

Investment options and performance

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Vanguard Charitable is one of the largest charities in the United States. We were founded by Vanguard in 1997 as an independent nonprofit organization focused on increasing philanthropy by administering the highest-value donor-advised fund—a tax-effective way to consolidate, accrue, and grant assets to charity.

Although we are separate entities, Vanguard Charitable is strongly aligned with Vanguard's principled investment philosophy and unwavering values, including its commitment to ethics, transparency, and at-cost investing. We firmly believe that minimizing costs can help maximize philanthropic impact. No other donor-advised fund can extend the direct benefits of Vanguard's at-cost investments like we can.

Invest in charity

The primary advantages of giving with our philanthropic accounts include the opportunity to recommend principled investments, watch charitable assets compound, and, over time, grant more to charity—all while enjoying a tax deduction, when applicable. In addition, assets invested by Vanguard Charitable grow tax-free, meaning your contributions may be worth more accruing for charity than they would be if you personally invested them in the market.

With our philanthropic accounts, you secure access to a broad range of low-cost investment options across major asset classes, which allows you to tailor your account to match your risk tolerance and giving objectives.

Minimize cost, maximize impact

We are the only donor-advised fund that can extend the direct benefits of Vanguard's at-cost investments to your account. Fees can erode an account's value over time, limiting your potential to achieve your philanthropic goals. Because of our relationship with Vanguard, we are able to offer even lower investment fees than may traditionally be assessed, including Admiral™ share class pricing to Standard accounts and Institutional share class pricing to Select accounts.¹

When we work with Vanguard to maintain low investment costs, we keep more of your charitable dollars working for the causes you care about most.

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Diversify with an exclusive option

For qualifying donors, we also offer access to The Investment Fund for Foundations Multi-Asset Fund, an option traditionally reserved for endowments and foundations. This actively managed fund gives individuals the opportunity to recommend a long-term investment with a broader range of asset classes than our other options. For more information, visit vanguardcharitable.org/tiff.

Investment options

Our investment options include both single and multi-fund options that span the risk spectrum and offer a range of exposures. If you prefer to construct a portfolio or simply focus on one fund, you may recommend investing in our **single fund options** and rebalance your philanthropic account as you see fit based on risk tolerance, asset allocation decisions, and giving time frames. If you prefer a simple yet sophisticated fund of funds, you may recommend investing in our selection of **multi-fund options** and allow Vanguard's seasoned team of investment professionals to set the asset allocation and rebalance the funds daily. Investment options may be combined in any form to craft a portfolio that best suits your charitable needs.

Vanguard Charitable investment options by risk potential²

Conservative

Money Market (0706)
Short-Term Bond (0739)
Gift Preservation (0205)*
Conservative Growth (0718)*
Total Bond (0192)

Moderate

Moderate Growth (0206)*
Total U.S. Stock (0708)
TIFF Multi-Asset Pool (75)
Growth (0207)*
Total Equity (0208)*
Total International Stock (0709)
European Stock (0728)
Pacific Stock (0727)

Aggressive

Emerging Markets Stock (0730)

*Multi-fund investment option

Market Summary as of December 31, 2015

Investment options composed of underlying Vanguard funds

For 2015, the U.S. economy continued its somewhat erratic growth around a 2% rate. After a slow start to the year, real growth accelerated to 3.9% in the second quarter before slowing to 2% in the third quarter. Estimates for the fourth quarter are around 1%. Employment growth remained strong with average monthly gains of 283,000 during the most recent quarter, stronger than the year's 204,000 average. Internationally, Europe and Japan are achieving modest growth, while China continues to slow. Emerging markets are suffering from weaker Chinese demand and sharply falling commodity prices.

The Federal Reserve Board finally raised short-term interest rates by 0.25% in December (the first increase in a decade). Market reaction was muted. Expectations are that the Fed will raise short-term rates several times in 2016, although perhaps not to exceed 1%.

