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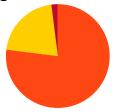
# **TARGET ALLOCATION ESG PORTFOLIOS**

LPL Financial works with BlackRock to offer separately managed accounts which invest in diversified portfolios of mutual funds and Exchange-Traded Funds (ETFs). These investment strategies provide the potential benefits of asset allocation, risk management and diversification in one account and are available in a range of "risk profiles" from aggressive to conservative. Based on your investment objectives, risk tolerance and time horizon, your LPL Financial Advisor can help you choose the strategy most appropriate for you.

**Target Allocation ESG Portfolios** are global, diversified strategies composed of ETFs, expressing longer-term views. The management team sets asset allocations based on long term market views and adjusts them to take advantage of medium to longer-term opportunities.

The investment minimum for a Target Allocation ESG Portfolio is \$25,000.

## **Equity Target Allocation ESG Model**



Allocations - As of 1/25/2024	%
U.S. Equity	77.5%
International Equity	20.5%
Cash	2.0%

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition	
Rdnss ETF	29.50%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	19.00%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA	
ETF	17.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	11.50%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE	
ETF	10.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	5.00%
BlackRock World ex U.S. Carbon	
Transition Readiness ETF	5.00%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

Composite Performance (% Returns)						
YTD 1 Yr. 3 Yr. 5 Yr. 10 Yr. Sinc						
Composite (Net)	19.19	19.19	2.64	9.17	-	6.84
Composite (Gross)	22.88	22.88	5.82	12.55	-	10.15
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	23.11	23.11	6.64	12.77	-	10.18

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Equity Target Allocation ESG benchmark is a blended benchmark 68.6% MSCI ACWI Index, 29.4% MSCI USA Index, 2% ICE BofAML US T-Bill 0-3 Month. Prior to 06/30/2021 the benchmark was 70% MSCI All Country World Net Total Return Index, 30% MSCI Developed US Net Total Return Index. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.

# 80/20 Target Allocation ESG Model



Allocations - As of 1/25/2024	%
U.S. Equity	65.0%
International Equity	17.0%
U.S. Fixed Income	16.0%
Cash	2.0%

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition Rdnss	
ETF	24.50%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	16.50%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA ETF	14.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	9.50%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE ETF	8.50%
BlackRock World ex U.S. Carbon	
Transition Readiness ETF	4.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	4.00%
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate	
Bond ETF	11.00%
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate	
Bond ETF	5.00%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

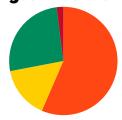
Composite Performance (% Returns)						
	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.	Since Inc. <sup>2</sup>
Composite (Net)	16.10	16.10	1.00	7.23	-	5.38
Composite (Gross)	19.69	19.69	4.12	10.54	-	8.64
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	19.88	19.88	4.88	10.77	-	8.66

<sup>1</sup>The 80/20 Target Allocation ESG is a blended benchmark 56% MSCI ACWI Index, 24% MSCI USA Index, 18% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index, 2% ICE BofAML US T-Bill 0-3 Month. Prior to 06/30/2021 the benchmark was 56% MSCI All Country World Net Total Return Index, 20% BBG Barclays US Universal Index, 24% MSCI Developed US Net Total Return Index. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.

<sup>3</sup>Inception is 4/30/2017

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#### 70/30 Target Allocation ESG Model



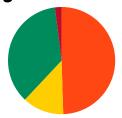
Allo	cations - As of 1/25/2024	%
	U.S. Equity	57.0%
	International Equity	15.0%
	U.S. Fixed Income	26.0%
	Cash	2.0%

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition	
Rdnss ETF	22.00%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	15.50%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA	
ETF	13.00%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	6.50%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE	
ETF	7.50%
BlackRock World ex U.S. Carbon	
Transition Readiness ETF	4.00%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	3.50%
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate	
Bond ETF	13.00%
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate	
Bond ETF	11.50%
iShares ESG Advanced Total USD	
Bond Market ETF	1.50%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

Composite Performance (% Returns)						
YTD 1 Yr. 3 Yr. 5 Yr. 10 Yr. Inc						
Composite (Net)	14.35	14.35	-	-	-	-4.48
Composite (Gross)	17.89	17.89	-	-	-	-1.53
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	18.11	18.11	-	-	-	-0.75

