Tax-Exempt Sustainable

Why Invest in Brown Advisory Tax-Exempt Sustainable?

We seek to deliver attractive after-tax returns by incorporating sustainable investment research that we believe strengths bottom-up, credit-focused research, while seeking to produce positive environmental and social outcomes.

Portfolio Manager/s: Katherine Lee, Steve Shutz, CFA
Benchmark: Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index

Performance % (09/30/2026)

	3 MOS.	YTD.	1 YR.	3 YR.	5 YR.	10 YR.	ITD (09/30/2014)
Tax-Exempt Sustainable Composite (Gross of Fees)	-4.48	-2.70	-1.03	3.42	0.57	1.65	1.84
Tax-Exempt Sustainable Composite (Net of Fees)	-4.56	-2.93	-1.36	3.08	0.24	1.32	1.51
Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index	-5.09	-3.77	-2.41	2.79	0.29	1.56	1.88

Source: FactSet® and Bloomberg®. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Returns shown are through 09/30/2026 for each period. The composite performance shown above reflects the Brown Advisory Tax-Exempt Sustainable Composite, managed by Brown Advisory Institutional. Brown Advisory Institutional is a GIPS compliant firm and is a division of Brown Advisory LLC. Returns greater than one year are annualized. Please see the end of this Fact Sheet for a GIPS Report and a complete list of terms and definitions.

Diversification Themes and Distribution (09/30/2026)



- Affordable Housing 11.0%
- Education 15.3%
- Health & Wellness 11.3%
- Clean Water & Sanitation 8.2%
- Clean Energy 26.0%
- Economic Mobility & Community Development 1.9%
- Efficient Production & Conservation 21.0%
- Cash 1.0%
- Not Applicable 5.0%

DURATION DISTRIBUTION (%) (09/30/2026)

	Tax-Exempt Sustainable Rep. Acct.	Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index
Less than 1 Year	14.0	3.6
1 to 3 Years	15.2	20.4
3 to 5 Years	21.0	22.6
5 to 7 Years	12.2	23.0
7 to 10 Years	31.3	28.4
Greater than 10 Years	6.4	2.0

CREDIT QUALITY COMPOSITION (%) (09/30/2026)

	Tax-Exempt Sustainable Rep. Acct.	Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index
AAA/Aaa	10.3	19.5
AA/Aa	49.6	56.5
A	35.5	20.2
BBB	4.7	3.1
High Yield	--	0.4
Not Rated	--	0.4

Source: FactSet®. The portfolio information is based on a representative Tax-Exempt Sustainable account and is provided as Supplemental Information. Portfolio level information includes cash and cash equivalents. Fixed income sectors, quality distribution and duration distribution may not total 100% due to rounding. Portfolio characteristics are calculated gross of fees unless otherwise noted. *Not Applicable refers to sustainability-related neutral securities. Sustainable investment considerations are one of multiple informational inputs into the investment process, alongside data on traditional financial factors, and so are not the sole driver of decision-making. Sustainable investment analysis may not be performed for every holding in the strategy. Sustainable investment considerations that are material will vary by investment style, sector/industry, market trends and client objectives. The strategy seeks to identify companies that it believes may be desirable based on our analysis of sustainable investment related risks and opportunities, but investors may differ in their views. As a result, the strategy may invest in companies that do not reflect the beliefs and values of any particular investor. The strategy may also invest in companies that would otherwise be excluded from other funds that focus on sustainable investment risks. Security selection will be impacted by the combined focus on sustainable investment research assessments and fundamental research assessments including the return forecasts. The strategy incorporates data from third parties in its research process but does not make investment decisions based on third-party data alone. Strategy AUM calculations exclude Model Account assets.

