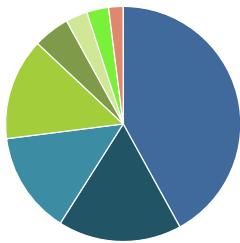


# Income Builder Portfolio



## Asset Class Weightings (%)



## Model Description

As of December 31, 2025

The strategy targets enhanced total returns relative to traditional core fixed income while maintaining a comparable risk profile. It seeks to achieve this by integrating thematic sources of yield and return, employing quantitatively informed portfolio construction with an emphasis on diversification and hedging, and embedding comprehensive risk management throughout the investment process.

## Top 10 Holdings

Holding Name	Ticker	Income Source	% of Net Assets
ISHARES 7-10 YEAR TREASURY B	IEF	U.S. Treasuries	32.50
VANECK FALLEN ANGEL HIGH YLD	ANGL	HY Corporates	13.00
VANECK CLO ETF	CLOI	CLOs	11.50
VANECK IG FLOATING RATE ETF	FLTR	IG Corporates	11.00
ISHARES 20+ YEAR TREASURY BD	TLT	U.S. Treasuries	9.50
VANECK MERK GOLD ETF	OUNZ	Gold	5.00
VANECK EMRG MKTS HI YLD	HYEM	HY Corporates	4.00
VANECK PREF SEC X-FINANCIALS	PFXF	IG Corporates	3.00
VANECK ENERGY INCOME ETF	EINC	MLPs	3.00
VANECK BDC INCOME ETF	BIZD	Private Credit	3.00
<b>Top 10 Total</b>			<b>95.50</b>

These are not recommendations to buy or to sell any security. Securities and holdings may vary.

## Performance History: Average Annual Total Returns\* (%)

Month End as of 12/31/25	1 MO	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	12/01/25	LIFE
Income Builder Strategy (Net)	-0.14	--	-0.14	--	--	--	--	--	-0.14
Income Builder Strategy (Gross)	-0.14	--	-0.14	--	--	--	--	--	-0.14
US Broad Market	-0.29	--	-0.29	--	--	--	--	--	-0.29
Quarter End as of 12/31/25	1 MO	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	12/01/25	LIFE
Income Builder Strategy (Net)	-0.14	--	-0.14	--	--	--	--	--	-0.14
Income Builder Strategy (Gross)	-0.14	--	-0.14	--	--	--	--	--	-0.14
US Broad Market	-0.29	--	-0.29	--	--	--	--	--	-0.29

\*Returns less than one year are not annualized.

The performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance may be lower or higher than performance data quoted. Please call 800.826.2333 or visit [vaneck.com](http://vaneck.com) for performance current to the most recent month ended.

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Index returns are not Fund or Strategy returns and do not reflect any management fees or brokerage expenses. Certain indices may take into account withholding taxes. Investors can not invest directly in the Index. Index returns assume that dividends have been reinvested.

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All investing is subject to risk, including the possible loss of the money you invest. As with any investment strategy, there is no guarantee that investment objectives will be met and investors may lose money. Diversification does not ensure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

An investment in the Strategy may be subject to risks which include, fund of funds risk, risks as a result of investing in ETPs including dividend paying securities, foreign securities, emerging market issuers, foreign currency, mortgage REITs, preferred securities, municipal securities, credit, high yield securities, tax, interest rate, call, and concentration risks, high portfolio turnover, model and data, management, operational, authorized participant concentration and absence of prior active market, trading issues, market, fund shares trading, premium/discount and liquidity of fund shares, affiliated fund, new fund and non-diversified risks all of which may adversely affect the Strategy. Municipal bonds may be less liquid than taxable bonds.

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The ICE BofA US Broad Market Index (US00) tracks the performance of US dollar denominated investment grade debt publicly issued and settled in the US domestic market, including US Treasury, quasi-government, corporate, securitized and collateralized securities. The composite returns represent the total returns of all fully discretionary, fee-paying portfolios within the Income Builder Strategy Composite mandate. The returns of the portfolio are time-weighted, based on trade date accounting. VanEck's policy is to accrue interest income and recognize dividend income and short dividend expense as reported on ex-dividend date. Interest income is recognized when received. Interest, dividends, and capital gains accrued on foreign securities are reported net of non-reclaimable foreign withholding taxes. Portfolio valuations are based on market values and expressed in US Dollars.

Composite returns are shown gross and net of management fees while including the reinvestment of all income. Brokerage and transaction expenses such as exchange, duty, and commission fees are deducted from trade amounts to determine net transaction costs/proceeds which are reflected in both gross and net returns. Net of fee performance is calculated by deducting actual management fees and in some instances, performance based fees charged to each account.

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