 $^1\text{The}$  70/30 Target Allocation ESG benchmark is 49% MSCI ACWI Index, 21% MSCI USA Index, 28% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index, 2% ICE BofAML US T-Bill 0-3 Month. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.  $^3\text{Inception}$  is 13/31/2021

# **60/40 Target Allocation ESG Model**



Allocations - As of 1/25/2024	%
U.S. Equity	49.5%
International Equity	12.5%
U.S. Fixed Income	36.0%
Cash	2.0%

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition	
Rdnss ETF	19.00%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	14.00%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA	10.500/
ETF	10.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	6.00%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE	
ETF	6.00%
BlackRock World ex U.S. Carbon	
Transition Readiness ETF	3.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	3.00%
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate	
Bond ETF	15.50%
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate	
Bond ETF	13.00%
iShares ESG Advanced Total USD	
Bond Market ETF	7.50%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

Composite Performance (% Returns)						
	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.	Since Inc.2
Composite (Net)	12.67	12.67	-0.85	5.00	-	3.69
Composite (Gross)	16.15	16.15	2.22	8.25	-	6.89
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	16.36	16.36	2.98	8.59	-	6.99

 $^1\text{The }60/40$  Target Allocation ESG benchmark is a blended benchmark 42% MSCI ACWI Index, 18% MSCI USA Index, 38% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index, 2% ICE BofAML UST-Bill 0-3 Month. Prior to 06/30/2021 the benchmark was 42% MSCI All Count World Index Total Return, 40% BBG Barclays US Universal Index and 18% MSCI Developed US Net Total Return Index. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.

<sup>3</sup>Inception is 4/30/2017

# 50/50 Target Allocation ESG Model



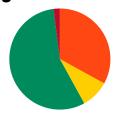
Allo	Allocations - As of 1/25/2024		
	U.S. Equity	41.5%	
	International Equity	10.5%	
	U.S. Fixed Income	46.0%	
	Cash	2.0%	

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition	
Rdnss ETF	16.00%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	11.50%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA ETF	9.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	4.50%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE ETF	4.50%
BlackRock World ex U.S. Carbon	
Transition Readiness ETF	3.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	2.50%
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate Bond ETF	15.50%
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	15.50%
iShares ESG Advanced Total USD Bond Market ETF	15.00%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

Composite Performance (% Returns)							
YTD 1 Yr. 3 Yr. 5 Yr. 10 Yr. Since Inc. <sup>2</sup>							
Composite (Net)	10.93	10.93	-	-	-	-5.17	
Composite (Gross)	14.36	14.36	ı	-	ı	-2.24	
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	14.62	14.62	-	-	-	-1.53	

 $<sup>^1\</sup>text{The}$  50/50 Target Allocation ESG is 35% MSCI ACWI Index, 15% MSCI USA Index, 48% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index, 2% ICE BofAML UST-Bill 0-3 Month. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.

### 40/60 Target Allocation ESG Model



Allo	Allocations - As of 1/25/2024			
	U.S. Equity	33.5%		
	International Equity	8.5%		
	U.S. Fixed Income	56.0%		
	Cash	2.0%		

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition	
Rdnss ETF	13.50%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	9.00%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA	
ETF	7.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	3.50%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE	
ETF	3.50%
BlackRock World ex U.S. Carbon	
Transition Readiness ETF	3.00%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	2.00%
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate	
Bond ETF	20.50%
iShares ESG Advanced Total USD	
Bond Market ETF	18.00%
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate	
Bond ETF	16.00%
iShares ESG Aware 1-5 Year USD	
Corporate Bond ETF	1.50%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

	Composite Performance (% Returns)						
		YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.	Since Inc. <sup>2</sup>
С	omposite (Net)	9.42	9.42	-2.51	3.02	ı	1.96
С	composite (Gross)	12.81	12.81	0.50	6.20	-	5.11
Ве	enchmark¹	12.90	12.90	1.06	6.32	1	5.20

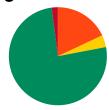
 $<sup>^1\</sup>text{The}\,40/60$  Target Allocation benchmark is 28% MSCI ACWI Index,12% MSCI USA Index, 58% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index, 2% ICE BofAML US T-Bill 0-3 Month. Prior to 06/30/2021 the benchmark was 28% MSCI All Count World Index Total Return, 60% BBG Barclays US Universal Index and 12% MSCI Developed US Net Total Return Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Inception is 12/31/2021

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# 20/80 Target Allocation ESG Model



