GuardBonds™ 2027 Investment Grade Bond Fund

GCG6106

Series F

July 31, 2026

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Fund Objective

The primary objective of the Fund is to provide income over a pre-determined time horizon by investing in a portfolio consisting primarily of Canadian-dollar denominated investment grade bonds with an effective maturity in 2027. The Fund's termination date is anticipated to be on or about November 30, 2027 (the "2027 Termination Date").

KEY REASONS TO INVEST

1. Can Be Held to Maturity – Just like a Bond
All underlying bonds, as well as the Fund itself, mature in 2027. A defined maturity date helps to alleviate short-term volatility concerns, as the high probability of short-term investment grade bonds maturing at par means investors are less likely to experience capital losses.

2. Greater Certainty of Income
Each GuardBondsTM Fund seeks to hold its bonds until maturity, which provides investors a greater amount of clarity on the level of income that will be generated relative to traditional bond funds that don't have defined maturity dates or that sell their bond holdings before they mature.

3. Actively Managed and Tax-Efficient
Overseen by Guardian Capital LP's experienced Fixed Income team, seeking to maximize total return potential and mitigate risk by being selective rather than tracking an index. Tax-efficiency is improved through this selection process by prioritizing bond issuances trading at a discount.

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Fund Information

GuardBonds™ 2027 Investment Grade Bond Fund
Series F
Fund Code: GCG6106
Asset Class: Canadian Short Term Fixed Income
Management Fee[3]: 0.20%
MER[4]: 0.28%

Currency: CAD
Risk Rating[1]: Low
Inception Date[2]: 01/09/2024
Distribution Frequency: Monthly

NAV per Unit: $21.47
Total Fund AUM: $31,114,175.00
Benchmark: FTSE Canada Short Term Overall Bond Index

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS[5]

	Fund
Standard Deviation	0.78
Sharpe Ratio	0.74
Weighted Average Coupon	1.89
Yield to Maturity	2.82
Duration	1.02
Average Credit Quality	A

Trailing 1-year as of June 30, 2026.

MORNINGSTAR RATINGS[8]

Morningstar ESG Risk Rating for Funds

Category	Canada Fixed Income
# of Funds in Category	528

Source: Morningstar® Essentials™ based on long positions only as at June 30, 2026. The Morningstar ESG Risk Rating for Funds is based on the Portfolio Corporate and Sovereign Sustainability Scores. Please read the Definitions of the Morningstar Ratings, Scores and their methodologies below, which includes information about when a rating may not be received. The proportional relative contribution to the overall Morningstar ESG Risk Rating for Funds from the Fund's Corporate and Sovereign positions is 100.00 and 0.00, respectively. These scores are based on the percent of Eligible Portfolio Covered, which is 100.00 of Corporate positions and is - of Sovereign positions.

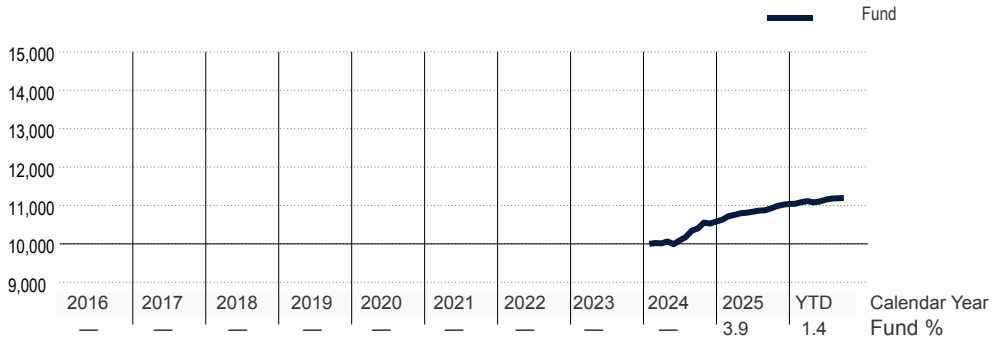
TOP 10 HOLDINGS

Ontario (Province Of) 1.05% 08-09-2027	19.9%
Ontario Teachers Finance Trust 1.1% 19-10-2027	9.4%
OMERS Finance Trust 1.55% 21-04-2027	9.4%
Bell Canada 1.65% 16-08-2027	9.4%
Saputo Inc. 2.242% 16-06-2027	9.3%
Granite REIT Holdings Limited Partnership 3.062% 04-06-2027	8.4%
Bank of Nova Scotia 1.4% 01-11-2027	7.6%
Choice Properties Real Estate Investment Trust 2.8 21-05-2027	7.0%
Royal Bank of Canada 2.328% 28-01-2027	6.0%
Wells Fargo & Co. 2.493% 18-02-2027	3.8%

FUND PERFORMANCE%[6]

	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	SI
Fund	0.1	0.8	1.0	1.4	2.9	—	—	—	4.5

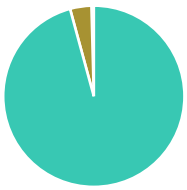
GROWTH OF $10,000[6,7]



FIXED INCOME SECTORS

- Government Bonds 29.3%
- Municipal —
- Corporate Bonds 69.6%
- Securitized 0.4%
- Cash & Equivalents 0.6%
- Other —

GEOGRAPHIC ALLOCATION



- Canada 95.8%
- United States 3.8%
- United Kingdom 0.4%

Source: Morningstar® Essentials™ as at July 31, 2026.