The U.S. bond market fell for the quarter with the 10-year Treasury yield benchmark rising from 2.04% to 2.27%. For the year, yields rose from 2.17% to 2.27%. The U.S. equity market rose during the quarter with the Total Stock Market Index rising 6.3%. For the year, the index gained 0.4%.

TIFF Multi-Asset Pool

TIFF Multi-Asset Pool performance for the quarter was 1.73%, higher than the CPI+5% benchmark (0.76%), but lower than the Constructed Index benchmark (3.55%) and 65/35 Mix benchmark (3.07%).

TIFF Multi-Asset Pool returns are based on the total returns of the underlying investments, net of three components:

- The fund's expenses
- Change in share price
- Reinvestment of dividends and capital gains

Performance

All Vanguard Charitable investment performance returns (with the exception of the TIFF Multi-Asset Pool) reflect the following components:

- Market movement
- Reinvestment of dividends/interest and capital gains
- Deduction of the underlying fund's (or funds') expenses

View the most recent period and average annual returns on the following pages. For past investment performance, visit vanguardcharitable.org/investment_performance.

Investment performance for Standard accounts

Period ending December 31, 2015

Multi-fund investment options³

Underlying mutual funds

Gift Preservation (0205)

Seeks to preserve principal while earning current income through a target allocation of **50% money market** and **50% short-term bonds**.

Expense ratios: 0.10% Standard, 0.09% Select

Total return

Vanguard Short-Term Investment Grade Fund
Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund
Composite benchmark return⁴

Conservative Growth (0718)

Seeks to preserve principal and provide some growth of capital through a target allocation of roughly **40% stocks** and **60% bonds**.

Expense ratios: 0.07% Standard, 0.06% Select

Total return

Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund
Composite benchmark return⁵

Moderate Growth (0206)

Seeks to provide growth of capital and a reasonable level of current income through a target allocation of roughly **55-60% stocks** and **40-45% bonds**.

Expense ratios: 0.17% Standard, 0.13% Select

Total return

Vanguard Balanced Index Fund
Vanguard Wellington™ Fund
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund
Composite benchmark return⁶

Growth (0207)

Seeks to provide growth of capital through a target allocation of **80% stocks** and **20% bonds**.

Expense ratios: 0.08% Standard, 0.06% Select

Total return

Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund
Composite benchmark return⁷

Total Equity (0208)

Seeks to provide growth of capital through a **100% allocation to stocks**.

Expense ratios: 0.08% Standard, 0.07% Select

Total return

Vanguard 500 Index Fund
Vanguard Extended Market Index Fund
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund
Composite benchmark return⁸

Return for period ended 12/31/2015	Average annual returns		
	1-year	5-year	10-year
-0.16%	0.60%	1.10%	2.43%
-0.28	1.13	2.13	3.56
0.05	0.11	0.09	1.44
-0.20	0.54	1.28	2.58
1.85%	0.28%	—%	—%
-0.60	0.40	3.13	4.47
6.26	0.39	12.16	7.51
2.74	-4.26	1.31	—
1.90	0.29	—	—
3.67%	-0.14%	8.42%	6.71%
3.41	0.51	8.71	6.62
4.04	0.06	8.98	7.27
2.74	-4.26	1.31	—
3.99	0.63	8.75	6.64
4.01%	-0.58%	8.71%	6.30%
6.26	0.39	12.16	7.51
-0.60	0.40	3.13	4.47
2.74	-4.26	1.31	—
4.27	-0.45	8.79	6.31
5.18%	-0.98%	9.15%	6.22%
7.04	1.36	12.53	7.30
3.16	-3.27	10.46	7.80
2.74	-4.26	1.31	—
5.46	-0.86	9.32	6.37

Investment performance for Standard accounts

Period ending December 31, 2015

Single fund investment options³

Underlying mutual fund

Money Market (0706)

Seeks to provide current income while maintaining liquidity and a stable share price of \$1. Invests in high-quality money market instruments.

