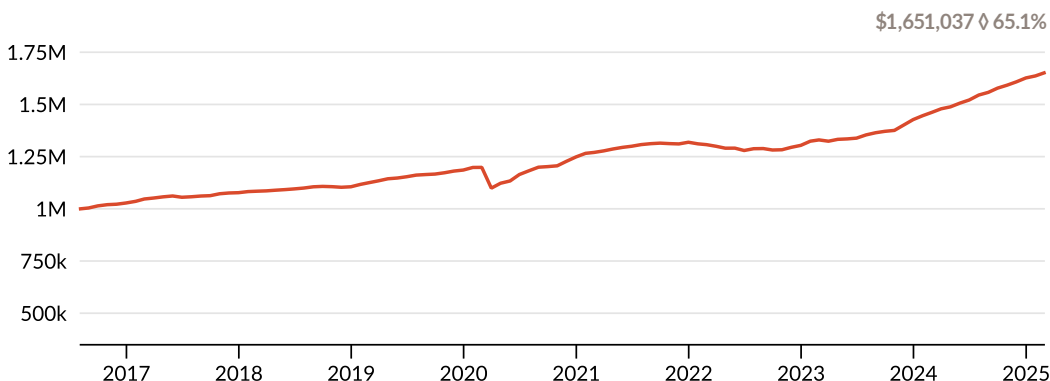
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| Fund Codes              | KIP 1100 (F)<br>KIP 1105 (M)     |
| Asset Class             | Fixed Income                     |
| Inception               | August 5, 2016                   |
| Distribution (Series M) | Annual \$0.4500<br>Paid Monthly* |

## PORTFOLIO RISK

| LOW | MED | HIGH |
|-----|-----|------|
|     |     |      |

Risk level is determined using the CSA risk classification methodology based on the Fund's ten-year standard deviation. If a Fund does not have ten years of performance history, the risk level is calculated using the Fund's actual return history and the return history of its benchmark (which is expected to reasonably approximate the Fund's standard deviation) for the remainder of the ten year period.

## VALUE OF A \$1,000,000 PORTFOLIO



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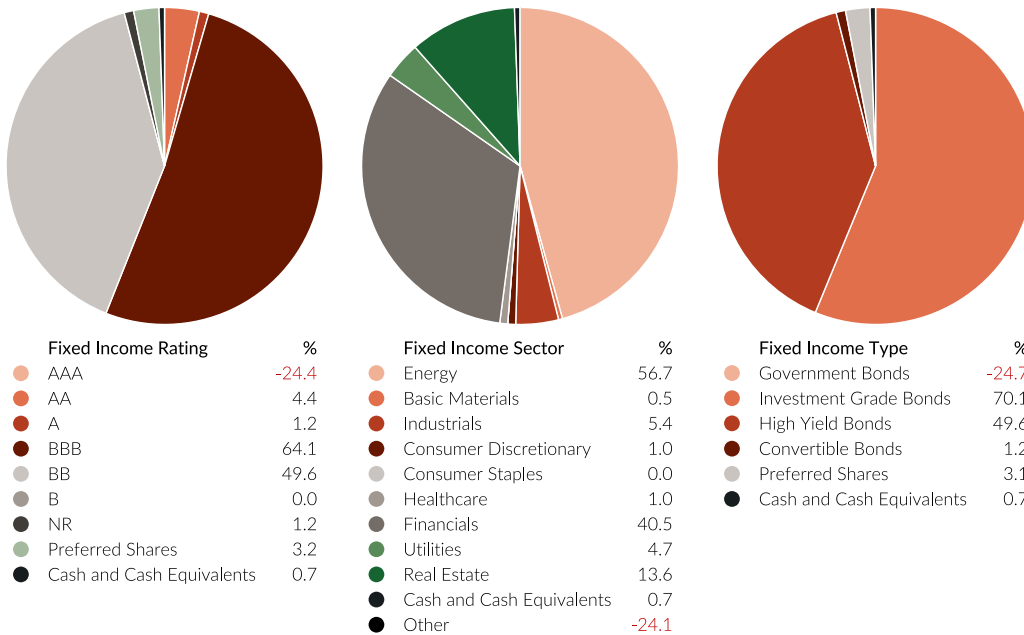
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## HOW THE FUND INVESTS



## TOP 10 HOLDINGS (alphabetical)

|                      |        |               |
|----------------------|--------|---------------|
| Bonterra Energy Corp | 10.500 | Jan 28 30     |
| Calfrac Hldgs Lp     | 10.875 | Mar 15 26 144 |
| Enbridge Inc Fltg    | 5.375  | Sep 27 77     |
| First West Crd Union | 9.186  | Aug 09 33     |
| Greenfire Res Ltd Ne | 12.000 | Oct 01 28 144 |
| Homeequity Bk        | 7.108  | Dec 11 26     |
| Obsidian Energy Ltd  | 11.950 | Jul 27 27     |
| Surge Energy Inc.    | 8.500  | Sep 05 29     |
| Transcanada Tr Fltg  | 4.650  | May 18 77     |
| West Edmonton Mall P | 7.791  | Oct 04 27     |

## FUND FACTS

| PORTFOLIO METRICS | FUND |
|-------------------|------|
| Long Positions    | 95   |
| Short Positions   | 11   |
| Yield to Maturity | 7.7% |
| Duration          | 2.1  |
| Purchase Yield    | 8.4% |

Source: Bloomberg, February 28, 2025

| RETURN METRICS            | FUND            | BENCHMARK       |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Up Months / Avg. Return   | 89 / 0.7%       | 60 / 1.0%       |
| Down Months / Avg. Return | 13 / -1.0%      | 42 / -0.9%      |
| Best 3 Month Return       | Jun2020 / 5.9%  | Dec2023 / 6.8%  |
| Worst 3 Month Return      | Mar2020 / -7.3% | Apr2022 / -5.2% |
| Standard Deviation        | 2.4%            | 5.3%            |
| Sharpe Ratio              | 3.33            | 0.56            |
| Beta                      | 0.29            | 1.00            |
| Tracking Error            | 4.2%            | 0.0%            |

Time Period: 3 Year

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