1. The Risk Classification of a fund has been determined in accordance with a standardized risk classification methodology in National Instrument 81-102, that is based on the fund's historical volatility as measured by the 10-year standard deviation of the fund's returns. Where a fund has offered securities to the public for less than 10 years, the standardized methodology requires that the standard deviation of a reference mutual fund or index that reasonably approximates the fund's standard deviation be used to determine the fund's risk rating. Please note that historical performance may not be indicative of future returns and a fund's historical volatility may not be indicative of future volatility.
2. The Inception Date is the start date of investment performance and may not coincide with the date the fund or series was first offered for sale under a prospectus or its legal date of creation.
3. The Management Fee is the fee paid to the Fund's Manager for managing the investment portfolio and for the day-to-day operations of the Fund.
4. The Management Expense Ratio ("MER") represents the trailing 12-month management expense ratio, which reflects the cost of running the Fund, inclusive of applicable taxes including HST, GST and QST (excluding certain portfolio transaction costs) as a percentage of daily average net asset value the period, including the Fund's proportionate share of any underlying fund(s) expenses, if applicable. The MER reported herein is from the Fund's most recent Management Report of Fund Performance ("MRFP"), as updated semi-annually, and which can be found on our website https://www.guardiancapital.com/investmentsolutions/documents/
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6. The indicated rates of return in the charts above are used only to illustrate the effects of the compound growth rate and are not intended to reflect the future value of the fund or returns on investment in the fund.
7. The Growth of $10,000 chart shows the final value of a hypothetical $10,000 investment in securities of this series of the fund as at the end of the investment period indicated and is not intended to reflect future values or returns on investment in such securities.

8. To review the historical 12-month history of the Fund's ratings, rankings and scores, based on the Morningstar ESG Risk Rating for Funds Methodology and Morningstar Low Carbon Designation Methodology, please visit https://www.guardiancapital.com/investmentsolutions/esg-historical-data/

*Please note that the Morningstar ESG Risk Rating and the Morningstar Low Carbon Designation, and any other rankings and scores, are updated monthly, typically 45 days after each month-end. The Fund's ESG data presented may not be as recent as the Fund's performance or holdings data. A Fund will not be assigned a fund-level ESG rating, ranking or score by Morningstar if it is new or does not have a sufficient enough portion of its assets under management qualified for rating according to Morningstar's ESG Risk Rating for Fund Methodology and/or the Morningstar Low Carbon Designation Methodology, as applicable (see below for each methodology). Excluded from qualified holdings are short positions, cash and currency, derivatives and synthetic holdings; similarly, municipal bonds, commodities, real estate, and alternative investment types are not considered corporate or sovereign and are not currently eligible to contribute toward the overall rating. The Morningstar ESG Risk Rating a Fund receives is determined relative to other funds in the same Morningstar Global Category, and a Fund could have similar ESG risk to another fund yet still receive a different rating if those funds are in different Global Categories. The Morningstar Global Category assignments help investors search for investments domiciled across the globe which have similar attributes, as described in Morningstar's Global Category Classifications at https://www.morningstar.com/content/dam/marketing/shared/research/methodology/860250-GlobalCategoryClassifications.pdf

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The Morningstar® Portfolio Corporate ESG Risk Score™ is an asset-weighted average of Sustainalytics' ESG Risk Ratings* for corporate issuers in a fund's portfolio, based on 12-month historical holdings, updated monthly. The Sustainalytics' ESG Risk Rating measures the degree to which a company's economic value may be at risk driven by ESG factors. To receive a Portfolio Corporate Sustainability Score, at least 67% of a fund's corporate issuer holdings (long positions only) must have an ESG Risk Rating. The Portfolio Corporate ESG Risk Score ranges between 0 to 100, with a higher score indicating that a fund has, on average, more of its assets invested in companies with high ESG risk. A fund with a lower score indicates lower ESG risk.

The Morningstar® Portfolio Sovereign ESG Risk Score™ is an asset-weighted average of Sustainalytics' Country Risk Ratings* for sovereign issuers in a fund's portfolio, based on 12-month historical holdings, updated monthly. The Sustainalytics' Country Risk Rating measures the risk to a country's long-term prosperity and economic development by assessing its wealth and its ability to managing its wealth sustainably. To receive a Portfolio Sovereign ESG Risk Score, at least 67% of a fund's sovereign issuer holdings (long only) must have a Country Risk Rating. The Portfolio Sovereign ESG Risk Score ranges between 0 to 100, with a higher score indicating that a fund has, on average, more of its assets invested in sovereign issuers with high ESG risk. A fund with a lower score indicates lower ESG risk.

*The rating methodology employed by Sustainalytics can be found on their website or please visit https://connect.sustainalytics.com/hubfs/INV/Methodology/Sustainalytics_ESG%20Ratings_Methodology%20Abstract.pdf or https://connect.sustainalytics.com/hubfs/INV%20-%20Reports%20and%20Brochure/Product%20Brochures/Country%20Risk%20Rating.pdf or https://connect.sustainalytics.com/hubfs/INV/Climate%20Solutions/Carbon%20Ratings%20and%20Research/Carbon%20Ratings%20and%20Research%20(Climate%20Solutions)%20Brochure.pdf

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