Monthly Fund Commentary



Hartford Municipal Opportunities Fund

Tickers: A: HHMAX C: HHMCX F: HHMFX I: HHMIX Y: HHMYX

What Happened?

- Sovereign yields surged over renewed concerns about tariffs and US fiscal deficits. Most fixed-income sectors gained on an excess-return basis, supported by an improved market tone.
- Municipal bonds, as measured by the Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Blend (1-17) Index, returned 0.57% during the month. The ratio of 10-year AAA general obligations (GOs) to 10-year Treasuries decreased from 80.5% to 76.2%, remaining below the long-term historical average of 86% over the last 20 years.¹
- May 2025 total volume rose 4% to \$50 billion from \$48 billion a year prior. Tax-exempt issuance increased to \$45 billion from \$41 billion in the previous year, while taxable issuance declined to \$3 billion from \$5 billion in 2024.²

Overall Morningstar Rating™ (I-Share)*

263 Products

Muni National Interm Category Based on Risk-Adjusted Returns as of 5/31/25

Portfolio managers from Wellington Management and years of experience

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Performance Highlights

Contributors

 Security selection within investment-grade revenue bonds contributed to performance, particularly in port, airport, marina, and special tax sectors.

Detractors

• Duration and yield-curve positioning detracted from benchmark-relative returns as we were overweight in long partials, and yields rose in the 20-year and 30-year segments of the AAA Municipal GO curve.

Month End Performance (%) (I-Share) as of 5/31/25



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¹Source: Bloomberg | ²Source: The Bond Buyer

 $\textbf{Duration} \ \text{is a measure of the sensitivity of an investment's price to nominal interest-rate movement.}$

Yield curve is a line that plots interest rates of bonds having equal credit quality but differing maturity dates; its slope is used to forecast the state of the economy and interest-rate changes.

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Current Insight and Positioning From Wellington Management

- Many municipal sectors have natural outlets for inflationary pressures, but the more labor-constrained sectors, such as
 healthcare and state and local governments, could be more challenged as expense pressures are mounting and as new
 collective bargaining agreements are signed. Potential changes to the tax code bears watching.
- We expect municipals to behave defensively in a downturn given their high quality and strong balance sheets
- Tax-exempt municipal valuations, as proxied by the Muni/Treasury ratio, are attractive relative to recent history. Municipal bond all-in yields look attractive relative to comparable quality corporates across all maturities.
- While expectations for 2025 issuance are elevated, we expect demand to remain robust, but this is dependent on rates remaining rangebound or moving lower. A sharp move higher in rates is likley to lead to outflows and a more challenging market environment.

Municipal Sector Exposure (%) as of 5/31/25

Revenue Bonds	80
General Obligation Bonds	17
Cash, Cash Offsets & Cash Equivalents	3
Other Municipal Bonds	0
Other Non-Municipal Bonds	0
Pre-Refunded Debt	0

Top Ten States (%) as of 5/31/25

Illinois	12
Texas	11
New York	9
California	6
Alabama	5
Massachusetts	5
Florida	4
Michigan	4
Pennsylvania	4
Georgia	3

Characteristics are subject to change. Percentages may be rounded.

Credit Exposure¹ (%) as of 5/31/25

Aaa/AAA	11
Aa/AA	34
A	34
Baa/BBB	6
Ba/BB	4
В	0
Caa/CCC or lower	0
Not Rated	7
Cash & Cash Offsets	3

¹Credit exposure is the credit ratings for the underlying securities of the Fund as provided by S&P, Moody's, or Fitch and typically range from AAA/Aaa (highest) to C/D (lowest). If S&P, Moody's, and Fitch assign different ratings, the median rating is used. If only two agencies assign ratings, the lower rating is used. Securities that are not rated by any of the three agencies are listed as "Not Rated." Ratings do not apply to the Fund itself or to Fund shares. Ratings may change.

Net Assets	\$1.9 billion
# of Holdings	771
# of Issuers	265
Dividend Frequency	Monthly
Holdings Characteristics	
Effective Duration	5.32 yrs.

Average Annual Total Returns (%) as of 3/31/25

								Expenses ¹	
Class	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Gross	Net
A	0.28	0.28	2.11	1.84	1.37	2.09	2.36	0.66%	0.66%
A with 4.5% Max Sales Charge	_	_	-2.48	0.29	0.44	1.62	2.10	_	_
F	0.36	0.36	2.43	2.17	1.69	2.39	2.65	0.35%	0.35%
	0.21	0.21	2.31	2.01	1.57	2.32	2.61	0.45%	0.45%
Υ	0.34	0.34	2.32	2.06	1.59	2.32	2.61	0.44%	0.44%
Benchmark	0.39	0.39	1.57	1.93	1.26	1.99	_	_	_
Morningstar Category	-0.08	-0.08	1.70	1.58	1.22	1.74	_	_	_

Morningstar® Category Muni National Interm

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Benchmark: Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Blend (1-17) Index is a sub-index of the Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index. It is a rules-based market value-weighted index of bonds with maturities of 1 year to 17 years engineered for the tax-exempt bond market. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

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