Expense ratios: 0.10% Standard, 0.10% Select

Total return

Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund
Benchmark return⁹

Short-Term Bond (0739)

Seeks current income with limited price volatility and provides exposure to short-term, investment-grade fixed income securities.

Expense ratios: 0.10% Standard, 0.07% Select

Total return

Vanguard Short-Term Investment Grade Fund
Benchmark return¹⁰

Total Bond (0192)

Provides broadly diversified exposure to investment-grade U.S. bond market.

Expense ratios: 0.07% Standard, 0.06% Select

Total return

Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund
Benchmark return¹¹

Total U.S. Stock (0708)

Provides exposure to large-, mid-, and small-cap equity diversified across growth and value styles.

Expense ratios: 0.05% Standard, 0.04% Select

Total return

Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund
Benchmark return¹²

Total International Stock (0709)

Provides broad exposure across developed and emerging non-U.S. equity markets.

Expense ratios: 0.14% Standard, 0.12% Select

Total return

Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund
Benchmark return¹³

European Stock (0728)

Provides exposure to European equity, primarily large- and mid-cap and is diversified across developed markets.

Expense ratios: 0.12% Standard, 0.09% Select

Total return

Vanguard European Stock Index Fund
Benchmark return¹⁴

Pacific Stock (0727)

Provides exposure to Pacific-region common stocks.

Expense ratios: 0.12% Standard, 0.09% Select

Total return

Vanguard Pacific Stock Index Fund
Benchmark return¹⁵

Emerging Markets Stock (0730)

Provides exposure to stock issued by companies located in emerging market countries.

Expense ratios: 0.15% Standard, 0.12% Select

Total return

Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Fund
Benchmark return¹⁶

TIFF Multi-Asset Pool (75)¹⁷

Seeks to achieve a total return (price appreciation plus dividends) that, over a majority of market cycles, exceeds inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index plus 5% per annum.

Expense ratio: 1.71% Select

Total return

TIFF Multi-Asset Fund
Benchmark return: 65/35 Mix
Benchmark return: CPI + 5% per annum
Benchmark return: Constructed Index
The current quarter's return for CPI+5% per annum is estimated¹⁸

Return for period ended 12/31/2015	Average annual returns					
	1-year		5-year		10-year	
0.06%	0.12%	0.09%	—%			
0.05	0.11	0.09	1.44			
0.01	0.01	0.02	1.25			
-0.27%	1.12%	2.11%	—%			
-0.28	1.13	2.13	3.56			
-0.41	1.06	2.55	4.07			
-0.58%	0.40%	3.12%	4.38%			
-0.60	0.40	3.13	4.47			
-0.61	0.44	3.25	4.52			
6.30%	0.41%	12.15%	—%			
6.26	0.39	12.16	7.51			
6.25	0.40	12.18	7.51			
2.73%	-4.20%	1.30%	—%			
2.74	-4.26	1.31	—			
3.61	-4.29	1.43	2.95			
2.22%	-1.83%	—%	—%			
2.19	-1.88	4.17	3.66			
2.80	-2.00	4.18	3.51			
6.87%	2.40%	—%	—%			
6.88	2.43	2.73	2.20			
8.43	2.50	2.97	2.27			
-0.29%	-15.27%	—%	—%			
-0.31	-15.35	-4.80	—			
0.37	-15.40	-4.59	3.55			
	Before ¹⁹	After ¹⁹	Before ¹⁹	After ¹⁹	Before ¹⁹	After ¹⁹
1.73%	-1.72%	-2.72%	4.87%	4.66%	—%	—%
1.73	-1.72	-2.72	4.87	4.66	6.11	6.01
3.07	-1.17	—	5.35	—	5.06	—
0.76	5.90	—	6.63	—	6.95	—
3.55	-2.00	—	3.72	—	4.55	—

¹ Select account status is subject to Vanguard Charitable's approval and is based on account balance, activity, and patterns. Most accounts with balances of more than \$1 million for at least three months are approved for Select status. All other accounts are considered Standard. Admiral and Institutional are share classes at Vanguard. Each share class has varying operating expenses and account minimums, which are reflected in their respective fees.