STRATEGY PROFILE (09/30/2026)

Benchmark Index	Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index
Strategy Assets	$731 million
Vehicles Available	Separately Managed Accounts (SMA) Mutual Fund

CHARACTERISTICS (09/30/2026)

	Tax-Exempt Sustainable Rep. Acct.	Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index
Effective Duration	5.1	5.3
Avg. Life (years)	7.8	7.5
Yield to Worst (%)	4.6	4.5

PORTFOLIO DIVERSIFICATION (09/30/2026)

	Tax-Exempt Sustainable Rep. Acct.	Bloomberg Municipal 1-15 Year Index
Cash & Equivalents	0.6	--
Revenue	84.3	70.7
General Obligation	12.4	27.8
Pre-Refunded	2.7	1.5
Unassigned	--	--

PORTFOLIO MANAGER PROFILES

Katherine Lee
Portfolio Manager
Katherine Lee is a Portfolio Manager and fixed income research analyst
Investment experience dating from 2012; joined Brown Advisory 2018

Stephen M. Shutz, CFA
Portfolio Manager
Steve Shutz is a Portfolio Manager and Head of Municipal Fixed Income
Investment experience dating from 1996; joined Brown Advisory 2003; manager since inception

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Brown Advisory is an independent investment management and strategic advisory firm that offers a wide range of solutions to institutions, corporations, nonprofits, families, and individuals. Our mission is to make a material and positive difference in the lives of our clients. We are committed to delivering client-first investment performance, strategic advice and the highest level of service.

We follow a philosophy that fixed income strategies built from a foundation of stability coupled with fundamental credit research can seek to generate alpha and control risk. We have a culture and firm equity ownership structure that attract and retain professionals who share those beliefs, and we follow a repeatable investment process that helps us stay true to our philosophy.

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Brown Advisory Tax-Exempt Sustainable Composite

Year	Composite Total Gross Returns (%)	Composite Total Net Returns (%)	Benchmark Returns (%)	Composite 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Portfolios in Composite at End of Year	Composite Dispersion (%)	Composite Assets ($USD Millions)*	GIPS Firm Assets ($USD Millions)*
2025	5.0	4.7	5.2	4.2	4.5	61	0.3	657	83,812
2024	2.4	2.1	0.9	5.6	6.0	58	0.3	603	88,323
2023	5.5	5.1	5.3	5.5	5.8	50	0.4	577	78,241
2022	-7.5	-7.8	-5.9	5.1	5.1	42	0.5	488	58,575
2021	2.0	1.7	0.9	3.4	3.2	56	0.7	494	79,715
2020	3.9	3.5	4.7	3.3	3.2	51	0.6	491	59,683
2019	6.4	5.9	6.4	1.8	2.1	27	0.5	206	42,426
2018	1.6	1.3	1.6	2.4	2.9	48	0.2	114	30,529
2017	3.7	3.3	4.3	2.4	2.9	10	0.4	41	33,155
2016	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	N/A	N/A	Five or fewer	N/A	29	30,417