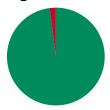
Allo	Allocations - As of 1/25/2024		
	U.S. Equity	18.0%	
	International Equity	4.0%	
	U.S. Fixed Income	76.0%	
	Cash	2.0%	

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Equity	
BlackRock US Carbon Transition	
Rdnss ETF	7.50%
iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF	6.00%
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI USA ETF	3.50%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI USA ETF	1.00%
International Equity	
iShares ESG Advanced MSCI EAFE	
ETF	3.00%
iShares ESG Aware MSCI EM ETF	1.00%
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Advanced Total USD	
Bond Market ETF	33.50%
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate Bond ETF	20.50%
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate	
Bond ETF	20.00%
iShares ESG Aware 1-5 Year USD	
Corporate Bond ETF	2.00%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

Composite Performance (% Returns)						
	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.	Since Inc. <sup>2</sup>
Composite (Net)	6.09	6.09	-	-	-	-6.01
Composite (Gross)	9.37	9.37	-	-	-	-3.10
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9.50	9.50	-	-	-	-2.81

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{The}~20/80~\mathrm{Target}$  Allocation ESG benchmark is 14% MSCI ACWI Index, 6% MSCI USA Index, 78% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index, 2% ICE BofAML UST-Bill 0-3 Month. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.  $^2\mathrm{Inception}$  is 12/31/2021

# **Fixed Income Target Allocation ESG Model**



ļ	Allocations - As of 1/25/2024	%
	U.S. Fixed Income	98.0%
	Cash	2.0%

Holdings - As of 1/25/2024	Portfolio Weight (%)
U.S. Fixed Income	
iShares ESG Advanced Total USD	
Bond Market ETF	47.50%
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate	
Bond ETF	24.50%
iShares ESG Aware U.S. Aggregate	
Bond ETF	20.00%
iShares ESG Aware 1-5 Year USD	
Corporate Bond ETF	6.00%
Cash	
United States Dollar	2.00%

Composite Performance (% Returns)						
YTD 1 Yr. 3 Yr. 5 Yr. 10 Yr. Since						
Composite (Net)	2.95	2.95	-	-	-	-6.56
Composite (Gross)	6.13	6.13	-	-	-	-3.67
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	6.16	6.16	-	-	-	-3.74

 $<sup>^1\</sup>text{The Fixed Income Target Allocation benchmark is }98\%$  Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Index 2% ICE BofAML US T-Bill 0–3 Month. The benchmark is rebalanced quarterly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Inception 12/31/2021

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#### **Important Notes**

#### Risk Profiles

Equity Target Allocation ESG Model: This model seeks total return through exposure to a diversified portfolio of equity asset classes. For 80/20 Target Allocation ESG Model, 60/40 Target Allocation ESG Model, 20/80 Target Allocation Model these models seek total return through exposure to a diversified portfolio of equity, fixed income asset classes with a target allocation as listed. Target allocations can vary +/-5%. All models invest exclusively in iShares Exchange Traded Funds which may pay fees and expenses to BlackRock that are in addition to the fees payable to BlackRock for managing the account. Selection of these models indicate a willingness to assume some risk of principal loss.

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In order to provide greater consistency among benchmarks displayed in the factsheet for Model Wealth Portfolios they now include the returns of the LPL Financial investment objective blended benchmarks. The illustrated indexes are unmanaged and can't be invested into directly. The Russell 3000 Index measures the performance of the 3,000 largest U.S. companies based on total market capitalization, which represents approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market. The Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index is representative of the entire universe of taxable fixed-income investments. It includes issues of the U.S. Government and any agency thereof, corporate issues of investment grade quality (Baa/BBB or better), and mortgage-backed securities. The FTSE 3-Month Treasury Bill Index represents monthly return equivalents of yield averages of the last 3 month Treasury Bill issues.

In addition to the LPL Financial investment objective blended benchmarks, BlackRock benchmarks utilize separate indexes. The MSCI ACWI Index is a free float-adjusted equal weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets. The MSCI U.S. Index is designed to measure the performance of the large and mid cap segments of the US market. With 627 constituents, the index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in the US. The Barclays U.S. Universal Bond Index represents the union of the US Aggregate, US Corporate High Yield, Investment Grade 144A Index, Eurodollar Index, US Emerging Markets Index, and the non-ERISA eligible portion of the CMBS Index. The US Universal Index was created on December 31, 1998 and incepted January 1, 1990.

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