² The potential for risk can be categorized in levels from 1 to 5. Knowing the risk level you are comfortable with and the length of time you expect to invest can help you select an appropriate fund for your investing needs.

Conservative - Risk level 1 funds are classified as conservative if their share prices are expected to remain stable or to fluctuate only slightly. Such funds may be appropriate for the short-term reserves portion of a long-term investment portfolio, or for investors with short-term investment horizons (three years or less).

Conservative to moderate - Risk level 2 funds classified as conservative to moderate are subject to low-to-moderate fluctuations in share prices. In general, such funds may be appropriate for investors with medium-term investment horizons (four to ten years).

Moderate - Risk level 3 funds classified as moderate are subject to a moderate degree of fluctuation in share prices. In general, such funds may be appropriate for investors who have a relatively long investment horizon (more than five years).

Moderate to aggressive - Risk level 4 funds of this type are broadly diversified but are subject to wide fluctuations in share price because they hold virtually all of their assets in common stocks. These funds may be appropriate for investors who have a long-term investment horizon (ten years or longer).

Aggressive - Risk level 5 funds classified as aggressive are subject to extremely wide fluctuations in share price. These funds may be appropriate for investors who have a long-term investment horizon (ten years or longer). The unusually high volatility associated with these funds may stem from a number of strategies.

³ Select account investment returns are generally higher than the standard returns reported above. Select account returns differ for each account and from Standard returns because administrative costs are progressively lower as account balance increases, and investment costs for Select accounts are also less than or equal to their Standard account equivalents. Standard account expense ratios utilize the Admiral share class of the underlying Vanguard mutual fund when possible. Select account expense ratios utilize the Institutional share class of the underlying Vanguard mutual fund when possible.

⁴ The Gift Preservation benchmark: 50% Institutional Money Market Funds Average and 50% Barclays US 1-5 Year Credit Bond Index.

⁵ The Conservative Growth benchmark: 60% Spliced Barclays US Aggregate Float Adj Index and 40% Spliced Total Stock Market Index until March 31, 2012; 60% Spliced Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index, 30% Spliced Total Stock Market Index, and 10% Spliced Total International Stock Market Index thereafter. **Spliced Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index:** Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009; Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index thereafter. **Spliced Total Stock Market Index:** Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Index through April 22, 2005; MSCI US Broad Market Index through June 2, 2013; and CRSP US Total Market Index thereafter. **Spliced Total International Stock Market Index:** Total International Composite Index through August 31, 2006; MSCI EAFE + Emerging Markets Index through December 15, 2010; MSCI ACWI ex US IMI Index through June 2, 2013; and FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter.

⁶ The Moderate Growth benchmark: 60% Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Index and 40% Barclays Aggregate Bond Index through March 31, 2005; 60% MSCI US Broad Market Index and 40% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009; 60% MSCI US Broad Market Index and 40% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through March 31, 2012; 45% Balanced Composite Index, 45% Wellington Composite Index, and 10% Spliced Total International Stock Index thereafter. **Balanced Composite Index:** Weighted 60% Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market Index (formerly known as the Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Index) and 40% Lehman Brothers U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through May 31, 2005; 60% MSCI US Broad Market Index and 40% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009; 60% MSCI US Broad Market Index and 40% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through January 14, 2013; and 60% CRSP US Total Market Index and 40% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index thereafter. **Wellington Composite Index:** 65% S&P 500 Index and 35% Lehman Long Credit AA or Better Index through February 29, 2000; 65% S&P 500 Index and 35% Barclays Capital Credit A or Better Index thereafter. **Spliced Total International Stock Market Index:** Total International Composite Index through August 31, 2006; MSCI EAFE + Emerging Markets Index through December 15, 2010; MSCI ACWI ex US IMI Index through June 2, 2013; and FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter.