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1. *For the purpose of complying with the GIPS standards, the firm is defined as Brown Advisory Institutional, the Institutional and Balanced Institutional asset management divisions of Brown Advisory. As of July 1, 2016, the firm was redefined to exclude the Brown Advisory Private Client division, due to an evolution of the three distinct business lines.
2. The Tax-Exempt Sustainable Composite (the Composite) is comprised of all discretionary accounts with no material investment restrictions, which invest in tax-exempt fixed income securities of an intermediate target duration, and flexibility to invest in bonds from multiple states. At least 80% of the securities in each portfolio in the Composite will have credit quality ratings of A or better at the time of purchase. The minimum account market value required for Composite inclusion is $2 million, and accounts in the Composite will have an average effective duration between 3.5 and 5.5 years.
3. Bonds in Composite accounts are evaluated according to a variety of considerations including sustainability related risk and opportunities. These inputs are used by the portfolio manager to seek holdings with effective management of sustainability-related risks and or bonds whose uses of proceeds meet the standards of the Green Bond Principles. Sustainability considerations are not used for the purposes of absolute negative screening in Composite accounts.
4. Sustainable investment considerations are one of multiple informational inputs into the investment process, alongside data on traditional financial factors, and so are not the sole driver of decision-making. Sustainable investment analysis may not be performed for every holding in the strategy. Sustainable investment considerations that are material will vary by investment style, sector/industry, market trends and client objectives. The Tax-Exempt Sustainable Strategy ("Strategy") seeks to identify issuers that it believes may be desirable based on our analysis of sustainable investment related risks and opportunities, but investors may differ in their views. As a result, the Strategy may invest in issuers that do not reflect the beliefs and values of any particular investor. The Strategy may also invest in issuers that would otherwise be excluded from other strategies that focus on sustainable investment risks. Security selection will be impacted by the combined focus on sustainable investment research assessments and fundamental research assessments including the return forecasts. The Strategy incorporates data from third parties in its research process but does not make investment decisions based on third-party data alone.
5. The Composite creation date is May 1, 2016. The Composite inception date is October 1, 2014.
6. The current benchmark is the Bloomberg Municipal Bond 1-15 Year Index. The Bloomberg Municipal Bond 1-15 Year Index consists of a broad selection of investment-grade general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, insured bonds (including all insured bonds with a Aaa/AAA rating), and prerefunded bonds with maturities of at least 1 year and less than 15 years. It is an unmanaged index representative of the tax-exempt bond market. "Bloomberg®" and Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index are service marks of Bloomberg Finance L.P. and its affiliates, including Bloomberg Index Services Limited ("BISL"), the administrator of the index (collectively, "Bloomberg") and have been licensed for use for certain purposes by Brown Advisory Institutional. Bloomberg is not affiliated with Brown Advisory Institutional, and Bloomberg does not approve, endorse, review, or recommend the Composite. Bloomberg does not guarantee the timeliness, accurateness, or completeness of any data or information relating to the Composite. An investor cannot invest directly into an index. Benchmark returns are not covered by the report of the independent verifiers.
7. As of May 31, 2025, the Composite benchmark was changed from the Bloomberg Municipal 1 – 10 Year Blend Index to the Bloomberg Municipal 1 – 15 Year Index. The change was applied retroactively from the Composite inception date. The Advisor determined that the 15 Year index was a more applicable comparison to the way portfolio managers invest the strategy and thereby provide more relevant data to shareholders and prospects as well as comparisons to competitors.
8. The composite dispersion presented is an equal-weighted standard deviation of portfolio gross returns calculated for the accounts in the Composite for the entire calendar year period. The composite dispersion is not applicable (N/A) for periods where there were five or fewer accounts in the Composite for the entire period.
9. Gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before management fees but after all trading commissions, and gross of foreign withholding taxes (if applicable). Net-of-fees performance returns are calculated by adjusting the gross-of-fees performance return by the highest fee for the institutional strategy as outlined in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV, applied on a monthly basis. Certain accounts in the Composite may pay asset-based custody fees that include commissions. For these accounts, gross returns are also net of custody fees. Other expenses can reduce returns to investors. The standard management fee schedule is as follows: 0.325% on the first $10 million; 0.30% on the next $15 million; and 0.25% on the balance over $25 million. Further information regarding investment advisory fees is described in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV. Actual fees paid by accounts in the Composite may differ from the current fee schedule.
10. Effective July 1, 2023, the firm transitioned from using actual account fees in the calculation of net performance returns to applying the highest fee for the institutional strategy as outlined in Part 2A of the firm's Form ADV. The net performance track record was revised back to Composite inception.
11. The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the Composite (using gross returns) and the benchmark for the 36-month period ended on December 31. The 3-year annualized standard deviation is not presented as of December 31, 2016, because 36 month returns for the Composite were not available (N/A).
12. Valuations and performance returns are computed and stated in U.S. Dollars. All returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings.
13. Portfolios in the Composite do not make material use of derivative securities.
14. Duration is a measure of interest rate risk.
15. A complete list of composite descriptions and broad distribution and limited distribution pooled funds is available upon request.
16. Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports are available upon request.
17. Past performance is not indicative of future results.
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