⁷ The Growth benchmark: 80% Wilshire 5000 Index and 20% Lehman Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009; 80% MSCI US Broad Market Index and 20% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through March 31, 2012; 55% Spliced Total Stock Market Index, 20% Spliced Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, and

25% Spliced Total International Stock Market Index thereafter. **Spliced Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index:** Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009; Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index thereafter. **Spliced Total Stock Market Index:** Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Index through April 22, 2005; MSCI US Broad Market Index through June 2, 2013; and CRSP US Total Market Index thereafter. **Spliced Total International Stock Market Index:** Total International Composite Index through August 31, 2006; MSCI EAFE + Emerging Markets Index through December 15, 2010; MSCI ACWI ex US IMI Index through June 2, 2013; and FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter.

⁸ The Total Equity benchmark: 60% S&P 500 Index, 20% Dow Jones Wilshire 4500 Index, 20% Total International Composite Index until August 31, 2006; 60% S&P 500 Index, 20% Dow Jones Wilshire 4500 Index, 20% MSCI EAFE + EM Index until June 30, 2008; 60% S&P 500 Index, 20% Spliced Dow Jones US Completion Index, 20% MSCI EAFE + EM Index until March 31, 2012; 55% S&P 500 Index, 15% S&P Completion Index, 30% Spliced Total International Stock Market Index thereafter. **Spliced Total International Stock Market Index:** Total International Composite Index through August 31, 2006; MSCI EAFE + Emerging Markets Index through December 15, 2010; MSCI ACWI ex US IMI Index through June 2, 2013; and FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter.

⁹ The Money Market benchmark: Inst. Money Market Funds Average.

¹⁰ The Short-Term Bond benchmark: Barclays U.S. 1-5 Year Credit Index since inception.

¹¹ The Total Bond benchmark: Spliced Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index reflects the performance of the Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009; and Barclays U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index thereafter.

¹² Total U.S. Stock benchmark: Total U.S. Stock benchmark: Spliced Total Stock Market Index reflects the performance of the Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Index through April 22, 2005; MSCI US Broad Market Index through June 2, 2013; and CRSP US Total Market Index thereafter.

¹³ Total International Stock benchmark: Spliced Total International Stock Market Index reflects the performance of the Total International Composite Index through August 31, 2006; MSCI EAFE + Emerging Markets Index through December 15, 2010; MSCI ACWI ex US IMI Index through June 2, 2013; and FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter.

¹⁴ The European Stock benchmark: Spliced European Stock Index reflects performance of the MSCI Europe Index through March 26, 2013; FTSE Developed Europe Index through September 30, 2015; and FTSE Developed Europe All Cap Index thereafter.

¹⁵ The Pacific Stock benchmark: Spliced Pacific Stock Index reflects performance of the MSCI Pacific Index through March 26, 2013; FTSE Developed Asia Pacific Index through September 30, 2015; and FTSE Developed Asia Pacific All Cap Index thereafter.

¹⁶ The Emerging Markets Stock benchmark: Spliced Emerging Markets Index reflects performance of the Select Emerging Markets Index through August 23, 2006; MSCI Emerging Markets Index through January 9, 2013; FTSE Emerging Transition Index through June 27, 2013; and FTSE Emerging Index thereafter.

¹⁷ The Select Multi-Asset Pool is generally available to accounts with ongoing balances over \$100,000. Refer to our *Policies and guidelines* booklet for more information.

¹⁸ The underlying fund of the Select Multi-Asset Pool is compared with three benchmarks as follows: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) + 5% per annum, the Constructed Index and the 65/35 Mix.

¹⁹ Total returns denoted "Before" do not reflect the deduction of entry or exit fees. If these fees were included, performance would be affected. Returns denoted as "After" reflect the deduction of the 0.50% entry and exit fees currently levied by the fund on purchases and redemptions. The deduction in question assumes a single purchase at the start of the reporting period and a single redemption at its end, with no intraperiod transactions. The entry and exit fees in question are paid to the fund itself.

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The expense ratios are assessed by the underlying funds and vary based on allocation and account status; Vanguard Charitable does not itself charge investment fees.

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